Committee(s):	Date(s):
Safer City Partnership	29 November 2018
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(s)

Members are asked to note the report.

Summary

This report updates SCP Members of activities not otherwise addressed in the agenda, of the Community Safety Team.

Engagement

- 1. The Community Safety team attended the Licensing Forum 23 October and held a stall to engage with licensees with good engagement.
- 2. The Community Safety team supported the City and Hackney's Children's Safequarding Conference 1 November and held a stall.
- 3. The Community Safety Team and London Drug and Alcohol Policy Forum are again being supported by the Mayor of London to deliver a pan-London Christmas period alcohol safety campaign. This will build on last year's successful work. 'Three Wise Things Eat, Pace, Plan' will be launching on the 26 November. The campaign encourages Londoners to enjoy the party season but also to look after themselves, friends and colleagues and includes tips to help avoid help from blue light services. The campaign includes a toolkit for employers, digital messaging and a website.

Domestic abuse

- 4. Domestic violence. Since September there has been two high risk cases referred to the City of London MARAC and four cases referred out to other boroughs. Mitigation included arrests by Police and practical matters like changing door locks and slower time assessments of the resident's premises to reassure the victim.
- 5. The next CoL Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Forum is due 10 December. Since the September meeting we have strengthened links with Hackney and are exploring closer connections in practical terms with their Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) lead, who manages their intervention services and perpetrator programmes.
- 6. From 25 November we will be looking to support activity in connection with the national campaign 16 Days of Action Against Domestic Violence. This will include internal as well as external facing work with a key aim being to better equip people to know how to support victims and report incidents. Further information available via the website https://16daysofaction.co.uk/the-campaign/.

Hate Crime

- 7. In support of National Hate Crime Awareness Week (13 20 October) the Community Safety Team supported by the City of London Police held two hate crime awareness stalls in the Guildhall.
- 8. The new hate crime module created to raise awareness of hate crime and embed a firmer understanding with the City Corporation is now live.

Modern Slavery

- 9. An event was held on 24 October to raise awareness of modern slavery. Speakers included representatives from Human Trafficking Foundation, Hestia, Kalayaan and City of London Police.
- 10. The event was well attended and had a variety of different departments attend such as probation, social services and other internal services. The information and awareness provided by the event resulted in one referral.

Prevent

- 11. There has been one referral to the City Police, which was assessed by Prevent as part of the screening process and identified as a non-extremism matter with other safeguarding concerns. It was logged and passed to the relevant Borough Social Services and Police.
- 12. Pro-active community engagement continues with Prevent information stands delivered between CoL staff and Police officers in public spaces, including St Pauls

Churchyard, Paternoster Square, Aldgate and Liverpool Street. Internal locations included the Bank of America and St Bart Hospital, both of which are trusted partners and the recent City and Hackney Safeguarding Children conference held at Guildhall. Additionally, we delivered Prevent stands at Coventry University and London Metropolitan University freshers' fairs.

- 13. A meeting took place with the new Head of Safeguarding at the Guildhall School of Drama and Music. We expect to deliver training via the manager over the coming months.
- 14. The full Prevent training product WRAP was delivered to 23 managers of a national restaurant chain at their offices in Holborn. This is a first for that American company.
- 15. The mandatory Prevent e-module has been completed by 98 CoL employees, with 12 people in the process of completion. This is disappointing regarding numbers but despite this it is a positive step forward.
- 16. Work continues on a new e-module specifically for City businesses to deliver Prevent for business, to be launched 2019.
- 17. A 'Prevent in the City, working lunch' was held on the 5 November. Attendees included education, businesses and our statutory partners. A guest speaker, from the SAFE Project, used his real-life experience during a short talk about losing his brother to extremism and the charity work he now does following his brother's death.

Safer City Partnership Refresh

18. The Safer City Partnership Strategy document is currently being refreshed and a consultation is underway with partners. We aim to build on the existing strategy and ensure we have the right priorities. We also want to ensure we capture the plans and ambitions in place for the next 1-3 years from all relevant agencies. Work has also been undertaken with colleagues from City of London Corporate Strategy to explore how we can use their experience and the Corporate Plan to anchor and develop the SCP strategy.

Community Safety Team Staffing & Resources

- 19. The Domestic Abuse, Vulnerability and Risk Policy Officer post (.6fte) has been successfully recruited to, with a start date of 4 December. Funded for one year the costs of this post have been shared between City of London Police, Department of Community and Children's Services and Town Clerks. Based within the CST, the postholder will work closely with CoLP and DCCS.
- 20. This post will help drive the development of policies and processes to ensure we provide victims and those at risk with the best possible service. We are expecting this post to identify areas we can improve and to suggest new approach. Updates and recommendations will be provided to the SCP.

- 21. In October the Community Safety Team were successful in a bid to the Priorities Investment Pot to seek additional funding to help improve the responses to Anti-Social Behaviour in the City of London.
- 22. This funding will be used to fund a co-ordination post to help improve our intelligence around ASB while at the same time improving our responses. SCP members will be kept informed of progress.

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