

Strategy Boards & Committee:	Date:
Safer City Partnership Strategy Board	16/05/2022
Subject: Community Safety Team Update	Public
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<div>Summary</div> <p>To update Safer City Partnership (SCP) Members on Community Safety Team (CST) activity not otherwise addressed.</p> <div>Recommendation</div> <p>Members are asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Note the report.	

Main Report

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

1. Since lockdown measures were imposed on 23 March 2020, the City of London DA MARAC has successfully operated virtually via Microsoft Teams, which has resulted in stronger attendance by partners. As a result, the DA MARAC will continue online.
2. Since the November 2021 SCP meeting, seven cases have been heard at DA MARAC.
3. Cases were referred by the City of London Police (CoLP), Adult Social Care, Doctors of the World and the LGBT+ anti-abuse charity GALOP. Referrals were based on high-risk Domestic Abuse Stalking and Harassment (DASH) scores, professional judgement or an escalation in the risk after a case had previously been heard at DA MARAC. A robust action plan was agreed for each and there has been excellent partnership working from a range of organisations.
4. The next DA MARAC is scheduled for 19 May 2022.

5. The CST has received eight MARAC-to-MARAC (M2M) referrals since the last SCP meeting. M2M referrals are when domestic abuse 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 Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (CCM)

6. The CST co-ordinates the CCM. This is the City of London's monthly community MARAC, whereby information is shared on vulnerable victims and perpetrators of anti-social behaviour (ASB), to proactively manage risk and safeguard individuals. Since March 2020, the CCM has operated effectively via Microsoft Teams. The next CCM is scheduled to be held on 16 June 2022.
7. Between November 2021 and May 2022, the CCM panel received 10 high-risk cases. The referrals originated from the Mental Health Street Triage (MHST) team and the CoLP's Sector Policing and Public Protection Unit. One of the referrals related to a complex housing and safeguarding concern, while another involved an escalating noise dispute between neighbours.
8. Since the closure of the NHS Serenity Integrated Mentoring (SIM) programme, the CCM has been receiving referrals for complex cases of suicide attempts as an interim measure and until we can achieve a better resolution of where these cases should be solved.
9. The CCM received seven referrals concerned High Intensity Service Users (HISU) repeatedly threatening suicide from bridges within the City of London. 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 support of mental health and social care services in their local authority area
 - ensure that 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.
10. In March 2022, the CST gave a presentation to the CoLC's Suicide Prevention Strategy Group on the CCM's role with HISUs as an interim measure. Using several case studies, the presentation provided examples of where the CCM had successfully managed the behaviour of HISUs with a multi-agency and collaborative approach, to show partner agencies how important this type of forum is for complex cases.
11. To increase further awareness of the conference, 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, please do not hesitate to contact the CCM Coordinator on ccmarac@cityoflondon.gov.uk.

12. The CST section of the Corporation's website has a dedicated webpage which displays information and advice for professionals on the CCM and the referral process. This can be found via 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 to the panel.

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) & Enforcement

13. The Department of Community and Children's Services has commissioned a 12-month piloted City-wide and City-centric mobile patrol service delivered by Parkguard Ltd. The pilot began at the end of October 2021 to coincide with Halloween weekend.
14. The patrols aimed at preventing, detecting and deterring ASB and crime, as well as collecting information and intelligence to facilitate longer-term criminal and civil enforcement action. This supports the CoLC's commitment to proactively prevent and tackle ASB and crime in every part of the Square Mile.
15. There are currently five deployments for the new City-wide service, which include regular active patrols of the Barbican Estate, Middlesex Street locality and a CoLC carpark. Parkguard have been able to ascertain the details of persons engaging in ASB in these areas, which has enabled the CST to issue the subjects with low-level enforcement, such as trespass and warning letters.
16. In November and December 2021, Parkguard conducted joint patrols with the CoLP on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, as part of the Christmas Campaign. On 28 April 2022, Parkguard patrol officers provided assistance on Operation Reframe – a CoLP and CoLC initiative to patrol licensed premises and hotspots to ensure that people feel safe in the night-time economy.
17. Deployments under the new City-wide patrol service are via a strict tasking referral mechanism only. Internal and external partners wishing to use the service are required to submit a detailed referral to the ASB Co-ordinator.
18. On behalf of the Corporation, the CST successfully obtained a six-month Civil Injunction Order against a male committing gross environmental ASB in the City. The CST ensured that all stakeholders and services connected to the defendant are consulted and updated regularly on the application's progress. The Injunction Order was supported by the CoLP, CoLC Street Environment Team and local businesses, which provided the witness impact statements included in the application.
19. In November and December 2021, the CST held training sessions with Adult Social Care, rough sleeping professionals, and partnership agencies on the enforcement powers utilised in the Square Mile, which are detailed in the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act (2014). These include Injunctions

Orders, Community Protection Notices and Criminal Behaviour Orders.

Prevent Activity

20. There have been no Channel Panels since the last SCP Strategy Board. The CST operate meetings virtually and will liaise with partners accordingly should a referral come to our attention.
21. We are exploring an online training package with the Home Office to complement the work of raising Prevent awareness, especially to businesses in the City.
22. The Corporation and CoLP continue to promote the Action Counters Terrorism national safeguarding website – www.actearly.uk – which was launched in November 2020. The campaign is a regular feature of the Prevent training presentations, City Corporation 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

23. 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

24. 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

- None.

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