



Doncaster Council

Agenda

To all Members of the

COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT CRIME & DISORDER OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

Notice is given that a Meeting of the above Panel is to be held as follows:

Venue: Council Chamber, Floor 2, Civic Office, Doncaster

Date: Wednesday, 9th February, 2022

Time: 10.00 am

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Damian Allen
Chief Executive

Issued on: Tuesday 1st February, 2022

Governance Services Officer for this meeting

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Items for discussion:

1. Apologies for absence.
2. To consider the extent, if any, to which the public and press are to be excluded from the meeting.
3. Declarations of Interest, if any.
4. Minutes of the Community and Environment Crime and Disorder Overview and Scrutiny Panel held on 10th February 2021 and Communities and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel held on 25th November 2021 (*Pages 1 - 14*).
5. Public Statements .

A. Reports where the public and press may not be excluded.

6. Crime and Community Safety Performance Report (*Pages 15 - 26*).
7. Overview and Scrutiny Work Plan and the Council's Forward Plan of Key Decisions (*Pages 27 - 40*).

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT CRIME & DISORDER OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

Chair – Councillor Daniel Barwell

Vice-Chair – Councillor Nigel Cannings

Councillors James Church, Gemma Cobby, Julie Grace, Debbie Hutchinson, Emma Muddiman-Rawlins, Glynis Smith and Gary Stapleton

Invitees: Jim Board (UNISON)

Agenda Item 4.

DONCASTER METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT CRIME AND DISORDER OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

WEDNESDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY, 2021

A MEETING of the COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT CRIME AND DISORDER OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL was held by MICROSOFT TEAMS - VIRTUAL MEETING on WEDNESDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY, 2021 at 10.00 AM

PRESENT:

Chair - Councillor Mark Houlbrook

Councillors Nigel Cannings, Mick Cooper, Martin Greenhalgh, David Hughes, Tosh McDonald and Sue Wilkinson

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

External;

- Superintendent Thomas, South Yorkshire Police
- Chief Superintendent Melanie Palin, South Yorkshire Police

DMBC;

- Bill Hotchkiss, Head of Service Community Safety
- Helen Conroy, Public Health Specialist
- Tim Staniforth, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Abuse Theme Manager
- Rachel Long, Crime and Safer Doncaster Theme Manager

		<u>ACTION</u>
19.	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.</u>	
	There were no apologies of absence made.	
20.	<u>TO CONSIDER THE EXTENT, IF ANY, TO WHICH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING.</u>	
	None.	
21.	<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, IF ANY.</u>	
	Councillor Mark Houlbrook declared an interest in agenda item 6 specifically relating to the Crime in Prisons element.	
22.	<u>MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT CRIME AND</u>	

	<u>DISORDER OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL HELD ON THE 12TH FEBRUARY 2020 AND COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL HELD ON THE 22ND OCTOBER 2020</u>	
	<p>RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 13th February, 2019 were agreed as a correct record.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd October, 2020 were agreed with the inclusion that the report considered also covered the Section 19 report.</p>	
23.	<u>PUBLIC STATEMENTS</u>	
	There were no public statements made.	
24.	<u>CRIME AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PERFORMANCE REPORT</u>	
	<p>The Committee received a presentation from the South Yorkshire Police, the Heads of Community Service and Public Health in relation to the following Stronger Doncaster Partnership (SSDP) priorities and performance overview, including the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic;</p> <p>The following discussions took place under each priority heading;</p> <p>Priority 1 - Reducing Crime and Reoffending</p> <p>It was explained that during 2020, there had been a decrease in reported crime, which could possibly be linked to Covid-19 and the restrictions in place. It was noted that with more people working from home or advised to stay at home, that burglaries and residential dwelling crime had decreased.</p> <p>In respect of other crimes impacted by the pandemic, it was reported that there had been increases in incidents of domestic abuse, anti-social behaviour, online fraud (due to increased online work) and finally, crime towards the vulnerable (for example, by individuals masquerading as NHS workers).</p> <p>It was clarified that incidents were reviewed on a daily basis and rag-rated with the appropriate response identified. It was explained that the police was keen to maintain a core response with plans to scale up and scale down accordingly. In terms of Covid-19, it was reported that the police had to adapt accordingly and that Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) was now routine.</p> <p>The Chair thanked South Yorkshire Police for the work undertaken on the frontline and recognised the contingencies that had been put in place</p>	

In reference to the increase in crime during September 2020, it was explained that this was a reaction to the enforced lockdown and that some small increases that had occurred.

In terms of Neighbourhood Policing, Members were informed that this would be delivered gradually and rolled out as part of the Chief and forces plan from an uplift of officers through policing. It was explained that this was about building on those neighbourhood teams already in place with the aim to become fully staffed over a 12-18 month period. It was clarified that there were a total of 3 Inspectors, 9 Sergeants and 52 Police Officers with a contingency of Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs). It was added that South Yorkshire Police was presently in a dialogue with St Leger Housing Doncaster to utilise their housing stock to enable a greater police presence within communities that would also provide increased flexibility.

In terms what this new model would mean to existing PCSOs, it was explained that many PCSO'S were transferring over to the police and that others had wanted to remain within the neighbourhood police. It was requested that clarification be provided on the number of PCSOs there were in Doncaster that were part of the Neighbourhood Policing teams.

Members welcomed the prospect of increased visibility in policing and hoped that it would help to reassure residents and deter crime.

Priority 2 - Reducing Anti-Social Behaviour

Concerns were raised around negative perceptions/categorisation off-road bikes. It was explained that the police was bound by the home office and nickel list although such issues raised were being taken on board.

It was noted that local farmers and landowners had suffered deliberate damage to gates and fences with the intention of gaining access. It was continued that reports had come in from both the public and Councillors that quad bikes had been causing issues. Members were assured that this was being responded to and that work was being undertaken with off-road teams.

It was reported that Doncaster had seen an increase of 10.9% of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) that had included off road bikes and Covid related neighbour disputes during the last 12 months.

Concern was raised about 'rowdy and inconsiderate behaviour' being grouped as one sub-group category. A brief explanation was provided about the main categories and sub-groups and it was noted that this terminology used before the nickel list had been retained by the Home Office to fine tune what areas of Anti-Social Behaviour were being considered. It was recognised that there could be a distinction

between 'rowdy' and 'inconsideration behaviour' but that this was bound by accounting rules of home office.

Regarding increased fly-tipping in the countryside and rural areas of the Borough, it was acknowledged that the rural crime agenda had increased over the last couple of years. It was outlined that a rural crime team has been established during the last 12 months, which had received significant investment and was made-up of dedicated officers that were directly dealing with such issues whilst increasing the level of engagement and interaction with landowners and farmers in Doncaster. It was added that the rural crime officers also worked closely with the Council and with the off road bike team reaching into rural areas and observing behaviours. It was explained that recently a joint operation had taken place that involved both teams and worked very well covering a multitude of issues including rural crime. It was commented that it was positive that South Yorkshire Police had recognised its value and had invested well in the team.

Regarding CCTV, it was explained that Doncaster as a whole had benefited from an excellent CCTV service in the Doncaster Town Centre, areas of Mexborough and Thorne and Moorends, which had a public realm system that was fixed. It was explained that many other communities were looking to develop systems to deploy cameras to other areas that would have a wider benefit and could cover the main routes as well as providing reassurance. It was clarified that part of the bid was about renewing the deployable network capability, so those cameras could be moved around, therefore if there was a problem in a particular area, the cameras could be deployed accordingly. Members were informed that steps were being taken to identify opportunities for future funding and stated that the Council's CCTV team would be happy to work with local community groups and their CCTV plans. It was acknowledged that not all cameras could be monitored back at the Civic Office although this is something that the Council would wish to do more of where feasible.

Concern was raised around vehicle nuisance such as lorries and appropriate uses of CCTV in hotspot areas.

It was clarified that part of the capital bid was in relation to fly-tipping, and acknowledged that cameras could be used in different ways, for example. those that were battery operated. Members were informed that work was being undertaken closely with Environment Enforcement to look at purchasing more cameras if funding was to enable that.

It was reported that begging incidents had decreased by 38%, despite high volumes remaining in Town Centre. It was explained that a great deal of work was being undertaken through the Complex Lives Team to move individuals into suitable accommodation and support them during the pandemic. It was recognised that this had led to a decrease in numbers (also due to a reduced footfall and therefore less reporting). It

was acknowledged that this should not detract from the huge amount of work being undertaken by the Complex Lives Team as part of a partnership approach with the Police and St Leger Homes. It was commented that with a number of retail and businesses closing down had enabled the Council and its partners to take a more intelligence led approach in providing the correct support. It was continued that there had also been increased engagement with businesses that supported a problem solving approach to be taken. It was acknowledged that those plans would be amended accordingly as businesses began to open up.

Priority 3 - Protecting Vulnerable People

Funding from external sources were welcomed to address domestic abuse that would help provide much needed support. It was explained that the Chief Officer Strategic Board recognised that the issue had been around for a long time and would be developing a new strategy in the future. It was continued that this might help to identify new work streams that could be funded as long-term funding was considered as a major issue going forward.

In response to a query whether there had been a reduction in powers within the 2004 Domestic Abuse Act, Officers were unaware that that had been the case. There was a brief overview of the process regarding the arrest of perpetrators and it was acknowledged that there was a raft of legislation in place.

In relation to Operation Encompass, concern was raised that a number of primary schools, secondary schools and a special school had not signed up to it. Members were informed that this would be scrutinised very closely as part of the work of the strategic board as it was recognised as important to deliver that training to the staff in those schools. Members were told that there was confidence in that by the end of April, all Doncaster schools would have signed up to it.

In terms of domestic abuse offenders, it was explained that cases were often repeat incidents made up of a medium and standard risk. It was noted that the Safe Lives charity (that supported domestic abuse services nationwide) had reported that statistically a victim would experience domestic abuse 50 times before they sought proper help. It was added that in terms of the perpetrator, that even though it might be the first time they were made known, that it was highly likely the offence was not their first time.

It was noted that there was recognition how domestic abuse was not just about violence but also about other forms of abuse such as coercive control. A Member requested a breakdown of men who had suffered from domestic abuse.

Priority 4 – Tackling Serious and Organised Crime

	<p>The Chair acknowledged the good work undertaken in keeping communities' safe and building greater confidence in the police.</p> <p>Concerns were raised about drug activity in place around the Town Ward where young people had become involved in delivering drugs and using different types of transport such as electric bikes and scooters. It was acknowledged that individuals had become very resourceful within this area and would use different methods. Members were assured that intelligence on how groups were operating was passed onto the police who would tactically respond to it.</p> <p>It was noted that intelligence may relate to a particular location or building (of any description) in terms of activity. In this event, work would be undertaken with the Police to address that and liaise with the landlord of that property where required.</p> <p>It was requested that information on successful operations be brought as part of the next annual Communities and Environment Crime and Disorder Committee 2022 Overview and Scrutiny meeting.</p> <p>Priority 5 - Reducing Substance and Alcohol Misuse</p> <p>Members were informed that there was a 10% baseline prior to the pandemic with 10% of drinkers in the system resulting in 90% unmet need. It was explained that the increase in referrals at the front door would result in a decrease in that unmet need because they were new people into the treatment centre who had not previously engaged in the process. It was commented that this increase at the front door was pleasing as it would increase the number of people in treatment and therefore the ratio would be favourable.</p> <p>A Member raised a question around foetal alcohol syndrome in Doncaster. It was noted that it formed part of the safeguarding work undertaken by children's services with affected families working with women who drank during pregnancy and offered that this information would be provided outside of the meeting.</p> <p>It was acknowledged that there was a link with substance misuse and domestic abuse and recognised that partnership working was key. Reference was made of the challenges when both substance misuse, domestic abuse was combined with mental health, which could potentially result in significant problems.</p> <p>A Member commented that it was good to know that all these departments and partners were working closely together.</p> <p>On a separate note, it was requested that information be provided on the number of officers within South Yorkshire Police that were trained in wildlife and the country act (and also who oversees that area).</p>	
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	<p>Finally, the Doncaster District Commander Chief Superintendent Mel Palin introduced herself to the Committee, commented on the positive value of the meeting and welcomed Members involvement in wider engagement opportunities.</p> <p>The Chair commended the work undertaken and thanked officers and partners attending.</p> <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <p>a) The discussion be noted; and b) The following further information be provided by South Yorkshire Police and DMBC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority 1 - Reducing Crime and Reoffending – Number of PCSOs there are in Doncaster as part of the Neighbourhood Policing teams? • Priority 3 - Protecting Vulnerable People - Breakdown of men who have suffered from domestic abuse? • Priority 4 – Tackling Serious and Organised Crime – further information on successful operations to be brought as part of the next annual report/meeting 2022. • Priority 5 - Reducing Substance and Alcohol Misuse – cases of Foetal alcohol syndrome in Doncaster? • Number of officers in South Yorkshire Police that are trained in wildlife and country act (and oversees that area)? 	
25.	<p><u>OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PLAN AND THE COUNCIL'S FORWARD PLAN AND KEY DECISIONS</u></p>	
	<p>The Senior Governance Officer presented the Overview and Scrutiny Work Plan report for the 2020/2021 municipal year.</p> <p>RESOLVED that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Overview and Scrutiny Work Plan for 2020/2021 be approved; and 2. The Council's Forward Plan of Key Decisions be noted. 	

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DONCASTER METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

THURSDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 2021

A MEETING of the COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL was held at the on THURSDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 2021, at 2.00 pm.

PRESENT:

Chair - Councillor Daniel Barwell
Vice-Chair - Councillor Nigel Cannings

Councillors James Church, Gemma Cobby, Julie Grace, Emma Muddiman-Rawlins, Glynis Smith and Gary Stapleton

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Bill Hotchkiss, Head of Service Community Safety
Rachael Long, Crime and Safer Doncaster Theme Manager
Mel Palin, South Yorkshire Police
Luke Shepherd, Probation Service

17 **Apologies for absence**

Councillor Debbie Hutchinson.

18 **To consider the extent to which the public and press are to be excluded from the meeting.**

There were no items.

19 **Declarations of Interest, if any.**

There were no declarations of interest made.

20 **Minutes of the Community and Environment Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 11th October, 2021**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Community and Environment Scrutiny Panel meeting held on 11th October, be agreed as a correct record.

21 **Public Statements.**

There were no public statements.

22 **Community Safety Strategy 2022 - 25**

The Panel was presented with the Community Safety Strategy 2022-25, produced by Doncaster's Community Safety Partnership, prior to it being presented to Cabinet and Full Council. The Strategy and accompanying Deliver plan provided an overview of the

Partnership's key achievements and outcomes they were seeking to achieve for the people of Doncaster.

The Panel noted the strategic priorities reflected within the Strategy, as follows:

- Tackling domestic and sexual abuse;
- Reducing anti-social behaviour;
- Reducing crime and re-offending;
- Tackling serious and organised crime;
- Reducing substance and alcohol misuse; and
- Reducing violence and violent crime.

The Panel addressed the following areas in detail:

Supporting the Authority's corporate objectives: It was explained that the Strategy interconnected with every element of the Council's objectives and supported them in the following way:

Doncaster Working – addressed crime reduction and reoffending which in turn attracts new investment to the Borough, leading to increased employment within its communities, supporting local businesses and the economy;

Doncaster Living – work across the Doncaster theme groups supports Doncaster's communities to feel safe wherever they live;

Doncaster Learning – the partnership engaged with the youth Council, children and young people, schools and education providers;

Doncaster Caring – working towards improving safeguarding for victims and vulnerable people;

Connected Council – working as a partnership to provide prevention and a good response to criminal activities.

Consultation – it was noted that this was detailed within the report but in response to a question, it was explained that due to the current pandemic alternative methods of consultation had to be used and unfortunate that face to face consultation could not be undertaken. Through the Safer Stronger Doncaster partnership different faith organisations, the Youth Council, elected Members and media communications were used to gather feedback and bearing in mind the current health circumstances as much consultation as possible had been undertaken.

With regard to consultation responses by geographical area and age, it was explained that from the responses:

- a. Aged 45 – 65 majority of responses received followed by the 25 to 44 age group
- b. Post Code – Highest responses were received from DN3, DN4 and DN5 with decent representations from DN1 and DN2.

Detail from the consultation responses was set out within the delivery plan for each theme.

Homelessness and tackling aggressive town centre begging – it was stressed that this behaviour contributed to people feeling unsafe, not just in the town centre but in outlying towns within the Borough. It was noted that the partnership had been aware of the situation for some time and in Doncaster there was an integrated approach to tackle the situation. It was recognised that people who were begging generally had very complex lives and it was important that they were receiving the appropriate support, but this could take time and there was no quick fix.

A Member of the Panel raised that not all people begging were homeless but saw it as a means of additional income, to possibly feed an addiction. It was therefore stressed that these residents required appropriate support and that instead of passers-by handing over money, people needed to support the “Just Giving” campaign.

With regard to additional resources, it was explained that more could always be undertaken if more were available, particularly in respect of a longer term approach. However it was noted that Doncaster Council had been very forward thinking when this issue emerged and put resources in place to address and support people who needed help.

Reporting Crime – the lack of confidence in people to report crimes through the 101 number was raised by the Panel, and noted that it was also an area of concern highlighted through the consultation. It was explained that the confidence to report a crime through 101 had been addressed in detail when developing the Strategy and highlighted that perception wait times were sometimes higher than actual reality, however, it was an area being addressed by the Partnership.

The Panel noted the importance for communities to understand how information was recorded and fed back, as a longer term response could be required rather than immediate feedback, following evidence gathering. It was explained that a more sophisticated recording mechanism was being investigated through the Localities Model, to provide improved data collection and sharing at a local level.

It was stressed that all data currently collated was used at the local solutions meetings to pin point hotspots and provide a response and resources where they were most required.

Integrated Offender Management Service (IOMA) – in response to a query relating to the role it played in tackling prolific offenders it was explained that, again, it was a partnership approach with a strong focus on rehabilitation, but also swift use of consequences if there was a breach of conditions. It was noted that the system had just been the subject of a national strategic review. The results had created a three cohort model of Fixed, Flexed and Free individuals that the Probation Service and Police jointly target as the most prolific offenders:

Cohorts Include:

Fixed – certain neighbourhood crimes;

Flexed – priority cohort eg. high frequency shop lifting; and

Free – focus on domestic abuse, violence and youth offenders moving into the adult world.

Cases were managed through MACC (multi-agency case conferences) where individuals were discussed and plans developed to put interventions in place. The IOMA had strong links with the substance misuse and health services and as Covid diminished would be co-locating at the Probation Service to achieve maximum information sharing.

Gender based violence – the Panel made reference to recent drink spiking against females whilst enjoying a night out and questioned the Strategy’s focus for this issue. It was explained that the Partnership was developing strategies and action plans to best respond to violence in every form against women and girls. It was noted that funding had been received from the violence reduction unit to provide kits to prevent drink spiking directly into bottles. It was also explained that the Night-time economy group would be providing education for licensed premises staff to assist them with identifying and spotting the signs of someone who could have had their drinks spiked as they could look similar to someone who had just had too much to drink. Links would also be made with Area Managers to undertake a mapping exercise of incidents along with information sharing with neighbouring authorities. It was stressed that women need to feel safe in any area but particularly where there could be some intimidation.

Welcoming Refugees and Asylum seekers to Doncaster – The Panel was informed that the Council and its partners would be providing support to make Doncaster a welcoming place. It was noted that there were dedicated roles for staff within the Council who met with key providers regularly to ensure people were protected, supported and housed in appropriate locations.

Clear, Hold and Build Strategy – It was explained to the Panel that this was a Home Office initiative with a short, medium and long term structure to tackle serious and organised crime. Doncaster put itself forward to use the principles of Clear, Hold and Build to tackle issues within some of its communities where organised crime had become embedded. The Clear element was the enforcement approached led by the Police, for example gang injunctions against individuals. The Hold and Build elements were for the Partnership to work within communities, for example, using any available funding for forensic marking or CCTV installation.

Substance Misuse reduction – In response to a question it was outlined that there was a focus on a strong recovery community that was complementary and part of maintaining prevention and providing people with strong role models. There was also a suite of services available, from prevention, harm reduction and recovery that catered for the different needs of individuals, families and communities.

The Chair explained to the Panel that this issue had recently been addressed at OSMC and Members had met service users to discuss their experiences with support services provided.

Violent Crime - It was explained that this crime category cut across many areas that required addressing. The example of violent crime linked to the night-time economy was discussed and was generally created through alcohol consumption and substance misuse. It was stressed that it was a very complex arena where violent crime covers threatening behaviour to murder and manslaughter. It was recognised that the different elements of violent crime, from the night time economy to organised crime would be addressed differently to violence associated with domestic abuse.

With regard to prevention, it was emphasised that the Partnership theme groups addressed prevention and intervention. It was acknowledged, unfortunately, that violence could be a by-product of the night time economy and the Partnership group addresses prevention methods, including, educating licensees on how to stop serving people who have had too much to drink, door staff training, ensuring resources are deployed to developing situations and monitoring hotspots on cctv.

It was noted that Doncaster Police had a representative on the regional violence reduction unit where information and learning was shared.

Support for children and young people not in education due to exclusions – In response to a question it was explained that this issue was a massive concern and addressed through a local approach. Not all children and young people who were excluded from school would engage in anti-social behaviour, but some do and could become highly vulnerable. If this was the case then the approach would be to find out why and put mechanisms in place to get the child back into education and stop the offending.

It was stressed by a Member and echoed in discussion that if a child was not in school, for some it was their only safe space and not to have this was an area of great concern.

Performance targets – The Panel noted that the Strategy provided an overview of achievements from the previous Strategy, new priorities and what would be delivered. The SSDP was made up of a number of theme groups and each had a terms of reference, delivery plan and performance measures.

With regard to statistical targets and measures it was explained with such complex issues it was very difficult of set a target of, for example, reducing something by 10%. It was

highlighted that with regard to Domestic Abuse, violence and anti-social behaviour it does not look good that there was an increase in reporting, however, this would indicate there was more confidence to report crime.

Purple Flag – The status was being developed by the Night Time Economy group. It was noted that some aspects were linked to funding and a date when the group was hoping to achieve the Purple Flag status would be sought and circulated to the Panel.

Next steps – following approval of the Community Safety Strategy the theme group chairs and key partners would meet to revise the delivery plans based on the Strategy's priorities and feedback from the consultation. Once the plans were developed each group would report back to the Safer Doncaster Partnership Board with progress against actions in the Strategy.

Finally it was noted by Members that the Panel would be meeting on 9th February, 2022 as the Crime and Disorder Committee where it would address delivery of the Strategy.

RESOLVED: That the Community Safety Strategy, be supported.

23 Overview and Scrutiny Work Plan and Council's Forward Plan of Key Decisions

The Senior Governance Officer presented the Scrutiny Work Plan and Council's Forward Plan or Key Decisions to the Panel for consideration.

RESOLVED: That the Scrutiny work Plan and Forward Plan of Key Decisions, be noted.

CHAIR:_____

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Doncaster Council

Report

Date: 09 February 2022

**To the Chair and Members of the
Crime and Disorder Committee (Community and Environment Scrutiny Panel)**

CRIME AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PERFORMANCE REPORT

Relevant Cabinet Member(s)	Wards Affected	Key Decision
Rachael Blake	All	Yes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. This report provides a priorities and performance overview in respect of the Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership (SSDP); information in respect of Police resources and demands, specifically within the areas of tackling anti-social behaviour; tackling serious and organised crime and communication/reporting. Also included within the report and presentation are details regarding the Anticipate Funding approach and results for 2021.
2. Within each of the Theme Group overviews, crime and performance data is included. In respect of overall crime, Doncaster has seen an overall increase in reported Crime during 2021. Further details are included within each priority section of the report and data is displayed within the presentation.

EXEMPT REPORT

3. This is not an exempt report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

4. The Crime and Disorder Committee Members are asked to comment on and note the information contained within the report and presentation, which provides an update on the Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership (SSDP) priorities and other requested subject matters as detailed above.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE CITIZENS OF DONCASTER?

5. The level of crime and anti-social behaviour incidents will impact on residents' feeling of safety and their quality of life. This report provides information on these areas, the current trends in Doncaster and the partnership's response to them.

BACKGROUND

6. The Community and Environment Crime and Disorder committee receive regular performance updates relating to crime and disorder. It is a statutory requirement for partners to tackle crime and disorder and for the Community and Environment (Crime and Disorder) committee to hold the partnership to account. The Community Safety Strategy priorities and associated updates are provided below:

Tackling domestic and sexual abuse

7. Doncaster's Domestic Abuse saw a decrease of 1.6% compared to 2020, with an increase in recorded crime and a decrease in recorded Domestic Abuse non-crime. In 2021, Doncaster has applied for 225 Domestic Violence Protection Orders, with 185 being approved. This is higher than all other districts in South Yorkshire. In 2021 the Domestic Abuse Bill became law, with non-fatal strangulation and post-separation coercive control now being criminal offences.
8. Doncaster Domestic Abuse Hub Statistics:
Between 1st April 2020 and 31st March 2021 1,858 referrals were made to the Doncaster Domestic Abuse Hub. An increase of 18% on the previous year. 1,406 referrals were made to Doncaster Council's Independent Domestic Violence Advocate service which is for high risk victims. This is a 53% increase from the previous year.
9. Doncaster's total Sexual Abuse saw an increase of 11.5% compared to 2020, with a 24.1% increase noted for Other Sexual Offences. This is in contrast to the district, which saw an 11.4% decrease in overall Sexual Abuse and a 5.1% decrease in Other Sexual Offences.
10. Our 4 priorities are:
 - Support and keep victims, survivors and families safe
 - Prevent and ultimately end domestic abuse
 - Hold abusers to account
 - Leadership, governance and quality assurance
11. Progress to date:
 - Domestic abuse strategic board working well with good representation
 - Domestic abuse strategy produced and launched
 - Domestic abuse performance management framework in place
 - Domestic abuse quality assurance management in place
 - Domestic abuse action plan in place with many actions already complete or on course for completion by 31st March 2022
 - Domestic and sexual abuse theme group is working well with good representation
 - Work on the sexual abuse strategy is awaiting a sexual abuse strategic lead

Reducing anti-social behaviour

12. 2021 saw a decrease in Force-wide Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents. Doncaster decreased by 22.6%, larger than the Force's 20.9% decrease. The highest increase 27.7% was noted in February 2021 compared to February 2020, the ASB categories that saw the highest increase were Prostitution, Off Road Bike, and Begging/Vagrancy.
13. The highest increase 44.8% was noted in May 2021 compared to May 2020, the ASB categories that saw the highest increase were Litter/Drugs Trappings, Noise, and Nuisance Neighbour. The increase in these incidents could reflect that in May 2020 the district was still under lockdown with people restricted within their locality, unlike in May 2021. The impact of Coronavirus restrictions temporarily changed the types of ASB being committed. Since mid-2021, types of ASB are starting to revert to pre-March 2020 volumes.
14. The strategic vision of the Anti-Social Behaviour Theme Group is to prevent and resolve ASB as early as possible, using enforcement measures where preventative interventions have failed. Through promoting positive citizenship, we aim to prevent, tackle and reduce ASB.
15. Key Achievements and Future Priorities:
- To continue to refresh areas of focus on a quarterly basis. 2021 saw the addition of a locality priority for the first time.
 - Build on the success of the thematic sub group 'Balby Fire Starters' with detailed use of partner data.
 - Continue to secure funding in 2022 for initiatives following the successful bid from Safer Streets resulting in additional 57 cameras in Hexthorpe.
 - Following on from the successful campaign via Edulog in schools during lockdown, continue to enhance ASB reporting via social media platforms.
 - Enhance our collective understanding of the overwhelming amount of ASB qualifier data through personal presentation at theme group by a qualified analyst.
 - Review existing reporting mechanisms and implement a Rapid Improvement Plan to increase public confidence in reporting anti-social behaviour and communicating the effectiveness of our actions.
 - Using the locality approach, develop an improved partnership response to anti-social behaviour ensuring we build effective relationships, understand clearly the experience of victims and show we have followed through with an effective outcome.

Reducing crime and re-offending

16. Reported crime increased across the majority of 2021. However, increases in 2021 from March to July and November to December are limited (UK placed under national lockdown) as all months in these periods have noted an increase in crime compared to 2020, with the highest increase +22.0% noted in May. The opposite is true in January to February, which saw a significant decrease. In this period the district was under lockdown or tier restrictions in 2021 but not 2020. The exception to this was August to October which saw an overall increase, in these months the district was not under lockdown or tier restrictions in 2021 or in 2020.
17. Doncaster equates for 26.6% of SYP's total recorded crime, it is only exceeded by offending within Sheffield (38.4% of SYP overall crime). Community Integration Teams have been formalised to support high frequency offenders and other cohorts of offenders once they are released from prison.

18.Reducing crime, the fear of crime and re-offending are inextricably linked. Representatives from many agencies including the Council, Police, Probation Service, business sector and the voluntary/community sector work collectively to tackle the root causes of crime and reoffending. This collective effort will contribute to reducing the fear of crime and the impact in our communities.

19.Priorities:

- To further reduce the reoffending rate and average number of reoffending offences.
- Work closely with key partners to improve the public experience of reporting crime.
- To further reduce the rates of Serious Acquisitive Crime across the borough through targeted interventions in high crime areas.
- Implement the new National Integrated Offender Management (IOM) strategy for managing the most prolific offenders in our community.
- Review the governments national crime plan and develop implementation priorities for Doncaster.
- Develop our pathways to support transition from the youth offending teams into probation services for those identified as prolific offenders.
- Effective management of first-time entrants into the criminal justice system to ensure low levels are maintained.

Tackling serious and organised crime

20.The number of offences associated to an active OCG decreased by 31.3% compared to 2020. These offences are where an OCG member or associate is either a victim / suspect / witness or involved party in the offence.

National and Local Context:

21.Serious and organised crime affects more UK citizens, more often, than any other national security threat and leads to more deaths in the UK each year than all other security threats combined. Costs the UK at least £37 billion annually and has a corrosive impact on society. A large amount of serious and organised crime remains hidden or underreported, meaning the true scale is likely to be greater than we currently know. Criminals prey on the most vulnerable in society, including young children, and their abuse can have a devastating, life-long effect on their victims.

22.Each Organised Criminal Group (OCG) in Doncaster is mapped and Partners work together using a '4 P' plan to disrupt and target individual groups. We share a great deal of intelligence and the sensitive work of the Police we cannot share until it is appropriate and safe to do so.

23.Future Priorities

- Identify and safeguard vulnerable adults & children exploited by OCGs.
- Tackle child sexual exploitation, especially where there is clear organised criminality.
- Protect communities from cyber enabled crime such as fraud.
- Improve how we analyse and exploit the intelligence gathered to enhance our understanding of the threat and grow the number of timely opportunities to disrupt SOC.
- To lead, task and coordinate the partnership response against agreed priority threats, ensuring the right resources are targeted where they will have the greatest impact.

- To operate proactively, undertaking the highest level of disruption to reduce the impact and threat of organised crime to our communities.
- Use local regulation and licensing and powers to disrupt OCGs.
- Build closer links with locality teams to improve intelligence and the sharing of information.
- Tackling the growth in cannabis cultivations which are linked to organised crime, which are impacting on vulnerable communities.
- Improve communication, providing the public with clear, accurate and up to date information about what the partnership is doing to tackle serious and organised crime and create mechanisms to encourage confidence in providing information.

Reducing substance and alcohol misuse

24. There has been a 6.8% decrease in total drug offences during 2021 compared to 2020.
25. Substance and alcohol misuse impacts on all of the key priorities within the Community Safety Strategy. The multi- agency professionals within the theme group tackle the health and crime impacts of substance misuse through the development and performance management of an integrated substance misuse plan for the Partnership.
26. The Group has a number of strategic priorities as detailed below:
- *Increase the number of people choosing not to misuse drugs and/or alcohol:* delivery dependent on issues arising, has included the Rethink your Drink campaign, prescribed pain medication/opioids campaign and GP pathway, Nitrous Oxide campaign.
 - *Reduce the number of children, young people and families affected by drug and/or alcohol misuse:* Multi agency working group and action plan in place, focusing on parental alcohol misuse. Pilot delivery of Aspire Parenting Support Team.
 - *Reduce the number of people who experience crime and disorder related to the misuse of drugs and/ or alcohol:* Taxi Marshall initiative over the Christmas period in the town centre.
 - *High prevalence of people using drugs and drinking alcohol at harmful and hazardous levels with significant health and crime impacts on individuals, families and communities:* Pilot delivery of Aspire Alcohol Early Interventions team. There has been a 200% increase in alcohol referrals during the pandemic and unmet need has reduced for alcohol from 90% to 83%, as a result of the Alcohol early Interventions initiative.
 - *Piloting of a range of short-term funding streams:* (inpatient detoxification, criminal justice treatment services, family/ parental interventions and early interventions for alcohol) in order to evaluate effectiveness and develop an improved delivery model for Doncaster treatment and care.

Reducing violence and violent crime

27. Violence Against Person (VAP) offences saw an increase of 9.5% compared to 2020, with increases of both in Violence with Injury and Violence without Injury offences. VAP offences that were tagged with a DV indicator saw an increase by 2.7% compared to 2020.
28. The South Yorkshire Violence Reduction Unit (SYVRU) continues to support the Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership to deliver a Public Health approach to reducing violence. Violence Reduction is an identified priority within the Community Safety Strategy, supported by a newly introduced Violence Reduction Strategic Theme Group.

29. The Doncaster Local Area Action Plan (DLAAP) was developed with the support of the South Yorkshire Violence Reduction Unit (SYVRU) and updated to include areas of work that did not fall within other thematic groups.

Violence Against Women Girls:

30. In July 2021 the Government released its strategy outlining the key themes and areas to tackle violence against women and girls (VAW&Gs). The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and the South Yorkshire Violence Reduction Unit (SYVRU) currently leads the multi-agency response to this agenda.
31. In November, a round table partnership event was held for statutory partners to begin the development of a South Yorkshire response in the form of a Partnership strategy. Further events are planned for early 2022. The strategy will look at addressing criminal behaviour, improving feelings of safety and changing the attitudes that perpetuate violence and harassment against women and girls.
32. A South Yorkshire wide resident survey will be commissioned to capture the voices of people from all backgrounds and cultures. Work is currently ongoing to establish a campaign which will tackle perpetrator behaviour – this is intended for launch in early 2022.

Police Resources and demands

33. Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour and the Localities Model:

- Local solutions – strong connections are established to assist in the management of anti-social behaviour through the Localities Model.
- Locality Plans and the SSDP – Community Safety is a priority in each locality area. The Localities Model will continue to complement and support the delivery of the Community Safety Strategy priorities through an early intervention and prevention approach.
- Vulnerability Hub – this Hub co-ordinates the multi-agency management of complex cases / places.
- Governance \ Members - strengthened Ward Member meetings and Locality Lead Member arrangements to enable Elected Members to feed in \ receive information about community safety issues locally and at a locality level.
- Governance \ SSDP – work is ongoing to further establish the links between the localities agenda and the SSDP.
- South Yorkshire Police will shortly introduce a 4th Neighbourhood Inspector to complement the existing 3 Inspectors. This will allow police teams to work continuously with the Localities Model and provide greater focus in key areas. The post will be filled in January 2022 and will be supported by staff within the existing Neighbourhood staffing numbers but there is a commitment to increase overall numbers over the next 12 months.

34. Tackling Serious and Organised Crime:

- Organised Criminal Groups (OCGs) are principally managed by Police Fortify Teams supported by Neighbourhood Teams.
- In the last 6 months they have executed 37 warrants in relation to organised crime.
- Recovered £240k in cash, 1150 cannabis plants and 40kg of cannabis.
- 3 kg of cocaine as well as 3 firearms.

- The team has also secured 5 Gang Injunctions against mapped gang members that are in place until February 2023.
- With a significant prison estate in the Borough, South Yorkshire Police have an established Prison Crime Unit and an Anti-Corruption Team dealing with organised criminality in prisons.
- There have been 84 investigations in the last 6 months.
- These have led to additional sentences totalling 16 years and 3 months.

35. Communication / Reporting (101 system):

- Calls to Force Control Room on the 999 system are routinely answered immediately with no adverse feedback from the public.
- Public perception is that there are significant delays on the 101 system.

36. 101 calls into Switchboard:

- 101 calls connect to the SYP greeting before being connected to Switchboard which takes approx. 70 seconds (referred to as the 'threshold').
- The average wait time after they have listened to the SYP greeting (after threshold) has been 14 seconds.
- 1% of callers abandoned without connecting to Switchboard and on average, waited 42 seconds before abandoning.

37. 101 calls into Complaint Response Unit (CRU):

- The average wait time is currently 11 minutes 23 seconds.
- 18% of callers abandoned without speaking to CRU and waited on average 11 minutes 23 seconds before abandoning.

Anticipate Funding – update and results

38. Anticipate Funding is made up of contributions from the Communities Service and its partners, totalling £13k per annum – this is shared equally between the 4 geographical areas, giving each locality an allocation of £3250. Funding is used specifically for events that offer value for money and are inclusive. The third sector delivers many of these activities.

39. The specifics around the types of events that the funding must be used for is decided at a local level between the Communities Management Teams and Local Policing Teams, in response to trends of crime or anti-social behaviour in that area and any targeted activity required to address the issues.

40. Interventions vary from area to area. Considerations regarding the types of activities delivered include focused attention on those individuals previously involved in criminality and those that have Acceptable Behaviour Contracts in place. Targeted visits take place to prominent individuals to prevent repeat issues and signpost to support services and positive diversionary activities.

41. A series of multi-agency planning meetings are held in the run up to Anticipate to develop an action plan to include the communications approach, license checks and ensure cross referencing is in place with key agencies.

42. The planning meetings also ensure that a full picture of activities is available to maximise co-ordination and avoid duplication. Multi-agency evaluation meetings take place after the events to discuss what has worked well and explore any further strategies that may be required for the following year.

Performance Overview for 2021:

43. ASB which may be linked to 'Dark Nights' (due to it being recorded between 1700-0300) has notably reduced this year. There were 903 incidents in 2019, 1127 in 2020 and 801 in 2021 (-326 incidents). Fireworks complaints have notably reduced, from 488 last year to 282 this year. This may be due to Bonfire Night taking place on a rain-free night, meaning most will have been used on that day or across the weekend, when they were expected to be used.
44. Crime which may be linked to 'Dark Nights' appears relatively static; 1022 offences in 2019, 1079 offences in 2020 and 1041 offences in 2021. Arson offences have reduced from 54 last year to 24 this year. Criminal Damage has slightly reduced, from 370 to 345. Of note is a reduction in Public Order offences, which have reduced from 156 to 97. As opposed to previous years, 2021 has not seen widespread media coverage of 'Dark Nights' related ASB or Arson in South Yorkshire.

OPTIONS CONSIDERED

45. There are no specific options to consider, the report is for update and discussion.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION

46. The report is for update and discussion.

IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY OUTCOMES

	Outcomes	Implications
	Doncaster Working: Our vision is for more people to be able to pursue their ambitions through work that gives them and Doncaster a brighter and prosperous future; Better access to good fulfilling work Doncaster businesses are supported to flourish; Inward Investment.	The SSDP priorities within the Community Safety Strategy, particularly those of reducing crime (including serious and organised crime), anti-social behaviour and re-offending will help support the economy and businesses within the Borough to flourish and attract new investment.
	Doncaster Living: Our vision is for Doncaster's people to live in a borough that is vibrant and full of opportunity, where people enjoy spending time; The town centres are the beating heart of Doncaster; More people can live in a good quality, affordable home; Healthy and Vibrant Communities through Physical Activity and Sport; Everyone takes responsibility for keeping Doncaster Clean; Building on our cultural, artistic and sporting heritage.	It is important that residents feel safe within Communities and key areas such as the Town Centre. Residents who feel part of vibrant communities are more likely to enjoy spending living and spending time in these areas.

	<p>Doncaster Learning: Our vision is for learning that prepares all children, young people and adults for a life that is fulfilling; Every child has life-changing learning experiences within and beyond school. Many more great teachers work in Doncaster Schools that are good or better. Learning in Doncaster prepares young people for the world of work.</p>	<p>The Partnership works closely with the Doncaster Youth Council in respect of Community Safety campaigns and initiatives to provide greater engagement and experience.</p>
	<p>Doncaster Caring: Our vision is for a borough that cares together for its most vulnerable residents; Children have the best start in life. Vulnerable families and individuals have support from someone they trust. Older people can live well and independently in their own homes.</p>	<p>Delivery of the SSDP Community Safety priorities contributes to the improved safeguarding of all residents. Many of our priorities have a direct impact on families and vulnerable individuals.</p>
	<p>Connected Council: A modern, efficient and flexible workforce. Modern, accessible customer interactions. Operating within our resources and delivering value for money. A co-ordinated, whole person, whole life focus on the needs and aspirations of residents. Building community and self-reliance by connecting community assets and strengths. Working with our partners and residents to provide effective leadership and governance.</p>	<p>The services provided as outlined within the Community Safety Strategy are reviewed to ensure they are efficient, effective and deliver value for money. This includes working in Partnership with other agencies to tackle cross cutting issues in a co-ordinated way. The Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership provides strong and effective leadership to the Partnership agenda through effective governance.</p>

RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS

47. Robust performance management arrangements ensure that priorities are achieved, and good quality services are delivered to the residents of Doncaster.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS (SRF Date: 11.01.22)

48. There no specific legal implications arising from this report. Specific advice can be provided on any questions raised by the panel.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (C.S Date: 12.01.22)

49. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS (SB 14.01.2022:)

50. There are no HR implications associated with this report.

TECHNOLOGY IMPLICATIONS (PW Date: 11/01/22)

51. There are no direct technology implications at this time. However, any requirement for new, enhanced or replacement technology to support the delivery of the priorities outlined in the report must follow the agreed technology governance processes for the Council and partners.

HEALTH IMPLICATIONS (HC 12/01/22)

52. This report should provide assurance to decision makers that there will be positive impacts on health and wellbeing for the Doncaster population, as there are complex inter-relationships between crime and disorder, deprivation and overall health and wellbeing of individuals, families and communities.

EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

53. There is a wide range of information concerning the victims and perpetrators of crimes in Doncaster that underpin the data presented in this report. Specific groups and characteristics are more prevalent in specific crime types, examples include more women being victims of domestic abuse than men and significantly more men are accused of a crime than women.
54. This information is mainly held on age, gender and ethnicity and although some of this information is sensitive in nature, the detail can be used to support decisions and the impact they may have on particular groups.
55. A Due Regard Statement has been produced to support the new Community Safety Strategy 2022-25, which details further information in respect of criminality and its impact upon protected characteristics.

CONSULTATION

56. 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

- Presentation from Safer Communities and South Yorkshire Police.
- Glossary of acronyms and abbreviations (attached to this report).

ACRONYMS LIST

SSDP	Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership
ASB	Anti Social Behaviour
SOC	Serious Organised Crime
IOM	Integrated Offender Management
SAC	Serious Acquisitive Crime
OCG	Organised Criminal Group
SYVRU	South Yorkshire Violence Reduction Unit
DLAAP	Doncaster Local Area Action Plan
VAWG	Violence Against Women and Girls
OPCC	Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
SYP	South Yorkshire Police
CRU	Complaints Response Unit
NPS	National Probation Service
CRC	Community Rehabilitation Company
VAP	Violence Against the Person

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OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY WORK PLAN 2021/22

	OSMC	H&ASC O&S	CYP O&S	R&H O&S	C&E O&S
May		Friday 4th June, 2021 at 3.30pm, MS Teams	-		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning Meeting 			
June	Thurs 3rd June 2021 at 10am, MS Teams		Tues 15th June 2021 at 10am, MS Teams	Wed 9th June 2021 at 10.30am, MS Teams	Monday 7th June 2021 at 2pm, MS Teams
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning Meeting 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning Meeting
	Thurs 24th June 2021 at 10am Council Chamber (AS/RW)				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Qtrly Finance & Performance Report – Qtr 4 (c) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMBC SLHD DCST Youth Justice Plan (c) Edenthorpe Neighbourhood Plan (c) 				
July		Thurs 1st July 2021 at 10am- MS Teams Briefing Session (CR)	Thurs 22nd July 2021 at 4.30pm Cancelled Tues 10th August 2021 at 9am Briefing Meeting		Wed 28th July 2021 at 10am, Council Chamber (CM)
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asset Based Community Development and Well Doncaster – update and Annual Report. Links with Localities, Adult Social Care addressing the way people live day to day, with a focus on local communities becoming healthier. (c) 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainability/ Environmental Strategy update and next steps – 111 actions and maximising funding (c) NEW Social Inclusion Alliance Update (c)

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	Tuesday 3rd August, 2021 at 9.30am – MS Teams Briefing meeting (CR)				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Locality working (c) 				
	Tuesday 10th August, 2021 at 11.00am – MS Teams Briefing Session – postponed from 8th July (CR)				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioning (c) 				
Aug	Extraordinary OSMC – Thurs 19th August 2021 at 10am, Council Chamber (CR/RW)		Tues 10th August 2021 at 9am Briefing Meeting (CM)		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan (c) • Doncaster Delivering Together (Borough Strategy 2030) (c) • Sproborough Neighbourhood Plan (TBC) (c) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children and Young People overview including relationship with Doncaster Children's Services Trust and invitation to Young Advisors and Youth Council (Make Your Mark) Further shaping of the work plan (c) 		
Sept	Thurs 9th Sept 2021 at 10am Council Chamber (CM/RW)	Thurs 30th Sept 2021 at 10am Council Chamber (CM)	Thurs 16th Sept 2021 at 4.30pm Council Chamber (CR)		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qtrly Finance & Performance Report – Qtr 1 (c) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ DMBC ◦ SLHD7th ◦ DCST • Compliments and Complaints (c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes to NHS working (ICS - White Paper) and what this will mean for the Borough's residents (timing TBC) (c) • Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safeguarding theme to include Children's Social Care with the Early help element of focus (c) 		

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Oct	Thurs 7th Oct 2021 at 11am Briefing Session, MS Teams (CM)		Fri 1st Oct 2021, 2pm Briefing Sessions, MS Teams (CM)	Wed 13th Oct 2021 at 11.30am, Chamber (CR)	Mon 11th Oct 2021 at 10am , Chamber (CM)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Localities (general update and the executives proposals for Governance) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview of upcoming policies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Housing - Post Covid easing restrictions – consequences of rehousing people in temporary accommodation (c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flood Planning Preparation (c) Domestic Abuse Strategy(c)
Nov	Thurs 4th Nov 2021 at 10am Council Chamber (CR)	Mon 22nd Nov 2021 at 1.30pm Council Chamber (CM)	Tues 9th Nov 2021, 1pm Virtual Meeting (CR) Deferred TBA	Briefing Session Wed 10th Nov 2021, 10:30am Virtual Meeting (RW/CM)	Briefing Session Wed 10th November 2021 2pm Virtual Meeting (CR)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Statement of Licensing Policy Gambling Act 2005 (c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winter Planning Update from Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals (c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evidence gathering session – meeting with teachers (c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town Deal Doncaster and Stainforth – update including priorities, next steps plus outline of the levelling up funding bid for the town centre.(c) Town Centre update including Waterdale area, strategy and plans for, Housing, retail, hospitality and engagement with businesses and how they are responding to challenges (c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Strategy (Sustainability) Naturalisation
	Thursday 4th November following the formal meeting Council Chamber (CR)			Tues, 30th Nov 2021, 10am Council Chamber (CM)	Thursday 25th November at 2pm (CR)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commissioning – discussions with service users re: drug and alcohol abuse (c) 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on the Market (MAM contract).(c) Town Centre economy including impact from Covid, footfall, night-time economy, Alfresco dining, market economy.(c) 	Community Safety Strategy(c)

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Dec	Thurs 2nd Dec 2021 at 10am Council Chamber (AS/RW)		Thurs 9th Dec 2021 at 4.30pm (CM/CR) Council Chamber		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Qtrly Finance & Performance Report – Qtr 2 (c) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMBC SLHD DCST 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theme Education and Skills to include school organisation with comparators for attendance, exclusions, NEET, education outcomes post 16 employment and education and Big Picture (pre cabinet decision) SALT and Neurodevelopment pathway New Education and Skills 2030 programme (c) 		
Jan	Thurs 27th Jan 2022 at 10am Microsoft Teams (briefing session) (CM)	Mon 31st Jan 2022 at 1.30pm (CM)			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget (c) Corporate Plan (c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carers Strategy – to include people with lived experience (c) 			
	Thurs 10th Feb 2022 at 10am Council Chamber (CM)				Wed 9th Feb 2022 at 10am Council Chamber (CR)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget (c) Corporate Plan (c) 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crime and Disorder Committee (c)
	Mon 21st February 2022 at 9am - cancelled (CR)				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fuel Poverty Strategy to be rescheduled 				
	Thurs 24th Feb 2022 at 10am deferred to 15th March				

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March	Tuesday 15th March 2022 at 10am Briefing Session (CM) Microsoft Teams				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Localities update (c) 				
	Thurs 31st March 2022 at 10am, Council Chamber (AS/RW)	Thurs 3rd March 2022 at 10am, Council Chamber (CR)	Thurs 17th March 2022 at 4.30pm (CM)	Wed 9th March 2022 at 10am (RW/CM/CR)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Qtrly Finance & Performance Report – Qtr 3 (c) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMBC SLHD DCST Rossington Neighbourhood Plan (TBC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part 1 - CQC Inspection and Regulation Update – Doncaster Care Quality including inspection ratings. Covid impact and how care providers have risen to the challenge (c) Part 2 - CQC possible part two - Chief Nurse CCG – NHS settings (c) Health Protection – link with the implications of long Covid(c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEND Strategy and Behaviour Transformation Programme (pre cabinet decision) (to include a focus on Education health Care plans) (c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employment programme opportunities following Covid easing with possible invite to DWP (c) 	
Apr					
May					

POSSIBLE ISSUES FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OR TO BE SCHEDULED

Quarter 4 Performance OSMC 23 rd June, 2022	Adult Safeguarding Report 2022 (date TBC) to be circulated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theme: Sufficiency (potential for 2022/23) 	Impact of Brexit (ongoing through quarterly OSMC performance management meetings)	Environmental Improvement Plan (timing TBC)
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			Reports to include comparators and best practices with comparisons to like authorities.		
	Impact of Brexit (ongoing through quarterly performance management meetings)	Joint Regional Health (JHOSC) – as required Chair only to attend	Following issues to be fed into the themes considered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transition of young disabled adults to adulthood; 	Housing Allocations Policy Review 2022/23	
	Local Plan update Autumn 2022	Links with Social Care and Housing (added following discussion with Chair and Director) TBC maybe 2022/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doncaster Children's Safeguarding Partnership Annual Report – to circulate for comments 	Local Plan – update including delivery of key housing projects and connectivity – item for 2022/23 work plan spring 2023	
	Commissioning – meeting with providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children's Health Related Issues (Briefing) to include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children's Mental Health (Strategy) SALT (TBC) Health Visitors (CYP / HASC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on the funding provided for additional family practitioners and difference they have made – including risks associated. 	Town Centre Transport	
	Poverty Strategy – 2022/23 (TBC)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children's Health Related Issues (Briefing) to include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children's Mental Health (Strategy) SALT (TBC) Health Visitors (CYP / HASC) 	Car Parking Strategy	
	Compliments and Complaints September 2022		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Council (Priorities) – July 2022 	Town centre regeneration and development	
	Cultural Strategy – deferred from 2 nd February briefing session new date TBC		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children and Young People's Plan (invite HASC Scrutiny Panel) TBC 		

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with Headteachers to address front door referrals. 		
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEND – meeting with families and SENCO group. 2022/2023 workplan 		
BRIEFING NOTES					
		Update on Scawthorpe Merger - circulated 031121		Housing Allocations Policy – circulated 2021.	Veterans – Briefing note general update with focus on homelessness – circulated 151021

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DONCASTER METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

FORWARD PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1ST MARCH 2022 TO 30TH JUNE 2022.

The Forward Plan sets out details of all Key Decisions expected to be taken during the next four months by either the Cabinet collectively, The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Portfolio Holders or Officers and is updated and republished each month.

A Key Decision is an executive decision which is likely:-

- (a) to result in the Local Authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Local Authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- (b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the Local Authority;
- (c) any decision related to the approval or variation of the Policy and budget Framework that is reserved to the Full Council.

The level of expenditure/savings which this Authority has adopted as being financially significant are (a) in the case of the revenue budget, gross full-year effect of £250,000 or more b) in the case of capital budget, £1,000,000 or more in respect of a single project or otherwise across one financial year. or the decision has a significant impact on 2 or more wards.

Please note in addition to the documents identified in the plan, other documents relevant to a decision may be submitted to the Decision Maker. Details of any additional documents submitted can be obtained from the Contact Officer listed against each decision identified in this plan.

In respect of exempt items, if you would like to make written representations as to why a report should be considered in public, please send these to the contact officer responsible for that particular decision. Unless otherwise stated, representations should be made at least 14 days before the expected date of the decision.

KEY

Those items in **BOLD** are **NEW**

Those items in **ITALICS** have been **RESCHEDULED** following issue of the last plan

Prepared on: XXXXXX and superseding all previous Forward Plans with effect from the period identified above.

Damian Allen
Chief Executive

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Some Decisions listed in the Forward Plan are to be taken by Full Council

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WHEN DECISION IS EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN	KEY DECISION TO BE TAKEN	RELEVANT CABINET MEMBER	DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY	CONTACT OFFICER(S)	DOCUMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED BY DECISION MAKER	REASON FOR EXEMPTION – LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 SCHEDULE 12A
2 Mar 2022	To approve spending the funding award from the Department of Levelling Up Housing and Communities (LUHC).	Councillor Nigel Ball, Portfolio Holder for Public Health, Leisure, Culture and Planning	Cabinet	Jenna Rumley, Planning Service Improvement Manager Jenna.Rumley@doncaster.gov.uk	Corporate Report RIPA BOPS Digital Grant Funding	Open
2 Mar 2022	Quarter 3 2021-22 Finance and Performance Report	Mayor Ros Jones	Cabinet	Matthew, Smith, Head of Financial Management Tel: 01302-737663 matthew.smith@doncaster.gov.uk		Open
2 Mar 2022	St Leger Homes Performance Report 2021/22 Quarter 3	Councillor Glyn Jones, Deputy Mayor, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Business.	Cabinet	Julie Crook Tel: 01302 862705, Dave Richmond, Chief Executive, St Leger Homes of Doncaster dave.richmond@stlegerhomes.co.uk		Open
2 Mar 2022	DCST Quarter 3 Finance & Performance Report	Councillor Rachael Blake, Portfolio Holder for	Cabinet	Rob Moore, Director of Corporate Services and Company Secretary rob.moore@dcstrust.		Open

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8 Mar 2022	To accept Government Funding to allow the Council to provide support for people in Doncaster who are part of one of the Government's Resettlement Programmes	Councillor Rachael Blake, Portfolio Holder for Children's Social Care, Communities and Equalities	Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care			Open
16 Mar 2022	To approve the submission to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) of the Doncaster Town Deals Heritage Project Business Case Summary document.	Portfolio Holder for Housing and Business	Cabinet	Neil Armstrong, Senior Programme and Project Manager Tel: 01302 737860 neil.armstrong@doncaster.gov.uk		
16 Mar 2022	To approve the commencement of a Compulsory Purchase Order for the acquisition of properties necessary to deliver the Doncaster Town Deal project.	Councillor Glyn Jones, Deputy Mayor, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Business.	Cabinet	Neil Firth, Head of Service, Major Projects and Investment neil.firth@doncaster.gov.uk		Part exempt 3
30 Mar 2022	To adopt the Early Help Strategy 2022-2025.	Councillor Rachael Blake,	Cabinet	Stephanie Douglas, Head of Service Early Years and		Open

		Portfolio Holder for Children's Social Care, Communities and Equalities, Councillor Lani-Mae Ball, Portfolio Holder for Education, Skills and Young People		Localities stephanie.douglas@doncaster.gov.uk		
30 Mar 2022	To approve the four Plans for Doncaster's Central, East, North and South Localities	Councillor Rachael Blake, Portfolio Holder for Children's Social Care, Communities and Equalities	Cabinet	Phil Holmes, Director of Adults, Health and Wellbeing (DASS) phil.holmes@doncaster.gov.uk		Open
30 Mar 2022	Doncaster Council House Build Programme Phase 2.	Portfolio Holder for Housing and Business	Cabinet	Adrian Robertshaw adrian.robertshaw@doncaster.gov.uk		Open
11 May 2022	Refresh of the Get Doncaster Moving physical activity and sport strategy.	Councillor Nigel Ball, Portfolio Holder for Public Health, Leisure, Culture and	Cabinet	Andy Maddox, Business Development Manager andy.maddox@doncaster.gov.uk		Open

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