

To the Chair and Members of the Council

APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY SAFETY STRATEGY

Relevant Cabinet Member(s)	Wards Affected	Key Decision
Joe Blackham	All	Yes P 349

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. This report gives a brief outline of the Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership priorities in 2014-15, contained within the Community Safety Strategy (see appendix A). The content of this report and priorities have been considered by a range of groups and agencies within and external to the Council.
2. This report was considered and supported by Cabinet at its meeting held on the 18th June 2014.

EXEMPT REPORT

3. This report is not exempt.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4 Council is asked to endorse the contents and priorities within the Community Safety Strategy.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE CITIZENS OF DONCASTER?

- 5 Community safety is one of the Council's key priorities. The specific priorities for the Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership have been identified through the production of the Joint Strategic Intelligence Assessment and refreshed accordingly. The priorities have been identified as:
 - a. Protecting vulnerable people;
 - b. Reducing crime, anti-social behaviour and re-offending; and
 - c. Reduce substance and alcohol misuse and the associated effects on crime.

Adopting this strategy will provide a framework for the Council to guide its partnership activity to reduce crime and disorder and improve community safety over the period 2014-2017.

BACKGROUND

- 6 The Community Safety Strategy is a Statutory Plan and to meet the requirements of the Council's budget and policy framework, there is a requirement for consideration of this document by full Council.

OPTIONS CONSIDERED

7. To support the community safety strategy, not to do so would mean not complying with legal requirements.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION

8. The community safety strategy will inform the local authority's priorities and ensure the service meets the requirements for all communities within the borough.

IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY PRIORITIES

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	Priority	Implications
		The Community Safety Strategy will have a direct impact on the following priorities
	We will help people to live safe, healthy, active and independent lives. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Mayoral Priority: Safeguarding our Communities</i>• <i>Mayoral Priority: Bringing down the cost of living</i>	
	We will make Doncaster a better place to live, with cleaner, more sustainable communities. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Mayoral Priority: Creating Jobs and Housing</i>• <i>Mayoral Priority: Safeguarding our Communities</i>• <i>Mayoral Priority: Bringing down the cost of living</i>	
	We will deliver modern value for money services.	
	We will provide strong leadership and governance, working in partnership.	

RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS

10. Good quality performance management arrangements ensure that priorities are achieved and good quality services delivered to the residents of Doncaster.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

11. The Council is under an obligation to produce this Strategy, which meets our legal requirements.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

12. Any additional financial costs as a result of this report will need to be met within existing budgets or additional resources identified.

EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

13. In production of this strategy the Council has shown due regard to the Public Sector Equality Duty through completion of a Due Regard Statement, this will also inform future work through the lifetime of the strategy.

CONSULTATION

14. Consultation has taken place with elected members, officers, communities and members of the safer stronger Doncaster partnership that has led to the production of the revised strategy.

This report has significant implications in terms of the following:

Procurement		Crime & Disorder	x
Human Resources		Human Rights & Equalities	
Buildings, Land and Occupiers		Environment & Sustainability	
ICT		Capital Programme	

BACKGROUND PAPERS

15. Cabinet on 18th June 2014

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