



Agenda

Meeting: **Overview and Scrutiny Committee**
Date: **5 June 2018**
Time: **7.00 pm**
Place: **Council Chamber - Civic Centre, Folkestone**

To: **All members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

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1. **Appointment of Chairman**
2. **Appointment of Vice-Chairman**
3. **Apologies for Absence**
4. **Declarations of Interest**

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- a) disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI);
- b) other significant interests (OSI);
- c) voluntary announcements of other interests.

5. **Folkestone & Hythe Community Safety Partnership Plan 2018/19 (Pages 3 - 32)**

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6. Exclusion of the Public

To exclude the public for the following item of business on the grounds that it is likely to disclose exempt information, as defined in paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 –

‘Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.’

7. PREVENT update (Pages 33 - 36)

On 12th September 2017 the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) received an annual report on safeguarding activity conducted during 16/17 and advised of the new refreshed safeguarding policy. The committee were keen to receive an overview of PREVENT and current counter terrorism activity as some of this work now features under the safeguarding policy. The Counter terrorism and Security Act 2015 placed a duty on specified authorities to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism. Authorities subject to the provisions must have regard to the PREVENT duty guidance when carrying out the duty (this includes Local Authorities).

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Report OS/18/01

To: Overview and Scrutiny
Date: 5 June 2018
Status: Non-executive Decision
Head of Service: Katharine Harvey, Head of Economic Development
Cabinet Member: Councillor Jennifer Hollingsbee, Cabinet Member for Communities

Subject: Folkestone & Hythe Community Safety Partnership Plan 2018/19

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Recommendations:

1. To receive and note Report OS/18/01 and CSP plan attached.

Reason for Recommendation:

The Folkestone & Hythe Community Safety Partnership (CSP) is a statutory body and has a remit for reducing crime and disorder in the District and to work in partnership to do so.

1. COVER NOTE

- 1.1 This cover note is to inform the OSC that the CSP has published its community safety plan. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee acts once a year as the Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Panel to oversee community safety work across the district.
- 1.2 The Committee will receive a presentation from partner representatives who chair the various sub-groups of the Community Safety Partnership to address issues facing our District. The CSP has to take into regard the priorities of a number of other strategies including the Police and Crime Commissioner's plan and the County CSP strategy.

2. CONTACT OFFICER AND BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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The following background documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report: None

The Folkestone & Hythe Community Safety Partnership

Partnership Plan
1st April 2018 – 31st March 2019



**THE FOLKESTONE & HYTHE
COMMUNITY SAFETY
PARTNERSHIP**



Our vision

The Folkestone & Hythe Community Safety Partnership (CSP) aims to build safer, active and more engaged communities. Working with the private, public and third sector and with the collaborative help of communities it will deal with issues of crime and anti-social behaviour to help develop aspired and cohesive neighbourhoods, supporting the wider health and wellbeing agenda in the district.

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FOREWORD



**Councillor Jennifer Hollingsbee
Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Communities
Folkestone & Hythe District Council**

The Folkestone & Hythe District Community Safety Partnership (CSP) sees itself as a robust, resilient leader of delivery in prevention and keeping our communities feeling secure where all of our partners play an equal role in ensuring The District is a safe place to live, work and enjoy by tackling the root causes of crime and disorder issues. To promote this equal, joint partnership, we rotate chairs.

The CSP brings together a number of agencies and organisations concerned with tackling and reducing crime and anti-social behaviour in the District. Some organisations, like the District Council, the police and health sector, are statutory members, others like voluntary groups and businesses also play an important role.

Our key role is to understand the kind of community safety issues The District is experiencing; decide which of these are the most important to deal with; and then decide what actions we can take collectively, adding value to the day-to-day work undertaken by our individual agencies and organisations.

We detail these actions in our Community Safety Plan. The District's CSP Annual Plan 2018 highlights how the CSP plans to tackle community safety issues that matter to the local community. This plan is revised annually through reviewing information provided from a wide range of organisations in a strategic assessment, to ensure that current issues can be taken into account into the activities undertaken by the CSP.

It is now time to look at everything afresh to make sure we are on track and working on the priorities that are relevant to the different communities within the District. To help us do this we commissioned a Strategic Assessment in December 2017. This Strategic Assessment looked at the range of detailed information that exists about crime, disorder, substance abuse and other community safety matters affecting the District. In the light of this information the assessment makes recommendations about how best to keep the Community Safety Plan priorities on track for the next year. In producing our plan we have been mindful of the pledges and priorities of the Police and Crime Commissioner in her crime plan. The Plan considers not only the Strategic Assessment, but also consults with partners who share a local knowledge of the borough's wealth of urban and rural places.

We would like to reassure you that tackling crime and anti-social behaviour remains a high priority for the District. We continue to work as a partnership to make The District a safe place where people wish to work, live and visit. This Plan seeks to promote a more holistic approach, with a greater emphasis on prevention and harm reduction. It sets out our performance over the last 12 months, identifies priority areas for the next year and outlines what we are going to do to improve them. Together, we work to tackle the full range of crimes and anti-social behaviour including serious and organised crime, violence, hate crime and drug and alcohol misuse.



BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

The District's CSP is made up of Responsible Authorities (those bodies for whom membership of the CSP is a statutory obligation) and voluntary members:

Responsible Authorities		
Kent Police	Folkestone & Hythe District Council	Kent Fire & Rescue Service
Kent County Council (KCC) Public Health	KCC Specialist Children's Services	KCC Community Safety Unit
South Kent Coast Clinical Commissioning Group	Kent, Surrey & Sussex Community Rehabilitation Company	National Probation Service

In addition, there are many agencies that support the Partnership and the Community Safety Unit teams including East Kent Drug and Alcohol Services, Kent Addaction, Shepway Mediation, Folkestone Area Partnership Against Crime to name but a few. All are working together to prevent and reduce crime and disorder and improve community cohesion through maximising resources and using targeted action groups.

The District's CSP meets on a quarterly basis to address key crime, disorder, anti-social behaviour and other related issues across the District. This CSP Board oversees the work of 3 strategic groups which deliver programmes of work for the CSP. These groups include a wide partner network of statutory, voluntary and other groups. Partners will utilise a variety of methods to deliver activity ranging from community engagement through to multi-agency enforcement operations.

Annual funding received from the Kent Police and Crime Commissioner, assists the operational work tasked via the strategic groups. Additional funding is also sought from other funding sources.

Given the evidence presented in the Strategic Assessment for the period 1st November 2016 to 31st October 2017 and the response from partners, we continue to face challenges across our district and the priorities for the District's CSP Plan have changed slightly, but for the most part the priorities will be similar to the previous year. The CSP will build on the tactical delivery plans which have been put in place to assist with this work. These action plans can be found in the Appendices.

All crime has increased by 23.1% and victim based crime up by 16.3%. Vehicle crime in The District has decreased by 0.3%. There has been a reduction of 129 recorded incidents of criminal damage. Other reductions of note are drug offences and theft of a motor vehicle. However, some work still needs to be done to tackle and reduce domestic abuse incidents, notably, repeat victims and partnership working is instrumental in achieving this.

Local context

The District has outstanding economic assets which makes it a desirable place to live and work right at the heart of the key UK-Europe corridor. The Channel Tunnel at Folkestone links to the three junctions from the M20 motorway and ensures it is highly connected, with easy access to and from UK and European markets. There is outstandingly beautiful countryside and villages, the ancient Cinque Port town of Hythe and the vibrant coastal town where significant private and public investment in the Old Town has created a unique Creative Quarter. Folkestone provides direct access to London in as little as 53 minutes. The development of Folkestone Seafront will bring new businesses and tourists into the area. Folkestone and Hythe District Council is building on current and emerging economic strengths to boost productivity and support business growth. This includes promoting further investment in the area. There is a huge drive to increase the numbers of affordable housing in The District with new developments and empty properties being brought back into use.

The latest population figures from the 2016 Mid-year population estimates show that there are 111,200 people living in the District. This population size ranks the District the 3rd smallest Kent local authority district area. 63% of the district's population live in urban areas with the remaining 37% living in the surrounding rural area and settlements². Folkestone urban area is home to 48% of the total population whilst 15% of the District's residents live in Hythe urban area.

In 2015 the District was ranked as the third most deprived district in Kent (ranked 3 out of 12 districts, with the most deprived being ranked 1). Nationally, the District ranks 113th out of 326 local authority districts in England. This rank places it within England's most deprived third of authorities.

The county rank of the District has moved down 1 place between 2010 and 2015. On the national ranking, The District has moved down by 16 positions from 97th in 2010 to 113th in 2015. This indicates that the level of deprivation in The District has reduced, relative to other areas in England.

The area's unemployment rate is currently 2.0%. This is higher than the county average of 1.7% and the national average of 1.9%.

In September 2017 there were 1,320 unemployed people in the District which is 1.5% lower (20 fewer people) than August 2017 and 1.1% higher (15 more unemployed people) than September 2016.

Otterpool Park



The Leader of Folkestone & Hythe District Council, Cllr David Monk, announced on 6 May 2016 the council's intention to bid for a garden town in the area surrounding Otterpool Manor Farm.

In November 2017, recognising the need to deliver new homes for its existing and future residents, Folkestone & Hythe District Council and Kent County Council (KCC) decided to put in a bid to the Government's Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF). The HIF is an opportunity to forward fund

the necessary infrastructure to accelerate investment and diversify the house building market creating a new community at Otterpool Park.

We are pleased that KCC decided to prioritise Otterpool Park as an exceptional bid seeking almost £300 million funding for physical infrastructure necessary to de-risk and accelerate its delivery. The councils have been working closely together to prepare the bid, which is now being assessed by the Department for Communities and Local Government.

Organisational changes

Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC)

PCC's are responsible for the appointment of Chief Constables, holding them to account for the running of the force, setting out a Police and Crime Plan based on local priorities, setting the local precept and force budget and making grants to external organisations. The current PCC for Kent, Matthew Scott, was appointed in May 2016 and will remain in office for a period of four years.

The PCC has pledged to continue to support a number of agencies through the main policing grant and has announced his commitment to his wider duties around crime and community safety. Funding for Community Safety Partnerships has been confirmed for 2017/18 with a 10% increase on 2016/17 levels (with new performance management reporting) and will be used to address our local priorities. The Police and Crime Commissioner must produce a Police and Crime Plan that sets out his vision and priorities for policing and community safety, as well as the objectives and ambitions that Kent Police will be held to account on. The new plan is known as Safer in Kent: The Community Safety and Criminal Justice Plan.

The Police and Crime Commissioner has stated in his new plan that he will:

- Hold the Chief Constable to account for the delivery of Kent Police's priorities
- Support all victims of crime and abuse
- Commission services that reduce pressure on policing due to mental health
- Invest in schemes that make people safer and reduce re-offending
- Make offenders pay for the harm that they have caused
- Actively engage with residents in Kent and Medway

The PCC has outlined opportunities for the future, these are:

- Calling for more criminal justice powers for Police and Crime Commissioners
- Lobbying for a fairer funding settlement for Kent
- Further collaboration with other organisations
- Oversight of the police complaints process
- Ideas tested during the consultation
- Backing volunteering

The plan sets out both what residents want to see Kent Police focus on, but also what the PCC will do to support communities and protect people from harm. The PCC has set out principles to guide the actions and decisions taken by both Kent Police and the PCC, they are as follows:

1. People suffering mental ill health need the right care from the right person
2. Crime is important, no matter where it takes place
3. Vulnerable people must be protected from harm

Kent Police Changes

As of September 2017, Kent Police has undergone changes to the way they police. Under the New Horizons model, Vulnerability will be the focus of the force, with victims being put at the heart of the work conducted in the police.

Kent Control Strategy – Kent Police’s Priorities

Child Abuse and Exploitation

- The most common reasons for children to be trafficked are sexual exploitation and criminal exploitation

Human trafficking/modern slavery

- Modern slavery is the ‘umbrella’ for the following: domestic servitude, sexual exploitation, labour exploitation, forced labour, debt bondage. Trafficking is for the purposes of exploitation and this includes child trafficking

Domestic Abuse, serious violence and sexual offences

- 1 in 4 women in the UK experience domestic violence

Gangs

- Intelligence shows a strong presence of ‘county lines’ travelling out of London to Kent in order to sell drugs, usually Class A

High harm impact crime

- Vulnerable persons as targeted victims

Counter terrorism and domestic extremism

- Identify community intelligence and open source intelligence particularly around officer safety

Supporting families in our District

The Government, through the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG) has placed a significant focus on supporting families with multiple and complex needs, including parents not working, children not in school, and those causing serious problems such as youth crime and anti-social behaviour. Working with the County Council, The District has seen excellent results in improving the outcomes of families receiving this support.

South Kent Coast Clinical Commissioning Group (SKC CCG)

Since 1 April 2013, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG’s) have become ‘responsible authorities’ on CSP’s. Schedule 5, Paragraph 84 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 replaces primary care trusts with clinical commissioning groups as responsible authorities on CSP’s from April 2013. This means that the CCG’s now have a statutory responsibility to work in partnership with other responsible authorities to tackle crime and disorder. The act places a duty on CCGs to:

- Participate in a strategic assessment of crime and disorder, anti-social behaviour, and drug and alcohol misuse for the CSP area or areas in which they fall.
- Contribute to the development of local strategies that effectively deal with the issues identified.

Joining their local CSP’s gives CCG’s more influence in shaping local action to tackle crime and the causes of crime, for example the delivery of action on drugs, alcohol, crime and disorder. The South Kent Coast CCG which covers the majority of the District (and part of the Dover / Deal area) and KCC Public Health are actively involved and jointly chair a CSP sub – group. It is a key body delivering the Health and Wellbeing agenda in partnership for the local area.

Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB)

The South Kent Coast Health and Wellbeing Board brings together key organisations and representatives of the public to work together to improve the health and wellbeing of local communities. Kent Public Health alongside the two local authorities (Dover District Council and Folkestone & Hythe District Council), South Kent Coast Clinical Commissioning Group, (who are responsible under the reforms for commissioning health services locally) and patient and public representatives are all part of this Board. The key themes for health and wellbeing are drawn from the South Kent Coast Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and other relevant partnership plans and strategies. The work of the CSP is crucial in helping the HWBB meet its aims.

Safeguarding

All public agencies now place the safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults at the heart of their practices.

The Children Act 1989 states that the child's welfare is paramount and every child has a right to protection from abuse, neglect and exploitation. Statutory guidance on making arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of children by public agencies is set out under Section 11 of the Children's Act 2004.

Safeguarding work now incorporates the issues around child sexual exploitation, female genital mutilation, modern slavery and radicalisation (PREVENT strategy). The Safeguarding sub-group of the CSP as well as the duties incumbent upon individual public agencies means this work is of high priority.

- The Care Act 2014 (updated in August 2017) has reformed the law relating to care and support for adults and support for carers. It makes provisions around safeguarding adults from abuse or neglect; care standards and; establish and makes provision about Health Education England and the Health Research Authority. This legislation also affects safeguarding investigations, governance and information sharing. In relation to safeguarding, the Care Act placed new duties on councils and for adult safeguarding this includes the stipulation to: Make safeguarding adults boards statutory;
- Make safeguarding enquiries a corporate duty for councils;
- Make serious case reviews mandatory when certain triggering situations have occurred and the parties believe that safeguarding failures have had a part to play;
- Place duties to co-operate over the supply of information on relevant agencies;
- Place a duty on councils to fund advocacy for assessment and safeguarding for people who do not have anyone else to speak up for them;
- Abolish, on human rights grounds, councils' power to remove people from insanitary conditions under section 47 of the National Assistance Act, albeit with recourse to the Public Health Act still possible for nearly the same outcome.

Probation Services

Throughout 2014 and 2015, the Ministry of Justice worked with Probation Trusts to prepare for the implementation of new structures under the Transforming Rehabilitation Programme. The programme saw the creation of a new National Probation Service (NPS) working with high risk offenders and 21 Community Rehabilitation Companies (CRCs) managing medium and low risk offenders. The Transforming Rehabilitation reforms include a number of sentencing changes, which may impact on CSP re-offending data in the future. The changes that have been enacted in the Offender Rehabilitation Act 2014 include most importantly, the extension of supervision of Licence after release to all offenders who receive a custodial sentence of less than 12 months; extending probation supervision to the 50,000 offenders sentenced each year to less than 12 months. This is a cohort of offenders with whom Probation Trusts have

never worked with, as this cohort of offenders has never before been subject to statutory supervision.

PRIORITIES



(Diagram taken from the Kent Community Safety Agreement – April 2017)

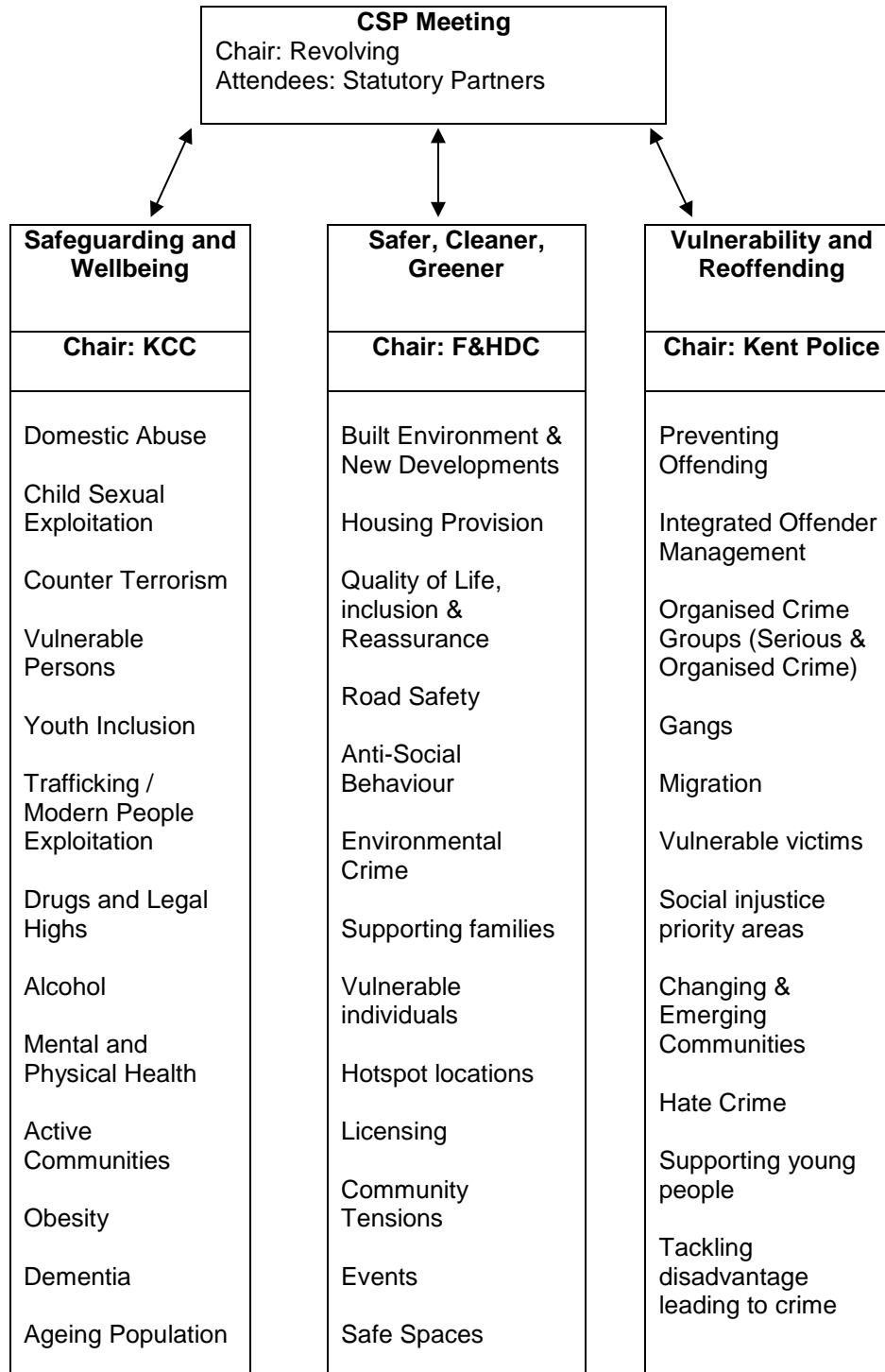
The diagram above not only includes the priorities and cross-cutting themes for the Community Safety Agreement but also shows those identified by the Police and Crime Commissioner, reflecting the mutual need for CSPs and the PCC to have due regard for each other's priorities.

Several of the identified priorities already have existing multi-agency partnership arrangements in place that are ensuring a coordinated approach across organisations at a strategic level. These arrangements can be further enhanced with links to the Kent Community Safety Agreement and where necessary suitable co-operative arrangements and joint interventions can be established to deliver shared priorities or issues.

PERFORMANCE (November 2016- October 2017)

Type of Crime	Last Year – Nov 15- Oct 16	This Year – Nov 16 to Oct 17	Difference	Per 1,000 population- based on mid 2016 pop estimates
Victim based crime	6810	7923	1113	71.2
Violent crime	2960	4011	1051	36.1
- Violence against the person	2646	3572	926	32.1
- Sexual offences	257	364	107	3.3
- Robbery	57	75	18	0.7
Burglary Dwelling	255	N/A*	-	-
Burglary Other Than Dwelling	257	N/A*	-	-
Vehicle crime	370	369	1	3.3
- Theft of motor vehicle	96	91	5	0.8
- Theft from motor vehicle	274	278	4	2.5
Vehicle interference	62	67	5	0.6
Theft and handling excluding vehicle interference	1636	1780	144	16
- shoplifting	691	726	35	6.5
- theft of pedal cycle	60	69	9	0.6
- Other theft	885	985	100	8.8
Criminal damage	1270	1141	129	10.3
Crimes against society	599	1200	601	10.8
Drug offences	187	182	5	1.6
Possession of weapons	43	118	75	1.1
Public order offences	243	665	422	6
Other crimes	126	235	109	2.1
All crime	7409	9123	1714	

FOLKESTONE & HYTHE COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRUCTURE 2018



The CSP maintains links with other key partnerships – a few are shown below:

Kent Community Safety Partnership, Shepway Local Children’s Partnership Group (LCPG), Shepway Welfare and Employment Board (SWEB) South Kent Coast Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB), Local Care Models, Kent Safeguarding Children’s Board (KSCB), County PREVENT Board, Kent Housing Group, Dover Deal and Shepway Mental Health Action Group (MHAG)

The CSP met in 2017 to decide the key priorities for the Partnership over the coming year based on analytical data and emerging issues which the partners highlighted. Identified below were the 4 work streams which formed the sub groups and the key work areas for each of these are:

<p>SAFEGUARDING AND WELLBEING</p>	<p>Domestic Abuse Child Exploitation including sexual exploitation Female Genital Mutilation Counter Terrorism, Prevent and vulnerable persons Youth inclusion Trafficking people exploitation/Modern Day Slavery Drugs and Legal Highs Alcohol Mental and Physical Health Active Communities Obesity Dementia Ageing Population</p>
<p>CLEAN, GREEN AND SAFE</p>	<p>Built environment including new developments Housing provision Quality of Life and community reassurance Anti-social Behaviour and environmental crime Community reassurance and cohesion Road and fire safety Supporting families Vulnerable individuals Hotspot locations Licensing Community Tensions Events Safe Spaces</p>
<p>VULNERABILITY AND REOFFENDING</p>	<p>Preventing offending and reducing reoffending Integrated Offender Management Preventing Offending Integrated Offender Management Organised Crime Groups (Serious & Organised Crime) Gangs Migration Vulnerable victims Social injustice priority areas Changing & Emerging Communities Supporting young people Tackling disadvantage leading to crime</p>

PRIORITY LEADS

Lead agencies for each of the priorities were identified and given the responsibility for developing and delivering, with partners the action plans to deliver the CSP priorities (see below).

Safeguarding and Wellbeing	KCC Specialist Childrens' Services, KCC Public Health NHS SKC Clinical Commissioning Group
Clean, Green and Safer	Folkestone and Hythe District Council, CSU
Vulnerability and Reoffending	Kent Police, CSU

PRIORITIES FOR FOLKESTONE & HYTHE CSP 2018

PRIORITIES		
CROSS CUTTING THEMES	Safeguarding and Wellbeing	
	Clean, Green and Safer	
	Vulnerability and Offending	
	Domestic Abuse, Child Exploitation, Trafficking, Modern Slavery, Cyber Crime, Terrorism	
	Anti-social behaviour, quality of life, community reassurance, Hate Crime	
Integrated Offender Management, Troubled Families, Gangs		
Drugs and legal highs, alcohol, mental health		

PRIORITY 1: SAFEGUARDING AND WELLBEING

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Chair of the Folkestone & Hythe CSP Safeguarding subgroup



Key outcomes:

- Safeguarding – all activities meet the needs of all members of the community. The community is aware and agencies know where to get the information.
- Domestic Abuse – reduce and prevent domestic abuse, raise community and agency awareness of domestic abuse.
- Child Sexual Exploitation – visible community and agency awareness of child sexual exploitation. Recognition of those at increased risk.
- Prevent – recognition of those at increased risk of radicalisation, use of Prevent Channel processes, visible community awareness with increased training and publicity.
- Youth inclusion – services designed by young people to meet young people's needs. Involvement of young people at an earlier age in community activities.
- Trafficking/Modern Day Slavery – visible community awareness with increased training and publicity.

As Chair of the Folkestone & Hythe CSP Safeguarding sub group and as the Kent County Council Integrated Family Services Manager for this area, I have a clear insight into the needs of this group. Safeguarding covers many strands and emerging issues including child sexual exploitation and human trafficking which require a more targeted approach and awareness raising of this national issue. The area has on its doorstep the Channel Tunnel and Dover port which by their significant location as the corridor from Europe places a greater emphasis on agencies being aware that some of these cases could be going through the District.

The group has now merged with the previous Health and Wellbeing group as a number of the partners that attended the meetings were the same and the themes explored were also reflected in the groups. This has meant however that the groups were able to pool their finances and can look to provide more long term projects.



Mental Health Conference

Along with the Clean, Green, Safe subgroup, the group is in the process of organising a mental health conference in April 2018. The conference seeks to explore the way mental health affects individuals through all stages of life, from birth to older persons through speakers who have had experiences that have impacted them as well as stallholders with services that have further information on support. The conference will be aimed at both professionals and young people, initially with the invitation to those in the District then to the wider county.



CSE Peer Trainers



The subgroup is looking at writing a 'Train the Trainer' package for CSE and Prevent, working with Canterbury Christ Church University. This will be a peer to peer learning programme, where a small number of 6th formers will be trained to deliver these topics to their younger counterparts.

The reasoning behind this is that the young people will feel freer to ask questions to someone closer in age as opposed to their teacher, and this will open new lines of communication for sensitive topics like these two especially.

The group helped to conduct youth survey based on the youth conference. This yielded a number of themes to explore and the overall impact of the conference on those that attended. Overall feedback was positive with a number of responses indicating a need for the conference to be repeated.

The subgroup has noted challenges they have faced over the last year including costs associated with events and the most of the money allocated for the subgroup has been spent as well as how difficult it can be to measure the outcomes, and the difficulty to quantify.

Safety in Action



The subgroup funded a part of this year's Safety In Action Day for Year 6 children and asked for the inclusion of bespoke training on positive relationships as well as themes that addressed Prevent and CSE. The feedback from both the schools and parents was that this event was very positive and they were glad they chose to send their children as the lessons learned were invaluable. There were over 500 children in attendance from 17 schools. The subgroup will be funding this again in the next year.

Domestic Abuse



The 'One Stop Shop' Drop In weekly service for domestic abuse victims is a multi-agency provision consisting of solicitors, domestic abuse workers, police, KFRS, benefits agency and a health visitor being available to offer advice and support to victims of domestic abuse. The Drop In is every Wednesday from 12.30 to 14.30 at the Folkestone Early Years Centre. Over the last year visitors to the 'One Stop Shop' have increased with 363 people assisted in (17/18) compared with 268 in the previous year (16/17).

Preventing violent extremism

Members of staff from Folkestone & Hythe District Council and KCC have been trained to deliver some training around Prevent. All Council staff are completing an e-learning package on this subject with additional training being planned.



PRIORITY 2 – CLEAN, GREEN AND SAFE

Clean, Green and Safe sub group of the CSP
Chaired - by Folkestone & Hythe District Council

Key outcomes:

- Built environments and new developments – improving standards within residential areas leading to increased community wellbeing.
- Road Safety – a reduction in the number of casualties on the road network within the District.
- Anti-social Behaviour – a reduction in the number of complaints.
- Community Cohesion and Inclusion - increased number of participants in organised activities. Reported increased in wellbeing and satisfaction from local communities.

Key aims for this subgroup are to ensure that the District is not only a safe place but an environmentally friendly one where people want to live, work and visit.



Working alongside Kent Police and the Environmental Protection team at the Council is significant towards achieving these goals. The work of the Folkestone & Hythe Community Safety Unit is not only to deal with complaints and issues as they arise, but to develop preventative and diversionary activities to reduce incidents occurring. Our approach to tackling ASB focuses on its prevention, taking positive action and protecting victims and witnesses. By working together we are building more resilience in communities to challenge the corrosive effect of ASB intimidation and harassment caused by a minority of people. Some funding and signposting to Shepway Mediation has helped with neighbourhood disputes and Restorative Justice work.

The weekly multi-agency CSU meetings continue to take place every Tuesday hosted by Folkestone & Hythe District Council to deal with issues of ASB. When required 'task and finish' groups are set up from these meetings to deal with a specific issue that requires a multi-agency targeted approach.

The group has seen a rise in the number of youth nuisance complaints. This has varied in the forms of anti-social behaviour, from persistent skateboarding to possible drug linked behaviour. In some areas, targeted intervention has seen a positive effect including the installation of pink lighting and mosquito frequency devices which have seen a decrease in complaints, in some cases no complaints.



Community Protection Enforcement Training

Purpose	To stop a person aged 16 or over, business or organisation committing anti-social behaviour which spoils the community's quality of life.
Who can issue a CPN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council officers; • Police officers; • Police community support officers (PCSOs) if designated; and • Social landlords (if designated by the council).
Test	Behaviour has to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality; • be of a persistent or continuing nature; and • be unreasonable.
Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written warning issued informing the perpetrator of problem behaviour, requesting them to stop, and the consequences of continuing. • Community protection notice (CPN) issued including requirement to stop things, do things or take reasonable steps to avoid further anti-social behaviour. • Can allow council to carry out works in default on behalf of a perpetrator.
Penalty on breach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breach is a criminal offence. • A fixed penalty notice can be issued of up to £100 if appropriate. • A fine of up to level 4 (for individuals), or £20,000 for businesses.
Appeals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terms of a CPN can be appealed by the perpetrator within 21 days of issue. • The cost of works undertaken on behalf of the perpetrator by the council can be challenged by the perpetrator if they think they are disproportionate.
Important changes/differences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CPN can deal with a wider range of behaviours for instance, it can deal with noise nuisance and litter on private land open to the air. • The CPN can be used against a wider range of perpetrators. • The CPN can include requirements to ensure that problems are rectified and that steps are taken to prevent the anti-social behaviour occurring again.

The subgroup has delivered number of Community Protection Warning and Public Spaces Protection Orders training sessions to Kent Police and Community Safety Units. This has resulted in new ticket books being issued to both police and council for enforcement and new procedures for collation of any Community Protection Warnings (CPWs) and Notices (CPNs) that are issued. There have now been a number of these warnings issued due to clarity in staff about the remit allowed with these warnings/notices under the Anti - Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.

Le Sailing Voyage 2017



The subgroup has delivered the Le Sailing Voyage 2017 Project. The project was aimed at 30 Year 9 students from 3 Secondary Schools in the District to give them the opportunity to form friendships, break down international barriers and act as a reward for 'grey ghost' children who may not normally have these opportunities. The young people were taken on two Tall Ships leaving Folkestone over to Boulogne on a 5 day journey, after 4 residential

weekends with 30 other French children to the biggest festival in France. They were also given a sailing accreditation at the end of the project. The feedback of this was positive and the young people have formed lifelong friendships with each other as well as built confidence, memories and enthusiasm in school which has been a marked change from prior to starting the project.

Partnership with Kenward Trust – ASB sessions



The group has also worked in partnership with The Kenward Trust – to deliver sessions to young people who are believed to be at risk or vulnerable. This included sessions with Birchwood PRU in Folkestone, Goldwyn Brook School and The Folkestone Academy. The subgroup coordinated a number of sessions in different formats, including visits, one on one sessions, and assemblies to engage as many of the young people as possible and get them to hear from those who have experienced a negative path through offending or prison stays. The feedback from the teachers and students was that the sessions gave them insight as never before and the topics discussed were really powerful to the students.



PRIORITY 3 – VULNERABILITY AND REOFFENDING

CSP Vulnerability and Offending Sub Group of the CSP
Chaired by Kent Police

Key outcomes:

- Gangs – reduce impact of gang activity within the District
- Bespoke communities – cohesive communities working together for the collective benefit of all
- Preventing Offending
- Integrated Offender Management
- Organised Crime Groups (Serious & Organised Crime)
- Gangs
- Vulnerable victims
- Social injustice priority areas
- Changing & Emerging Communities - understanding the effects of migration on local communities, establishing a cohesive approach and understanding for all communities

Kent Police is well placed to assist with highlighting this work where it requires a multi-agency approach. Several police operations over the last few months have received support from agencies including Turning Point which works with substance misuse users. This help has assisted in directing those requiring help to these services during the targeted operations. The group will be looking at profile mapping to gain a greater insight into the needs of communities and how best to offer support.

Changing communities and the mapping of new and emerging communities is key to the development of this group. There are areas within the District which have become more diverse and mapping these and how to engage and integrate these communities into society is an area of work that the Community Liaison Officer at Kent Police is assisting with supported by key agencies. Alongside this there are travelling communities and Folkestone and Hythe District Council have appointed an officer to engage in this work together with the KCC Gypsy Traveller Unit.

The subgroup has this year merged with the Reducing Reoffending Subgroup due to the overlapping themes that have been highlighted. The group still meets bi-monthly and looks at supporting identified communities to reduce the threat of risk and harm.

Positive Choices

Due to the success of the Positive Choices Programme, the subgroup has continued to support the initiative. There have been a number of young people worked with in the programme who have gone on to benefit from the extra support given through family coaching and one on one sessions. The group has discussed expanding the remit of the programme, but this will be determined through funding.

Welcome To The Positive Choices Project



In partnership with:
 Shepway and Dover Mediation
 Kent Police
 Kent Probation and Family Champions/CSU

Loan Shark Week



Earlier this year the group supported the Loan Sharks Week. There were a number of awareness raising events, including a pop up in Hythe.

Some work was done on educating passers-by on what a loan shark is, how to spot them and how to borrow money safely. Advice was also given to businesses including the charity Age UK for their clients.

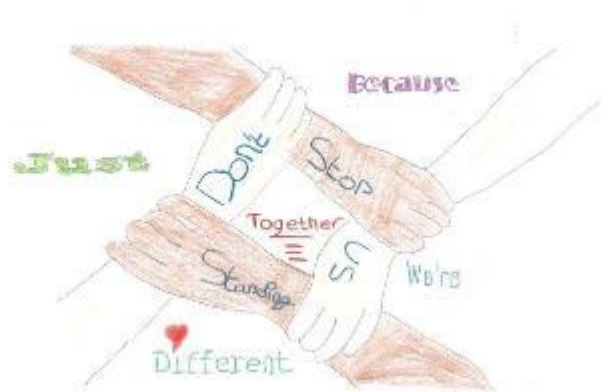
Loan sharks are illegal lenders who often target low income and desperate families.

Awareness Sessions - Gangs

The group is also in the process of organising a Gangs Awareness training session through St Giles Trust so that professionals are better equipped on how to deal with gangs, from low level crime to high level gang activity.

Hate Crime Project

Along with the Clean, Green and Safe subgroup, this group worked on a project going into local schools to give them further information about Hate Crime. The young people who were given the presentation were given education around diversity, the population locally and how to report a hate crime. The young people were also given the opportunity to develop posters for a competition to design a poster about hate crime. It was explained that the winning poster would be distributed on the Kent Police and Council websites and social media. There were a number of entries.



FUNDING 2018-19

The CSP will receive £28,858 for financial year 2017-18. Funding is pass-ported through the Police and Crime Commissioner's budget. The CSP's four priority sub-groups will each be allocated £6,000 a year to spend. £2,500 is allocated to Domestic Homicide Reviews. Remaining funds will be used for projects and expenditure as it occurs to deal with community safety and health and wellbeing issues as they arise.

PROJECT TITLE	FUNDING	THEMES	LEAD
	2018-19		
	£28,858.00		
Safeguarding and Wellbeing	£9,000.00	Domestic Abuse	KCC Specialist Childrens' Services / KCC Public Health/ SKC CCG
		Child Sexual Exploitation	
		Counter Terrorism , Prevent and Vulnerable Persons	
		Youth Diversion	
		Trafficking	
		People Exploitation	
		Drugs and Legal Highs	
		Alcohol	
		Mental Health	
		Active Communities	
		Obesity	
		Dementia	
		Ageing Population	
Environment - Safer, Cleaner, Greener	£9,000.00	Built Environment	CSU, F&HDC
		New Housing	
		Quality of Life	
		Anti-social Behaviour	
		Community Re-assurance	
Vulnerability and Reoffending	£9,000.00	Preventing Offending	Kent Police
		Integrated Offender Management	
		Organised Crime Groups (Serious & Organised Crime)	
		Gangs	
		Migration	
		Vulnerable victims	
		Social injustice priority areas	
		Changing & Emerging Communities	
Fluid Pot	£1,858.00		
TOTAL	£28,858.00		

SUMMARY

The Folkestone and Hythe CSP faces significant challenges over the coming year against a background of ongoing financial pressures and increased resource requests. However, it has seen an increase in enthusiasm and support from all members to ensure that community safety is at the forefront of their work to support the wider health and wellbeing of all residents and communities in the district. This is reflected in the move from priorities around domestic abuse, substance misuse and anti-social behaviour to more stretching current and relevant themes that can affect communities. Included there are some of the areas of work that may not be currently significant in the District, but are important to recognise as potential factors that may occur and need to be considered.

The Partnership is supported by the Community Safety Unit, which is a virtual multi-partner agency flow of information, support and direction. The daily police briefings and weekly multi-agency partner briefings have seen significant pieces of work being undertaken, particularly around “hot spot” locations and supporting at risk and vulnerable individuals.

Tackling crime and ASB is everyone’s business. All the agencies involved in the CSP are committed to making the District safe by providing high quality services in an efficient and effective way. An emphasis is on tackling the crimes that are committed most frequently and which have the most impact on communities. Partners are also working hard to increase the confidence in society so that victims feel able to report detrimental behaviours and crimes. More work will be undertaken in the coming year to work with communities to ascertain their issues and what additional work they would like the CSP to focus on. In addition, the CSP will continue to work closely with all other partnership bodies including, to name a few, the South Kent Coast Health and Well Being Board, Local Children’s Partnership Group and Local Youth Advisory Group.

GLOSSARY

ASB	Anti-social behaviour
CCG	Clinical Commissioning Group
CIN	Children in Need
CP	Child Protection
CSE	Child Sexual Exploitation
CSU	Community Safety Unit
CSP	Community Safety Partnership
DA	Domestic Abuse
F&HDC	Folkestone & Hythe District Council
IDVA	Independent Domestic Violence Adviser
KSSCRC	Kent, Surrey and Sussex Community Rehabilitation Company
LAC	Looked After Children
MARAC	Multi-agency Risk Assessment Conference (DA)
IOM	Integrated Offender Management
PSPO	Public Space Protection Order
SA	Strategic Assessment



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