

Strategy Boards & Committee:	Date:
Safer City Partnership Strategy Board	29/11/2021
Subject: Community Safety Team Update	Public
Report of: Andrew Carter, Director of Community and Children's Services	For Information
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Summary	
To update Safer City Partnership Members on Community Safety activity not otherwise addressed.	
Recommendation	
Members are asked to:	
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Main Report

Domestic Abuse (DA) Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC)

1. Since the September SCP meeting, six cases have been heard at MARAC. An emergency MARAC for a high-risk complex case was heard at the end of September, with a further two cases referred to the October MARAC and three in November.
2. Cases were referred by Victim Support, City of London Police (CoLP), Doctors of the World, and City of London Corporation (CoLC) Housing. Two referrals were based on high-risk Domestic Abuse, Stalking and Harassment (DASH) scores, four on professional judgement, and one due to escalation, which had previously been heard at the MARAC. A robust action plan was agreed for each and there

has been excellent partnership working from a range of organisations. One case was transferred to another borough due to the individuals moving out of the Square Mile.

3. The next DA MARAC is scheduled for 8 December 2021.
4. The Community Safety Team (CST) has received two MARAC-to-MARAC (M2M) referrals from CoLP since the last SCP meeting. M2M referrals are when DA incidents take place within the City, however, the victim and perpetrator reside in another area. The MARAC team in the area where the individuals live are given details of the incident, allowing them to assess whether it meets their MARAC threshold.

City Community MARAC (CCM)

5. The CST co-ordinates the CCM. This is the City of London's monthly MARAC, whereby information is shared on vulnerable victims and perpetrators of anti-social behaviour (ASB), to forward manage risk and safeguard individuals. The next CCM is scheduled to be held on 16 December 2021.
6. Between September to November 2021, the CCM panel received two high-risk and complex cases from the CoLP. Both referrals concerned High Intensity Service Users (HISU) repeatedly threatening suicide from bridges within the City of London.
7. All the HISUs referred to the CCM resided elsewhere in the UK and had complex mental health and social needs. The CST contacted and invited statutory services from the local authorities where the individuals reside to the CCM to:
 - ensure that the person referred was receiving the necessary mental health support and social care services in their local authority area
 - ensure there was a robust and sustainable action plan to safeguard the vulnerable victim in the City
 - discuss the suitability of low-level enforcement on an individual HISU to mitigate behaviours placing them at serious risk of accidental death.
8. The CCM only accept cases for attempted suicide when the case also includes other behaviours linked to public disorder, anti-social behaviour, or crime.
9. To increase further awareness of the MARAC, the CST continues to provide training sessions to statutory and voluntary organisations, to promote the CCM as a valuable partnership and multi-agency tool in solving complex community safety issues. If you would like to arrange CCM training, then please do not

hesitate to contact the CCM Co-ordinator on cstrefferals@cityoflondon.gov.uk.

10. The CST section of the CoLC's website has a dedicated page, which displays information and advice for professionals on the CCM and the referral process. This can be found at the following link: <https://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/services/community-and-safety/city-community-marac>. The CCM Co-ordinator is available to discuss the suitability of referrals into the panel.

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) and Enforcement

11. The Department of Community and Children's Services has commissioned a new 12-month piloted City-wide and City-centric mobile patrol service delivered by Parkguard Ltd. The pilot is being funded through the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002. The new City-wide service commenced on 28 October 2021. More information can be found in the SCP's Parkguard Ltd paper for the November 2021 meeting.
12. Due to historical incidents of serious ASB and disorder along sections of the London Marathon route through the City, in March 2020 the CoLC agreed to implement a Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) on the day of the race to safeguard the public and protect the reputation of this important international event.
13. The PSPO gives the CoLP authority within a designated area to disperse those acting in an anti-social manner, as well as seize alcohol and psychoactive substances. Those persons refusing to abide by the PSPO prohibitions can be issued with a £100 fixed-penalty notice.
14. On 3 October 2021, the London Marathon PSPO was deployed for the first time and was an overwhelming success. The majority of the public refrained from drinking alcohol in the PSPO area, or disposed of alcohol when requested by the Police. Subsequently, no fines were issued by the CoLP for failure to comply with the PSPO. The London Marathon PSPO is valid for three years and will be redeployed at the next race in October 2022. Further information on the London Marathon PSPO can be found at <https://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/services/community-and-safety/london-marathon-public-spaces-protection-order>.
15. In October 2021, the CST compiled and submitted an application on behalf of the CoLC, for an emergency Civil Injunction Order (see Appendix 1) against a male committing gross criminal acts and ASB across the City. The offences committed included racially aggravated public disorder, threats to kill and assault CoLC commissioned service staff.

16. The CST ensured that all stakeholders and services connected to the defendant, were consulted and updated regularly on the applications progress. The Injunction Order was supported by the CoLP Sector Policing Team and witness testimonies from City Outreach.
17. A full Civil Injunction Order was granted to the CoLC on 1 November 2021, prohibiting the defendant from entering the City for one year. Any contravention of the Injunction Order by the defendant leaves him open to arrest by the CoLP, with a potential suspended or custodial sentence handed down by the Courts for recurrent breaches.

Prevent Activity

18. The CST received two Prevent referrals from the CoLP at the start of October 2021. The CST hosted a virtual 'Channel Panel' to discuss both cases on 25 October 2021. The Channel Panel is a multi-agency approach to identify and support people at risk from radicalisation and extremism, using existing collaboration between local authorities, the police and statutory partners, such as social services, health and probation. The aim of the panel is to:
 - identify individuals at risk
 - assess the nature and extent of that risk
 - develop the most appropriate support plan for the individuals concerned.
19. The panel was chaired by the Community Safety Manager, with representation from all required partners. The decision was made by the panel to formally adopt one of the cases into the Channel process, offering the individual the opportunity to engage and accept the support in order to steer them away from extremist ideologies.
20. As the Channel process is voluntary, steps have been taken to gain the individual's consent. Once this is obtained, the individual will be offered three sessions with a Home Office approved Intervention Provider, who will assess the level of radicalisation and propose further mentoring sessions. This case will be monitored, and a further update will be provided at the next SCP meeting.
21. The second referral was transferred to the Metropolitan Police Service, as the individual had recently secured accommodation outside of the Square Mile.
22. The CST attends a bi-weekly virtual forum with the London Prevent Network, which includes all London Prevent co-ordinators and updates with partners such as SO15 Counter Terrorism Policing, Department for Education, NHS England Prevent, and the National Probation Service. This forum focuses on best practice, support for co-ordinators in delivering Prevent activity, and national updates. Information is also provided regarding the Home Office Prevent Review,

which will be carried out throughout the year.

23. The Prevent team (CST joint with the CoLP's Prevent Officer) continues to actively promote Prevent training packages and awareness sessions to businesses, community groups, partner agencies and the education sector. Due to COVID-19, all face-to-face training sessions have been replaced with virtual sessions. Additionally, the Home Office online package has been suggested as a temporary alternative.
24. Since the last SCP Strategy Board, training has been delivered to CoLC elected Members, Guildhall School of Music and Drama staff, Transport for London, CoLP new starters and transferees. The Prevent team also provided a tailored session to CoLC elected Members.
25. The Prevent team continues to promote the Action Counters Terrorism national safeguarding website www.actearly.uk which was launched in November 2020. The campaign is a regular feature on the Prevent training presentations, CoLC, and CoLP social media channels, as well as various forums. This campaign aims to encourage family and friends to share concerns that a friend or loved one might be vulnerable to radicalisation.

Strategic Implications

26. All the work noted in this report contributes to our SCP aims:

- Vulnerable people and communities are safeguarded from radicalisation and the threat of terrorism
- People are safe from violent crime and violence against the person
- People and businesses are protected from theft and fraud/acquisitive crime
- Anti-social behaviour is tackled and responded to effectively
- People are safe and feel safe in the night-time economy.

Conclusion

The CST continues to work in collaboration with stakeholders on a variety of community safety activities, and has continued to provide an excellent service throughout the last year with lockdown measures in place.

Appendices

- **Appendix 1 – Civil Injunction Order process**

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Appendix 1

Civil Injunction Order process

