

Committee(s):	Date(s):
Safer City Partnership	3 February 2017
Subject: Community Safety Team Update	
Report of: Manager, Community Safety Team	For Information

Summary

To update SCP members on activity by the Community Safety Team not otherwise addressed.

Recommendation

Members are asked to note the following contained within this report.

- Christmas Activity
- SCP Annual Review and 2017 Strategy
- City Community Multi- Agency Risk Assessment Conference (CCM)
- Prevent
- Serious and Organised Crime Board
- Forthcoming Activity
- Safer City Partnership Implementation Plan

Main Report

Christmas Activity

1. Due to a number of factors external to the City there was in fact no pan-London Christmas alcohol campaign led by the London Ambulance Service and the GLA, for us to work with this year. There was also no Alcohol Recovery Centre. Hopefully the issues that led to these situations will be resolved for Christmas 2017.
2. The CST did help support the distribution of relevant materials, including the “dipper” kits over the Christmas period.

SCP Annual Review and 2017 Strategy

3. As we approach the end of this financial year we will be looking to produce a review that captures the work undertaken across the partnership. Given that the

next meeting is in June we will circulate a draft in April for comments and aim to have it completed for that meeting. We will be approaching colleagues for input.

4. We also need to refresh the strategic plans (Community Safety Plans are refreshed annually). Work has already been undertaken with City Police colleagues and others to ensure our priorities are based on sound evidence and align with other work. While the existing priorities of Violence Against the Person, Night Time Economy Crime and Nuisance, Acquisitive Crime, Anti-Social Behaviour and Prevent appear to remain valid there is considerable scope to develop the activity we undertake beneath these headings. For example looking at the increasing threat of cyber enabled crime. Members and partners input is welcomed and will be actively sought in the coming weeks. Again the intention is that this work will be ready for formal sign off at the June meeting.

City Community Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (CCM)

5. The City's Community Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (CCM) is marking its first anniversary on 17 February. This approach to dealing with repeat criminality, Anti-Social Behaviour and vulnerability is being increasingly adopted across London and beyond, the City being an early adopter.
6. The CCM provides a structure that enables a range of professionals to share information and agree action relating to criminal and anti-social behaviour (ASB) within the City of London with a focus on individuals at high risk. The objective being to reduce the harms and risks being experienced by the individual or community.
7. In its first year the CCM has seen some 40 cases referred to it. In the vast majority additional information has been provided through the CCM process which has supported the development of more informed actions. While we are still developing the process and still experience issues around representation the CCM is increasingly recognised as a valuable vehicle for dealing with persistent and recurring issues and individuals in the City.
8. The work of the CCM has supported the use of innovative responses including our first Criminal Behaviour Order with positive requirements. It also supported the process to acquire our first Civil Injunction in connection with an incident affecting our residents.
9. Many of the cases relate to individuals who live outside the City. These have highlighted the need to improve communications with neighbouring boroughs and other local authorities as well as mental health services.

10. Eleven of the cases referred to the CCM involved City residents. These have provided an opportunity to improve co-operation between various departments and agencies.

Prevent

11. The Prevent strategy is due to be refreshed. Copies will be available at the meeting. Members' input is invited.

12. There have been no Channel referrals since the last SCP meeting. It remains a popular area for generating Freedom of Information requests.

13. On 28 November we provided a session for the community and voluntary sector community. This provided a high quality discussion and highlighted the misunderstandings that exist around Prevent.

14. Also over this week we supported a number of events to support Counter Terrorism Awareness Week. These were aimed at staff who have regular contact with the public (Cleansing, Open spaces, City guides, Built Environment and Highways staff) and proved popular with over 200 attending in total.

15. Looking forward we have arranged two meetings, (i) with Education Prevent Leads (from nurseries, primary and junior schools and universities) for 21 February and (ii) with Corporate Prevent Leads on 23 February. The information from these meetings will help feed into the new Prevent Strategy. We will also discuss with Corporate Prevent Leads future Prevent training sessions for staff with a view to carrying out training on a departmental basis.

16. We have also invited businesses to sit on a Prevent Working Group for businesses on 9 February to help create a Prevent product that is more in line with the needs of the business community and provides useful information about the referral process. We are also considering using a similar product for charitable organisations etc.

17. There has been some interesting work going on with a community group. We are working with them and an external training provider to explore how we might develop a programme to support parents and others in having a dialogue when children/community members appear to be coming under the influence of those with extremist views.

Membership of SCP: Residents/Community Engagement

18. The CST has identified those members who represent the main residential areas in the City. Our intention is that after the election we will provide a briefing on Community Safety in the City and seek to develop them as conduits to provide us with community concerns while we ensure they are aware of the work of the partnership.

Serious and Organised Crime Board

19. The Chairman, John Simpson, and Deputy Chairman of the Board, Jon Averbs, met with Detective Chief Superintendent Jane Gyford on 6 December to discuss progress and seek advice about how best to take things further forward. After helpful discussions from both sides it was decided that the next meeting of the SOC Board on 22 December would include a useful explanation of the Four P's Framework (Prevent, Prepare, Pursue, and Protect) so that members of the Board understood the methodology of the Framework and how it can be utilised to tackle various forms of crime. It was agreed that each key crime area identified by the City of London Police would be discussed by the Serious and Organised Crime Board. Monthly dates have been scheduled up to the end of June and the next two meetings will be looking at Fraud and Cyber Enabled Crime on 27 January and Financial Crime on 28 February.
20. At the 22 December meeting, City Police provided a detailed account of the threat posed by Cyber Attacks, and its potentially devastating impact on small and medium sized businesses. It is clear that SMEs are vulnerable to these attacks but that such attacks are often not reported. More remains to be done to raise awareness about Cyber Attacks and help SMEs mitigate such attacks and prevent reputational damage. There is clearly a role here for Members who have links to the business community.
21. An oral update will be provided on the meeting of 27 January.

Forthcoming Activity

22. Through the work of One Safe City and other colleagues progress is being made on bringing together a calendar setting out activity for the year.
23. 6-10 February will see activity on FGM. 8 -14 May is Mental Health Awareness Week. 25 November – 10 December will be 16 Days of Action on Domestic Violence.
24. Work is also on-going to make use of data to better inform the timing of campaigns.

Safer City Partnership Monitoring Tool

25. The partnership monitoring tool follows at the end of this paper. The team continues to work on it and extend ownership to include all those across the Partnership who are contributing to our priorities.

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