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Safer City Partnership	27 November 2019
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# Summary

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

### Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to note the report.

### **Domestic Abuse**

- **1.** Since the last SCP meeting there have been no cases referred to the Domestic Abuse MARAC. Monthly meetings have been scheduled; however, no referrals have been received from any agency.
- 2. The City of London Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Strategy and Action Plan has been approved by Summit and SCP members. The final edit of the strategy and action plan is currently in process. We are consulting with members of the VAWG Forum regarding the strapline to be added to the strategy, making it clear the strategy is for everyone not just women and girls.

## **Prevent**

- 3. There have been no Channel meetings held since the September meeting. The Community Safety Team has been working closely with the City of London Police's Prevent officer to promote and deliver Prevent training sessions to businesses, community groups, the education sector and partner agencies. Further details are included within the City of London Police report.
- **4.** To date 1387 employees of the City of London Corporation have completed the Prevent e-learning course. The prevent coordinator is delivering a Prevent Awareness session to staff from the Department of Community and Children Services early in 2020

#### Proceeds of Crime Act - SCP Fund

- **5.** Members will recall that at the last meeting a process was agreed for the consideration and monitoring of the funds provided to the SCP from the City of London Police POCA funds. At that meeting a bid from the LFB for £1,000 was agreed.
- 6. Since then there has been a bid for £5.5k to support the Reframe the Night campaign. Given the time pressures to ensure this work linked in with the national 16 Days of Action this bid has been agreed by the SCP Chairman. The bid was supported by CoLP and DCCS partners. The campaign seeks to raise awareness around sexual assault and harassment and commences on 25 November. This work shows the City's commitment to the Mayor of London's Women's Night Safety Charter and links well with increases in offending that tend to occur in the run up to Christmas. This work is being delivered in partnership with the London Borough of Hackney. Additional funding has also been secured from the Late-Night Levy; this element will provide for staff training within licensed venues in the City.
- **7.** A bid from City of London Police, supported by DCCS, to provide additional public reassurance patrols in the Middlesex Street area during the peak Christmas period is anticipated ahead of this meeting.
- **8.** There is also a bid under development to support CoLP and the Community Safety Team in delivering crime prevention advice and materials. This will include a component to provide advice and guidance to overseas visitors to the City.
- **9.** Flowing from this we plan to provide hotels and venues with advice and guidance to help prevent crime and respond effectively where incidents do occur.
- **10.** Bids from SCP partners are encouraged.

## **Public Space Protection Order – London Marathon**

- 11. Work is ongoing to progress the PSPO as agreed at the last SCP meeting. The paper is now progressing through the Committee system. It has been to Licensing and going to Policy and Resources on 21 November. It is also planned to go to Port Health (26 November), Police Authority Board (28 November) and Planning and Transportation (12 December).
- 12. Progress has also been made in terms of producing a map and capturing the relevant roads for the area we propose the PSPO to operate in. The legal drafting of the actual order is also developing. We have also made progress in terms of undertaking the Equalities Impact Assessment
- **13.** The required public consultation has been be delayed as we have been advised this should not commence until after the election period. This will

place considerable time pressures in terms of meeting the deadline required to have a PSPO in place for the 2020 marathon.

## **Forthcoming Activity**

14. Domestic abuse awareness week. The Community Safety Team have organised seven engagement sessions with businesses and venues across the city to raise awareness of the support services available for victims of abuse. For businesses the team will be promoting the Spotting the Signs Toolkit which is available for managers, offering methods of supporting and sign posting their staff to access services. Details below:

Cushman & Wakefield – 25th November

City of London Corporation – 26<sup>th</sup> November

Broadgate/Exchange House – 27<sup>th</sup> November

The Walkie Talkie – 28<sup>th</sup> November (subject to confirmation)

St Bart's Hospital – 29<sup>th</sup> November

Standard Charter Bank – 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Sainsbury's Holborn – 4th December

- **15.** The team will also be using these opportunities to promote #ReframeTheNight, campaign in conjunction with Good Night Out and Hackney Council. The campaign is raising awareness and challenging myths and stereotypes around sexual harassment and abuse in the night-time economy. More information on this activity is contained within the POCA fund report.
- 16. Christmas campaign(s). The Community Safety Team are supporting the City of London Police with their public engagement activity at mainline stations. A number of Corporation colleagues have also volunteered to assist. The CST is also working with the GLA to deliver the London Alcohol campaign. The digital toolkit for this will be provided to partners from 21 November with the first digital element of the campaign commencing 25 November. This campaign builds on the success of previous years, Eat, Pace, Place/Three Wise Things work. We have benefited from the support of London Fire Brigade, London Ambulance Service, Metropolitan Police Service and Transport for London. Further details will be provided at the meeting.

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