

Committee(s):	Date(s):
Safer City Partnership	23 September 2019
Subject: Community Safety Team Update	
Report of: Manager, Community Safety Team	For Information
<p style="text-align: center;">Summary</p> <p>To update SCP members on activity by the Community Safety Team not otherwise addressed</p> <p>Recommendation(s)</p> <p>Members are asked to note the report.</p>	

Domestic Abuse

1. Since the last Safer City Partnership meeting three cases have been referred to the City of London MARAC, two were based on professional judgement, with the third founded on potential escalation, high scoring DASH assessment and professional judgement. Two further cases were referred out to other boroughs, one based on professional judgement, the other on potential escalation, high scoring DASH assessment and professional judgement.

Serious and Organised Crime (SOC)

2. At the SOC Board's meeting on 15 May, it was announced that David Bulbrook, Borough Commander of the Fire Brigade in the City. had agreed to chair future meetings of the SoC Board. The Board also welcomed Mr Barrow who attended the meeting as an observer. One of the items for discussion was the revised edition of the SOC Board's Terms of Reference which had been approved by SCP. Minor adjustments have been made to reflect the current membership of the SOC Board.
3. The SOC Board is scheduled to take place on 18 September. A verbal update will be provided at the SCP meeting. Amongst the topics to be covered are the new Lifetime Offender Management Unit and drug dealing/use in the City.

Drugs Working Group

4. The Drugs Working Group first met in December 2018 to bring together a range of parties with an interest in responding to drug use and its impacts within the City of London. It was established into specific concerns raised about the use of powder cocaine and other drug use in the City. The working group also provides a vehicle to drive responses to the work undertaken by CoLP in terms of their drug profile. It reports into the SCP, the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Licensing Committee as appropriate.
5. There is a complementary strand of work underway which looks at specific issues relating to assistance which can be provided for employers and promoting behaviour change.
6. The group looks to build our understanding of the nature of the issue in the City, identify how we can develop or improve our responses and explore how we can support venues and employers.
7. The group has already proved helpful in providing a dedicated focus to drug related problems. It has supported the identification of specific areas of concerns and this has led to the potential for significant partnership working, including with colleagues from the MPS and Tower Hamlets. Further updates will be provided as this work progresses.

Prevent

8. There have been no Channel meetings held since the May SCP meeting. The Community Safety Team has been actively working to deliver awareness sessions to a wide range of institutions and the public. Engagement with local community groups continues. Further detail is contained within the City of London Police report.

Modern Day Slavery

9. The Community Safety Team in collaboration with the Department of Children and Adults Services are organising an event on National Modern-Day Slavery (MDS) awareness day. The event will take place on Friday 18 October in the 'City Centre' from 9:30 until 12 and will have speakers from well know organisations, such an Unseen.
10. The event will be the start point of a training campaign to be rolled out to all corporation employees. We are asking all managers and Chief Officers to encourage members of staff to participate in the quarterly training sessions. For more information contact CST.

Forthcoming Activity

- 11.9 October Domestic Abuse awareness stalls around the City (with the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Forum).

12. 14 October Hate Crime Awareness event run in conjunction with the Multi-Faith Staff Network to promote awareness of Hate Crimes during National Hate Crime Awareness Week 2019.
13. The National Hate Crime Awareness week 2019 takes place from the 12 to the 19 October with many events across the country to promote 4 H.O.P.E. aims, these being:
- **Hate crime awareness** - running awareness events to increase public knowledge.
 - **Operational responses to hate crime** - encouraging people to think about how they would respond if hate crime happened to someone they know.
 - **Preventing** hate crime where possible.
 - **Empowering** communities to report hate crime and work together.
14. 18 October, Modern Slavery Awareness event with the City of London Police, The Human Trafficking Foundation and Crimestoppers. Crimestoppers have received funding from City Bridge Trust and MOPAC to promote more awareness of the benefits of reporting in London and to enable vulnerable people from different groups to report.

15. Domestic Abuse Awareness week 25 November

Community Safety Team Staffing & Resources

16. At the beginning of September, we filled the Anti-Social Behaviour Coordinator and Strategy Officer Post. This fixed term position has been funded via the Priorities Investment Pot. The purpose of this role is to review the scale of ASB in the City, looking at current responses and helping identify how improvements in service delivery and efficiency can be delivered. The span of the work covers the work of multiple City of London Corporation departments as well as the City of London Police. There will also be discussion with relevant SCP partners and will look to draw on the learning and experience of other local authorities.

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