

Strategy Boards & Committee: Safer City Partnership Strategy Board Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Committee	Dated: 04/09/2024 14/11/2024
Subject: Safer City Partnership (SCP) Strategy 2025–2028 timeline	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation’s Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	Vibrant Thriving Destination
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Summary

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 gives the Safer City Partnership (SCP) Strategic Board the statutory obligation to update and publish a three-year strategy. Our current strategy ends in 2025, and therefore we are starting the work of creating a new strategy.

Recommendation

Partners and Members are asked to:

- Note the report.

Main Report

Background

1. Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) were introduced by Section 6 of the [Crime and Disorder Act 1998](#) and bring together local partners to formulate and implement strategies to tackle crime, disorder and antisocial behaviour in their communities.
2. CSPs work on the principle that no single agency can address all drivers of crime and antisocial behaviour, and that effective partnership working is vital to ensuring safer communities.
3. The current Safer City Partnership (SCP) strategy, formulated in 2021 for the 2022–2025 period, concludes in April 2025. In anticipation of this, steps are being initiated to develop a comprehensive partnership strategy.
4. The new strategy involves statutory obligations to follow the key principles:
 - a. Engagement and consultation with our communities
 - b. Evidence-based/data-driven approach

- c. Based on the previous two strategies, and other broader national priorities, the board will decide on the new strategic aims.
5. After the final draft has been agreed, the strategy will go through the governance process, and the final stage will be the promotion of the plan to the public.
6. To ensure that the views of Members, as well as all our communities, are taken into account, we are using the same engagement tool (Commonplace) as the Police Authority Board (PAB) Strategy consultation. Given appropriate parameters, Commonplace has the capability to analyse respondent demographics (e.g., PAB Member, Court of Common Council Member, resident, worker, visitor, and so on).
7. The decision to share the consultation tool with the PAB serves to mitigate public fatigue regarding similar crime and safety consultations. Furthermore, this collaborative approach enables us to engage a broader audience.

Next Steps

8. The strategy consultation process commenced in July 2024, with preliminary results available in September as seen in appendix 2, and further results to be completed by the end of September. Concurrently, the strategic assessment has been instructed, with findings expected to be ready in October. Consequently, during October and November, the partnership will be positioned to determine new strategic objectives and commence drafting the initial version of the strategy. This timeline allows for a comprehensive analysis of both public input and empirical data to inform the strategic direction of the partnership.
9. A timeline for the SCP strategic plan is in Appendix 1.

Appendices

- Appendix 1: SCP Strategy 2025–2028 timeline
- Appendix 2: Commonplace phase 1 feedback

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Appendix 1

SCP Strategy 2025–2028 timeline

