

Caerphilly Public Services Board Well-being Plan Performance Report

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Action Area AA4a

Safer Communities

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Objective 1 - Positive Change - Improved partner working and sharing of workspace, facilities and information will use assets and resources more intelligently

Objective 2 - Positive Start—Educating young people in community responsibility, providing diversion from negative behaviours, work with Gwent Police ACES and Early Intervention providers.

Objective 3 - Positive People—Building and maintaining collaborative working/engagement with partners to explore concerns, identify and action relevant solutions. Use of community engagement events to encourage increased reporting.

Objective 4 - Positive Places—Work with partners to tackle environmental crime and property defacement and development of mediation services to help residents address problem persons and behaviour directly

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Performance Levels

Performance measures where identifiable	Is there a risk this will not be achieved?
Reduced number of people entering Criminal Justice System	Yes
Effective response to ASB—Strike 3 and 4 numbers	No
Identify and respond effectively to crime and ASB challenges	No

Quantifiable measures	Is there a risk this will not be achieved?
Feedback provided by the community following engagement re. issues in area, perception of community safety and effectiveness of actions being taken.	No

Evidence

Priority	Comment
Reduced number of people entering Criminal Justice System	Excellent partnership working between the newly formed Problem Solving Hub / CCBC Licensing officers in relation to preventative and proactive working as a result of COVID restrictions involving Night Time Economy
Effective response to ASB—Strike 3 and 4 numbers	The Community Safety Hub has continued to operate through the pandemic, resorting to TEAMS. Vital partnership meetings have continued to take place tackling organised criminality, anti-social behaviour and other demand drivers where information and intelligence is shared. Information has also been shared between education, and social services in relation to the safeguarding of

	vulnerable children and domestic violence victims whilst in lockdown / schools closed
Identify and respond effectively to crime and ASB challenges	Safer Streets Bid – Rhymney. Caerphilly were successful in bidding for Approximately £300,000 into the Safer Streets fund for the Rhymney area. The project is currently underway and managed by a Police Sargent. Discussions have taken place with key personnel in the Local Authority and updates provided to elected officials. CCTV and columns have been purchased and will be installed by the end of October. Home surveys have been performed and appropriate security measures have been purchased that include, door and window locks and doorbell CCTV. Foot patrols are taking place jointly with the local Neighbourhood Teams and Community Safety Wardens. There are planned engagement activities during October / November with other key agencies in the affected areas
Feedback provided by the community following engagement re. issues in area, perception of community safety and effectiveness of actions being taken	A public consultation has been carried out to renew and vary the Public Space Protection Orders across Caerphilly County Borough that relate to Anti-Social Behaviour and Drinking Alcohol in a Public Place

Key Tasks

Ref	Task	Progress
	Community Mapping – Develop an understanding of the demographic and diverse composition of our local communities. This will assist with key engagement initiatives to involve our communities in problem solving issues that affect them. This will allow them to feel empowered and informed in order to deal with localised community safety.	A newly appointed Gwent Police Corporate Communication Officer will assist with key media messages and engagement opportunities with the community. They will work closely with the Community Support engagement officers and the Communications Leads in key agencies. This is to assist with the public perception of Crime and ASB, to provide reassurance and deliver key crime prevention messages. An

		engagement strategy is currently being written.
	Maintain an accurate picture of Anti-Social Behaviour and those responsible; encouraging and facilitating reporting and strengthening community confidence by effectively tackling issues through use of statutory powers or partnership referral and utilising early intervention and prevention schemes	The Safer Caerphilly Community Safety Partnership has carried out a 6 week consultation on the continuation, variation and introduction of new Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs). The consultation was carried out via Microsoft Forms online and publicised across the county borough using social media, leaflets and posters. A report containing the results will be submitted to the CCBC Scrutiny Committee and then Cabinet for approval of the proposals
	To stand up to Hate / Intolerance and Extremism in our communities by ensuring we robustly monitor and deal with incidents and victims of hate-crime. To ensure that the responsibilities for PREVENT and CHANNEL under Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 are met and to implement the Regional Prevent Action Plan that covers training, policy, Channel and community cohesion.	Prevent training continues to be delivered to frontline staff including a number of specific sessions for school staff. The regional Contest Board and Prevent Training and Delivery Group continue to meet regularly to ensure all statutory duties are met. The Prevent group continues to oversee the regional Prevent action plan and work with partners to ensure implementation of key objectives. The Caerphilly Protective Security & Preparedness Group is now well established and continues to meet regularly and work on the development of a risk assessment for public accessible locations within the county borough
	To continue working in partnership with statutory, specialist and internal partners to co-ordinate activity in relation to emerging areas of repeat demand, Serious Violence / Serious organised criminality, intelligence and community issues. This will be facilitated via the Tasking process through both Community Safety Hubs and the Serious Organised Crime Partnership Group	The Police have now formed a new Problem-Solving Team in both East and West of the county. This team will focus on reducing the Crime and ASB demand drivers and will also concentrate on Crime Prevention and Engagement within the communities. They will work closely with the Police Neighbourhood Teams, Partnership Hub and the local authority Community Safety Team. The Problem-Solving Team comprises of Licensing Officers / Harm & Vulnerability Co-ordinator, ASB Co-ordinator, Community Support Engagement Officers, Schools Police Officers and Youth Engagement Community Support Officers. A joined up approach with neighbourhood teams will ensure a problem

		orientated policing plan is implemented that is shared with partners at partnership tasking meetings. The serious organised crime partnership meetings continues.
	To enhance engagement and activity in relation to the Night-Time economy – to reduce those incidents intrinsically linked to NTE such as violent crime / Disorder and areas of vulnerability (CCE / CSE / Modern Day Slavery)	Dedicated operational officers are now in place within the problem solving hubs and will be focussed on driving initiatives and engagement in relation to NTE This work has already started in conjunction with Local Authority Licensing officers and trading standards as lockdown eases.

Conclusion

No guidance is sought from the Board at this time