# TO: THE EXECUTIVE 24 JUNE 2014

## COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP (CSP) PLAN 2014 – 2017 Assistant Chief Executive

#### 1 PURPOSE OF DECISION

1.1 The Crime & Disorder Act 1998 places a duty on Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) to produce an annual strategic assessment and a three-year partnership plan to reduce crime, disorder and substance misuse.

## 2 **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 The Executive recommends to Council that the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2014–2017 be adopted (Appendix 1).

#### 3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 To seek the Executive's endorsement of the CSP Plan.

#### 4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 There are no alternative options to the publication of a CSP Plan as this is a statutory requirement. The priorities adopted result from the annual CSP Strategic Assessment as well as partnership and community consultation. These priorities were approved by the CSP at its meeting on 10 March 2014

# 5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 5.1 The CSP has agreed two themes to its work:
  - Crime
  - Anti-social Behaviour (ASB)
- 5.2 The priorities that sit beneath them are set out in the CSP Plan (Appendix A) and were agreed by the CSP following the outcomes and recommendations of the 2013 Strategic Assessment. These are shown as follows:
  - Burglary Dwelling
  - Domestic Abuse (DA)
  - Drug Offences
  - Internet-Related Crime

- Non-Rape Sexual Offences
- Robbery of Personal Property
- Vehicle Offences
- Violence against the Person
- Youth Crime Prevention
- Environmental ASB
- Nuisance ASB
- Personal ASB
- 5.3 The 2014/15 CSP Plan sets out what will be done to bring about improvements in all these priorities.
- 5.4 Further minor amendments to the CSP plan will be made following adoption by the CSP including a reference to supporting business, and to address other updates.
- 5.5 The performance monitoring of these targets will take place quarterly at CSP Executive meetings.
- 5.6 It is noted that the results of the 2011-14 CSP Plan (2013 Refresh) have just been released for 2013/14. These include:
  - A reduction in all crime of 5%
  - A reduction in Burglary Dwelling of 25%
  - A reduction in Criminal Damage of 15%
  - A reduction in Violence with Injury of 8%
- 5.7 In addition to the above, there were over 3,500 fewer victims of crime in 2013/14 when compared to 2008/09 and crime levels are now at their lowest in over 20 years. It is also notable that the reduction in all crime of 5% follows 4 years of consecutive crime reduction: 10.8% in 2012/13, 17% in 2011/12, 10% in 2010/11 and 7.9% in 2009/10.
- 5.8 Anti-social behaviour (ASB) as recorded by the Bracknell Forest CADIS (Community Nuisance and Disorder Information System) system has recorded a 2.3% fall in all ASB during 2013/14. This is in part due to added sources of data and a small number of repeat persistent and resistant cases.
- 5.9 The CSP and the CSP Executive both meet quarterly. There are five statutory members of the CSP: Local Authority, Police, Probation Service, Clinical Commissioning Group and Fire Service. Due to changes currently taking place in the Probation Trust, which will see it being replaced by the National Probation Service and the Thames Valley Community Rehabilitation Company, both bodies will become statutory members of the CSP.
- 5.10 The work of the CSP is delivered through a series of sub-groups and in collaboration with other partnerships. This plan belongs to the CSP and its implementation is the

responsibility of all the statutory partners. Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act places a duty on those partners to 'exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area'.

5.11 The Borough Council can make a major contribution through its' responsibilities which include, protection of children, education, youth services, social services, licensing, environmental health and planning. The Council also supports the Youth Offending Service and the Community Safety Team as well as facilitating the CSP.

# 6 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS

# **Borough Solicitor**

6.1 The relevant legal provisions are contained within the main body of the report.

# Borough Treasurer

6.2 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

# Equalities Impact Assessment

6.3 An Equaility Impact Assessment has been completed for this plan.

## Strategic Risk Management Issues

6.4 None.

## Other Officers

6.5 Partners within the council who sit as members of the CSP

# 7 CONSULTATION

## Principal Groups Consulted

- 7.1 Partners of the CSP
- 7.2 Overview and Scrutiny Commission (Crime and Disorder Committee)

## Method of Consultation

7.3 The plan has been consulted on with CSP, its relevant sub groups as well as other partnerships and the voluntary sector.

## **Representations Received**

7.4 None.

# **Background Papers**

2014-2017 CPS Plan

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