



City of  
Doncaster  
Council

## Agenda

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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:** Thursday, 16th February, 2023

**Time:** 10.00 am

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Chief Executive

Issued on: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

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Issues for consideration:

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 Overview and Scrutiny Panel dated 27th October 2022. (*Pages 1 - 6*)
5. Public Statements

**[A period not exceeding 20 minutes for statements from up to 5 members of the public on matters within the Committee's remit, proposing action(s) which may be considered or contribute towards the future development of the Committee's work programme].**

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

6. Crime and Community Safety update report (*Pages 7 - 22*).
7. Overview and Scrutiny Work Plan and Council's Forward Plan of Key Decisions (*Pages 23 - 36*).

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

Chair – Councillor Gemma Cobby  
Vice-Chair – Councillor Nigel Cannings

Councillors James Church, Julie Grace, Debbie Hutchinson, Barry Johnson, Tracey Moran, Emma Muddiman-Rawlins and Gary Stapleton

Invitees: Jim Board UNISON

# Agenda Item 4.

## DONCASTER METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

### COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

THURSDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 2022

A MEETING of the COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL was held at the COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICE, WATERDALE, DONCASTER DN1 3BU on THURSDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 2022, at 1.00 pm.

#### PRESENT:

Chair: Councillor Gemma Cobby

Councillors Nigel Cannings, James Church, Julie Grace and Gary Stapleton

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Bill Hotchkiss, Head of Service, Community Safety  
Superintendent Ian Profitt, South Yorkshire Police  
Rachael Long, Crime and Safer Doncaster Theme Manager  
Karen Shooter, Domestic and Sexual Abuse Strategic lead

#### APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Debbie Hutchinson, Tracey Moran and Emma Muddiman-Rawlins

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

There were no items.

2. Declarations of Interest, if any.

There were no declarations made at the meeting.

3. Minutes of the Communities and Environment (as the Crime and Disorder Panel) Overview and Scrutiny Panel held on 9th February 2022

**RESOLVED:-** that the minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. Public Statements.

There were no public statements made.

5. Crime and Community Safety update report

The Panel gave consideration to a report and presentation that provided the priorities and performance updates in respect of the Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership and the current position in respect of the Domestic Abuse and Violence Against Women and Girls agendas.

It was noted that the Community Safety Strategy priorities were as set out below with detailed information being provided on each area by Superintendent Ian Profitt, South Yorkshire Police, Bill Hotchkiss, Head of Service Communities Safer Stronger and Karen Shooter, Domestic and Sexual Abuse Strategic Lead:

- Priority 1 - Tackling domestic and sexual abuse;
- Priority 2 - Reducing anti-social behaviour;
- Priority 3 - Reducing crime and re-offending;
- Priority 4 - Tackling serious and organised crime;
- Priority 5 - Reducing substance and alcohol misuse; and
- Priority 6 - Reducing violence and violent crime.

Members sought clarification on the following issues:

Domestic and sexual abuse Gypsy and Traveller representatives – it was explained that active recruitment was currently being undertaken to appoint a representative and that if suitable applicants were received they would look to appoint from within the Gypsy and Traveller Community. It was noted that the appointed person would need to be culturally aware and sensitive and training would be provided to the person appointed. The Panel was pleased to note that good relationships were already in place in Public Health with the Gypsy and Traveller community.

Charitable Womens Aid – in response to concern expressed by a Member with regard to the number of safe accommodation places, it was explained that Doncaster had an 8 unit refuge. Sometimes the units were occupied by a single person or a family. Additional to this were 6 disperse units. Funding support had been increased but so had the complexity of support. The Commissioning model was based on best practice but creative in what was being requested.

In relation to, for example, the Charitable organisation Phoenix Womens Aid, it was noted that it was a valuable partner that could access and secure funding the Council was unable to achieve. The organisation take referrals from the Domestic Abuse Hub, for counselling, outreach and provision of safe accommodation.

“Get Home Safely” – The Panel raised the Campaign, promoted by the UNITE union that encouraged night time employers to provide a safe home return to staff members. It was acknowledged that it was a good campaign to promote and therefore it would be added as an item for discussion on the next Violence theme reduction group, the link would be added to the violence against women and girls web page and Business Doncaster has been requested to

promote it with local businesses. It was noted that the content was similar to the Doncaster Council's guidance and responsibilities and would be linked to future work.

Duty to protect employees – it was acknowledged that all employers had a duty to protect their employees and the Council's "My SOS" lone working GPS tracking device was highlighted.

Best Bar None Scheme – the number of young people who worked in bars to the early hours was noted and the issue was to be addressed by the Violence Reduction Group to address how it could work closely with members of the scheme to ensure pub and club owners ensure their staff get home safely.

Anti-social behaviour - It was noted that Police report ASB was showing a decline with a reduction of 24% in the twelve months up to August 2022. However there was clearly some under reporting, which was being addressed to ensure increased confidence, in turn providing early intervention. With regard to the Council's data it showed a lot of and increasing work with early intervention for example with minor neighbour disputes before severity increased. Across Doncaster there was a good use of specific Orders, for example, Tenancy warnings and ASB warning letters.

Vulnerability – incident data was addressed at Board meetings where situations were mapped and scored to provide intervention and support to repeat victims.

Electric Scooters and off road motor bikes– It was acknowledged that dealing with the correct usage and enforcement relating to electric scooters was challenging and frustrating across the majority of Police forces and recognised there was the need to drive change with legislation. How different Police forces addressed dealing with electric scooters was highlighted, particularly when they were being used for criminal activity. Electric Scooters were not for use on roads and people when buying them may not be informed of this and not aware that they were breaking the law. An example of safe use was one City Council encouraging their use in bike lanes to ease congestion, which was acceptable and in line with some cities in mainland Europe. It was noted that generally there was also a mix of people commuting into their place of work using this mode of transport. Until guidance or legislation was developed, in the meantime people would be educated as much as possible on their use.

With regard to off-road motorbikes, having no insurance was enough to seize a bike.

Fly tipping – The Local Authority was making good use of covert cameras with South Yorkshire Police providing support, for example, arrest days following crimes being committed.

Neighbourhood policing – it was reported that newly recruited police officers would be joining Police teams across the County therefore the numbers were due to increase before the Christmas period.

Real Help Scheme – in response to a question it was explained that the scheme provided help and support to the homeless and was run and operated by the changing lives partnership. It was acknowledged that both partners and staff needed to be more aware of the scheme to ensure its full potential and usage.

CCTV – It was explained to the Panel that from a Council perspective there was a wide range of public realm cameras. These were used to prevent crime, public safety and anti-social behaviour. The monitoring was effective with people's privacy and monitoring responsibility taken very seriously. CCTV images could be forwarded to the Police, under strict guidance and data protection Privacy Agreement, to be used as evidence if a crime had been committed to aid prosecution. It was noted that there were approximately 100 actionable items each month but not all were used.

Reporting neighbours causing anti-social behaviour – In response to Members concerns that in some areas anti-social issues could be so bad people may have to be rehomed due to feeling so vulnerable in their own homes. It was explained that as much as possible was

being undertaken to prevent such behaviour and stop it escalating. It was noted that a recent campaign, “report it so we can sort it” had been very successful.

It was acknowledged that Doncaster would love to have its own Police off-road motor cycle team but it was a South Yorkshire Team that responded. Generally it used to be a seasonal issue but there had been an increase of quad bikes being used at night, which was currently being investigated through a partnership plan. Certain areas were targetted, including use of large boulders to stop entry onto certain public pathways and signage. Enforcement is used as much as legislation allows.

Serious and organised crime figures – in response to a question relating to figures pre-lockdown in comparison to now, it was advised that the information could be provided following the meeting.

Impact on South Yorkshire Police protocols and training – the Panel was informed that the current investigations undertaken in the Metropolitan Police had seen a ripple effect through all Police Authorities. South Yorkshire Police had a new Values Framework with the key elements being Fairness, Integrity and Trust, leadership training had been enhanced and improved from first line supervisors to the top of the organisation with a leadership academy being launched to ensure first line supervisors provide a good impact culture within a team. The Professional standards department dealt with people that do not provide high standards expected and if a member of staff was arrested they were suspended until the matter was resolved.

Re-launching actions – it was accepted that if schemes and actions were relaunched, the reasons why were important and should be better communicated, whether it was because a scheme was successful or had not worked for a particular reason. It was also stressed that sometimes the Partnership was having to respond very quickly to new funding opportunities.

Drug trafficking offences – it was explained that the figures relied upon the amount of drugs found and ceased, therefore the Police Authorities were not accepting that it has declined. Drug trafficking case work was undertaken by a regional crime unit, National Crime Agency and neighbouring Police Forces who they work closely with to deal with this offence.

Organised crime work – it was clarified that this criminal element focused on individuals with a mapping process that identifies people involved.

**RESOLVED:** That the information provided and discussion, be noted.

## 6. Flood risk update and winter preparations

The Panel received a presentation from the Drainage and Streetworks Manager that provided a flood risk update and winter preparation booklet which had been designed to provide resources and information to Councillors regarding the Borough flood risk.

Following the flooding of 2019 a full investigation of how the flooding occurred was undertaken with the findings setting the agenda for the Flood Recovery programme consisting of 42 proposed schemes across the Borough. The report and booklet presented provided an update on progress on the schemes and winter readiness.

The presentation addressed:

- Flood resilience programme highlights;
- Partnership Funding and current funding picture; and
- Individual area and main river schemes;

It was highlighted that:

- The Local Authority could not fund everything therefore it worked in partnership with the Environment Agency;
- Some local authorities were able to fund from their capital funding, for example, Birmingham City but it had a much different landscape to Doncaster, eg. urban flooding from highways;
- People who were regularly flooded needed to ensure they were ready to help themselves in the initial stages;
- Ensuring that surface water is kept on the highway before properties;
- Public sewers were the property of Water companies, for example, Yorkshire Water, Severn Trent and Anglian and historically set up for a 1 in 3 year storm;
- Dykes and rivers were the responsibility of the Environment Agency or Internal Drainage Boards;
- In Doncaster only 1 porch had flooded in the last 3 storms;
- The Winter Maintenance Team provided a service with 60 staff on a shift pattern, eg. provide road gritting, they were also there to respond and react to flooding events. The Emergency Planning Team have Council staff trained in specific roles to respond to flooding emergencies; and
- Following floods, the Highways Teams determine whether roads could be reopened.

Members addressed the following issues in detail:

Bentley Ings refurbishment project – It was noted that it was an Environment Agency project which had been a fantastic investment for Doncaster at a cost of approximately £6m and deals with normal rainfall water, winter drainage, land drainage and Bentley corridor. It stopped water backing up in normal time and an explanation of how it worked and future requirements to further aid the position for future flooding events was provided.

Funding – Members acknowledged the current funding position and shortfall to complete required flood alleviation schemes.

Gully Cleansing – These were currently checked once in every 18 month period. Members noted that a GIS system had been deployed during gully cleansing identifying the amount of silt removed. Following 2 cleanses of data this would identify which gullies required more attention with a tailored programme being developed. This would lead to a more efficient gully cleansing programme.

Sewer flooding – it was outlined that in 2019 6 properties across 4 separate areas were impacted by this issue. It had been caused by surface water accessing foul sewers and creating blockages. This risk could not be forecast. During a flooding event it was investigated and forwarded to the relevant Management Authority for management and maintenance.

Partnership working – it was stressed that the Local Authority held excellent working relationships with partners, for example, Severn Trent Water and the Environment Agency.

Flood Wardens – It was noted that flood wardens were driven and set up in each area by volunteers with the Local Authority and partners supporting during an emergency. The flood wardens played a vital role, identifying risks and informing the community.

Vulnerable people living at home – During an emergency the Silver Command was established and within that team were representatives from all required partners. The appropriate partner would be able to identify the vulnerable who required assistance and put measures in place for assistance.

Sandbags - were provided by local suppliers and provided by the response staff however following an emergency they were collected by the Streetworks team therefore they ask for patience from residents for them to be collected. With regard to sandbag disposal it was dependent on the emergency. For example, in 2019 there had been mass river flooding and contamination therefore they were disposed of at landfill. It was also cheaper to dispose of than recycle at this time prior to price increase in sand. In January 2020 there was no river flooding and a small amount of sandbags were contaminated therefore only a small amount went to landfill and the remainder were cleansed ready for redistribution.

**RESOLVED:** that the report and discussion, be noted.

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

The Senior Governance Officer presented the Scrutiny work plan and Council's Forward Plan of Key Decisions. The Panel was asked if it could give consideration to the areas it wished to address at the next Crime and Disorder Committee following the information provided earlier in this meeting.

**RESOLVED:** that the documents be noted.

CHAIR: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_





## Doncaster Council

### Report

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Date: 16.02.23

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

Report Title: CRIME AND COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE REPORT

Relevant Cabinet Member(s)	Wards Affected	Key Decision?
Rachael Blake	All	No

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. This report provides an activity update in respect of the Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership (SSDP) with particular focus on Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG); the Safer Streets initiative and the impact of the cost of living crisis on crime and disorder.
2. In respect of overall crime, Doncaster has seen an overall increase during the period considered, of 14.6%, which is similar to that seen across the Force as a whole at 12.3%. In the last year, Doncaster has seen an increase in almost all crime types, with the exception of Rape, Bicycle Thefts and Violent disorder. Residential Burglaries saw a 6.5% increase, with vehicle offences seeing a 28.4% increase compared to last year. Robberies increased by 27.3% and Shoplifting increased by 36.0%. Further details are included within key sections of the report and data is displayed within the presentation.
3. The current period saw a decrease in Force-wide Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents. Doncaster decreased by 17.9%, larger than the Force's 15.4% decrease. Doncaster Council reports also indicate a small decrease in reported ASB (-2.4%), however this may be due to staffing vacancies and new staff being trained, affecting the overall number of early intervention/prevention and incidents that are identified, managed and resolved by Communities Area Teams.

#### EXEMPT REPORT

4. This is not an exempt report.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

5. The Crime and Disorder Committee Members is 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) theme group activity and other requested subject matters as detailed above.

## **WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE CITIZENS OF DONCASTER?**

6. The level of crime and anti-social behaviour incidents will impact upon residents' feeling of safety and their quality of life. This report provides information on these areas, with particular focus on tackling violence against women and girls; Safer Streets and the impact of the cost of living on crime and disorder.

## **LIVED EXPERIENCE AND ENGAGEMENT**

7. As a partnership, we continually strive to improve public experience through actively listening and engaging with people in communities to gain a true picture of crime and disorder. It is important that those with 'lived experience' are listened to; ensuring that the concerns being raised are responded to and that people are kept informed.
8. As part of the locality model, we support communities to identify their priorities and to put in place actions that help them build on opportunities and address gaps. The refreshed locality plans feature ASB and Community Safety in each area. These plans have generated over 17, 000 contacts which come from a variety of engagement, including the Appreciative Inquiries, Community representatives, stakeholders, social media, surveys and consultations and bespoke engagement.
9. The police and partners have embedded the monthly Community Engagement Meetings, formally known as PACT in each area. Monthly Ward Member Meetings continue, as a forum to share information and intelligence in respect of local priorities and concerns.
10. The SSDP Communications Plan continues to engage with communities to understand concerns; raise awareness of our work and provide increased visibility of partnership resources within communities.

## **BACKGROUND**

11. 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 action updates are provided below:

## 12. **Tackling domestic and sexual abuse**

Displayed within this section of the report are activity updates against the Community Safety Strategy Delivery Plan for this theme group:

- Improving awareness of domestic and sexual abuse throughout Doncaster, particularly with young people.

Developed Red Flag Films for publication and circulation, established Domestic and Sexual Abuse Education Subgroup, continuing to provide Domestic Abuse Training to Council staff and wider partners; developed an Education Tool kit; expanded curriculum work to improve awareness and knowledge.

- Managing the increase in demand. Secure funding for specialist domestic and sexual abuse services to meet the needs of victims and survivors.

New funding secured for Health domestic abuse workers; Gypsy Traveller Domestic Abuse Worker; expansion of survivor work; Serial Perpetrator Worker; Police and Crime Commissioner awarded funding for Independent Sexual Violence Advocate/child sexual abuse support.

- Improve collaboration with survivors of domestic abuse with a commitment to learning from their experiences.

Survivor Liaison Service has expanded; Annual Report produced; focusing on increased work in communities and intersectionality.

- Produce a new Domestic Abuse strategy and a new Sexual Abuse Strategy.

The Domestic Abuse Strategy has been launched; a group has been established to progress work in respect of the Sexual Abuse strategy, which will be 'all age' and will include sex workers. Strong links are in place with the Safeguarding Unit.

- Increased amount of safe accommodation for victims of domestic abuse, including people with complex needs.

Commissioning ongoing to potentially significantly increase the amount of available accommodation and increase accessibility for people with complex needs. New contracts to commence May 2023. Sanctuary Scheme has now commenced. Two Housing Options workers are also specialising in Domestic Abuse.

- Secure additional funding to support for children that have experienced domestic abuse.

Domestic Abuse Navigators have been mainstreamed; an additional Navigator has also been recruited.

- Production of a Doncaster multi-agency domestic abuse perpetrator protocol.

A draft strategy has been produced.

- Prevention of repeat incidents of domestic abuse through multi -agency working, information sharing, and proactive engagement with victims, providing longer term support for survivors of domestic abuse and management of perpetrators.

Further work has been conducted to better understand the definition of 'repeat', the serial perpetrator project is due to commence. The Freedom Programme is also being delivered.

### 13. **Reducing anti-social behaviour**

Displayed within this section of the report are activity updates against the Community Safety Strategy Delivery Plan for this theme group:

- Review multi-agency processes to support the needs of vulnerable victims and victims who are fearful to report anti-social behaviour.

SSDP partners have robust pathways for supporting vulnerable victims. Partnership data is reviewed at localities meetings to identify potential cases and these are tasked to the appropriate agency for assessment and management. The safer neighbourhood services hub manages more complex cases with the most complex being referred to the Community Multi-agency Risk Assessment Conference (CMARAC) where managers from relevant services conduct a collective risk assessment and implement a clear plan to reduce risks.

- Effectively manage anti-social behaviour through proactive and responsive approaches, supported by improved mechanisms to report and respond to incidents. The Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour Plan is designed to outline the approach to tackling anti-social behaviour (ASB) throughout the borough. It ensures a proportionate and graduated response. The plan will allow anyone engaged in or responsible for ASB to receive the relevant intervention at the appropriate stage of the process.

- Tackle the issue of illegal off-road bikes and quads through a partnership approach, utilising all available Tools and Powers.

Illegal off-road bikes and quads continues to be one of the highest reported issues together with the new issue around electric scooters. The ASB Theme Group look at various partnership approaches to tackling this including physical barriers i.e. boulders for example, signage and regular deployment of the off-road bike team, details of which are available for publication.

- Improve community confidence in reporting anti-social behaviour by providing reassurance that we will listen, understand and build relationships with victims and communities

We can see that that the early intervention and prevention work undertaken by the Community Area Teams is having a positive impact on the number of vulnerable victims. Although ASB incidents are increasing the number of victims is not.

- Seek all available opportunities to gain additional funding for CCTV, for the benefit of communities. Improving our capabilities to gain evidence and reassure the public.

We continue to exploit opportunities for funding to expand both our public realm and re-deployment camera capabilities and have successfully secured additional funding from the Safer Streets Round 4 funding initiative which will be deployed at a number of hotspot locations across the Borough.

- Communicate the successful use of existing CCTV through local media and newsletters to demonstrate the benefits and value of our CCTV deployment. A CCTV Newsletter has been developed and is in the final stages prior to circulation.

- Tackle the issue of street homelessness and begging through joint locality working, recognising this is an issue affecting many areas of the borough.

There are multiple strands to the comprehensive plan of activity to support people with complex lives, including the re-launch of the 'Real Help Scheme', which is aimed at raising funds from businesses and the public to support people in Doncaster experiencing homelessness. A multi-agency effort, involving Police, teams across the Council, St Leger Homes, drug and alcohol and mental health services and others, ensure we can support people to break the cycle they are locked into and address associated anti-social behaviour.

- Implement effective problem-solving approaches to reduce the impact of fly tipping and criminal damage within communities, particularly damage linked to anti-social behaviour e.g. graffiti.

Doncaster Council's enforcement team are continually working across the Borough to proactively identify fly tipping/littering incidents and deal with people responsible for such offences. We take a zero-tolerance approach to this unwanted behaviour in the Borough and utilise all provisions of the legal framework to enforce the Environmental Protection Act 1990 section 33 on fly tipping and section 34 on duty of care offences. We have also adopted the maximum penalties for fly tipping FPN's under the legislation and invested in hidden and overt cameras and signage.

#### **14. City Centre specific work:**

- During 2022, significant challenges relating to Youth ASB in the City Centre (not reflected in statistics)
- Presenting issues raised by businesses related to abusive language/behaviours, damage, violence, risky behaviours and the formation of harmful alliances by young people
- Considerable impact & challenge on/for people and place – businesses didn't feel listened to, loss of trust and confidence in services, under reporting of incidents, use of social media to sensationalise behaviours, limited resources and competing demands
- Local approach adopted through formation of an ASB Partnership and the development of a Youth ASB Plan (co-design, co-produce, co-deliver)
- Range of prevention, intervention, engagement and enforcement activity undertaken – weekends of action, business and communities engagement, diversion activities, case management of young people, collaboration with head teachers and alternative provision providers for 1-2-1 support and link to Supporting Families programme
- Grip established and broad range of positive outcomes achieved including; designing out issues in tunnels, right of way within Frenchgate, launch of Youth Zone and Youth Charter, reductions in ASB, damage and violence reported by businesses, return on investment through VRU, SSF4 and YIF, learning fed into new Youth Strategy development and more effective decision making across people and place
- Recognition of collaborative efforts and benefits for the ASB Partnership Group – awarded South Yorkshire Police Partnership Award

## 15. Reducing crime and re-offending

Displayed within this section of the report are activity updates against the Community Safety Strategy Delivery Plan for this theme group:

- To further reduce the reoffending rate and average number of reoffending offences. The group has developed to include additional organisations and individuals who can improve the offer to those offenders who cause the greatest harm to communities through their offending, including forming links with the Localities. A referral pathway is being established to support identified cohorts and identify gaps. Significant investment has also been placed in developing capabilities to track offending rates via a dedicated partnership analyst.

- Work closely with key partners to improve the public experience of reporting crime. In that last 12 months the SYP Force Control Room has cut its average waiting time to answer 999 calls in half, to 8 seconds. 84% of calls are now answered within 10 seconds, compared to 71% 12 months ago. Those calling 101 are also waiting 4 minutes less on average compared to this time last year with the abandoned call rate falling from 18% to 9%. This is good progress but more work is taking place, including a review of demand absorbed by the police that other agencies are more appropriate to deal with to enable the police to focus on crime. SYP are also looking to develop the online offer and improvements this year have seen waiting times for the web chat facility decrease from nearly 9 minutes to under 2 minutes.

- To further reduce the rates of Serious Acquisitive Crime across the borough through targeted interventions in high crime areas.

Each of the neighbourhood policing teams tackle Serious Acquisitive Crime through problem solving plans and identify priority patrol areas to manage crime hotspots. Serious Acquisitive Crime is reviewed on a daily basis at morning briefings and the fortnightly Neighbourhood Crime meeting. Doncaster's Integrated Offender Management team is recognised as standout team within South Yorkshire Police, and we continue to use specialist force resources such as the Roads Policing Team to reduce acquisitive crime in specific locations within the district.

- Implement the new National IOM strategy for managing the most prolific offenders in our community.

Doncaster has made progress against the initial key milestones of the national IOM strategy. This approach calls for the identification of 3 distinct cohorts of offenders in the community (fixed, flex and free). These are all now identified and ongoing tracking and monitoring of these cohorts is in place. Multi agency working and co-ordination is key and is established via the Multi-Agency Case Conferences (MACCS).

- Review the Government national crime plan and develop implementation priorities for Doncaster.

The theme group have prioritised working on the acquisitive crime and prolific offender elements of the national crime plan over the past year. Future work includes a RAG rating mapping exercise to consider the other key elements of the plan to identify where cross over initiatives are in place and to consider next key steps.

- 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. Work is in progress with the Youth Offending Service to drive additional activity around transitional arrangements and first-time entrants. Doncaster has a dedicated police officer working within the youth offending service. This allows for effective partner working to share information and intervene at the appropriate level. A dedicated Youth Offending Team worker is also in place from the probation service to further support with transitions between the organisations. The group is considering gap analysis and looking at commissioning opportunities to offer further support to the cohort once they transfer or enter adult services.

## 16. Tackling serious and organised crime

Displayed within this section of the report are activity updates against the Community Safety Strategy Delivery Plan for this theme group:

- Develop closer links with locality teams to improve intelligence and the sharing of information, encouraging the public to share information without fear of reprisal. A nominated locality lead has been identified to become a member of the Serious and Organised Crime theme group and has the responsibility of briefing colleagues in other areas and acts as the central point of contact to refer relevant issues from local areas. Already we have seen the benefits of this improved intelligence and information sharing.

- Develop effective responses to prevent the criminal exploitation of children and young people, which has been recognised as a growing issue during the Covid pandemic. The EPIC team have been deployed into areas of Doncaster with the highest concentration of OCGs, this has particularly been the case in the Mexborough, City Centre and Edlington areas. The team provide data on the number of local contacts and engagements, which is consistently in double figures. In the Frenchgate Centre a new drop in centre has been developed for young people affected by exploitation and parents seeking help and advice.

- Use the full range of powers, local regulation and licensing powers to disrupt organised crime groups.

This has been an area of success for the Partnership and highlighted as good practice in South Yorkshire. In the last two years we have been granted gang injunctions against members of an OCG in Mexborough, which has placed restrictions on key nominals. The injunctions were reviewed last year and in many cases have continued, with some being suspended due to the individuals serving custodial sentences. In other areas we have successfully used Partnership powers to disrupt the activities of Organised Crime Groups in other parts of the Borough.

- Introduce a 'Clear Hold and Build' Strategy across the Borough to reduce the number of people being drawn into organised criminality.

The Clear Hold and Build Strategy has been successfully used in the Mexborough area, where gang injunctions have been successfully deployed in reducing the threat of OCGs and improving the safety of local communities. We have also successfully extended the current CCTV system in Mexborough using funding from the Home Office Safer streets fund.

- Monitor and disrupt the growth in firearms enabled crime and serious violence, linked to OCG activity.

Over the last twelve months SYP have undertaken several high profile operations to disrupt the growth in firearms enabled crime.

These have included high profile and visible deployments of armed response vehicles as well as the proactive investigation of reported incidents. This strategy has led to a reduction in reported incidents, the arrest and conviction of key individuals and the recovery of illegal firearms.

- Tackle and disrupt the growth in cannabis cultivations linked to organised crime, which are impacting on vulnerable communities.

The predominant areas affected by this type of crime are based in Edlington and Hexthorpe. We have developed enhanced capabilities in terms of gathering intelligence which has been used in a highly successful way to target premises used for the illegal cultivation of cannabis. The results of the operations have been publicised in local communities who have been affected by power outages linked directly to this issue. The Partnership have also funded crime stoppers campaigns across Doncaster, designed to encourage anonymous reporting of suspicious premises.

- Protect communities from cyber enabled crime such as fraud.

Cyber enabled crime saw an increase during the Covid pandemic. The focus of the Partnership has been to raise awareness of new frauds and ensure that banks and financial institutions are following national guidelines in terms of suspicious transactions both within banks and using the internet. Many banking apps now require secondary levels of authorisations and issue warnings to ensure the payment is genuine and from a reputable source.

Staff within the Council have received Cyber fraud training to ensure that front line officers are more aware of the issue when dealing with vulnerable members of the Community.

## 17. Reducing substance and alcohol misuse

Displayed within this section of the report are activity updates against the Community Safety Strategy Delivery Plan for this theme group:

- Increase the number of people choosing not to misuse drugs and/or alcohol

The Nitrous Oxide communication campaign has been refreshed and re-run, and the 'Rethink your Drink' Campaign has been nominated for the Doncaster Chamber marketing Campaign of the Year.

- Reduce the number of children, young people and families affected by drug and/or alcohol misuse

Plans are underway for the recruitment of an additional specialist young person's treatment worker, and an additional worker in the EPIC youth outreach team.

- Reduce the number of people who experience crime and disorder related to the misuse of drugs and/ or alcohol

The capacity of the criminal justice intervention services has been significantly increased to reflect the additional funding for Doncaster from the National Drug Strategy with services targeting people whose substance misuse is associated with offending behaviour.



- 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

There is an established alcohol early interventions team targeting higher risk drinkers in liaison with primary care, which aims to tackle drinking problems early before people become physically dependent.

#### 18. Intervention and Enforcement Work includes:

- Drugs warrants, drug dog operations and days of action.
- The work of complex lives (1-2-1 case support, outreach within the City, drop-in every Friday morning, training for practitioners on the harms associated with alcohol and drugs, early intervention campaigns and courses made available through Aspire / Project 6)
- Best Bar None scheme aimed at improving and maintaining standards in licensed premises is a foundation activity in the planning for Purple Flag status.
- Public Health plans to collaborate with the Violence Reduction Unit to reintroduce night time economy Safe Spaces in 2023.
- The establishment of the Combatting Drugs Partnership chaired by the Director of Public Health, taking a long-term view on reducing the impact of all aspects of drugs and substance misuse to reduce crime, improve quality of life and better coordinate the actions of enforcement and care and support services.

#### 19. Reducing violence and violent crime

Displayed within this section of the report are activity updates against the Community Safety Strategy Delivery Plan for this theme group:

- Support the development and implementation of a strategic Doncaster Evening and Night-time Economy (NTE) Group to achieve Purple Flag status for Doncaster.

Doncaster's Evening and NTE Group is in place. This group has membership from South Yorkshire Police; DMBC Enforcement, DMBC Licensing, DMBC Business Regeneration and Town Centre Planning. The Best Bar None assessments are ongoing. Following these accreditations, planning will start to work towards Purple Flag status.

- Work to support all organisations and professionals working with children and young people to work towards becoming trauma informed & Support the development of a dedicated Trauma Informed working group in Doncaster.

A Task and Finish Group has been established and are working alongside the Domestic Abuse service leads to identify how work can become more trauma aware. A South Yorkshire wide mapping exercise has been completed by South Yorkshire Futures around trauma informed schools and education settings. The report explores the level of understanding, confidence, and coverage of trauma informed practices across all schools and settings in South Yorkshire. This information will help us to prioritise work going forward to the areas of most need. Free Level One trauma awareness training continues to be delivered across Doncaster.

- Ensure evidence based good practice from National and Regional sources is applied to Doncaster.

We are constantly horizon scanning for examples of 'what works' to allow us to apply these principles to our work in Doncaster.

- Developing an effective multi-agency response to tackling Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG).

Extensive work is ongoing to develop our response to VAWG, for example a great deal of work has already taken place in the town centre. Last year we upgraded CCTV cameras, which are monitored centrally. In Round 4 of the Safer streets bids, we were awarded significant funding to improve our parks and open spaces. Doncaster has also been highlighted as good practice in terms of the successful use of solar lighting. Combining solar lighting with CCTV has done much to reduce the fear of women and girls using parks and open spaces during the evening. Doncaster continues to expand its CCTV network and we currently monitor over 1700 cameras throughout the Borough. In the main, these cameras are in public places, local parks and areas highlighted as being affected by crime and anti-social behaviour.

20. Additional work across the partnership includes:

- Successful operations to manage increased activity such as the World Cup and the Christmas / New Year period.
- Additional patrols to increase visibility, engagement and prevent Violent Crime.
- Targeted interventions have taken place within alternative provision linked to youth violence – PRU's and alternative provision schools, the Association of Secondary Heads (DASH).
- A number of successful prosecutions have ensued following murders and specific incidents of youth violence. Additional security has also been engaged in the City Centre in response to serious violent crime.
- Knife crime operations are run routinely in the City and diversion has taken place in schools re violence/knife crime across schools in the borough.
- Knife Wands supplied to licenced premises and City Centre Taxi Marshals programme delivered.
- Licensed Premises and Hospitality Venues training and awareness event delivered and further events planned for 2023.
- Planning underway to provide ID Scanners in targeted licensed premises.

21. **Violent Crime Data**

Violence Against the Person offences saw an increase of 9.5% compared to the previous period, with increases in all VAP sub groups. The number of Knife crime offences has increased by 18.4% compared to the previous period. This is however slightly less significant than the Force wide increase of 13.5%.

The number of Firearms offences has increased by 25.5% compared to the previous period. This is however still less than the rest of the Force, where there has been an overall reduction in Firearms offences by 39.0%.

The number of Most Serious Violent offences has slightly decreased by 1.0% compared to the previous period. This is in contrast to the Force which actually saw an increase of 4.2%.

22. **Safety for Women and Girls in Doncaster**

- Initial Violence against women and girls survey complete and findings shared with partners.
- Community led VAWG group established. VAWG survey (not including DA) was relaunched – over 700 responses to date. Community led VAWG vigil took place in November.

- We have increased capacity for non-domestic abuse stalking advocates through Victim support. Supported 8 women up to and including December. Work is ongoing on referral processes.
- Safer Streets work – awarded significant funding to improve our parks and open spaces. Work carried out to date using a combination of solar lighting with CCTV has done much to reduce the fear of women and girls using parks and open spaces during the evening. Additional work on Bentley Park funded by VRU CSP grant.
- VAWG Delivery Plan in draft form with mapping against domestic and sexual abuse work to avoid duplication.
- Ask for Angela re-launched with dedicated webpage on Councils website. Poster reprint is planned and will include other information in relation to DA / SA, spiking etc.
- Expansions of City centre Taxi Marshals at high visibility, high footfall / waiting areas including the train station to each weekend until end of March '23.
- Supported the re-establishment of the Best Bar None scheme for licensed premises. Further training and awareness sessions for premises will be taking place in February and March.
- Purchased personal attack alarms and safety packs for victims, currently being distributed via DA services and community groups.
- Food parcels for sex workers delivered throughout winter as agreed through the Amber Project.
- Increased engagement with the South Yorkshire Travel Safe Partnership and have secured free advertising space across their estate to promote SYP No More campaign and other campaigns when necessary.

### 23. **Safer Streets**

- A project group consisting of key partners has now been established and each project in an area has an assigned lead.
- So far we have held five meetings as a group, the last meeting being on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022.
- A robust action plan has been developed to ensure the project is able to overcome any difficulties, reduce blockages and delays. Scheduled meetings to run monthly.
- Borough wide school offer underway working with our school partners in Primary, Secondary and 6<sup>th</sup> Form Colleges along with Children's Homes and Pupil Referral Units.
- Using the 'Think Forward' crime and consequence programmes to deliver a transformational youth coaching programme to raise awareness of the risk of ASB & criminality - alongside developing a network of peer advocates & mentors to support young people, as part of a school wide package of support.
- Orders placed for £87k of CCTV equipment in January and all schemes scoped to identify camera locations.

### 24. **Cost of Living – impact on Crime and Disorder**

- Some of the largest increases were seen in Acquisitive crimes, with Robbery, Thefts and Vehicle Offences seeing the largest rise in offences with the exception of Possession of Weapons.
- Residential Burglaries saw a 6.5% increase, with vehicle offences seeing a 28.4% increase compared to last year. Robberies increased by 27.3% and Shoplifting increased by 36.0%. Bicycle thefts were the only acquisitive crime types to see a reduction

- The rise in these types of offences is likely due to the increased cost of living and the need to make quick money by any means to pay for outstanding bills etc. and still maintain a similar quality of life.
- Shoplifting is a significant issue within the City and is not reflected in the statistics, as businesses are not reporting current level of offences (issues link to reporting times and lack of confidence).
- Businesses report that reductions in staff numbers reduce their ability to report incidents.
- This trend is also appearing in local communities who have reported increased shoplifting within the Localities engagement. The increase is likely to be significantly lower than the reality with food, clothes and toiletries being the main items stolen.
- Shoplifting offences are being committed across ages and communities and there are also links to organised crime.

## OPTIONS CONSIDERED





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





## REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION

26. The report is for update and discussion.

## IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY OUTCOMES

27.

Great 8 Priority	Positive Overall	Mix of Positive & Negative	Trade-offs to consider – Negative overall	Neutral or No implications
 Tackling Climate Change				✓
 Developing the skills to thrive in life and in work				✓
 Making Doncaster the best place to do business and create good jobs				✓
 Building opportunities for healthier, happier and longer lives for all	✓			
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. Delivery of the SSDP Community Safety priorities contributes to the improved safeguarding of all residents, helping to build happier and				

healthier lives.				
 <b>Creating safer, stronger, greener and cleaner communities where everyone belongs</b>	✓			
<p>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. Delivery of the SSDP Community Safety priorities contributes to the improved safeguarding of all residents, helping to build happier and healthier lives. The services provided as outlined within the Community Safety Strategy are regularly reviewed to ensure they are efficient and effective. The Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership provides strong and effective leadership to the Partnership agenda through effective governance to create safer and stronger communities.</p>				
 <b>Nurturing a child and family-friendly borough</b>	✓			
<p>It is important that families feel safe across the Borough – by continuing to address crime and anti-social behaviour, the Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership helps to support and deliver places that are safe and attractive to families.</p>				
 <b>Building Transport and digital connections fit for the future</b>				✓
 <b>Promoting the borough and its cultural, sporting, and heritage opportunities</b>				✓
<b>Fair &amp; Inclusive</b>	✓			
<p>There is a wide range of information concerning the victims and perpetrators of crimes in Doncaster Specific groups and characteristics are more prevalent in certain crime types, examples include more women being victims of domestic abuse than men and significantly more men are accused of a crime than women.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>				

## Legal Implications

28. No Legal Implications have been sought for this report. Further specific advice can be provided in relation to any issues raised by the Committee.

## Financial Implications

29. No Financial Implications have been sought for this report. Further specific advice can be provided in relation to any issues raised by the Committee.

## Human Resources Implications

30. No Human Resources Implications have been sought for this report. Further specific advice can be provided in relation to any issues raised by the Committee.

## Technology Implications

31. No Technology Implications have been sought for this report. Further specific advice can be provided in relation to any issues raised by the Committee.

## RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS

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

## CONSULTATION

33. Consultation was not required for this report – this is an annual update for Panel members.

## BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

## GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Acronym	Meaning
ASB	Anti-Social Behaviour
CCTV	Closed Circuit Television
CMARAC	Community Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference
CSP	Community Safety Partnership
DA	Domestic Abuse
EPIC	Encouraging Potential Inspiring Change
FPN	Fixed Penalty Notice
HO	Home Office
IOM	Integrated Offender Management
MARAC	Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference
MSV	Most Serious Violence
NTE	Night Time Economy

OCG	Organised Crime Group
OPCC	Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
PACT	Partners and Communities Together
SA	Sexual Abuse
SSDP	Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership
SYP	South Yorkshire Police
VAP	Violence Against the Person
VAWG	Violence Against Women and Girls
VRU	Violence Reduction Unit
YOS	Youth Offending Service

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**OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY WORK PLAN 2022/23**

	OSMC	H&ASC O&S	CYP O&S	R&H O&S	C&E O&S
April			<b>Tues, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022, 9am MS Teams (CR)</b>		
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children’s Social Care Front Door Referrals (Meeting with Headteachers)</li> </ul>		
May	<b>Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 10am MS Teams (CR)</b>	<b>Tues, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 2pm MS Teams (Joint with CYP O&amp;S) (CM)</b>	<b>Tues, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 2pm MS Teams (Joint with H&amp;ASC O&amp;S) (CM)</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commissioning (meeting with service providers)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children’s Mental Health Strategy</li> <li>Speech Therapist</li> <li>Health Visiting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children’s Mental Health Strategy</li> <li>Speech Therapist</li> <li>Health Visiting</li> </ul>		
	<b>Mon 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 2pm MS Teams Briefing Session (CR)</b>		<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 1pm MS Teams (CM)</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poverty Position Statement</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DCST and Inspection update</li> </ul>		
	<b>Mon 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 3pm MS Teams (CR/CM)</b>	<b>Mon 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022, 2pm MS Teams (CR/CM)</b>	<b>Tues, 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022, 10am MS Teams (CR/CM)</b>	<b>Wed, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022, 10am MS Teams (CR/CM)</b>	<b>Thur, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2022, 4pm MS Teams (CR/CM)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Planning Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Planning Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Planning Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Planning Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Planning Meeting</li> </ul>
June	<b>Thurs, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022, 2pm Council Chamber (CM)</b>		<b>Mon, 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022, 4.30pm Council Chamber (CM)</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth Justice Plan (c)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Home to School Travel Assistance Policy 2022-2027(c)</li> </ul>		
	<b>Thur 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022, 10am Council Chamber (CM/SM)</b>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Qtrly Finance &amp; Performance Report – Qtr 4 21/22 (c)</li> </ul>				

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Agenda Item 7.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ DMBC</li> <li>○ SLHD</li> <li>● Scrutiny Work Plan</li> </ul>				
July	<p><b>Thur 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022, 9 am Council Chamber (CR), Members Briefing</b></p>				<p><b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022, 10am MS Teams</b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● DDT Investment Plan (c)</li> </ul>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Biodiversity Net Gain - Biodiversity Offsetting (c)</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Thur 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022, 10am Council Chamber (CR)</b></p>	<p><b>Mon 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 1pm Council Chamber (CR)</b></p>	<p><b>Thur 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022, 4:30pm MS Teams Briefing Session (CM)</b></p>		<p><b>Thur 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022, 2pm (CM/CR) Briefing Session in Council Chamber</b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● DCST Performance Quarter 4 (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Adult Mental Health overview (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Education White Paper (c)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Community Assets/Community Assets Transfer (c)</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Thur 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022, 11am Council Chamber (CR) Members Briefing</b></p>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Commissioning – Aspire/SY Police/ Conclusion (c)</li> </ul>				
Aug	<p><b>Thur 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022 10am MS Teams (CR)</b></p>				<p><b>Mon 8<sup>th</sup> August 2022 4:30pm MS Teams (CR)</b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Culture Strategy (c)</li> <li>● Fairness and Wellbeing Commission</li> </ul>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Members Briefing – Update on SSDP Priorities and Crime Statistics (c)</li> </ul>
Sept	<p><b>Thur 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022, 10am Council Chamber (CM/RW)</b></p>	<p><b>Thur 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022, 10am Council Chamber (CM)</b></p>	<p><b>Cancelled Thur 15<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022 moved to 13<sup>th</sup> October at 4.30pm, Council Chamber (CR)</b></p>		<p><b>Cancelled Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022, 10am, MS Teams (CM) Moved to 25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2022 11:30am</b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Qtrly Finance &amp; Performance Report – Qtr 1 22/23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● DMBC</li> <li>● SLHD</li> <li>● DCST</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Compliments and Complaints (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● JSNA (Joint Strategic Needs Assessment) and plans to address health inequalities</li> <li>● Primary Care Update/ Adult Social Care/Access to primary care (CQC) - Presentation</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Community Assets/Community Asset Transfer</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Carers Strategy Update Action Plan (c)</li> </ul>				
Oct			<p><b>Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> October at 4.30pm Council Chamber (CR)</b></p>	<p><b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022 at 4pm MS teams (CM)</b></p>		
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elective Home Education / Children Missing Education and Alternative Provision.</li> <li>Post Covid - Impact on Children to include Children's Mental Health (Strategy Update)/0-3 Year Olds (c).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How Section 106 Agreements work and how is it secured through the planning process;</li> <li>How is it used / impacts for regeneration purposes and how is it monitored;</li> <li>Community Infrastructure Levy. (c)</li> </ul>		
		<p><b>CANCELLED Thur 13<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022, 10am Council Chamber</b></p>			<p><b>Thur 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022, 10am MS Teams (CM/RW)</b></p>	<p><b>Thur 27<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022, 1pm Council Chamber (CR)</b></p>
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing Allocations Policy Review 2022/2023 Update</li> <li>Economic Strategy Overview 2030 (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flooding Update</li> <li>Mid-Year Meeting as CDC to include;                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Domestic abuse update</li> <li>Violence AWG Strategy</li> <li>Community Safety Strategy update (c)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Nov	<p><b>Thur 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2022, 10am Council Chamber (CR)</b></p>	<p><b>Thur 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 2022, 9:45am Council Chamber (CM)</b></p>	<p><b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 1 to 2pm Briefing Session MS Teams (CR)</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2022, 11am, Council Chamber (CM/RW)</b></p>	<p><b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2022, 11:30am, MS Teams (CM)</b></p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Localities (Autumn 2022 – formal meeting) (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update from D&amp;BHT</li> <li>Winter Planning</li> <li>ICS/ICB Update (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SEND Strategy (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing Allocations Policy Review 2022/23 (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Asset Transfer Review (c)</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022, 1pm Briefing Session MS Teams (CR)</b></p>			<p><b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2022, Briefing session to follow formal meeting, Council Chamber (CM/RW)</b></p>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Doncaster Fairness and Well-being Commission Call for Evidence</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing stock conditions – private sector (c)</li> </ul>		

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	<b>Thur 1st Dec 2022, 10am Council Chamber (CR)</b>	<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022, 1pm Briefing Session MS Teams (CM)</b>	<b>Thur 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022, 4:30pm Council Chamber (CM)</b>	<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 10am (MS Teams (CR/RW)</b>	<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022 4pm Briefing Session MS Teams (CM)</b>
<b>Dec</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Qtrly Finance &amp; Performance Report – Qtr 2 22/23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DMBC</li> <li>SLHD (c)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bentley and Rossington Primary Care estate developments ICB</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Education Results – December 2022 (c)</li> <li>NEET (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Employment (c)</li> <li>Economic Strategy ©</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft Asset Management Strategy</li> </ul>
<b>Jan</b>	<b>Thur 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023, 10am Council Chamber (CR/CM)</b>				<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 4pm Briefing Session MS Teams (CM)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Budget (c)</li> <li>Corporate Plan (c)</li> </ul>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft Asset Management Strategy</li> </ul> <b>Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2023 4:00pm Council Chamber (CM)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Environmental &amp; Sustainability Strategy Action Plan 22/23 Update (c)</li> <li>Environment/Climate Change lessons learnt from the summer heat wave; (c)</li> <li>Community Asset Transfer Review Recommendations</li> </ul>
<b>Feb</b>	<b>Thur 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023, 10am Council Chamber (CM/CR)</b>	<b>Thur 2nd February 2023, 10am, Council Chamber (CM)</b>		<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023. 10am (MS Teams TBC)</b>	<b>Thur 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023, 10am Council Chamber (CR)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Budget (c)</li> <li>Corporate Plan (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Links with Social Care and Housing. (c)</li> <li>Local Account ASC perspective (for 2024) (c)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Major Schemes update: (c) (Emerging projects (TBC)</li> <li>Levelling Up Fund update – Christian Foster / Mitch Salter / Jonny Bucknall / Michelle Beeney</li> <li>Town Deal update (TBC)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Crime and Disorder Committee - Safer Doncaster Partnership Priorities. (c)</li> </ul>
	<b>Thur 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2023, 10am Council Chamber</b>				

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March	<b>Thur 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023, 10am Council Chamber (CM)</b>	<b>Tues 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023 2pm MS Teams Briefing Session (CM)</b>	<b>Wed 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 3pm MS Teams Briefing Session (CR)</b>	<b>Thur 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023, 1.00pm Council Chamber (CR)</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Qtrly Finance &amp; Performance Report – Qtr 3 22/23 (c) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DMBC</li> <li>SLHD</li> <li>DCST</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation Update - Bentley and Rossington Primary Care estate developments ICB (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting with SENCo representatives</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Plan – update including delivery of key housing projects</li> </ul>	
			<b>Thur 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023, 4:30pm Council Chamber (CM)</b>	<b>Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023 2.30pm Council Chamber Members briefing (CR)</b>	
			<p>SEND:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth Councillors / Young Advisors to be invited for this item. (TBC)</li> <li>SEND Strategy Update/The Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Green Paper Update (c)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improving Council housing stock and How St Leger Homes ensure VFM and work standards on improvement programmes;</li> <li>Repairs Excellence ph 2</li> <li>Scoping – Future of transport provision (MCA)</li> </ul>	
Apr	<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 1pm Informal briefing session MS Teams</b>		<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 12noon Informal Briefing Session MS Teams</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Doncaster Delivering Together (DDT) Investment Plan</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transition of Children Social Care (c)</li> </ul>		
			<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 12 noon, Informal Briefing session, MS Teams</b>		
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Referrals – school experience update Social Care Front Door –</li> </ul>		

FP – Forward Plan Decision

CR, CM or AS – Officer Responsible

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			meeting with headteachers		
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on overview of social care theme pressure points</li> </ul>		
			<p><b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 4.30pm MS Teams or Council Chamber TBC</b></p>		
May			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth Council Priorities (and for information Children and Young Peoples Plan).(c)</li> <li>Youth Offer (c)</li> </ul>		
		<p><b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023 10am Council Chamber (rescheduled from 23<sup>rd</sup> March)</b></p>			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bentley and Rossington Primary Care estate developments ICB (c)</li> <li>Public Health Protection Update (including long covid)(c)</li> </ul>			

POSSIBLE ISSUES FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OR TO BE SCHEDULED					
Poverty Position Statement – 2022/23 – updates TBA	Joint Regional Health (JHOSC) – as required Chair only to attend	Early Help Strategy/Annual Report/My Life Doncaster – Members Briefing and Annual Report for circulation	Possible planning reform legislation – not available at this time (as of August 2022). Timing <b>TBC</b>	As C&DC - Members Briefings (MS Teams meetings in between formal meetings) to include; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>off-road motorbikes</li> <li>links to gang culture</li> </ul>	
Borough Strategy DDT	Speech and Language – Update – briefing TBC		Economic Strategy March 2024 update following Cabinet consideration in December 2022	Environmental – items to be considered individually;	

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	<p>Quarterly performance 2023/24</p> <p>29<sup>th</sup> June 2023</p> <p>12<sup>th</sup> October 2023</p> <p>25<sup>th</sup> January 2024</p> <p>28<sup>th</sup> March 2024</p> <p>18<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>Healthwatch Review (Access to Services) Members Briefing</p> <p>TBC</p>		<p>Transportation for the borough</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Environmental &amp; Sustainability Strategy Action Plan 22/23 Update</li> <li>○ Recycling and Collection of Fly-tipping – what has been successful in other areas</li> <li>○ Flooding/winter planning (including invite to Environment Agency and Yorkshire Water and information from residents on response) – Autumn / November 2022</li> </ul>
	<p>Annual Compliments and Complains 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023</p>	<p>Ambulance Times - TBC</p>		<p>Gain Share – Annual amount of capital and revenue allocated to Doncaster -</p>	
		<p>Integration White Paper – 2023/2024 – due to being on hold nationally.</p>		<p>Night-time economy? Specific Aspect TBC</p>	

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**BRIEFING NOTES/FOR CIRCULATION**

		Get Doncaster Moving (circulated June 2022)	Not in Education or Employment (NEET) update (briefing paper circulated 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2022).		
		Health and Wellbeing Board Annual Report (circulated July 2022)	Doncaster Children's Safeguarding Partnership Annual Report		
		RDaSH Annual Quality Report (circulated by email/returned June 2022)	Early Help/Children and Young People Plan Annual Report - prior to consideration by the Panel		
		Adult Safeguarding Report 2022 (date TBC) circulated			



**DONCASTER METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**FORWARD PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1ST MARCH 2023 TO 30TH JUNE 2023**

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: 31 January 2023 and superseding all previous Forward Plans with effect from the period identified above.

Damian Allen  
Chief Executive

## MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

### **Cabinet Member For:**

Mayor - Ros Jones  
Deputy Mayor - Councillor Glyn Jones

Councillor Lani-Mae Ball  
Councillor Nigel Ball  
Councillor Joe Blackham  
Councillor Rachael Blake  
Councillor Phil Cole  
Councillor Mark Houlbrook  
Councillor Jane Nightingale  
Councillor Andrea Robinson

- Budget and Policy
- Housing and Business
- Education, Skills and Young People
- Public Health, Leisure, Culture and Planning
- Highways, Infrastructure and Enforcement
- Children's Social Care, Communities and Equalities
- Finance and Trading Services
- Sustainability and Waste
- Corporate Resources.
- Adult Social Care

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

**Members of the Full Council are:-**

**Councillors Nick Allen, Bob Anderson, Duncan Anderson, Lani-Mae Ball, Nigel Ball, Iris Beech, Joe Blackham, Rachael Blake, Nigel Cannings Glenn Bluff, Laura Bluff, Bev Chapman, James Church, Gemma Cobby, Phil Cole, Jane Cox, Steve Cox, Linda Curran, Amiee Dickson, Susan Durant, Yetunde Elebuibon, Sue Farmer, Sean Gibbons, Julie Grace, Martin Greenhalgh, John Healy, Leanne Hempshall, Charlie Hogarth, Mark Houlbrook, Debbie Hutchinson, Barry Johnson, Glyn Jones, R. Allan Jones, Ros Jones, Jake Kearsley Majid Khan, Jane Kidd, Sue Knowles, Sophie Liu, Tracey Moran, John Mounsey, Emma Muddiman-Rawlins Tim Needham, David Nevett, Jane Nightingale, Thomas Noon, Ian Pearson, Andy Pickering, Cynthia Ransome, Rob Reid, Andrea Robinson, Dave Shaw, Glynis Smith, Sarah Smith, Gary Stapleton, and Austen White**

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
1 Mar 2023	Quarter 3 2022-23 Finance and Performance Report	Mayor Ros Jones, Councillor Phil Cole, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Trading Services	Cabinet	Matthew, Smith, Head of Financial Management Tel: 01302-737663 matthew.smith@doncaster.gov.uk		Open
1 Mar 2023	St Leger Homes Performance Report 2022/23 Quarter 3	Councillor Glyn Jones, Deputy Mayor, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Business.	Cabinet	Julie Crook Tel: 01302 862705		Open
1 Mar 2023	To agree and confirm the fee rates for Adult Social Care provision across the City for 2023/ 24, and confirm and approve Doncaster's Market Sustainability Plan	Councillor Andrea Robinson, Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care	Cabinet	Phil Holmes, Director of Adults, Health and Wellbeing (DASS) phil.holmes@doncaster.gov.uk		Open

15 Mar 2023	Additional Empty Property Council Tax Premium from 24/25	Mayor Ros Jones	Cabinet	Alan Stoves, Head of Revenues and Benefits Tel: 01302 735585 Alan.stoves@doncaster.gov.uk		Open
15 Mar 2023	To procure and enter into a concession contract for the provision of services by Ubitricity via Direct Award through the ESPO procurement framework.	Councillor Mark Houlbrook, Portfolio Holder for Sustainability and Waste	Cabinet	Richard J Smith, Head of Sustainability richardj.smith@doncaster.gov.uk		Open
29 Mar 2023	To approve the refreshed 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
29 Mar 2023	Youth Strategy 2023-2028.	Councillor Lani-Mae Ball, Portfolio Holder for Education, Skills and Young People, Councillor Rachael Blake,	Cabinet	Rebecca Mason rebecca.mason@doncaster.gov.uk		Open

		Portfolio Holder for Children's Social Care, Communities and Equalities				
<b>29 Mar 2023</b>	<b>South Yorkshire Integrated Care Partnership Strategy</b>	<b>Councillor Nigel Ball, Portfolio Holder for Public Health, Leisure, Culture and Planning, Councillor Rachael Blake, Portfolio Holder for Children's Social Care, Communities and Equalities</b>	<b>Cabinet</b>	<b>Dr Rupert Suckling, Director of Public Health rupert.suckling@doncaster.gov.uk</b>		<b>Open</b>
<b>26 Apr 2023</b>	<b>To agree the 'Doncaster Delivering Together' Investment Plan 23/24</b>	<b>Mayor Ros Jones</b>	<b>Cabinet</b>	<b>Lee Tillman, Assistant Director, Strategy and Performance lee.tillman@doncaster.gov.uk</b>		<b>Open</b>

21 Jun 2023	Quarter 4 2022-23 Finance and Performance Report	Councillor Phil Cole, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Trading Services, Mayor Ros Jones	Cabinet	Matthew, Smith, Head of Financial Management Tel: 01302-737663 matthew.smith@doncaster.gov.uk		Open
21 Jun 2023	St Leger Homes Performance Report 2022/23 Quarter 4	Councillor Glyn Jones, Deputy Mayor, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Business.	Cabinet	Julie Crook Tel: 01302 862705		Open