



WOKING JOINT COMMITTEE

DATE: 11 November 2020

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WOKING BOROUGH COUNCIL

SUBJECT: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SAFER WOKING PARTNERSHIP
2019-20

AREA: WOKING

SUMMARY OF ISSUE:

To provide an update on the activity and impact of the Safer Woking Partnership in the year 2019/20, and to report on community safety budget spend.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Woking Joint Committee is asked to agree:

- (i) Note the contents of the report and progress made in 2019/20
- (ii) Note the community safety budget spend during 2019/20 (Annex 3)
- (iii) Note that the Community Safety Task Group receives updates on the project(s) funded, on behalf of the committee and provides information on those projects in the quarterly community safety reports circulated to councillors.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

This report is provided for information and comment. The Safer Woking Partnership Plan is available on the Woking Borough Council website. In order to ensure the timely publication of the next plan, authority to sign the document off on behalf of the committee is delegated to the Chief Executive (Woking Borough Council) in consultation with the Community Safety Task Group.

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 The 1998 Crime and Disorder Act gave local agencies shared responsibility for developing and introducing strategies to reduce crime and disorder in their area. The agencies come together as the Community Safety Partnership (CSP), known locally as the Safer Woking Partnership. Statutory members include:
- Surrey Police
 - Woking Borough Council
 - Surrey County Council
 - Surrey Fire and Rescue Service
 - Probation
 - Health
- 1.2 This report highlights the key actions taken over the previous year to implement the aims and priorities of the Safer Woking Partnership Plan and associated spend from the community safety joint budget.

County Community Safety Board and Health and Wellbeing Board

- 1.3 In two tier authority areas such as Surrey, there is a requirement to have a county-level strategy group to add value and co-ordinate county-wide activity on common themes. In Surrey, until recently the multi-agency Community Safety Board (CSB) fulfilled this role and was chaired by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey.

Earlier this year it was agreed that the Community Safety Board would merge with the Health and Wellbeing Board. This will help services to intervene early to address the common factors that bring people into contact with the police and criminal justice system and lead to poor health. The aim is to improve public safety, prevent offending and reoffending, reduce crime and help to improve outcomes for individuals and the wider community.

Police and Crime Commissioner

- 1.4 Following his election in May 2016, David Munro is the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Surrey. He is responsible for overseeing the work of Surrey Police, holding the Chief Constable to account and helping to tackle the crime issues.
- 1.5 The PCC has overall responsibility for reducing crime and disorder, working with CSPs and criminal justice partners to achieve their objectives. The PCC is able to call CSP chairmen to meetings, request reports and commission services. From April 2013 the Community Safety Fund was transferred to the PCC to support this change of arrangements.
- 1.6 Further information on the PCC is available via <http://www.surrey-pcc.gov.uk>
- 1.7 Prior to 2016, the joint committee had historically chosen to passport its delegated community safety funding to the local Community Safety

Partnership (CSP) to assist in their efforts to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour on behalf of residents.

2. ANALYSIS:

2.1 The Safer Woking Partnership undertakes an annual strategic assessment of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the borough. This informed an update to the Safer Woking Partnership Plan which identifies the key community safety priorities for 2020/23. The plan was drafted and due to go to both the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Community Safety Task Group in March 2020 but due to Covid-19 these were both cancelled. It was agreed that we would work to the previous plan, 2019/22, as it is a 3 year rolling plan, but acknowledging that some of the usual agreed activities could not go ahead, for example the Domestic Abuse Awareness Week in June 2020.

Crime

2.2 Surrey Police aims to keep Surrey communities' safe and ensuring that they feel safe. This includes ensuring that we protect the most vulnerable in our communities, pursuing criminals and preventing/detecting crime.

Overall, criminal offences have reduced by 2.9% in Woking which is fantastic and a momentum in reduction of crime we are keen to continue.

For overall crime statistics please see the below table.

Borough Level									
FYtD: Apr-2019 to MAR-2020									
Woking									
Crime Category	Crime			Positive Outcomes					
				Volume		Rate			
	Last Year	This Year	Δ	Last Year	This Year	Δ	Last Year	This Year	Δ
Criminal damage	923	775	↓	97	46	↓	10.5	5.9	↓
Domestic burglary	387	318	↓	27	22	↓	7	6.9	↓
Drug offences	350	229	↓	269	199	↓	76.9	86.9	↓
Fraud and forgery	24	20	↓	15	6	↓	62.5	30	↓
Non-domestic burglary	107	106	↓	5	10	↑	4.7	9.4	↑
Other criminal offences	217	228	↑	74	64	↓	34.1	28.1	↓
Other sexual offences	44	46	↑	5	5	-	11.4	10.9	↓
Robbery	42	55	↑	4	6	↑	9.5	10.9	↑
Serious sexual	235	219	↓	7	11	↑	3	5	↑
Theft (other than vehicle) & handling stolen goods	1472	1361	↓	152	142	↓	10.3	10.4	↑
Vehicle crime (excluding interference)	362	454	↑	10	19	↑	2.8	4.2	↑
Vehicle interference and tampering	78	102	↑	0	7	↑	0	6.9	↑
Violence with injury	794	715	↓	161	111	↓	20.3	15.5	↓
Violence without injury	2286	2484	↑	355	263	↓	15.5	10.6	↓
TNO	7321	7112	↓	1181	911	↓	16.1	12.8	↓

Domestic Abuse

- 2.3 However there has been an increase of 11.2% of domestic crimes in Woking which is obviously concerning but also a positive where victims feel confident to report to police. Domestic abuse continues to be a significant focus for Surrey Police, with sustained effort in encouraging reporting and recording of crime as well as ensuring that all victims and suspects receive a detailed and thorough investigation. Domestic incidents are risk assessed to understand what risk they pose and depending on these risk factors an appropriately trained investigator is assigned.

Surrey Police work with a number of partner agencies in their pursuance of offenders and support for the victims of this crime. Surrey Police also use significant legislation such as domestic violence protection notices/orders where this allows courts to be able to protect victims further. A domestic violence protection order can prevent a perpetrator from returning to a residence and from having contact with the victim for up to 28 days for example.

Woking Police are still utilising the skills of PCSOs to support victims of domestic abuse when incidents have occurred with the aim of providing safeguarding and reassurance. This service can also signpost professional partners who can offer long term prevention and support past the investigation stage.

Sexual Offences

- 2.4 There has been a reduction of serious sexual offences being reported to Woking Police, this has been a decrease of 7.7% during this time. These statistics include domestic and non-recent sexual offences. The level of public place sexual offending remains low and these offences are dealt with robustly by police. However we continue to see offences of indecent exposure along the canal path and Woking Police continue to investigate these offences and pursue these offenders.

Hate Crime

- 2.5 There has been a reduction in Hate Crime across Woking with a 2.2% decrease during this period. This decrease has included a reduction in racially motivated (6%) and disability motivated crime types. There has been an increase in both homophobic and faith motivated offences. This is an area of crime where victims often feel targeted, often by different offenders. Woking Police will continue to raise awareness and education of hate crime and its impact on victims, as well as targeting the offenders.

Domestic Burglary

- 2.6 Surrey Police continue to recognise the impact that residential burglaries can have on our community. During this period there has been a 17.8% decrease in domestic burglary.

Surrey Police continue to focus on both crime prevention and dealing with offenders via intelligence gathering, analysis, proactive detection and disruption. Woking Police are using new evidenced based tactics to be able to prevent burglaries from happening and deter offenders from our communities. A problem solving approach will be taken to support those communities which are most vulnerable.

Summary

- 2.7 Woking Police monitor and analyse numerous crime types and trends, highlighting adults, young people, locations and crime themes which need our attention to ensure our communities are safe and feel safe. Woking Police work with partners on a daily basis to ensure that a joined up approach is used to tackle these problems as we recognise that long term prevention cannot be achieved on our own.

There are a number of methods in which our community can report crimes or incidents, via 999 in an emergency, 101, online or through our social media channels. Follow all our current activity on our social media channels, search @WokingBeat on Facebook or Twitter.

Partnership success in 2019/20

Joint Action Group

- 2.9 The Joint Action Group (JAG) examines reports of antisocial behaviour (ASB) on a geographic or crime type basis and, using a problem solving approach, identifies partnership actions to address the various issues or concerns. Over the past year there have been 5 locations nominated to the JAG agenda, a decrease of one compared to the previous year. A range of interventions were put in place including increased police patrols, dispersal orders, crime prevention assessments, environmental visual audits, repairs to lighting and fencing, thinning of undergrowth and use of mobile CCTV units.

Some garages in Westfield were nominated to JAG due to violent crime, domestic abuse, child sexual exploitation, substance misuse and burglary. Many of the neighbours were feeling threatened and intimidated and were living in fear. The garages had been broken into by drug users and were filled with drug paraphernalia. The area was filled with fly tips and was generally neglected. Geographically it was located near a school and public park. Tenancy work was undertaken in the area. One person was moved out of the area. Another property was deep cleaned. The tenant of another property was served with a notice to quit and work was undertaken to evict the person for ASB and rent arrears. The garages which could not be demolished were boarded up. The fly tips were removed. A Designing Out Crime Report was undertaken. There were alleged reports of 'cuckooing' in one of the properties, where drug dealers target someone vulnerable and use their property for dealing. This was impacting on further properties and bringing drug dealers and users into the area. Once this ceased reports of ASB in the area declined significantly and therefore the area was discharged from the JAG.

Some flats and shops in Maybury were nominated to the JAG due to substance misuse, drugs and alcohol. The situation had been on-going for over a year. The

perpetrator and his associates would sit on the stairs at the entry to the flats smoking cannabis and drinking alcohol. An EVA (Environmental Visual Audit) was undertaken by Woking BC staff and police. Improvements were made to the car park area including adding lighting, yellow paint on the stairs, regular rubbish/fly tip clearance and increased patrol by PCSOs. A DOCO (Designing Out Crime) report was used to inform work that was undertaken on one of the addresses. A new door, new lighting and film on the window was recommended and carried out to improve safety and security. A light was installed at the back of the building and left on all the time. The main perpetrator was given a custodial sentence. Due to the overall improvement in the area it was discharged from the JAG.

Community Harm & Risk Management Meeting (CHaRMM)

2.10 The Community Harm and Risk Management Meeting (CHaRMM) focuses on individuals whose behaviour is having a negative impact on the community and engaging in antisocial behaviour. The CHaRMM also welcomes nominations from agencies for victims who are at risk from antisocial behaviour from others or who are vulnerable for various reasons.

During the year to March 2019/20 there were 36 nominations to the agenda throughout the year showing an increase of 10 from the previous year. Interventions used included warning letters, Acceptable Behaviour Contracts, housing related enforcement, referrals to support agencies, mediation, diversionary activities and incentives.

A woman with learning difficulties was nominated to the CHaRMM. In addition, she has some serious health issues which makes it difficult for her to make decisions and compromises her judgement. She struggles to speak to people so avoids leaving the house. She came to police attention on 21 occasions during 2019. These included 10 vulnerable adult reports, 2 rape/sexual offences and 3 violent domestics.

There was a real and quantifiable risk to her from her previous associations with violent males who she had begun to associate with again. These associations highlighted her difficulties with poor decision making and put her at risk. On police attendance in July the front security door to the block of flats was open and could not be secured meaning the only protection she had was an extremely flimsy front door with a poor Yale lock.

A multi-agency meeting took place, Adult Social Care and a PC from Surrey Police undertook a joint visit following the meeting. The woman was prostituting herself to raise money to fund her drug usage, so she was encouraged to accept an appointment from iAccess to help her with her drug dependency. She was also encouraged to contact the Women's Support Centre, where she undertook an assessment and was offered support. She contacted New Vision Homes to register for a possible housing exchange. The woman later contacted Bridgewell House, the local mental health team, for an appointment. After these various interventions she felt more positive and the police reported there had been no more reports from her or about her, so she was discharged from the CHaRMM.

Domestic Abuse

- 2.11 Domestic Abuse outreach continues to be provided by Your Sanctuary, who received 269 referrals for Woking over the past year. Throughout the year there has been a number of domestic abuse awareness raising activities with local and Surrey wide campaigns.

A very successful Domestic Abuse Awareness Week took place the week of 11th to 15th June. There was a stand in Wolsey Place shopping centre all week with awareness raising materials on offer and on 12th June it was staffed by Safer Woking Partnership partners, plus volunteers from other agencies, and awareness raising materials were distributed. One evening commuters were offered awareness raising materials at Woking train station. In total 1460 items of awareness raising materials were given out, including from the Centres for the Community, Woking Leisure Centre, Sure Start Children's Centres and Woking CAB to give to their clients. There was an article about domestic abuse in the Woking magazine, articles in the local press, posters throughout the borough highlighting the helpline for victims of domestic abuse and a three week Eagle Radio campaign. There was a window display in Commercial Way in an empty shop highlighting awareness of domestic abuse and offering information on support available and helpline numbers. See Annex 1 for Activity Summary.

During August we highlighted the Pride in Surrey campaign and added the Pride rainbow to the window display in Commercial Way.

In addition, we ran a comprehensive White Ribbon campaign from 25 November 2019 to promote awareness of the international campaign and into December for the sixteen days of action. This included the distribution of collateral resources, such as leaflets and posters, the use of a shop window to promote the campaign with information and signposting and social media. Part of the plan was to increase the number of men in Woking who become White Ribbon Ambassadors, targeting the public sector and some local businesses. This included working closely with Woking Football Club, using their team as a positive male influence, attending two home games to promote the campaign and benefitting from their social media reach. See Annex 2 for Activity Summary.

Woking Street Angels

- 2.12 In February 2020 Woking Street Angels celebrated its ninth successful year in Woking. There continues to be ongoing recruitment and training for their dedicated volunteers. Teams are out in Woking Town Centre every Friday and Saturday night offering support to individuals who are unwell or needing help, usually after consuming alcohol. Between April 2019 and March 2020 the Street Angels gave out 73 blankets, 255 pairs of flip flops, cleared up 3805 bottles or cans and assisted 466 people. All this good work contributes to reducing crime and disorder, making the town centre safer and improving the night time economy.

Coram Life Education Centres (LEC)

2.13 Over the three school terms to March 2020, Coram Life Education Centres (LEC) continued to visit primary schools in Woking. They visited 19 schools in total, which involved 47 days in schools and educated about 5406 pupils. The programme delivery that takes place in the mobile classroom covers drug and health education that increases children's knowledge about the human body and develops social skills and attitudes that support a positive, healthy life style.

With Relationships Education and Health Education becoming statutory from 2020, SCARF (Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship) the new on-line resources that are now part of the mobile classroom visit can help to form a scheme of work that can be used to support schools work around PSHE and Emotional Health and Wellbeing. Feedback has been very positive with staff saying that they are relevant, easy to use and a fantastic way to help them cover health and wellbeing issues in the classroom.

Junior Citizen

2.14 March 2020 saw another highly successful Junior Citizen, which is a very popular event with the local primary schools. This year the event was due to run from 9th March to 27th March for year 6 students from Woking primary schools but due to Covid-19 the event was cut short and ran for the first week only. In total 517 out of the 1325 Year 6 children due to attend were still able to take part in the event that included workshops relating to Stranger Danger, Healthy Eating, Railway Safety, Water Safety, Fire Safety and Being a Good Neighbour. Following the event 1325 work books were delivered to schools in the borough so every Year 6 child received their own workbook to work through. We are grateful for funding from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, McLaren and Woking Borough Council for funding the workbooks and to Woking Football Club for allowing us to run the event from the club grounds.

Women's Support Centre Surrey (WSC)

2.15 The Women's Support Centre (WSC) had another successful year with 414 referrals and good attendance at drop-ins and workshop events. The Centre offers a safe and homely space for women in which to access gender-specialist support services and is devoted to creating a community and a creative space as well as support services.

The Women's Support Centre is a 'one-stop-shop' offering group work, one-to-one and counselling, supporting women around:

- Domestic violence/sexual abuse
- Mental health
- Substance misuse and alcohol addiction
- Debt or money issues
- Parenting support
- Housing and homelessness
- Education and employment
- General emotional well-being and physical well-being

Generic service

The generic service received 115 referrals over the whole year.

At one of the weekly drop-in sessions during quarter 4 women were asked to complete the sentence, "My women's centre gave me..." One woman responded, "warmth, strength, hope, belonging and worth when I had none." Following the first on-line drop in session at the end of March women who attended described it as a "lifeline" and said they were "happy to see each other and feel connected".

Counselling services

Over the year 63 women were referred to the counselling service. During the year 16 women completed courses of counselling, receiving an average of 22 sessions each, with 5 women utilising the full set of 26 counselling sessions offered. There are currently four volunteer counsellors providing 10 sessions of counselling a week, with a view to more volunteer counsellors starting soon.

Some of the feedback received by counsellors included:

- *I always feel so much lighter when I walk out of here, it's just so good to be able to just talk.*
- *I feel healed... I know I have a long way to go but I feel like I can do it now.*
- *After our session [exploring alternative ways to express emotion/fear of rejection], I went home and apologised and they apologised too, normally I wouldn't do that and just end up drinking but I didn't.*
- *Being able to sit with my emotions and know what are mine I have connected with my kids more, it is lovely...one of my kids came up to me and said they love being with me like I am now.*

Women's Support Centre Case Studies

Checkpoint Plus

Annalise* was referred to Checkpoint Plus as a result of a fraud offence. Annalise had impersonated a police officer on the phone, aiming to get more information about her abusive ex-partner whom she was taking to court for the domestic abuse offences he perpetrated against her. She had a long-term morphine prescription because of her severe and enduring physical health problem. This was a motivating factor in Annalise's offence.

Daily pain management was one of Annalise's needs and at the time of her intervention Annalise was off work due to needing to recover from her recent spinal surgery. Annalise was temporarily living with her mother because she lost her housing when she decided to leave her ex-partner, and their relationship was not positive either. Her son was a protective factor and he supported Annalise in completing the intervention by taking her to appointments since she had decreased mobility. Throughout her intervention she engaged positively with her Case Worker.

Annalise completed an offence consequences and victim empathy session with a female police officer. She showed significant awareness of the impact her offence had on Surrey Police. Annalise reflected about the potential consequences her offence could have had on individual officers, had she not used a fabricated police officer name.

Sessions included work on healthy relationships, emotional management and self-care. Annalise undertook a process of restorative justice, including an apology letter addressed to the woman she called to find out information about her ex-partner. She found that the apology letter allowed her to reflect and provide reassurance to her victim, who had reportedly suffered a decrease in trust in the police as a result of Annalise's actions.

As part of her intervention, Annalise disclosed past experiences of domestic violence. Her Case Worker was able to safely explore the abuse with her and signpost her to reading material to support her recovery. This motivated Annalise to find out about more about support and she engaged with the Freedom Programme, a specialist group work programme for survivors of domestic abuse, which is run at the Women's Support Centre.

Substance Misuse

Jane* is 26 and was referred to the WSC in November 2018. Jane was in treatment for alcohol misuse and struggling to manage her emotions, particularly anger. She had a Common Assault charge and was referred to the Centre by probation services. Jane also used cocaine and cannabis. Jane is a single parent and has one young son. He has had involvement with Children's Services over the years.

Jane experienced severe neglect and abuse during her childhood, growing up with a mother who was addicted to heroin. She has lived in the Woking area all her life and has many negative associations to others in the area.

Jane found it difficult to engage with the WSC initially, mainly due to her difficulty in trusting services and concerns about meeting up with people with whom she has history in the area. She initially attended SMART group and also the drop in. Jane's confidence has built steadily and she is a popular and regular attender of these groups. As well as providing appropriate support to other women on the groups, Jane is a good role model and her positivity about her challenges and honesty is an example to others. Jane also attends the Watts Gallery Arts for All project.

Jane felt ready to engage in 1-1 counselling and completed 26 weeks of counselling in 2019. She has asked to be put back on the waiting list so she can receive further counselling at the Centre as she found this extremely useful in helping her to move forward.

Jane has now been sober for three months, the longest she has ever been without having a drink. This is a huge achievement for her as she recognizes that she used alcohol to deal with difficult feelings. Jane is better able to reflect on her behaviour and process and manage difficult emotions.

She also attends AA for extra support and says that she would not have felt confident to do this before attending SMART.

Jane's son is no longer on a plan and she is able to engage assertively and positively with professionals in her interactions with school staff and social workers.

*Names changed to protect identity

The Art Awards

2.16 These successful annual awards took place in September 2019 with a gala launch at The Lightbox. The theme was 'Journey Within'. It exhibited for four weeks there before touring the county at various galleries and libraries.

This year's Art Awards are already being shown at The Lightbox, with submissions from the community workshops and the prisons. The theme this year is 'Looking Through a Different Lens'. The virtual launch evening at The Lightbox was on Tuesday 20th October 2020 and was well received with some lovely feedback. The exhibition offers a great opportunity to celebrate the talent of these women which can be seen at The Lightbox until 29 November or, new this year, visit the virtual gallery via The Lightbox website: <https://www.thelightbox.org.uk/womens-support-centre-awards-2020>.

Joint Committee Community Safety Fund

2.17 In previous years, the committee has awarded a potential £3,000 towards each CSP from the Community Safety Fund and the CSP bid for how it wished to spend this, which had to be agreed. However this year, 2020/21, it was proposed and agreed that this fund countywide would be used to support more capacity for those experiencing domestic abuse.

2.18 Earlier this year it was acknowledged that measures introduced to control the spread of Covid-19 were having a serious impact on the lives of people experiencing domestic abuse. There was an assessment done which suggested that we would see an increase in referrals to both outreach and refuges as lockdown lifted. In anticipation, it was proposed that the Community Safety Fund be used to build the capacity of the Domestic Abuse providers, provide additional refuge spaces and create a new initiative to place specialist Independent Domestic Violence Advisors (IDVAs) in local hospital A&E departments.

3. OPTIONS:

- 3.1 The report sets out a number of actions and initiatives which have taken place over the past year to address priorities identified within the Safer Woking Partnership Plan.
- 3.2 It also sets out the community safety budget spend (Annex 3) in relation to implementing the Safer Woking Partnership Plan.

4. CONSULTATIONS:

- 4.1 Usually the Safer Woking Partnership Plan is considered by the Woking Borough Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee in March each year and by the Community Safety Task Group of the Woking Joint Committee. However this year, due to Covid-19, both meetings were cancelled.

5. FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS:

- 5.1.1 In 2019/20 £3000 was received by the community safety partnership from the Joint Committee for community safety work in the borough. This was used in support of:
- A residential weekend for Twister members, a LGBTQ+ youth group, with hate crime and wellbeing workshops
 - Attendance at a LGBTQ+ Conference for professionals, providing the skills to raise awareness around hate crime and wellbeing
 - Child Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Health resources for workshops within youth projects. The resources included booklets, posters and flyers to raise awareness and provide information for professionals and young people to support them.
 - Contribution to the White Ribbon awareness campaign.
- 5.1.2 In addition to this, Woking Borough Council allocated a further £2,000 which helped to fund partnership interventions for the JAG, such as the provision of mobile CCTV, and awareness raising around anti-social behaviour.
- 5.2 The domestic abuse outreach service provided locally by Your Sanctuary is funded by Surrey Police, the Surrey Police and Crime Commissioner and Surrey County Council. In addition, Woking Borough Council also provides them with a grant.
- 5.3 The costs of the recommendations in this report are contained within existing revenue budgets. Early scrutiny of proposed projects by the Community Safety Task Group will help to achieve better value for money for the Committee's funding.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT:

- 6.1 There are no risks associated with this report.

7. LOCALISM:

- 7.1 The Safer Woking Partnership aims to make all communities in the borough a safe and pleasant place to live. Where issues arise, the partners work together, with residents as appropriate, to address them.
- 7.2 The proposals contained in this report will enable the community safety task group to submit projects that support the County Council's strategic goal that 'residents in Surrey experience public services that are easy to use, responsive and value for money'.

8. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS:

- 8.1 Multi agency funding is provided countywide for a domestic abuse outreach service which is provided and managed by Surrey County Council's Community Safety Team.
- 8.2 Surrey Police has a minicom number - 01483 53 99 99.
- 8.3 Surrey Police uses Pegasus – a free scheme for people who can find it hard to contact them. They provide a card to the individual with a PIN and record all relevant information for them. This can also be accessed by Surrey Fire and Rescue Service and South East Coast Ambulance Service.
- 8.4 Incidents of hate crime are monitored carefully by Surrey Police.
- 8.5 Woking Borough Council offers 'Type Talk' to the deaf community, enabling them to contact us via a bureau who type our responses to the resident's queries.

9. OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Area assessed:	Direct Implications:
Crime and Disorder	Set out below
Sustainability (including Climate Change and Carbon Emissions)	No significant implications arising from this report/ Set out below. <i>(delete as appropriate)</i>
Corporate Parenting/Looked After Children	No significant implications arising from this report/ Set out below. <i>(delete as appropriate)</i>
Safeguarding responsibilities for vulnerable children and adults	No significant implications arising from this report/ Set out below. <i>(delete as appropriate)</i>
Public Health	No significant implications arising from this report/ Set out below. <i>(delete as appropriate)</i>
Human Resource/Training and Development	No significant implications arising from this report/ Set out below. <i>(delete as appropriate)</i>

Crime and Disorder implications

- 9.1 The production of a strategic assessment and the publication of the annual Partnership Plan fulfil statutory requirements of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

10. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 10.1 Note the contents of the report and the progress made in 2019/20.
- 10.2 Note the budget spend during 2019/20 (Annex 3)

- 10.3 The Committee receives information on funded projects in the quarterly community safety reports circulated to councillors.

11. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

- 11.1 Partners are continuing to work on the priorities for the Safer Woking Partnership as set out in the 2019/22 Plan and will work on these for the remainder of the coming year. The Community Safety Task Group will meet to monitor progress on implementing the actions. Members from both Surrey County Council and Woking Borough Council will continue to receive quarterly community safety update reports, as well as reports through this Committee.
- 11.2 During the winter of 2020/21, a strategic assessment will be carried out to help identify priorities for next year. The Task Group will use this as a basis for developing the Safer Woking Partnership Plan. Once agreed by the Task Group, this will go for consideration to Woking Borough Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee in March 2021. Once any comments have been taken into account, the Chief Executive for Woking Borough Council will sign off the Safer Woking Partnership Plan in consultation with the Community Safety Task Group, and publish the plan on the Woking Borough Council website in early April 2021.

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Consulted:

Councillors received quarterly updates throughout the year.

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Annexes

Annex 1 – Domestic Abuse Awareness Week Activity Summary
Annex 2 – White Ribbon Activity Summary
Annex 3 – 2019/20 Budget

Sources/background papers:

Safer Woking Partnership Plan 2018-21, 2017-20, 2018-21 and 2019-22
Quarterly Community Safety reports to the Safer Woking Partnership
