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Summary

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

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to note the report and make recommendations.

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

Resident Engagement

- 1. In support of the SCP's commitment to further improve engagement with our resident community, the Community Safety Team will be attending the 'Community Conversation' event on 27 February at Golden Lane Estate. The Community Safety Manager will present at this meeting.
- 2. The focus of the event will be around policies on engagement of children and youth re personal safety, information on anti-social behaviour, drug offences, rough sleeping and begging and community initiatives about crime reduction and community integration.

Domestic abuse

- Domestic violence. Since December 2018 there has been one high risk case referred to the City of London MARAC, one professionals meeting in January 2019 to discuss a 'standard at risk' case and one case referred out to another borough. Mitigation included treatment options, safeguarding and maintaining contact.
- 4. A date for the next CoL Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Forum is currently being arranged. An agenda meeting will be taking place on 14 March.
- 5. A one-day training has been organised for 6 March with Latin American Women's Rights Service (LAWRS) for the City of London. The training will be around VAWG and harmful practices, and how to support and respond to service users who are experiencing these issues.
- 6. The training is aimed at professionals interested in learning or in strengthening their knowledge around VAWG and harmful practices. It is especially useful for front line workers who can identify victims or women/girls at risk (eg social workers, health professionals, teachers, police, safeguarding leads, etc).

Serious and Organised Crime Board

- 7. The SoC Board met on 13 February to review and discuss, Fraud, the first of three priorities which have been identified as a threat to the City. Concern was expressed about the impact of fraud on vulnerable people and that the best way to stop and protect individuals from fraud is with the help of education. This concern highlighted the relevance of partnership working and how important it is to have the right agencies present at Board meetings so that they can help to raise awareness of fraud.
- 8. To ensure that the SoC Board is fully represented, the Board's Terms of References will be recirculated to all partnership agencies. Members of the SCP are asked to support representation at the SoC Board meetings.
- 9. Members may also be interested in the work of the Lifetime Offender Management Unit designed to prevent the reoffending of serious and organised criminals. The unit also works closely with partners to exchange information on individuals in order to reduce opportunities for returning to criminal activity. Detective Superintendent Richard Waight has offered to provide a presentation of the role of the Unit at the next SCP meeting in May.

E-CINS

1. The Community Safety Team will be hosting an event around the implementation and use of E-CINS and its potential impact on 27 March. The event will be open

to partners and other boroughs nationally as well as London wide. The event will feature a series of presentations from other boroughs, for example Newham, on how they have successfully implemented the system and use it to monitor their impact. Newham have had great success with the system and will serve as a great example. Different boroughs will showcase how they use it and in what areas, such as to coordinate partnership operations, hording, licenced premises and others.

- 2. It is hoped that this event will improve understanding around the use of E-CINS, particularly for internal partners, and will encourage partners to be more confident with the system and integrate it into their everyday practices. All relevant partners in the City have now been created on the system however uptake to use the system has been slower than hoped.
- 3. The Community Safety Team and Rough Sleeper Co-ordinator met with Tower Hamlets to discuss the benefits for both authorities which now have E-CINs, to work together on rough sleepers that regularly cross the border between the City and LBTH. The simple messaging, dynamic case updating plus the security (GDRP compliance) are all ideal functions of E-CINs that staff can use across borough boundaries for a common area of work such as this. The decision to uptake this offer will now sit with the Rough Sleeper Co-ordinator. It is hoped we can take up the opportunity which would prove beneficial to both us and Tower Hamlets.
- 4. The EC-Connect Triage Desk, a recording tool for all tools and powers given in the ASB crime and policing act 2014 (CPN's etc), has yet to be used efficiently and we would like to encourage all partners to use it. Recording CPN's centrally, to avoid duplication, is a statutory requirement and therefore will be closely monitored to ensure we are fulfilling our statutory duties. If any teams needs the CST's help to get more familiar with the system, we will be happy to arrange time to go through the system again.

Prevent

- 5. There have been no Channel referrals since the SCP last met.
- 6. There have been two referrals to the City Police, which are currently being processed by the relevant authorities.
- 7. The mandatory Prevent e-module has been completed by 327 CoL employees a significant improvement on previous numbers.
- 8. On the 22 January the Government announced there will be an independent review of the Prevent programme. The move was announced after the

government accepted an amendment to the counter-terrorism and border security bill passing through parliament. Further details of the review will be set out in due course. The review will begin within six months of the legislation coming into force and there will be a requirement to report back to parliament within 18 months.

Staffing and resources

- 9. We now have in place a Domestic Abuse, Vulnerability and Risk Policy Office. This post is fixed term till December 2019.
- 10. Following the departure of a Community Safety Officer in January, the team have also recruited a new Community Safety Officer who will be in post in the near future.
- 11. Our graduate trainee, who started with the team in October 2017, will be moving on from the team in March. She helped lead on communications for the team, coordination of events and campaigns and has been working on the current Safer City Partnership strategy and Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy. We wish her all the best and are grateful for her contributions to the CST.

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