

## Safe City Strategy 2017 - 2020 Progress Update

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<b>Reduce crime, reoffending and antisocial behaviour</b>	Continue to raise awareness and improve communication to help people understand what they need to do to avoid becoming a victim of crime and encourage reporting focusing on deprived and hard to reach communities/areas.	All	<p>The Safe City Partnership have been actively involved in a range of campaigns and awareness communications relating to community safety.</p> <p>During 2018, Southampton City Council used its communication channels to promote community safety messages on staying safe when consuming alcohol and enjoying Halloween and bonfire night; having the confidence to speak out about male violence towards women (White Ribbon Day) and child neglect and abuse; and how to prevent hate crime.</p> <p>The council also used the Tenants' Link e-alert to communicate directly with council tenants. Feedback has shown that tenants welcome articles on how to tackle crime in their area, and the council will continue collaborating with Hampshire Constabulary on joint articles in the e-alert, including about domestic violence and Christmas safety.</p> <p>Partners have also undertaken work to engage with harder to reach communities through Police community engagement activity, social media activity to encourage vulnerable victims to report crime and Southampton Voluntary Services (SVS) communications through voluntary sector Mailings and Friday Forums to ensure victims can seek support and are aware of help available.</p>
	Continue to engage with the public to identify and respond to issues specific to each neighbourhood area that most significantly impact communities (crime and anti-social behaviour).	Hampshire Constabulary	Police Inspectors engage all the time with their communities including with local councillors. Supt Alison Heydari also has meetings with Members of Parliament to address local issues. PCSOs host and attend community engagement events, which are hosted by local groups and advertised online.
	Support evidence based approaches to tackle emerging crime patterns and prevent crime, while supporting initiatives in deprived areas.	Hampshire Constabulary	The Safe City Partnership are actively engaged in the annual Safe City Strategic Assessment which uses evidence to inform future activity. Partners have been working on understanding and raising awareness of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) as a key part of prevention and early intervention, and this work will continue into 2019.

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	Support communities to give victims of hate crime the confidence to report incidents, and ensure this crime data is monitored to identify trends.	Hampshire Constabulary	The Partnership has supported the Third Party Hate Crime Reporting Centres network and the Southampton "Love Don't Hate" campaign to encourage reporting of hate crime.
	Working collaboratively with the Probation Services to reduce reoffending by improving outcomes for offenders through timely access to substance misuse services, mental health services, diversion services, employment training, family support, and accommodation and education opportunities.	Probation Services	Ex-offenders are supported to engage with volunteering opportunities in the city through the SVS Community Roots service as well as through promoting volunteering opportunities. The Integrated Commission Unit (ICU) supports ex-offenders through specialist substance misuse services, including support for young offenders, and the relationship between the Youth Offending Service (YOS) and the Drug Alcohol Support and Health service (DASH) remains strong.  Information from Probation services to support the strategy progress update is outstanding.
	Continue to address activity in the city associated with anti-social behaviour through joint working, in order to disrupt and reduce begging and improve awareness through education.	Southampton City Council/ Hampshire Constabulary	The Police and council continue to work together to address anti-social behaviour associated with begging, and the council has employed five city welfare warden who work closely with the neighbourhood police teams to address these issues.
	Explore opportunities with businesses to monitor commercial burglary hot spots in order to prevent and reduce the number of burglary offences in the city.	Hampshire Constabulary	Police Operations have focused on target hardening and engaging with business to provide advice to reduce risks. The Police have also led a media campaign relating to commercial crime.
	Monitor data from a range of sources in order to better understand violent crime trends.	Hampshire Constabulary	Police continue to gather evidence to understand violent crime, and this intelligence is provided to the Safe City Partnership and included in the Strategic Needs Assessment.
<b>Reduce the harm caused by drugs and alcohol</b>	Work with the Health and Wellbeing Board to monitor and support the delivery of the Alcohol Strategy to reduce alcohol-related crime, disorder and violence in the city.	All	Both the Health and Wellbeing Board and Safe City Partnership have received updates on progress against the Alcohol Strategy in 2018.  An annual report on the implementation of the Alcohol Strategy will next be provided to a joint meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board and Safe City partnership in Spring 2019.

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	<p>Implement the Drugs Strategy, focusing on prevention, treatment and enforcement, working to reduce drug related deaths and the impact of drug related litter.</p>	<p>Hampshire Constabulary</p>	<p>Both the Health and Wellbeing Board and Safe City Partnership have received updates on progress against the Drugs Strategy in 2018.</p> <p>A Police led Drugs Board has been established and operations are active to reduce the supply of drugs across county lines, such as Operation Fortress.</p> <p>A drug-related litter action plan has been developed following the council's scrutiny inquiry, and is now being implemented.</p> <p>An annual report on the implementation of the Drugs Strategy will be provided to a joint meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board and Safe City partnership in Spring 2019.</p>
	<p>Maintain operations to safeguard vulnerable people against drugs activity and associated crime.</p>	<p>Hampshire Constabulary</p>	<p>Operation Fortress continues to address drug issues in the city in terms of identifying offenders and vulnerable people. Additional Police work is addressing “cuckooing”, taking action against offenders and supporting vulnerable individuals. Operation Heavy ran for 6-8 weeks focusing on disrupting the most harmful drug networks in the city.</p>
<p><b>Protecting Vulnerable People</b></p>	<p>Work collaboratively with Public Health and the Domestic and Sexual Abuse Strategic Group to implement the Multiagency Domestic and Sexual Abuse Strategy 2017-20.</p>	<p>Southampton City Council</p>	<p>The Safe City Partnership received an update on the Domestic and Sexual Abuse Strategy from the Strategic Group in November 2018. The Strategic Group meets quarterly and close working between all partners is established and monitored.</p>
	<p>Investigate the rate of arrests and charges for domestic violent crime and review practices and officer training if necessary to ensure the most effective method of reducing Domestic and Sexual Abuse in the city.</p>	<p>Hampshire Constabulary</p>	<p>The Police have implemented significant levels of training: Safe Life’s training has been rolled out to every member of staff in the Constabulary and there has been messaging about the importance of arrest in terms of safeguarding.</p>
	<p>Ensure there are appropriate referral routes in place to programmes for perpetrators of domestic violence and abuse.</p>	<p>Probation Services</p>	<p>The ICU commission perpetrator services for the city, and services link to the wider offer of support and therapy for perpetrators through probation.</p>

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	Encourage increased reporting and sharing of local intelligence related to Modern Day Slavery, Harmful Practices, those Missing, Exploited or Trafficked, Domestic Violence and Abuse to better understand the extent of these crimes and increase learning regarding intervention and safeguarding.	Hampshire Constabulary	<p>Police have established a multi-agency steering group which reports to the Silver Group, through which information on 'hidden harm' crime is circulated Force wide. Police have also undertaken community engagement to support increased confidence in reporting.</p> <p>Southampton City Council formally adopted its Charter Against Modern Slavery in December 2018, committing the council to taking action through procurement and contract management to ensure that its suppliers are not involved in modern slavery.</p>
	Enhance support to identified vulnerable people through health and safety community projects and work to build community resilience.	Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service	<p>Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service (HFRS) Protection Teams continue to inspect and audit our highest risk premises and event locations across the city. The Safety Advisory Group (SAG), develops preparedness and response plans for some of the city's largest annual events.</p> <p>Community Safety Officers, working with volunteers, have completed more than 300 Safe and Well visits and over 100 post incident follow-up meetings. The multi-agency 'after the fire' approach provides an intervention/referral programme supporting vulnerable residents to improve their safety, welfare and general quality of life.</p> <p>Fire as a Health Asset (FHA) work continues grow, engaging with the NHS Trust and Age Concern in the delivery of STEER Courses. These courses aim to increase the activity and mobility levels of our elderly communities. Other courses delivered by HFRS from local Fire Stations include A Better Me and Quit and Get Fit; all courses designed to promote healthier living within vulnerable groups.</p>
	Continue to support the counter extremism and Prevent agenda and maintain routes for safeguarding people at risk of radicalisation.	Prevent Working Group	The Prevent Working Group meets quarterly to review risks and supervise activity relating to the Prevent agenda. In 2018 training tools have been updated and the Working Group have engaged with Police to inform their Local Profile assessment.

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	Continue to address rough sleeping activity within the city, ensuring strong pathways of support are available for vulnerable and high risk individuals with complex needs.	All	<p>The Safe City Partnership have been actively involved in the Beds Begging and Business group, with members including Southampton Voluntary Services (SVS) leading on the development of the Rough Sleeping Charter.</p> <p>Additional funding was from MHCLG was secured for the city to help reduce rough sleeping. This builds on the work by the Homeless Vulnerable Adult Team, identifying and working with some of the service users who need more intensive support.</p>
<b>Reducing Youth Crime</b>	Work together to ensure that families of children who offend have support, prioritising resources for the most high risk offenders.	Youth Offending Service	<p>The Youth Offending Service (YOS) are introducing new Diversion Family Engagement Workers to work with families of children who are a concern at the earliest opportunity.</p> <p>Whole family working has been promoted more strongly in 2018 as a result of merged teams with YOS, as part of Targeted and Restorative Service. Audit activity evidences improvements in the integrated planning and multi-agency response, working with families of offenders known to the YOS.</p>
	Promote child-friendly restorative practises, working with partners and schools to achieve our ambition of becoming a restorative city.	Youth Offending Service	The Child Friendly Southampton ambition is being led and endorsed by key stakeholders. Awareness training is being co-delivered and expanded to partner agencies, and more detailed training is underway to train champions and facilitators. The Library Service is working with City of Sanctuary to achieve accreditation with schools as part of Restorative Practice, and the Schools of Sanctuary network has been established. The Working with Families Project is leading practice changes using Restorative Practice, and will be supported by external evaluation.
	Monitor reoffending rates for young people, prioritising resources at those assessed as the most high risk and high need young offenders in the city.	Youth Offending Service	The YOS Priority Young Person Strategy has been refocused to include children at risk of criminal exploitation, involvement with gangs, weapons misuse, drug distribution and those due for release from custody within the next three months. This approach reflects a decrease in the number of children re-offending, but an increase in children involved in serious offences.

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	Work collaboratively to reduce children's use of weapons and raise awareness with schools and youth groups.	Youth Offending Service	<p>The YOS has initiated a Weapons Awareness Group, which is linked to the Safe City Partnership and includes education and third Sector partners.</p> <p>The Police Apprentice Scheme will be launched in 2019; this is an initiative designed by young people for young people to promote the voice of young people, peer engagement/education and social action.</p>