

Committee(s):	Date(s):
Safer City Partnership	14 November 2016
Subject: Community Safety Team Update	Public
Report of: Manager, Community Safety Team	For Information

Summary

To update SCP members on activity by the Community Safety Team not covered within other agenda items

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to note the following contained within this report.

Hate Crime

Anti-social Behaviour Reporting and Training

Prevent

Residents Engagement – to note

Serious and Organised Crime Board – agree proposal for Deputy Chairman

Forthcoming Activity – to note

Safer City Partnership Monitoring Tool – to note

Hate Crime

1. The Community Safety Team (CST) supported National Hate crime awareness week which ran from the 8 -16 of October by providing awareness sessions to Corporation staff and engaging with residents at Golden Lane Community Centre and Middlesex Community Centre/Artizan Street Library.
2. The Team also developed own materials to improve awareness with residents and staff.
3. The CST are finalising an e-learning programme on hate crime for corporation staff.

4. We are working with CEJI and their Project “Facing Facts” to provide training to police and Corporations officers who deal directly with the public and potential victims on how to improve recording and recording of Hate Crime.

Anti-Social Behaviour Reporting and Training

5. The Community Safety team has produced a new protocol on recording incidents of anti-social behaviour, domestic abuse and other related incidents.
6. This is to help provide a minimum standard in the recording of incidents, improve case management, identify potential vulnerabilities and ensure the most effective use of potential legal remedies.
7. To support implementation the Community Safety Team and Housing provided a training session on 27 September. This made use of external expertise and was well received by those who attended. We will be working to support the adoption of the new protocol across the organisation.

Prevent

8. There have been no Channel referrals since the last SCP meeting
9. The Community Safety Team has been working with City of London Police Prevent Officers to progress the Workshop Raising Awareness of Prevent (WRAP) training. Forthcoming prevent sessions for Corporation staff will be held on 21 November and 12 December. Looking forward to 2017 we will be working on making WRAP available on e-learning for Corporation staff while still targeting key teams and departments for face to face delivery.
10. As Members are aware the existing Prevent strategy is due to be refreshed. Alongside this work we will be providing a briefing for elected members on work to date and seeking their support going forward. Copies of the existing Prevent strategy will be available at the meeting or can be emailed upon request.
11. Work has continued on delivering WRAP training to external bodies including a session for the voluntary sector on 26 September. On 25 October we hosted a meeting for Higher and Further Education Institutions based within the City, Specific training sessions have been offered and taken up by a number of institutions. Training is also being delivered to staff working in early year’s settings and we are in advanced discussion with representatives of the faith community to tailor sessions for their members. On 28 November we will be running a Prevent session for the charitable sector as part of our contribution to Counter Terrorism Awareness Week (more details below).

Residents Engagement

12. The Community Safety team will be taking part in a scheduled event for residents of the Middlesex Street estate on 8 November. This will be the first in our planned series of engagement events focussed on those living on City estates. . We will report back at the February SCP meeting.

Serious and Organised Crime Board

13. Members will recall at the last meeting the issue of a Deputy Chairman for the Serious and Organised Crime Board was raised and it was requested that a proposal be brought to this meeting. Given the existing work and experience developed under Operation Broadway and the strong links to the emerging agenda of the Serious and Organised Crime Board it is proposed that Jon Avern's Director of Port Health and Public Protection become the Deputy Chairman.
14. The Board is meeting on 11 November and the Chairman will provide an oral update. Going forward the Serious and Organised Crime Board will meet 4-8 weeks prior to the SCP to facilitate the submission of reports.

Forthcoming Activity

15. 16 Days of Action (National campaign to raise awareness around domestic abuse), 25 November -10 December, the CST will be working with the Department of Community and Children's Services, Human Resources, City of London Police and local victim services.
16. Planned events include
 - E-media engagement with City residents and workers to raise awareness of what domestic abuse and where people can access support
 - Stall in The Gild to promote the Corporation HR Domestic Abuse Policy
 - Training pilot with Lloyds Bank.
17. Prior to 16 Days of Action on 3 November the Domestic Abuse Coordinator will be delivering a presentation on referral pathways, local services and processes alongside the Vulnerable Victim Advocate at Homerton Hospital.
18. Counter Terrorism Awareness Week runs from 28 November to 4 December. Each day has a specific theme, for example Monday is Prevent when we will be running a session for the charitable sector.

19. Over the week we will be working with Corporation partners and the CoLP promote vigilance, awareness and understanding. This will include a series of workshops in the Livery Hall aimed at Corporation staff who work in markets, open spaces and other public areas.
20. Christmas 2016 will see the CST working with CoLP, Greater London Authority (GLA) and the London Ambulance Service (LAS) to support this year's Christmas campaign. The work with the GLA and LAS will be similar to the 2015 campaign in terms of encouraging people to take simple steps such as eating sensibly, moderating their alcohol consumption, looking after their belongings and planning their journey home to help enjoy themselves. Results from last year show the campaign was well received and LAS data suggests it may have assisted in reducing call outs.
21. In addition we are supporting specific work with the City of London Police to help reduce acquisitive crime, particularly theft from bags and coats. We have provided a range of materials including posters, stickers and bag hangers to help remind people to look after their belongings. There will also be supporting work to protect the elderly and vulnerable against fraud.
22. More generally work has begun on engagement with local services and departments to raise awareness of the Community Safety Team, its role in the City, and the work of the SCP. In February (postponed from 27 October), the team will be delivering a workshop to help people to learn more about our work on managing risk, public engagement and sharing expertise linked to crime, antisocial behaviour and communities.
23. In the New Year, the Community Safety Team will be developing a communications plan for the year with targeted campaigns, building on national work where ever appropriate, to maximise existing resources and capacity. It is clear this is an area where better co-ordination across the Corporation, CoLP and other partners could provide real benefits.

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