

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND CRIME AND DISORDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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Subject: Community Safety Partnership Update

REPORT FOR: INFORMATION

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Community Safety Partnerships were formed following the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 which made it a statutory duty for each local authority area to have a Community Safety Partnership.
 - 1.2 Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 imposes a duty on the responsible authorities to: *'Without prejudice to any other obligation imposed upon it... exercise its functions with due regard to...the need to do all it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in its area.'*
 - 1.3 The responsible authorities of the Powys Community Safety Partnership are Dyfed/Powys Police; Local Authority; Wales & West Fire Service; Youth Justice Service; Powys teaching Health Board; National Probation Service and Community Rehabilitation Company.
 - 1.4 There are many legislative and cross-cutting issues which influence how Community Safety Partnerships operate, however priorities are determined annually via a Joint Strategic Assessment which draws on intelligence from all partner agencies, as well as service action plans or reports.
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2. DEVELOPMENTS

- 2.1 **Action Plan** - To provide a performance framework for the CSP, an Action Plan is in place, to which all partners submit progress reports against the Priorities identified within the Joint Strategic Assessment. The Action Plan is reviewed on an 8 weekly basis at the CSP Strategy Group. The appendix to this report therefore concentrates on these Priorities, rather than all the work of the CSP.
- 2.2 **WAO report & Welsh Government Review of CSPs** - Community Safety Partnerships are not devolved, although many of its partner agencies are, therefore both Central Government Legislation and Welsh Government Legislation influence the Powys Community Safety Partnership. In October 2016 the Wales Audit Office published a report in respect of CSPs - <http://www.audit.wales/publication/community->

[safety-wales.](http://senedd.assembly.wales/documents/s70822/PAC5-01-18%20P2%20-%20Working%20together%20for%20safer%20communities.pdf) Following publication of the Wales Audit Office report, the Welsh Government formed a multi-agency Oversight Group and conducted a review of Community Safety Partnerships. The report was published in December 2017 - <http://senedd.assembly.wales/documents/s70822/PAC5-01-18%20P2%20-%20Working%20together%20for%20safer%20communities.pdf>

The way forward described within the report is:-

“It is proposed to establish a Safer Communities long-term programme of work – in partnership with our devolved and non-devolved partners and stakeholders – to take forward and implement our new ambitious vision for working together for safer communities in Wales.”

At this time there is no further update that the Powys CSP is aware of.

- 2.3 **Dovetail pilot.** This is a pilot by the Home Office which has been undertaken in relation to the Prevent Duty and the delivery of Channel. The pilot has now ended and the outcome is that Channel will be co-ordinated on a regional basis and that Wales will be one region. The time-scale for this roll out has been extended, and it is now the Home Office’s aspiration that Wales will be the 2nd area to rollout the model towards the end of 2018/19.
- 2.4 **Rural Crime Partnership.** A Powys Rural Crime Partnership is now in place, partners currently include D/P Police, CSP, LA Trading Standards, M&WW Fire Service, BBNP and NRW. The partnership is basing it’s work on an Intelligence Operating Model, and as such we are currently collating partner intelligence and developing an Action Plan. It is envisaged that membership of this group will increase as intelligence determines work.
- 2.5 **Serious Organised Crime.** Nationally County Lines is having a big impact upon Communities, Powys is not exempt from this. Powys CSP is currently arranging an Awareness Event for partners in relation to Serious Organised Crime, County Lines and Cuckooing. Members bulletins will also be produced in the future on these matters.

Recommendation	Reason for Recommendation
The Committee notes the contents of the Report	For Information only

Relevant Policy (ies) :	n/a		
Within Policy	Y/N	Within Budget	Y/N n/a

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