

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

LOCAL COMMITTEE (EPSOM & EWELL)

DATE: 5 OCTOBER 2020



LEAD OFFICER: PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE OFFICER

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO EPSOM & EWELL COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

DIVISION: ALL

SUMMARY OF ISSUE:

This report seeks the approval of Local Committee to the appointment of a Surrey County Council member of the Committee to the Epsom & Ewell Community Safety Committee, which is being established in place of the East Surrey Community Safety Partnership to which the Committee previously made an appointment.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Local Committee (Epsom & Ewell) is asked to agree:

The appointment to the Epsom & Ewell Community Safety Partnership, as detailed below and in annex 1 of this report.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

The appointment of councillors of the Local Committee to external bodies enables the committee's representation on and input to such bodies

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 Representation on external bodies is reviewed and agreed by local committee members annually. The Committee is requested to make an appointment to the new Epsom & Ewell Community Safety Partnership, as detailed below. The proposed membership and terms of reference are contained in Annex 1 of this report.

2. ANALYSIS:

- 2.1 Epsom & Ewell was previously part of the East Surrey Community Safety Partnership [ECSP] with Mole Valley, Reigate & Banstead and Tandridge. This group has now been discontinued and each authority is establishing their own Partnership.

CSPs are a statutory requirement under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 which established the principle that tackling crime should be a partnership matter and not solely the responsibility of the Police. They are required to work in partnership with a range of other local public, private, community and

voluntary groups, and with the community itself. This approach recognises that opportunities to address the causes of crime and disorder and pursue the interventions required to deliver safe and secure communities lie with a range of organisations, groups and individuals working in partnership.

Bernie Muir was appointed as lead County Councillor for the ECSP for 2019-2020.

Epsom & Ewell Borough Council has now requested the Committee to appoint a County Council member of the Local Committee to its new Community Safety Partnership for 2020/21. The draft terms of reference and suggested membership are attached at Annex 1.

3. OPTIONS:

- 3.1 The committee can either make the appointments to external bodies, as set out within the report, or amend these appointments.

4. CONSULTATIONS:

- 4.1 Local committee member views are being sought on the nominations for representatives on external bodies.

5. FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS:

- 5.1 None.

6. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS:

- 6.1 There are no direct equalities or diversity implications. However, through its membership of external bodies, the County Council can help to ensure that local services are accessible to harder to reach groups.

7. LOCALISM:

- 7.1 Representation on external bodies allows local councillors to consider, recommend and influence policies and services in response to local residents' needs.

8. OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Area assessed:	Direct Implications:
Crime and Disorder	Set out below
Sustainability (including Climate Change and Carbon Emissions)	No significant implications.
Corporate Parenting/Looked After Children	No significant implications.
Safeguarding responsibilities for vulnerable children and adults	No significant implications.
Public Health	No significant implications

8.1 Crime and Disorder implications

The county council's membership of local CSPs helps ensure the achievement of its community safety priorities.

9. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 9.1 The Committee is asked to consider the appointment of a County Councillor to the Epsom & Ewell Community Safety Partnership.

10. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

The Epsom & Ewell Community Safety Partnership will be notified of the name of the member appointed.

Contact Officer:

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Consulted:

Local committee members.

Annexes:

Annex 1 – Draft terms of reference

Sources/background papers:

Not applicable.

SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE (EPSOM & EWELL)**Annex 1****Epsom & Ewell Community Safety Partnership
Draft Terms of Reference****Purpose and role**

The Epsom and Ewell Community Safety Partnership is a multi-agency strategic group established as part of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The Act gave local agencies shared responsibility for developing plans to reduce crime and disorder in their area. This partnership approach is built on the premise that no single agency can deal with, or be responsible for dealing with, complex community safety issues, and that these issues can be addressed more effectively and efficiently through working in partnership.

Agencies represented:

- Surrey Police
- Borough Council
- County Council
- Business Improvement District (BID)
- Clinical Commissioning Group
- Probation Service
- Surrey Fire Service
- Main Registered Housing Provider (Housing Association)
- Voluntary Sector representatives

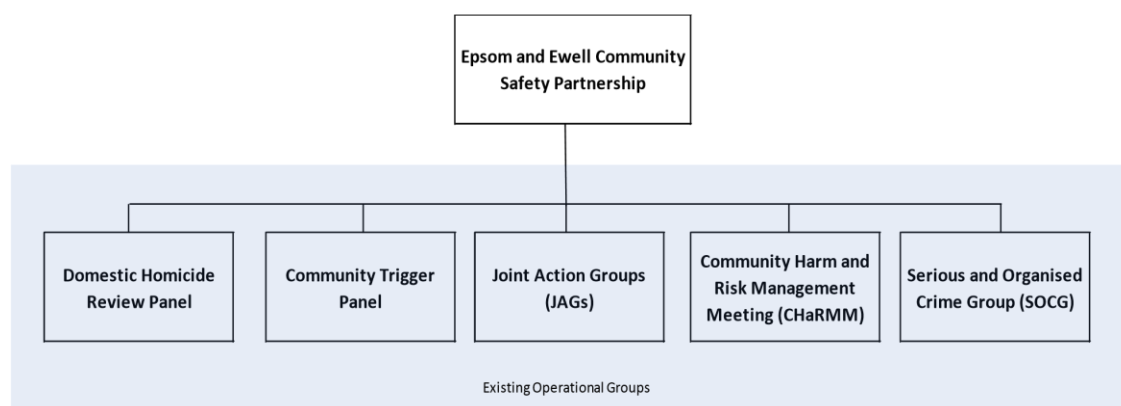
Terms of Reference:

1. To develop and oversee implementation of the annual Partnership Community Safety Action Plan;
2. Keep an overview of crime and anti-social behaviour levels across the borough and provide strategic direction where appropriate;
3. Identify and bid for external sources of funding when available;
4. Maintain contact and influence with the new countywide combined Community Safety and Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board (CSB) related working groups and Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC);
5. Promote the role of partners in preventing and tackling crime in the local area;
6. Ensure compliance with all statutory Community Safety Partnership (CSP) responsibilities and keep abreast of emerging national, county or local changes to policy or legislation affecting the Partnership;

7. Oversee use and implementation of relevant powers, e.g. those relating to the Anti Social Behaviour (ASB), Crime and Policing Act 2014;
8. Receive updates and provide strategic overview on the work of the Joint Action Group (JAG), and the Community Harm & Risk Management Meeting (ChaRMM);
9. Carry out the Partnerships statutory responsibility to initiate a Domestic Homicide Review by identifying a chair and administrative support to establish a Panel when appropriate. To manage the process, approve the Domestic Homicide Review report and action plan and monitor its implementation to ensure outcomes are met;
10. Keep an overview of Community Trigger applications and form a Panel to assess and monitor applications when necessary, and implement any recommendations arising from this;
11. Lead on the strategic co-ordination of activity to tackle Serious Organised Crime (SOC) activity to disrupt local Organised Crime Groups;
12. Take a leading role in tackling domestic abuse, promoting intelligence sharing between partners, tackling extremist views and delivering the Prevent agenda.

Governance Structure

The structure of the Partnership has been designed to ensure the delivery of the Partnership's Priorities.



Frequency of meetings

The Partnership will meet at least 6 monthly or more frequently if required.

Membership:

Chief Operating Officer (Chair)	Epsom & Ewell Borough Council
Borough Police Commander (Vice Chair)	Surrey Police

Chairman/Chair of Environment and Safe Communities Committee	Epsom and Ewell Borough Council
Surrey County Council Member rep nominated by the Local Committee	Surrey County Council
Head of Housing and Community	Epsom & Ewell Borough Council
Representative	Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
Representative	Surrey Fire & Rescue Service
Officer representative	Surrey County Council
Representative	Surrey Downs Clinical Commissioning Group
Representative	National Probation Service
Director	Rosebery Housing Association
BID Manager	Epsom Business Improvement District (BID)
Representatives	Voluntary Sector eg Victim Support

Secretariat - Environmental Health Manger / Community Safety Officer

Reporting requirements and scrutiny of the Partnership

The Community Safety Partnership will publish an annual report setting out relevant data on crime in the local area, and partnership priorities for the year ahead. The Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee of Epsom & Ewell Council have a statutory responsibility for the scrutiny of the Partnership's priorities and activities on an annual basis.