

STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL
COMMUNITY SERVICES AND LICENSING
COMMITTEE

AGENDA
ITEM NO

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30 MARCH 2017

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| Report Title | STROUD DISTRICT COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY 2017-2021 |
| Purpose of Report | To consider the draft Community Safety Partnership Strategy for adoption. |
| Decision(s) | The Committee RESOLVES to adopt the Community Safety Partnership Strategy for 2017-2021. |
| Consultation and Feedback | Partner agencies within the community safety partnership have been consulted on the strategy. Stroud District Council members have also been consulted. |
| Financial Implications and Risk Assessment | There are no financial implications arising from this report. Adele Rudkin – Accountant Tel: 01453 754109 Email: adele.rudkin@stroud.gov.uk There is little risk to the Community Safety Partnership in delivering its statutory requirement |
| Legal Implications | The District Council has a shared responsibility with its other statutory partners to produce and adopt an appropriate strategy pursuant to section 5 of the 1998 Act. The purpose of this report is to fulfil that duty for the period up to 2021. Alan Carr, Solicitor Tel: 01453 754357 Email: alan.carr@stroud.gov.uk |
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| Options | None |
| Performance Management Follow Up | The strategy will be reviewed quarterly at the Community Safety Partnership meetings with the outcomes being measured. An annual information sheet will also be produced for members |
| Background Papers/ Appendices | Draft Community Safety Partnership Strategy |

1. INTRODUCTION / BACKGROUND

- 1.1** This report provides the Community Services and Licensing Committee with an update on the review and refresh of the Stroud Community Safety Partnership strategy.

- 1.2 The Stroud District Community Safety Partnership is a statutory Community Safety Partnership set up under Section 5-7 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. Partners are required to work together to protect their communities from crime and help people feel safer. They formulate a plan on how to deal with the local issues such as anti-social behaviour, reoffending, drug and alcohol misuse. The group assesses local crime priorities, consulting with partners and the local community about how to deal with them.
- 1.3 Sections 5, 6 and 7 of the act stipulate that the responsible authorities for a local government area must formulate a strategy for the reduction of crime and disorder in the area and must carry out an annual review of the levels and patterns of crime and disorder.
- 1.4 The new strategy for 2017-2021 (see Appendix A) is aligned to the Police and Crime Commissioner's Plan (PCC), but also incorporates specific issues that cause concern to Stroud District residents. The PCC's office has contributed to Stroud District Community Safety Partnership which delivers local initiatives, reflecting the objectives of the Commissioners plan.
- 1.5 Stroud District Community Safety Partnership Strategy has direct links to the Health and Wellbeing Group, Safer Estates Group, Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence and the Parish Cluster Groups.
- 1.6 There are a number of cross cutting objectives that span these groups and focus on the specific aims for each. These include supporting older people, children and young people and social prescribing agenda.

2. ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

- 2.1 The strategy has been developed incorporating as many elements of services currently delivered and those that are planned across all of the agencies involved in the Stroud District Community Safety Partnership.

The priorities have also been referenced against the Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC) priorities to ensure that our local approach links into the Gloucestershire Police and Crime plan.

The overall responsibility for the strategy sits with the Stroud District Community Safety Partnership. The Community & Facilities Team oversees the delivery of the priorities, working with partners and the operational delivery groups across the Partnership.

3. CONCLUSION / RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The Stroud District Community Safety Partnership Strategy provides the framework to not only identify the areas of focus for the Partnership priorities but to also identify the direction of travel in the Partnership's performance and delivery. The Stroud District Community Safety Partnership Strategy therefore provides the mechanism to hold partners to account on the commitment to collectively work together to reduce crime and disorder. The Stroud District Community Safety Partnership Strategy demonstrates how we make a difference to residents and communities of the district.

3.2 The Stroud District Community Safety Partnership, in line with the Strategy, will set operational objectives with the outcomes being reviewed and measured. These objectives will be localised issues unique to Stroud District but will also include national messages, again given a localised perspective. The objectives will come from across the spectrum of the PCC's priorities and will include issues around night time economy (licensing), young drivers, anti-social behaviour, graffiti etc.