

# East Berkshire Combating Drugs Partnership

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# A new national strategy published in Decemeber 2021

**From harm to hope: A ten year drugs plan to cut crime and save lives**

## **Key Aims**

- Break drug supply chains
- Deliver a world-class treatment and recovery system
- Achieve a generational shift in the demand for recreational drugs
- Local partnerships and accountability

# The strategy on a page

## Break drug supply chains

Step up our response to the supply of the most harmful drugs, attacking all stages of the supply chain, reducing the associated violence and exploitation, and protecting prisons from being academies of crime

**£300m**

Close 2,000 more county lines  
Disrupt 6,400 more OCGs

## Deliver a world-class treatment and recovery system

Rebuild drug treatment and recovery services, including for young people and offenders, with new commissioning standards to drive transparency and consistency

**£780m**

Prevent nearly 1,000 deaths;  
Delivered around 54,500 new high-quality drug and alcohol treatment places

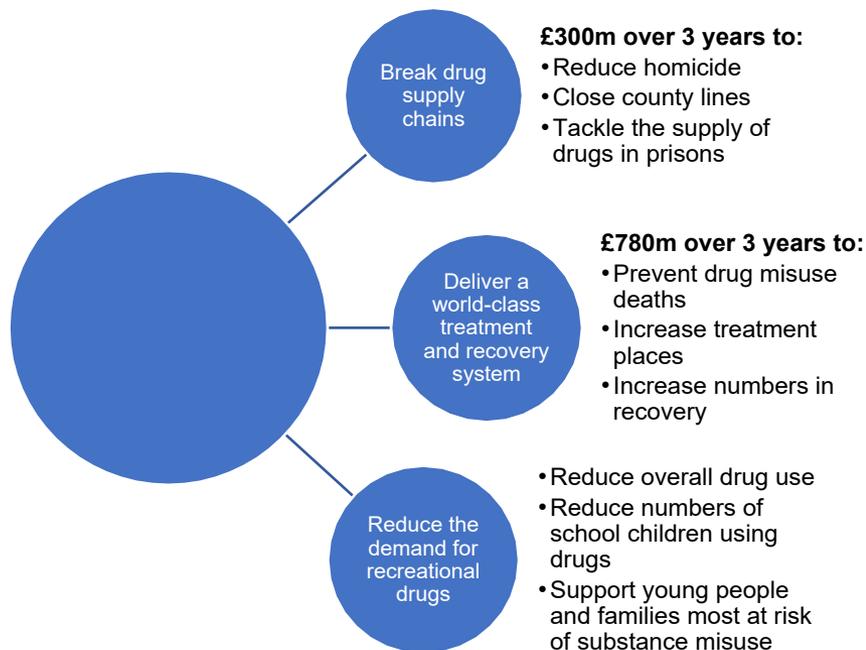
## Reduce the demand for recreational drugs

Strengthen the evidence for how best to deter use of recreational drugs, ensuring adults driving change their behaviour or face consequence, and with universal and targeted activity to prevent young people starting to take drugs

**£5m innovation fund**

Reduce overall drug use to historic lows over the next decade

# Funding allocated nationally



- **Outcomes expected by 2024/25:**
- Prevented nearly 1,000 deaths;
- Delivered around 54,500 new high-quality drug and alcohol treatment places
- Contributed to the prevention three-quarters of a million crimes
- Closed over 2,000 more county lines
- Increased disruption of illegal drug supply activities
- And, within a decade seek to reverse the rising trend in drug use, with an ambition to reduce overall use towards a historic 30-year low.

# Additional funding

- Treatment and recovery – £780m
- £533 million for DHSC in increasing and improving treatment services to reduce harm and improve recovery rate significantly
- £120 million for MoJ in improving offender drug treatment across the Prisons and Probation Service in England and Wales to get more offenders engaged in treatment and recovery and increase the use of intensive Drug treatment for those on community sentences.
- £68 million for DLUHC in treatment and support for those with a housing need
- £21 million for DWP in rolling out individual employment support across all Local Authorities in England
- £8m for DWP to implement employment support including a peer mentoring programme for those with a drug or alcohol addiction.
- £30m has been allocated through DHSC for the Office for Life Sciences to take forward the first of its kind 'Addiction Healthcare Mission'. The mission will seek to stimulate research into and development of effective interventions, technologies, and innovation to address the clinical and public health issues associated with substance misuse disorders.
- £300m will be invested in cracking down on drugs supply
- At least £145m of this in breaking the county lines distribution model
- £30m additional investing will be in reducing the demand for drugs through drug testing, behavioural change, tougher consequences and more innovation

# Combating Drugs Partnerships

- Guidance for local delivery partners published 15 June 2022
- Sets out the **National Combating Drugs Outcomes Framework** to monitor progress across central government and in local areas towards delivery of the commitments and ambitions of the 10-year drugs strategy to level up the country.
- Identifies key principles and structures to support the formation of **Combating Drugs Partnerships**, asking local areas to:
- form a **clearly defined partnership** based on a geographical extent that is logical to local residents and consistent with existing relevant arrangements. It was agreed that a Berkshire East Partnership in line with the ICS, Probation Delivery Unit, Jobcentre Plus Cluster and Berkshire East DPH.
- select a **senior responsible owner (SRO)** who can represent the partnership nationally, reporting to central government for its performance, and who can offer challenge and support to local partners to drive improvement and unblock issues when necessary. Stuart Lines, Joint Director of Public Health , Berkshire East and Frimley ICS has agreed to initially cover this function.
- involve **all those people and organisations affected by drug** in developing joint solutions to these issues

# Minimum Membership Requirements



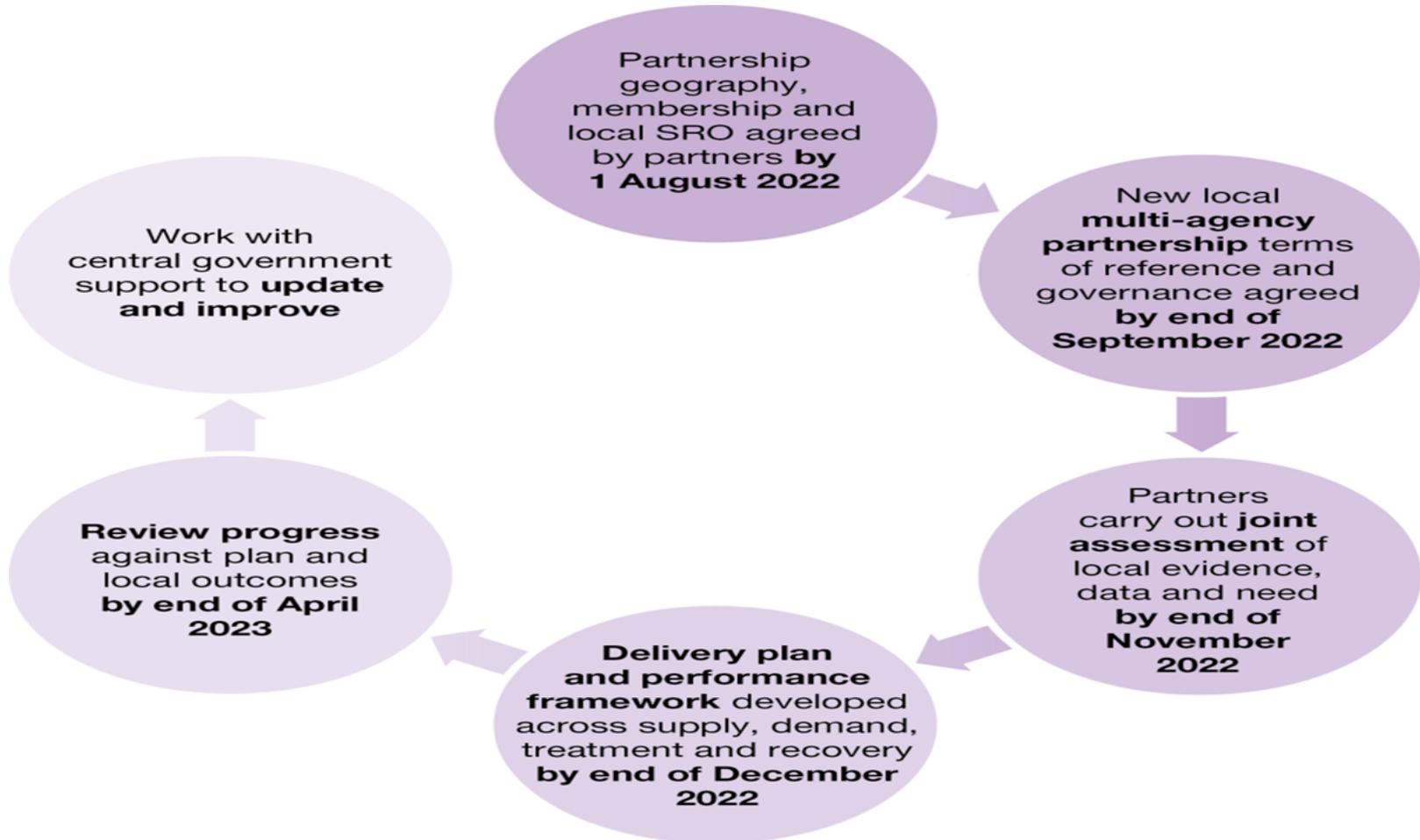
# Engagement



# Suggested governance



# Timescales



# Purpose of combating drugs partnerships (CDP)

The purpose of the Combating Drugs Partnership is to oversee and report progress against the **three strategic priorities**:

1. breaking drug supply chains
2. delivering a world class treatment and recovery system
3. achieving a shift in the demand for drugs

CDPs will also be measured against **six overarching outcomes**:

1. reducing drug use
2. reducing drug related crime
3. reducing drug related deaths and harm
4. reducing drug supply
5. increasing engagement in treatment
6. improving recovery outcomes

# Options for CDP

- Three options considered
  - a) Local authority (not considered as too small and not effective)
  - b) E Berkshire (preferred as allows working more effectively)
  - c) Pan Berkshire (considered but the complexity working with two different ICS was too difficult so not agreed)

## Progress

- East Berkshire CDP with draft ToR set up with the Joint Director of Public Health as the senior responsible officer (SRO)
- First meeting to take place on 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022

# Timescales

