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#### Summary

This report updates Members on the activities of the two-year funded post of the Anti-Social Behaviour Coordinator and Strategy Officer, based within the City of London Corporation's (henceforth referred to as "the Corporation") Community Safety Team.

#### Recommendation

Members are asked to consider and discuss this report.

#### **Main Report**

#### **Key Areas of Work the Post Holder has been Focussing on:**

- 1. Members will recall that the Post Holder undertook a review of current Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) service delivery across the City of London. The findings were presented at the Safer City Partnership (SCP) Committee in November 2019 in a report entitled *Responses to Anti-Social Behaviour in the City of London*. Subsequent reports updating Members on the developments in this area were presented at the February and July 2020 SCP.
- 2. The papers highlighted a number of steps the Corporation, City of London Police ("City Police") and other partners should take to address the issue of ASB within the Square Mile. Many of the recommendations were linked to the Corporation's Fundamental Review and the City Police's Transform Programme.



- 3. The Post Holder has continued to hold discussions with the City Police Superintendent of Uniformed Policing and Chief Inspectors for Communities East and West sectors, to incorporate many of the recommendations suggested into the new partnership hub model, which is due to go live in October 2020.
- 4. Recent consultations have focussed on composing a revised and updated Information Sharing Agreement (ISA) and constructing a centralised disclosure pathway for partners to compliantly request intelligence held by the City Police to assist with enforcement and the wider SCP crime reduction strategy.
- 5. The ASB Coordinator is continuing to assist the City Police Communities and Integrated Offender Management teams with information and assistance to construct Community Protection Warnings/Notices and Community Behaviour Orders against prolific perpetrators of ASB in the City.
- 6. In addition, the Post Holder is liaising with the Metropolitan Police Service and Community Safety services in the neighbouring boroughs of Tower Hamlets and Westminster with a joined-up and targeted enforcement approach against those individuals committing ASB cross-borough
- 7. Members will recall that the ASB Coordinator has now taken on the coordination of the City Community MARAC¹ (CCM). The CCM is the City of London's monthly MARAC, whereby information is shared on vulnerable victims and perpetrators of ASB to forward manage risk and safeguard individuals.
- 8. In ongoing efforts to support recommendations arising from the January 2020 Community Trigger, the Post Holder has been distributing information and hosting a series of presentations to new and existing partners, to promote the benefits of the CCM as valuable multi-agency tool.
- 9. In August 2020, the Domestic Abuse MARAC Coordinator and the Post Holder presented information on their respective panels during an insight lunch for the National Centre for Domestic Violence (hosted by the Corporation's Social Care Learning team).
- 10. The Post Holder continues to liaise with internal partners to update the CST section of the Corporation's new 'Beta' website, with a public-facing webpage displaying information and advice to professionals on:
  - the CCM referral process (with a downloadable referral form)
  - the CCM Terms of Reference
  - dates of future CCM panel meetings
  - the contact details for the CCM Coordinator

It is expected that this dedicated CCM page will go live at the end of September 2020.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference



- 11. The quantity, quality and diversity of referrals into the CCM has continued to increase. Between June to August 2020, the CCM panel received six high-risk and complex cases from a variety of agencies, including Parkguard Ltd, City Outreach and the Golden Lane Estate Office. One particular case necessitated a cross-borough conference with Westminster City Council to safeguard a vulnerable victim and their young children fleeing domestic violence perpetrated by a City resident.
- 12. On the 5 March 2020, the Corporation's Court of Common Council ratified the City of London London Marathon Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO)<sup>2</sup>. This was in response to serious ASB and public disorder along the section of the London Marathon route which passes through the City of London.
- 13. The ASB and CCM Coordinator undertook important practical work in preparation for the PSPO, which was to be implemented for the first time during the London Marathon on the 26 April 2020.
- 14. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the London Marathon 2020 was postponed, then rescheduled for the 4 October 2020. The race is open to 'elite' running participants only and the new route is confined to within St James' Park. Thus, the London Marathon will not pass through the City of London and the PSPO will not be deployed this year.
- 15. A PSPO is valid for up to three years and therefore the City of London London Marathon PSPO will be utilised when the race is expected to return through the City of London in 2021 and 2022. This will afford suffice evidence to review and evaluate the effectiveness of the PSPO to explore extending its duration beyond 2023.

#### **Process and Next Steps**

16. A further report will come to the November 2020 SCP meeting

#### **Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Public Spaces Protection Order

#### References

Safer City Partnership Committee (2019), 'Responses to Anti-Social Behaviour in the City of London', City of London Corporation

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Appendix 1



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### **Appendix 1**

## **Public Spaces Protection Order**

