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20 June 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

### **BOARD MEETING**

A Board Meeting of the South Derbyshire Partnership will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday 27 June 2023 at 10:00 am.

You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully

**Heidi McDougall**  
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## **Voting Members of the Board:**

### **Local Authority Sector**

District Councillor Robert Pearson (South Derbyshire District Council) (Chairman)  
Cllr Stephanie Marbrow (Derbyshire Association of Local Councils)  
Heidi McDougall (South Derbyshire District Council)  
District Councillor Daniel Corbin (South Derbyshire District Council)  
Councillor David Muller (Derbyshire County Council)

### **Other Public Sector**

Dave Beris (Derbyshire County Council – Childrens Services)  
Communities Chief Inspector Chris Thornhill (Derbyshire Constabulary)  
Vicky Smyth (Derbyshire County Council – Public Health)  
John Beaty (Burton & South Derbyshire College)  
Maggie Palmer (NHS Derby and Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group)  
Michelle Oliphant (Principal of Granville Academy)

### **Private Sector**

Julie Langley (Toyota UK Ltd)  
Colleen Hempson (East Midlands Airport)  
Louise Driver/John Everitt (National Forest Company)  
Chris Beech (Sharpe's Pottery Heritage and Arts Trust)

### **Voluntary/Community Sector**

Hollie Benton (South Derbyshire CVS)  
Dr Claire Teeling (Grow Outside C.I.C.)  
Scott Blance (Derbyshire Wildlife Trust)  
Revd Dr Mike Firbank (Churches Together in Swadlincote)  
David Symcox (Citizens Advice Mid Mercia) (To be nominated at the meeting)



# Agenda

**Time and Date** 10am, Tuesday 27 June 2023

**Venue** Virtual

Item	Description	
1	Introductions, apologies and to note any substitutes appointed for the Meeting	10:00am
2	New Members	
3	Declarations of Interest	
4	To receive the Minutes of the Meeting held on 15 February 2023 (Attached)	
5	Matters Arising	
6	Beat the Street (Sean McBurney)	10.10am
7	Derbyshire Green Social Prescribing (Claire Teeling)	10.25am
8	South Derbyshire Community Safety Plan (Chris Smith) (Attached)	10.40am
9	CVS Update (Hollie Benton)	10.55am
10	<p>Theme Updates: FINAL QUARTER 4 (01 January – 31 March 2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safer Communities (Chris Smith)</li> <li>• Stronger Communities (Hollie Benton)</li> <li>• Healthier Communities (Sam Elks)</li> <li>• Children and Young People (Dave Beris)</li> <li>• Sustainable Development including Shared Prosperity Fund (Mike Roylance)</li> </ul> <p>Incorporating Sustainable Community Strategy Action Plan updates Appendix 10A (Report attached).</p>	11.10am



11	Partnership Budget Update	11:40am
12	Feedback and Future Agenda Items	11:45am
	Date of Next Meeting: 24 October 2023	Finish



## **BOARD MEETING – 15 FEBRUARY 2023**

### **SDP/88. PRESENT**

#### **Local Authority Sector**

Councillor Kevin Richards (Chairman) (SDDC), Councillor Trevor Southerd (SDDC), Councillor Amy Wheelton (SDDC), Councillor Stephanie Marbrow (DALC), Heidi McDougall (SDDC Strategic Director – Service Delivery).

#### **Other Public Sector**

Dave Beris (Derbyshire County Council – Children’s Services), Inspector Michael Sisman (Derbyshire Constabulary), Samantha Elks (Derbyshire County Council – Public Health), John Beaty (Burton and South Derbyshire College).

#### **Private Sector**

Julie Langley (Toyota Motor Manufacturing UK).

#### **Voluntary/Community Sector**

Roger Moors (South Derbyshire CVS) – Vice Chair.

#### **Also in Attendance**

Chris Worman, Mike Roylance, Sally Cope (South Derbyshire District Council), Kay Symcox (Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service).

### **SDP/89. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from:

County Councillor David Muller (Derbyshire County Council).  
 Revd Mike Firbank (Churches Together in Swadlincote).  
 Chris Beech (Sharpe’s Pottery Heritage and Arts Trust).  
 Chris Smith (South Derbyshire District Council).  
 Chief Inspector Chris Thornhill (Derbyshire Constabulary).  
 Vicky Smyth (Derbyshire County Council – Public Health).  
 Colleen Hempson (East Midlands Airport).  
 Louise Driver and John Everitt (National Forest Company).  
 Kevin Stackhouse (South Derbyshire District Council).  
 Justin Holford (Derbyshire County Council).

## **SDP/90. INTRODUCTIONS, APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTES**

Councillor Kevin Richards gave his thanks to the Vice Chair of the SDP, Roger Moors (Chief Executive of South Derbyshire CVS), who kindly chaired the previous meeting.

Welcome and Introductions took place. Heidi McDougall introduced herself as the new Strategic Director of Service Delivery. Heidi joined SDDC in January 2023.

Substitutes/Representatives noted as follows:

Chief Inspector Chris Thornhill and Chris Smith substitute Inspector Michael Sisman. Vicky Smyth represented by Sam Elks.

Apologies noted.

## **SDP/91. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Declarations of interest: None noted.

## **SDP/92. MINUTES OF MEETING**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 19 October 2022 were taken as read and approved as a true record.

## **SDP/93. MATTERS ARISING**

No matters arising.

## **SDP/94. CADLEY PARK AND REVITALISING ROSLISTON**

Chris Worman, Parks and Green Spaces Manager (SDDC), gave an update on the new Cadley Park in Swadlincote and the emerging revitalising Rosliston Forestry Centre project.

Cadley Park is a 6 Hectare green space that has come under South Derbyshire District Council's control. Works are currently underway to form natural meandering walkways and cycleways. A learn to ride your bike area has been laid out with zebra crossing and road markings, encouraging young children to learn to ride in a safe environment. This will be supported by the Sport and Recreation team who will be delivering activities funded by Sport England. The northern end of the Park backs onto Oversetts recreation ground and the southern end, which is more natural, adjoins the brook alongside William Nadin Way with a footpath leading onto a new roundabout, which is a 5 minute walk from Sainsbury's. Heading towards the A444 a brand-new Country Park is being developed by the landowner Harworth Group. 3,000 trees have been planted as part of the Queen's canopy, a great success story for South Derbyshire.

Signage in the corporate design and colours will over time be going into all parks and open spaces, to include 'what 3 words' locations to assist the emergency services in responding to any issues.

The site has already been submitted for the Green Flag award, along with Maurice Lea Park, Eureka Park and Swadlincote Woodlands. The official opening of both of the new parks will take place on 15 April 2023.

Rosliston Forestry Centre: SDDC intends to sign a new 30-year lease with Forestry England. This should be a slightly different lease than in the past, which will provide a lot more freedom in terms of how the site is managed. A consultation exercise is due to be launched to understand how people want to use the site. The site has already seen some improvements, including the introduction of contactless payment for car parking, and making the Visitor Entrance more visible.

The Chair raised concerns regarding recent damage done to the golf course at Cadley Park by motorcycles and his concern was this would also affect the new park. The Chair would liaise further with the Inspector on this matter.

Roger Moors wondered if Rosliston Forestry Centre was a separate organisation and, if it were, could it then attract more investment opportunities. Chris replied that several potential management options would be given to Members.

Cllr Stephanie Marbrow raised concerns from residents about car parking in Rosliston village, including blocking of roadways, when adequate parking is available at the Centre. All car parks in Swadlincote are free of charge but the Council charge for parking at the visitor centre. Chris Worman replied that the parking charges help to balance the books and the Council is currently liaising with Leicestershire's Bradgate Park, which has similar issues, and any lessons in terms of how they have approached car parking in the nearby village. The Council will look at working with partners to see where some of the issues can be mitigated.

## **SDP/95. SOUTH DERBYSHIRE CVS – STRATEGIC CHANGES IN SERVICE DELIVERY**

Roger Moors updated the Board in relation to strategic changes and service delivery within South Derbyshire CVS. The CVS is a community-based preventative health and wellbeing charity delivering services across South Derbyshire and beyond, and supporting other charities and community groups to establish, grow and thrive.

The last three years have been challenging for South Derbyshire as everywhere else. SDCVS wants to make sure that it supports not just the growth and development of organisations but the survival of existing organisations, stressing the preventative nature of the work they undertake. Most of their work is supporting people at the right time and in the right way, and so preventing them going into crisis.

SDCVS has now moved into new accommodation and has been able to bring the food hub back into the same building. Bank House ceased last year and the CVS took over some of its services along with three of its staff. The team now is 38, all working in a hybrid way.

Hive training will develop over the next couple of years, aiming to provide accredited learning in four areas that are developing; people and community; health and wellbeing, environment and sustainability; and, professional. A new website will be launched in the next month or two, which will have an enrolment process, the facility to purchase courses online, learning management software, and be able to track learner progress and support training of volunteers.

Current training offered includes emergency first aid response, basic first aid, and coming soon bid writing skills for the sector, safeguarding training, social impact reporting, stress management and the volunteer passport.

Training and development are a key part of the CVS's core strategic development over the next 12 months. Commencement of the delivery of the ALICE project, which had to be put on hold due to Covid, will encourage individuals who are probably furthest from the training and development marketplace to be able to expand their confidence, their health and wellbeing, and employability.

The CVS continues to deliver Safer Homes which ensures people who are either the victim of crime or at risk of being a victim are supported.

One of the most important services, given the current pressures in the NHS, is the home from hospital support where people, either following their discharge from hospital or where there's a risk of being admitted, can receive support for a period of six weeks from CVS staff (eg. collecting shopping, prescriptions, making sure the home is safe and comfortable) to help take the pressure off the NHS.

Handy Person support helps vulnerable members of the community to maintain their independence by installing adaptations, such as improvements in their homes (eg. grab rails and key safes).

Brand new volunteering sites, 'South Derbyshire Volunteer Force' and, having secured the contract for the whole of Derbyshire, 'Time Swap', are currently being rolled out. The latter focuses on reciprocal benefits, for example, if you wanted to learn how to play the guitar you might be able to teach someone how to speak Spanish, or you could exchange your services in some way, an hour at a time.

Developing Swadlincote Performing Arts is an opportunity to bring people together to celebrate music and the arts, aiming to develop a new organisation with a live event in August. The CVS is keen to talk to people who want to get involved, especially those who have direct experience of live music and arts events.

The Food Bank is back within the CVS premises and between October and December 426 adults and 334 children were supported. The Food Bank has provided nearly 7,000 meals along with support by signposting people to 47 different services.

The CVS is proud of its relationship with the CAB and the RAFT initiative, which stands for Reassurance, Advice and Food Together. This supports vulnerable people when most in need, providing food to support their families and, by bringing in the CAB alongside, making sure that those people get advice/guidance at the right time.

Over a couple of months, working with the CAB whose staff are based within the premises, the project has managed to bring financial gains to people around fuel support and managing debt.

John Beaty highlighted interest in BSDC performing arts students helping with the initiatives in South Derbyshire. He was also interested in having a conversation about working collaboratively with SDCVS regarding training and development opportunities. The new CVS training development manager Dave Protheroe has joined from the Prince's Trust and would meet with John to discuss.

**ACTION: DP/JB**



## SDP/96. THEME UPDATE:

Theme Group Leads provided an overview of their update reports.

## SDP/97. BUDGET UPDATE

Mike Roylance provided an update on the Partnership budget. Since the last meeting, the Partnership had approved by email two new projects which are now underway: (a) project with Arts Melbourne known as Space to Create to support local creative entrepreneurs; and, (b) the Swadlincote Performing Arts project that aims to form a new standalone, not-for-profit organisation that will help to develop and promote live events in Swadlincote, aiming to support the Town Centre as a vibrant centre and create volunteering opportunities for the community.

## SDP/98. FEEDBACK, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Chair updated the partnership on the retirement of Kevin Stackhouse, SDDC Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and SDDC's Chief Executive Frank McArdle and wished them both well in their retirement.

Councillor Wheelton made the Partnership aware that Councillor Kevin Richards was also standing down in May 2023 and wished to say Cllr Richards had been an exemplary Leader of the Council and Chaired the SDP very well, adding that she would like to thank him for what he had done for residents and wished him well in his retirement.

Future Agenda Items: A regular update on the Shared Prosperity Fund – **ACTION: MR**

Members to email any future Board Agenda items to:  
[economic.development@southderbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:economic.development@southderbyshire.gov.uk)

The date of the next meeting will be Tuesday 27 June 2023.

The Chair thanked everyone for participating and closed the meeting.



**Agenda Item 8. Report to the Board  
SOUTH DERBYSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN (Chris Smith)**

**1.0 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To inform the Board on the South Derbyshire Community Safety Partnership Plan 2023-26. Appendix 8A.



**SOUTH DERBYSHIRE CSP**

**Partnership Plan 2023-26**



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# Introduction by the Chair

This plan aims to set out the priorities and the key areas of work for the South Derbyshire Community Safety Partnership (CSP) over the next three years (to be reviewed on an annual basis). By working together, the CSP aims to reduce and prevent crime and disorder, tackle anti-social behaviour and reduce fear of crime in South Derbyshire.

The CSP has to prioritise where it focuses its activity and these priorities are identified using statistical data, local agency knowledge and public opinion.

The plan sets out the Partnerships commitment to address the broader challenges and opportunities facing community safety over the next few years. It provides information on how the partnership has performed over the last year and gives an insight into the structure of Community Safety Partnership working in Derbyshire and South Derbyshire.

CSP's exist by law and were first introduced through the Crime & Disorder Act 1998 as a vehicle to address local crime and disorder issues. This provided a statutory responsibility for a CSP to be formed at each District or Borough council, linked into a countywide structure.

CSP's consist of both statutory and voluntary members. Statutory members include: -

- South Derbyshire District Council (SDDC)
- Derbyshire County Council (DCC)
- Youth Offending Team (YOT)
- Derbyshire Constabulary
- Probation Services
- Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service (DFRS)
- Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)

Within South Derbyshire the local Community Voluntary Service (CVS) South Derbyshire CVS and the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) are also key members.

The South Derbyshire CSP continues to work in an ever-changing landscape in respect to crime patterns and risk and threat areas.

Reducing crime and disorder year on year is becoming increasingly difficult, it is therefore ever important to utilise the knowledge and skills of partner agencies to develop projects or interventions, adopting an intelligence-led approach to minimise the impact of crime in our local communities.

The plan confirms that all the organisations within the partnership are committed to finding these solutions, and that the best way to do this is together.

Over the past 12 months crime levels have started to stabilise after the Covid pandemic. Despite this there are still areas of crime, ASB and fear of crime which need to be addressed. One such issue for the CSP to address is the fear of crime associated with visiting Eureka Park in Swadlincote. Following some serious incidents that occurred in 2021 groups of young people are still avoiding the park and it is therefore a priority for the Partnership members to work together to ensure the parks providing regular organised activities and the park

is a safe place for the people of Swadlincote to visit.



*Kevin Richards Chair of the South Derbyshire Community Safety Partnership*

# Statutory Responsibilities

## Prevent Duty

Section 26 of the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 places a duty on certain bodies (“specified authorities”) to have “due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism”. Specified authorities include Local government, Criminal justice, Education, Childcare etc., Health and Social care and the Police.

## Serious Violence Duty: Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022

The Serious Violence Duty was introduced as part of the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act (PCSC Act) 2022, alongside Serious Violence Reduction Orders (SVRO’s) and Homicide Reviews and forms a key part of the Government’s wider programme of work to prevent and reduce serious violence.

Alongside the duty, the PCSC Act amends The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to ensure that tackling serious violence is an explicit priority for CSP’s.

By taking a multi-agency approach to understand the causes and consequences of serious violence, focusing on prevention and early intervention, partners are required to work together to plan, share data and information, to generate evidence-based analysis of the problem and solutions and publish a strategy to prevent and reduce serious violence in local areas.

## The Domestic Abuse Act 2021

For local authorities, police and charities, domestic abuse is a problem that staff deal with daily. The new Domestic Abuse (DA) Act 2021 gives police, local authorities, and the courts wider powers and greater accountability concerning protecting domestic abuse victims.

A definition of domestic abuse has been created – prior to the commencement of the Act, domestic abuse had not been defined.

Domestic abuse victims must be given priority concerning accommodation

Extended powers granted to the police and the courts to fight domestic abuse

## Domestic Homicide Review’s

The requirement for CSP’s to conduct Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHR) came into effect in 2011. A DHR is a review of the circumstances in which the death of a person aged 16 or over has, or appears to have, resulted from violence, abuse or neglect by: -

(a) a person to whom he was related or with whom he was or had been in an intimate personal relationship, or

(b) a member of the same household as himself, held with a view to identifying the lessons to be learnt from the death.

In Derbyshire the County Council lead on their co-ordination. There is reliance on those local agencies to share information and participate when required.

## Modern Slavery

The term ‘Modern Slavery’ captures a whole range of types of exploitation, including but not limited to:

sexual exploitation

domestic servitude

forced labour

criminal exploitation

Section 52 (A duty to notify) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 requires that where specified public authorities have reasonable grounds to believe that a person may be a victim of slavery or human trafficking, it must notify the Home Office.

# Derbyshire Boards and PCC Priorities

Derbyshire has mature partnership arrangements in place and partners are committed to addressing community safety issues

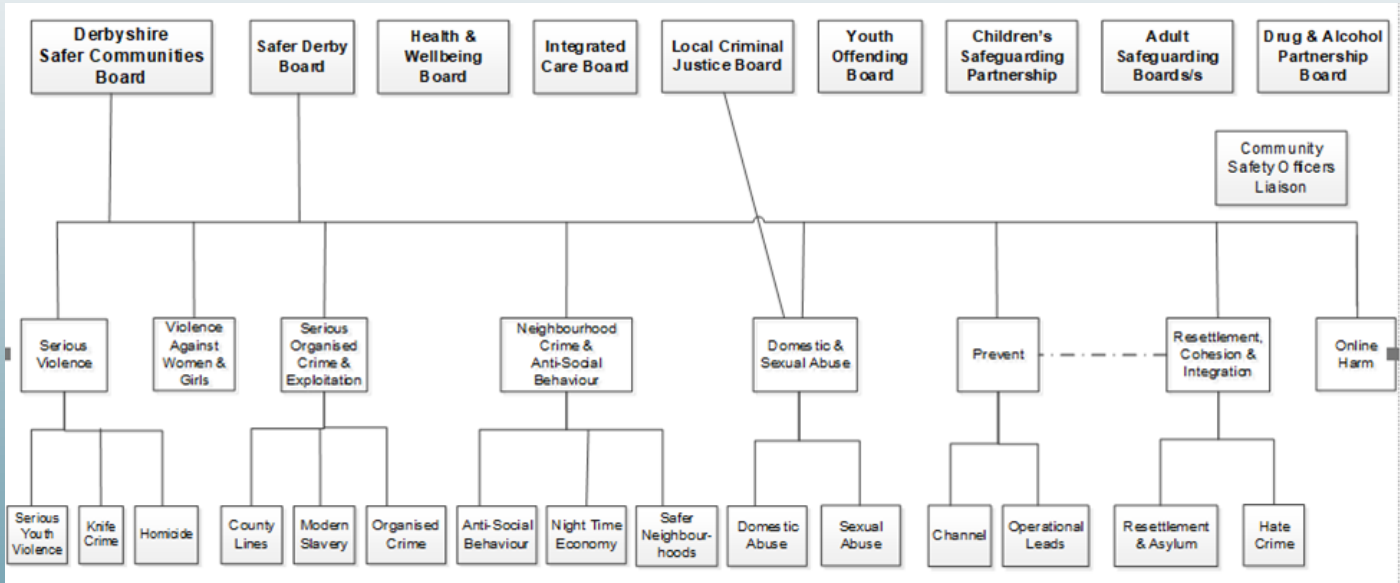
Within Derbyshire there are eight district based Community Safety Partnerships. At a County level the Derbyshire Safer Communities Board provides strategic leadership and direction. The Chairs of each CSP sit on the Board along with senior representatives from each of the responsible authorities and other key stakeholders.

These Partnerships are required to undertake an annual assessment and formulate a Community Safety Agreement at a County level to address crime and disorder, substance misuse, anti-social behaviour and re-offending.

## Thematic Boards

In order to ensure a strategic overview of all Community Safety statutory duties and priorities, a new structure of Community Safety Board meetings has been developed across Derbyshire. These meetings will ensure a robust response is given to any new policy, legislation or statutory guidance and will discuss and agree necessary resource to deliver workstreams in priority areas.

## Derbyshire Community Safety Theme groups



## Police and Crime Commissioner Priorities

Police and Crime Commissioners were created by The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 and replaced Police Authorities. The Act, and supporting legislation, outlines the roles and responsibilities of the Police and Crime Commissioner as well as the Chief Constable.

In September 2021 Angelique Foster, Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire set her Police and Crime Plan (2021-2025) to protect the people of Derby and Derbyshire. It puts the law-abiding citizen and victims of crime at the heart of everything they do. Her priorities include:

- Strong Local Policing
- Neighbourhood Crime and Anti-social Behaviour
- Road Safety
- Victim Support and Safeguarding
- Rural Crime
- Driving Efficiencies

The plan will be reviewed annually taking account of changing priorities to ensure it remains relevant. [Police and Crime Plan 2021-2025](#)

# South Derbyshire CSP Priorities

The CSP receives monthly crime data from a Partnership Analyst, this shows a breakdown of crime figures for each crime type broken down to local areas. This data helps Partnership officers monitor where increases and decreases in crime have occurred, in what areas of the District they are occurring and put into place resources and measures to reduce any increases.

Over the last 12 months (to Feb 2023) the main increase in crime in South Derbyshire have been in Theft from Vehicles (increase of 68%), Theft of Vehicles (increase of 49%) and Other Theft (increase of 26.8%). There are two main areas where vehicle crime is occurring, firstly the A50 corridor, on laybys and service stations where lorries are being targeted for their load, and in the villages just off the A50 where cars and vans are being targeted. Those responsible for the majority of these crimes are criminals from outside South Derbyshire, using the A50 and A38 to enter the District and commit crime before making their getaway.

In terms of volume of incidents there are more Domestic Abuse crimes recorded than any other crime type in the District, this mirrored across the County. There will be a continued focus on Domestic Abuse for the Partnership over the duration of this plan

Due to the serious knife offences which occurred in 2021, and the remaining fear of crime associated with these incidents, there will still be a focus on tackling serious violence and preventing knife crime in the District. There will also be a new focus on working in Partnership to reduce the fear of crime associated with certain open spaces and making these areas safer and more attractive for people to visit.

## South Derbyshire CSP Priorities

Following a review of the previous priorities and taking into account the PCC's priorities, crime data from the past 12 months and local intelligence and the Strategic Assessment, South Derbyshire CSP has identified the following local priorities, which will be its main focus for 2023-2026: -

### ASB and Safer Spaces

- Parks and Open Spaces
- Youth ASB – (Diversion, Early intervention, Enforcement)
- Nuisance Vehicles & Parking
- Targeting persistent Offenders

### Safeguarding and Vulnerability

- Hate Crime
- Modern Slavery
- Cuckooing and County Lines
- Substance Misuse
- Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)
- Cyber Safety
- Supporting Victims

### Violence

- Domestic Abuse & Serious Sexual Violence
- Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)
- Serious Violence (e.g., Knife Crime)

### Acquisitive and Rural Crime

- Vehicle Crime
- Rural Crime
- Burglary
- Business Crime



# Action Taken

Partners continues to work together and with the community to offer a diverse range of crime reduction, educational activities and public engagement events.

Over the past 12 months the following work has been completed by the Partnership against the Priorities in the Partnership Plan:

## Anti-Social Behaviour

Introduced a new Safer Spaces meeting which meets bi-monthly to look at young peoples activities and how to make parks and open spaces safer.

Issued 56x Community Protection Notice Warnings (CPNW's) to individuals committing ASB .

Issued 11x Community Protection Notices (CPN's) for breaches of the above CPNW's and 5x Fixed Penalty notice for breach of CPN.

Fortnightly Police and Partner Tasking meetings held with partners to ensure any hot spots and individuals causing issues.

Held six local Area Forums, to enable parish Councils and residents to communicate with and raise any issues with local Police SNT & Council .

Worked with community and Police to prevent Off Road bikes entering land in Etwall causing a nuisance.

ASB Warning letters issued to groups of youths causing a nuisance in Swadlincote Town Centre

## Community Trigger

Legislation requires that each Community Safety Partnership publishes information with regard to the use of the Community Trigger: -

**The number of applications for ASB Case Reviews:** *One Community Trigger applications was received in South Derbyshire in 2022/23.*

**The number of applications for ASB Case Reviews that did not meet the threshold:** 0

**The number of ASB Case Reviews conducted:**

*One ASB Case Review was conducted in 2022/23.*

**The number of ASB Case Reviews that resulted in recommendations being made:**

*One ASB Case Reviews took place which resulted in recommendations being made.*

Information on Community Trigger can be found on the South Derbyshire District Council Website: [Anti-social behaviour - Community Trigger | South Derbyshire District Council](#)

## Organised Crime

Assisted Police enforcement through supporting additional Budi trackers for prolific offenders.

Monthly Integrated Offender Management (IOM) meetings held to review prolific offenders.

Supported the Rural Crime Team through provision of signage and social media postings.

## Protecting those most at Risk

Secured 286 properties through the CVS-run Safer Homes Scheme. This includes domestic violence victims and victims of Burglary and ASB

Supported the 16 days of Action Domestic Abuse Campaign during November.

Monthly multi agency Children at Risk of Exploitation meetings held.

Show racism the red card campaign promoted as part of Hate crime awareness week.

Op Sceptre – Knife crime initiatives included using Chalk Stencils in Parks, Supporting 121 and Group work with Knife Crime specialist in schools and commissioned Switch up Theatre in Education Performances in Granville school.

Liberation Day event held in May promoting local services for older people. Police, Fire Service and PCC in attendance.

Safe and Sound continue to visit Swadlincote every week to engage with young people and discuss ASB and Exploitation dangers.

# Crime Figures

ASB Incidents (excluding Covid) Jan 2022 to Dec 2022	Volume	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Trend <sup>2</sup>
Chesterfield	2,825	27.3	-12.4%
Erewash	2,543	22.5	-7.7%
Amber Valley	2,831	22.4	-10.4%
Bolsover	1,673	20.8	-7.8%
High Peak	1,796	19.8	-12.5%
Derbyshire County Council area	15,556	19.6	-10.8%
North East Derbyshire	1,481	14.5	-11.5%
South Derbyshire	1,491	13.9	-7.3%
Derbyshire Dales	916	12.8	-20.9%

<sup>1</sup> Rate per 1,000 16+ population (2020 estimate)

<sup>2</sup> % change compared to previous 12 months

When comparing ASB figures with other areas of the County South Derbyshire has the second lowest recorded figures per 1000 population in 2022. Recorded ASB is down across the County.

Domestic Abuse crimes Jan 2022 to Dec 2022	Volume	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Trend <sup>2</sup>
Chesterfield	1,869	18.0	-8.9%
Erewash	1,958	17.3	5.2%
Bolsover	1,372	17.1	-0.6%
Derbyshire County Council area	11,250	14.2	-5.1%
Amber Valley	1,750	13.9	0.1%
South Derbyshire	1,429	13.3	-3.2%
North East Derbyshire	1,274	12.5	-6.8%
High Peak	1,072	11.8	-20.9%
Derbyshire Dales	526	7.4	-14.3%

<sup>1</sup> Rate per 1,000 16+ population (2020 estimate)

<sup>2</sup> % change compared to previous 12 months

South Derbyshire has the 4th lowest rates of Domestic Abuse per 1000 pop. Higher rates in Domestic Abuse are not necessarily a bad indicator as its under reported.

Residential Burglary Jan 2022 to Dec 2022	Volume	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Trend <sup>2</sup>
High Peak	312	3.4	-22.4%
Chesterfield	320	3.1	3.6%
North East Derbyshire	267	2.6	29.6%
Derbyshire Dales	175	2.4	34.6%
Derbyshire County Council area	1,827	2.3	-1.2%
Bolsover	173	2.2	4.2%
Erewash	224	2.0	-8.2%
Amber Valley	215	1.7	-7.3%
South Derbyshire	141	1.3	-12.4%

<sup>1</sup> Rate per 1,000 16+ population (2020 estimate)

<sup>2</sup> % change compared to previous 12 months

Burglary rates in 2022, were the lowest in the County with only 1.3 burglaries occurring per 1000 population. This was a reduction of 12% on previous year.

Vehicle crime Jan 2022 to Dec 2022	Volume	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Trend <sup>2</sup>
Bolsover	408	5.1	-24.3%
South Derbyshire	522	4.9	67.8%
Chesterfield	452	4.4	-20.8%
Erewash	442	3.9	0.2%
Derbyshire County Council area	3,098	3.9	1.2%
Amber Valley	461	3.7	17.9%
North East Derbyshire	364	3.6	11.3%
High Peak	289	3.2	-19.5%
Derbyshire Dales	160	2.2	31.1%

<sup>1</sup> Rate per 1,000 16+ population (2020 estimate)

<sup>2</sup> % change compared to previous 12 months

As stated previously in this plan, Vehicle crime has risen greatly in South Derbyshire over the last 12 months and the rate per 1000 population is South Derbyshire is the second highest in the County. Bolsover District and South Derbyshire are greatly affected by having major Motorways running through the Districts. Theft from lorries and from vehicles in motorway services will account for a large amount of these figures.

Serious Violence Jan 2022 to Dec 2022	Volume	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Trend <sup>2</sup>
Chesterfield	282	2.7	4.4%
Erewash	221	2.0	24.2%
Amber Valley	217	1.7	8.5%
Derbyshire County Council area	1,285	1.6	6.8%
Bolsover	123	1.5	-6.1%
High Peak	126	1.4	3.3%
South Derbyshire	141	1.3	7.6%
North East Derbyshire	110	1.1	18.3%
Derbyshire Dales	65	0.9	-16.7%

<sup>1</sup> Rate per 1,000 16+ population (2020 estimate)

<sup>2</sup> % change compared to previous 12 months

Serious Violence figures in South Derbyshire are relatively low in comparison with other Derbyshire Areas. This could in part be due to a lack of a busy night time economy in a town centre. Hate Crime figures are the second lowest in the County per 1000 pop.

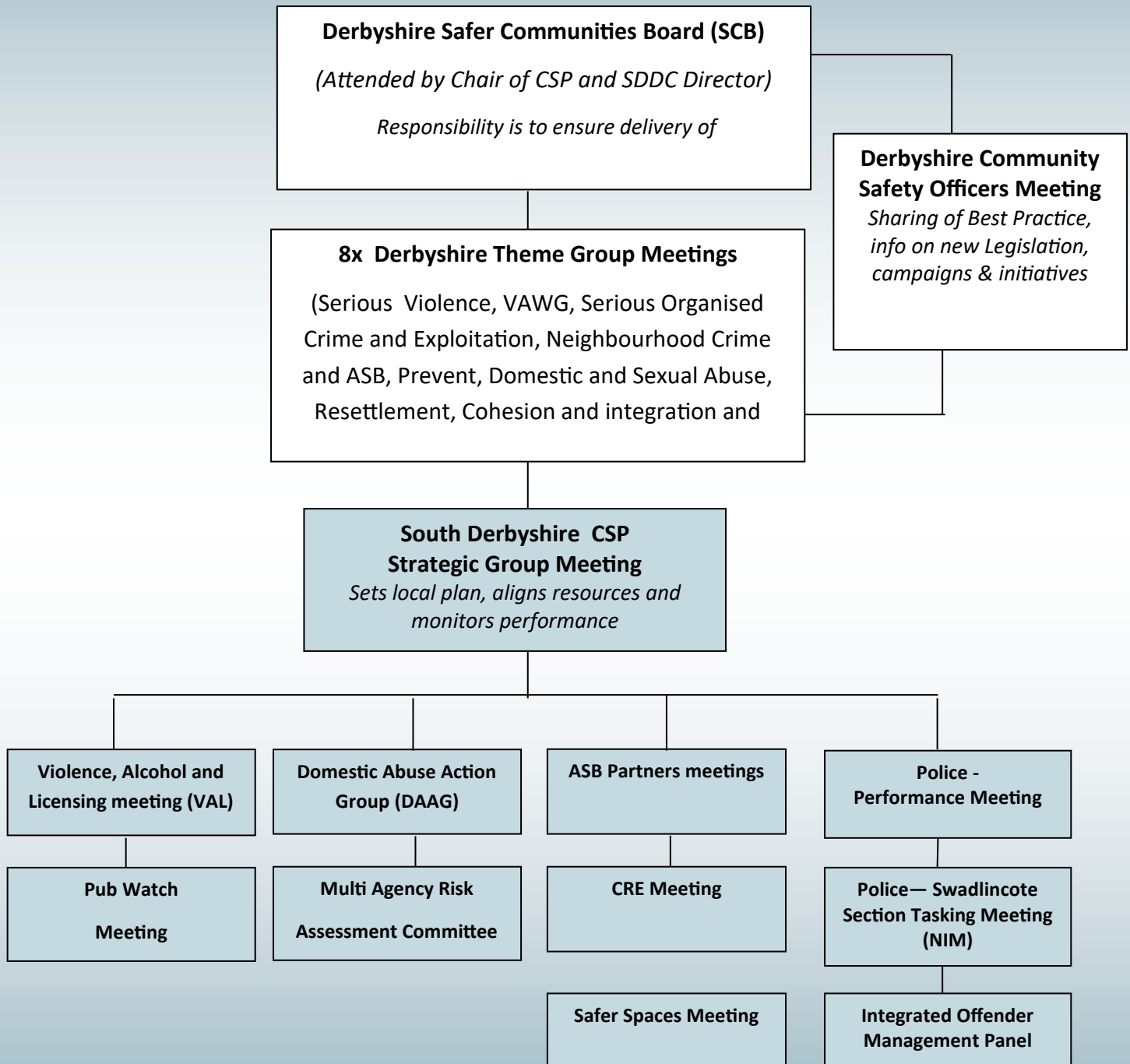
Hate crime Jan 2022 to Dec 2022	Volume	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Trend <sup>2</sup>
Chesterfield	237	2.3	0.9%
Amber Valley	237	1.9	22.2%
Erewash	196	1.7	4.8%
Derbyshire County Council area	1,297	1.6	9.1%
Bolsover	126	1.6	-1.6%
North East Derbyshire	154	1.5	29.4%
High Peak	137	1.5	18.1%
South Derbyshire	142	1.3	-1.4%
Derbyshire Dales	68	1.0	3.0%

<sup>1</sup> Rate per 1,000 16+ population (2020 estimate)

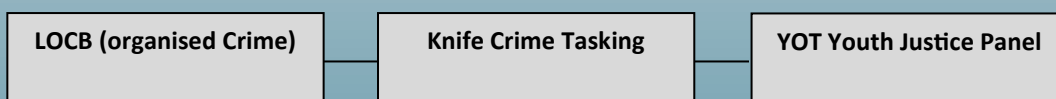
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## Derbyshire & South Derbyshire CSP Meeting Structure



### South Div meetings– (Erewash, Derby City, South Derbys)




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To get regular updates on local crime and disorder issues you can sign up to Derbyshire Alert.

By registering, you can receive news and appeals, local crime information, and prevention advice direct to your email address.

<https://www.derbyshirealert.co.uk/>

You can also follow your local Police Safer Neighbourhood Teams on Twitter and Facebook:

Twitter: [@DerbySthPolice](https://twitter.com/DerbySthPolice)

[www.facebook.com/SwadlincoteSNT/](https://www.facebook.com/SwadlincoteSNT/)

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<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Report to the Board</b>
<b>Item 10.</b>	<b>THEME GROUP UPDATES: QUARTER 4 (1 JANUARY - 31 MARCH 2023)</b>

## **1.0 Purpose of Report**

1.1 To inform the Board on the Theme Groups work to date.

## **2.0 Detail**

2.1 Performance reports for each of the Theme Groups are attached as Appendix 10A. These provide a summary of progress against priorities in the Sustainable Community Strategy, note issues that the Partnership could add value to, and highlight any action required of partners such as attendance at or promotion of an event.

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**THEME GROUP: SAFER COMMUNITIES**

Highlight summary of progress against priorities in the Sustainable Communities Strategy.

**Street Whyze project**

Following a successful pilot project at South Derbyshire Support Centre, the CSP have agreed to continue funding the Knife Crime Project for a further term. The school will this time be contributing to the cost and The Pingle Academy and Granville Academy are also looking at commissioning the work.

**Operation Sceptre**

Operation Sceptre, a national knife crime awareness week dedicated to tackling and preventing knife crime took place between Monday 16 and Sunday 22 May. During the week of action there was a series of press releases, knife sweeps in local parks, social media posts, a knife amnesty bin located in Swadlincote and chalk paint stencilling in our urban core parks and open spaces.



**Safer Spaces Meeting**

The safer spaces meeting continues to meet to look at local ASB Hotspots and ways to reduce fear of crime in our parks and open spaces. Recently a group of young girls from Woodville have been discussed after several incidents of shoplifting, drunken behaviour and assaults. Work is being done to increase outreach visits to engage with the group, including from Youth Outreach, Safe and Sound and Change Grow Live (Drugs and Alcohol Childrens Services), Granville Academy are working with Police and Childrens Services to identify the group, and warning letters will be issued to parents to raise awareness of the issues. The Safer Spaces group have also made a joint visit to Eureka Park to look at possible environmental changes that can be done to reduce fear of crime and make the park less appealing to criminals, i.e. reducing the number of bushes cutting back foliage from street lights.

## ASB Enforcement

During 2022/23 x 56 Community Protection Notice Warnings (CPNW's) issued to individuals committing ASB by Police, Environmental Health, Housing and the Communities Team.

Eleven Community Protection Notices (CPN's) were issued for breaches of the above CPNW's and five Fixed Penalty notice were issued for breach of CPN.

## Swadlincote PSPO

Approval has now been given to reinstate the Public Space Protection Order in Swadlincote Town Centre. The Order was previously in place between 2016 and 2022 and will be reinstated due to an increase in ASB in the Town in recent months.

The Order gives additional powers to Police and Authorised Local Authority Employees (EH Community Enforcement Officers) to be able to take action against Anti-Social Behaviour.

The prohibitions within the order will be as follows:

- (a) \*No person shall consume alcohol.
- (b) \*No person shall have unsealed vessels containing alcohol in their possession.
- (c) No person shall urinate or defecate in a public place, other than in a public toilet.
- (d) No person shall loiter as an individual or in a group if they are causing or likely to cause anti-social behaviour (ASB). If asked to disperse on instruction of a Police Officer, Police Community Support Officer or authorised officer (from South Derbyshire District Council) individuals must not return to the area for a period of 24 hours.
- (e) No person will use a skateboard, scooter, pedal cycle, includes those power assisted, or any mechanically propelled vehicle in such a manner as to cause damage to property or that causes or is likely to cause intimidation, harassment, alarm, distress, nuisance, or annoyance to any person.

\*A PSPO will not restrict the consumption of alcohol where the premises or its curtilage is licensed for the supply of alcohol.

Anyone breaching the order would be subject to a fixed penalty notice of a maximum £100.



## **New Community Safety Enforcement Officer**

Through Shared Prosperity Funding a new Environmental Health Community Enforcement Officer has been employed to assist with reducing ASB in Swadlincote Town Centre. The new Officer will be tasked with patrolling and communicating with local businesses. The upcoming PSPO will provide the officer with additional powers which will enable him to move people out the area, confiscate alcohol or issue FPN to anyone riding bikes or scooters dangerously in the area.

## **Whats App Group**

A new Shop Watch Whats app group has been set up amongst businesses in Swadlincote Town Centre. The group will enable better communication between businesses to warn each other if there are shop lifters or ASB occurring in the Town Centre.

## **Safer Homes**

X 466 Safer Homes visits took place during 2022/23. This includes domestic violence victims, victims of burglary and ASB, vulnerable people and self-referrals from over 65-year-olds. The service also carried out leaflet drops in two selected postcode areas, and attended partnership events at Melbourne Assembly Rooms, Fair Meadows School, Etwall and Rosliston Warm Hub and at Sainsburys.

## **Data Tag Rural Crime Initiative**

The CSP has agreed to fund a Data Tag scheme to reduce thefts of farm equipment. The scheme will offer security tagging to local farmers and rural communities help in protecting their valuable assets of Farm Machinery, Trailers (all Types), Quads, ATV, Tractor GPS systems, Horse Tack and 4x4s. The scheme has been piloted and proved successful in North East Derbyshire and Bolsover. The Partnership has contributed £2k and the tagging system will be offered primarily to farms that have already suffered a theft as one of the most significant impacts of this initiative has been where a Data Tag system has been fitted to equipment purchased as a theft replacement. It's been widely recognised that criminal gangs will repeatedly target the same individuals as they are aware that new equipment will replace old. The use of Data Tag on the new kit acts as a strong deterrent.

## **Safer Neighbourhoods Funding**

Three projects received funding support in Q4. Swadlincote Chess Club received £500 to start up a new group at Newhall Scout Club, Melbourne Sporting Partnership received £491 towards 2 new CCTV Cameras covering their car park, and Repton Youth Club received £2500 to continue to run weekly sessions for an additional 12 months.

Issues that the Partnership could add value to (time will be given at the Board meeting for partner input/solutions to each theme group).

**None**



Any action required of Partners i.e. attendance or promotion of an event.

Liberation Day will take place on Wednesday 19 July 2023 this year and is taking place at Maurice Lea Memorial Park (1.30pm - 4pm).

The event is for South Derbyshire residents aged over 60 years and is free entry. This year the event is themed summer holiday, there will be limitless teas and coffees available.

Not only will this be a free afternoon of live entertainment there will be exhibitors promoting valuable information and taster sessions available from arts and crafts to sports.

If you would like an information stand at the event please phone: 01283 595759 or email: [events@southderbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:events@southderbyshire.gov.uk) .



## THEME GROUP: STRONGER COMMUNITIES

### Highlight summary of progress against priorities in the Sustainable Communities Strategy.

South Derbyshire CVS have remained very busy during Quarter 4.

We have now been in **The Hive**, Top Floor Unit G, Sharpe's Industrial Estate, Alexandra Road, Swadlincote DE119AZ for 9 months. The offices and Food Bank are open from 8:30am – 4:30pm on Monday, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Wednesdays we are closed to the public and staff work from other locations primarily unless meetings at The Hive are necessary.

Staff are working a hybrid model of office, community based and home working.

The **Food Bank** continues to be a service that is well used, especially with the Cost-of-Living Crisis and the increased energy costs over the winter months which put many households under additional pressure. The support that the food bank has been able to provide has been invaluable. Working in conjunction with Citizens Advice through the RAFT (Reassurance Advice and Food Together) between November 22 and April 23 enabled people needing help with emergency food to get specialist CAB advisor support with benefits, energy costs and debt advice.

In Quarter 4, the RAFT project supported 65 service users. On average each service user left the service with a £12,629 improvement in their situation.

The funding for RAFT came to an end on 1<sup>st</sup> April 23 as this was a pilot however CAB were able to secure further funding and so we still have an advisor based at the foodbank for ½ a day per week. Whilst we would like to see the 1 and ½ days we had previously, it is still good to have the connection and help available for some of our service users.

Our **Food Bank** 22/23 figures have been collated:

#### Food hub

Food parcels **1331**

Adults **1698**

Children **1195**

Meals **26037**

We are grateful to have had confirmation of funding for 2023-2024 from South Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Group via Public Health funding.

## **Education and Training**

### Training for Repton Café

20 volunteers were provided with a Safeguarding awareness session.

The Repton Volunteers wanted training that would enable them to think and feel comfortable about taking on young volunteers at their café. As such, much of the session was centred around this, with evidence from National Youth Agency.

Training for Youth Groups – A course was planned within Q4 to support two volunteer youth groups (Hilton and William Allitt) SDCVS put together a proposal based on the 'Behaviour That Challenge's unit from the AIM Level 2 Youth Work qualification. Delivery to commence 23/24 Q1

### ALICE project

We are delighted to have re-started planning for the ALICE project in Q1.

This course is aimed at supporting adult family members who are experiencing economic disadvantage, disability, poor mental or physical health, learning disabilities unemployment, rural or social isolation, lack of confidence or low aspirations.

It aims to encourage individuals to define and expand their personal aspirations and support them to achieve outcomes which improve their skills, confidence, health and wellbeing, and employability.

SDCV through this project, aim to support people on their learning journey and beyond, into paid work, further training, work experience or community volunteering.

**Mental Wellbeing Support** – This work has developed over this Quarter. 1-1 support is still being provided to those that need it to navigate some of the challenges with their mental ill health and with life skills e.g. managing their post, correspondence and appointments.

The group that is held weekly at the Fire Station Community Room is going really well with members reporting that they find it to be a "safe and welcoming space and group". In addition to 2 staff, the group is also supported by 5 volunteers, some of whom were previously helping at Bank House. They have been through CVS Induction and checks etc and are helping with the running of the group. One per month one of the Community Development Officers from CVS also attends to help with links to other groups running in the area and introducing speakers and activity – supported by a member of the CVS team who runs art and crafts activities.

**During Quarter 4, the team supported 106 people**



## **Swad Live (Swadlincote Performing Arts)**

The partnership awarded funding to SDCVS with the aim to form a new stand-alone, not for profit organisation (charity, CIC or other) to become the recognised and 'turn to' body for all matters pertaining to live performance in the town. This is with the aim that this body will develop to be able to curate and promote a range of arts events in the town.

Work to date:

- CIC formation
- Event Planning– Swad Live to be held on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2023** on the Delph and will be a Live Music event . 6 acts are confirmed for the event and we are working closely with SDDC partners and the steering group to finalise the practical arrangements for this.

Objectives:

1. To support Swadlincote's aim to be a vibrant and attractive visitor destination, complementing existing attractions/events and in doing so bring more people into the town centre
2. To help develop a sense of Pride in Swadlincote
3. Increased opportunities for volunteering

## **Social Connectedness**

One area of support within this project, is involvement with **warm spaces**.

The project has supported warm spaces in Etwall, Findern, Willington, Melbourne, Hilton, Coton, Rosliston and Overseal. All these warm spaces were supported to apply for funding between November 22 to March 23.

Etwall, Melbourne, Coton, Rosliston and Willington have all now been funded to continue by Connect South Derbyshire to keep them open.

The project will support them to become standalone organisations so they can become sustainable as social spaces.

Further analysis of the use of these spaces and the impact of individuals, is being carried out.

## **Time Swap**

Time Swap Members Swap and Bank Time - for every 1 hour given members can have an hour back. Time is the only currency, people can swap talents eg teaching a musical instrument or practical tasks such as gardening and lifts. Groups and corporate organisations can join the Time Bank and there are so many opportunities for individuals and organisations to support others in their community and receive support themselves.

SDCVS operate Derbyshire Time Swap which was successfully re-launched in Quarter 4 22/23. We have one Development Officer dedicated to the South Derbyshire & Erewash area, with membership numbers and hours of activity, now increasing each week. Individuals and organisations can register to become members which allows them to give and receive time.

SDCVS sees this very much as a complimentary type of giving time back to the community, which sits closely alongside traditional volunteering.

## Volunteering

Quarter 4 saw rebranding of the South Derbyshire Volunteer Service, with robust and ambitious plans for the recruitment, retention and development of volunteering, which as you will be aware is a national challenge. We have a clear focus not only on individual volunteers but also corporate volunteering opportunities, all of which will greatly benefit the local area.



**SOUTH DERBYSHIRE  
VOLUNTEER FORCE**

We recruit and support volunteers to a number of organisations including ourselves at SDCVS. Volunteers play a vital role in our delivery of Active Travel, Befriending, HFH and The Food Hub

We promote opportunities, provide recruitment support and look after all the ongoing needs organisations and individuals may have.

Volunteering teaches valuable skills, improves job prospects and helps people find new friends. It also makes a huge difference in the lives and communities across South Derbyshire. We also love to celebrate volunteering. That's why we organise 'thank you' and recruitment events to celebrate the achievements of our local volunteers in our community as well as helping people take the steps to volunteering themselves

## THEME GROUP: HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES

Highlight summary of progress against priorities in the Sustainable Communities Strategy.

### **Outreach Youth Work**

Safe and Sound have been delivering outreach work in the urban parks of South Derbyshire since 2021, initially funded by the Community Safety Partnership, more recently utilising Public Health locality funding (last 12 months). Safe and Sound deliver weekly outreach youth work sessions, to address a range of cross cutting emotional health and wellbeing outcomes. The team have been engaging with children and young people to raise awareness of a number of issues including child sexual exploitation, mental wellbeing, bereavement support and sexual health. It has also acted as a proactive way to gather intelligence from young people about what support they need and what activities they would like in the area. This will inform future service provision in the district. Adopting a multi-disciplinary approach, the Safe and Sound team regularly work in collaboration with Community Safety, Derbyshire County Council Youth Practitioners and Sexual Health Services.

Between May 2022 and April 2023, Safe and Sound engaged with 2,074 children and young people across 50 sessions. 381 children and young people were signposted to local activities and services for additional support. Monthly tasking meetings which highlight areas of antisocial behaviour have informed where service provision takes place.

Safe and Sound highlighted that 'young people and individuals benefit from the reliable, steady presence of the outreach team. Outreach team workers can advocate for their safety and wellbeing with statutory services, and young people on the outreach route feel they now know where they can get advice and support should they have any issues.'

The Health and Wellbeing Group (May 2023) approved an additional £18,200 investment into the project to extend delivery for a further 12 months/50 outreach sessions.

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### **South Derbyshire Food Hub**

The Food Hub end of year report highlights that since March 2022, 1,331 food parcels have been provided to 1,698 adults and 1,195 children, equating to 26,037 meals. The Food Hub (based at The Hive) provided free emergency food parcels to families and individuals struggling with low income and debt in the South Derbyshire area. Due to the rising cost of living the Food Hub continues to experience a substantial increase in demand.

The Hive offered a warm and welcoming environment to provide wraparound support to visitors to address complex situations on a one-to-one basis. The Food Hub also distributed food parcels to a network of local service providers, to enable front line workers to supply food parcels to vulnerable individuals, who were unable to access the Food Hub.

## Case Study

Client visited the food bank for the very first time after being referred by the Derbyshire Discretionary team. He felt ashamed asking for help. I [food hub worker] took a little time to speak to him during his visit. He explained that he was struggling with his mental health since his adult daughter passed away just over a year ago. He lives alone and currently on Universal Credit. He struggles to make the benefit last all month as he is spending a lot on energy in order to cook and stay warm but had now ran out of gas. I referred him to the Citizens Advice energy team and he was issued a £49 voucher. I asked the client if he had a slow cooker and explained how very little energy they use. He told me that he hoped to be able to save up for one in the near future. I asked the client if he would like one today which he said yes to. I told him to wait a moment and went upstairs to get one of our slow cookers (donated to us by the Salvation Army). Client looked at me surprised when I handed over the still boxed slow cooker. Client said I can't believe it; I didn't think you could just give me one of those. Client then reached out to hug me and told me how much he appreciated our help. I spoke to the client recently and though he is still in need of some food support from time to time, he told me how very little electric he is using since using his new slow cooker.

The Health and Wellbeing Group have approved a further investment of £31,000 to support the Food Hub until March 2024.

For further information contact [Vicky Smyth](#).

## **Annual Report and Draft Healthier Communities Plan 2023/2024**

The Annual Report below highlights the key successes of the South Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Group over the last year. Key achievements include the creation of the South Derbyshire Partnership cost of living leaflet which was delivered to every household in South Derbyshire, 1,331 food parcels provided to vulnerable individuals and families, and 2,074 engagements with young people through the outreach youth work project delivered by Safe and Sound. Additional support was provided as a response to cost of living pressures, including 13 groups which received DCC Warm Spaces funding.





The South Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Group will receive the below funding for the financial year 2023-2024 from Public Health, Derbyshire County Council.

<b><u>Funding Allocation</u></b>	<b><u>Resource</u></b>
£54,382	Locality Funding 2023-2024
£44,919	General Underspend 2022-2023
£10,000	Ringfenced for Small grants funding (to be administrated by SD VCS on behalf of the partnership)
<b>Total available to spend: £109,301</b>	

Funding will be allocated to address the agreed priorities outlined in the South Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Action Plan.

**Allocated Funding**

To date approval has been given by the Health and Wellbeing Group to fund the following projects.

<b><u>Project</u></b>	<b><u>Locality Funding</u></b>
South Derbyshire Food Hub	£31,000
Community Based Work Club	£8,000 (£3,000 match funding SDP)
Health Partnership Manager	£15,000 (match funded by SDDC)
	<b>Total: £51,000</b>

For further information contact [Vicky Smyth](#).

## THEME GROUP: CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

### Highlight summary of progress against priorities in the Sustainable Communities Strategy.

This has been a challenging time for children services with a significant increase in demand on services and challenging circumstances with recruitment and retention of staff - Early Help Preventative Services and Social Work. Children Services staff have returned to the offices on a rota system and in line with new ways of working, and home visits and contacts with vulnerable children and families have remained a key aspect of the role during lock down and post lock down.

Relative to the data shared January 23 – this appears relatively static with increased within Early Help.

South Derbyshire and Dales Children Services Key Data 19/6/23 no. of children who/on:

Children in Care	129 – Present 116
Child Protection Plan	112 – Present 114
Children in Need	440 - Present 430
Early Help Services	142- Present 160

Group work Activities:

- Parenting Support Groups
- Children Centre Groups
- Youth Groups – delivery in local schools and detached work with partner agencies.

Children Services currently have 4 buildings open with Health and Safety measures in place:

- Rink House - staff
- Elms – staff and family's access
- Woodville Children Centre – Staff and family's access
- Etwall – Staff and families and families' access

Staff remain committed to the services and delivery and are providing a range of activities to support families, above and beyond direct case work management. There is a range of partnership work to support young people, detached work in the community with Safe and Sound and partnership meetings – Children at Risk of Exploitation which directs resources towards individuals and also locations/adults which are considered a concern.

South Derbyshire and Dales Children Partnership priorities for 2022/23 are:

- Supporting young people improve oral health
- Providing Safe areas of young people – response to knife crime and surveys
- Inclusion of Young People within decision making

This partnership meets every two months and there is a good representation amongst all agencies and working groups provide updates in relation to these priorities and emerging concerns. Recently there has been young people voices and opinions heard within in partnership which is a theme which we intend to develop.

## THEME GROUP: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Highlight summary of progress against priorities in the Sustainable Communities Strategy.

### Unemployment

South Derbyshire local authority area (Claimant Count).

Mar 22	Jan 23	Feb 23	Mar 23	Change on month	Change on year	GB Mar 23
2.3%	2.1%	2.1%	2.1%	0%	-0.2%	3.7%
1,555	1,395	1,445	1,455	+10	-100	

There are currently over 1,000 jobs available within a ten-mile radius of Swadlincote (DWP Find a Job).

### South Derbyshire Business Advice Service

The South Derbyshire Business Advice Service delivered 81 advice sessions in the fourth quarter of 2022/23, including both new starts and established businesses.

<https://twitter.com/SDerbysBAS>

A Thinking of Starting a Business workshop was held in February at Swadlincote Innovation Centre, as well as a dedicated session for Ukrainian refugees in Repton in March.

### Derbyshire - Toyota City

2023 is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the international relationship between Derbyshire and Toyota City. A visit by the Mayor of Toyota City in February, included the planting of a commemorative tree at an event hosted by the National Forest Company and South Derbyshire District Council at St George's Park.

The planting is part of a new scheme funded by the National Forest Company, that includes mixed woodland and parkland, and will contribute to more than 100,000 trees being planted across the National Forest this year.

South Derbyshire District Council and the National Forest Company are two partners in the Toyota City Partnership Board, which was established in 2018, facilitated by Derbyshire County Council, to develop the friendship with Toyota City by bringing together key economic and cultural stakeholders, alongside the Derbyshire local authorities.

The Board is overseeing a programme of activities to mark the Anniversary, including the following:

24/25 June - Japan Fest at Swadlincote's Festival of Leisure

9 August – Toyota City Junior Marching Band at Music in the Park, Swadlincote

22/23 September – Shine a Light Video Projection Artwork at Derby Guildhall

Further event information: <https://www.visitsouthderbyshire.co.uk/event/category/whatson/>

## **South Derbyshire Environmental Forum and Rosliston Rangers**

Enabled by a grant from the Partnership, specialist woodland management equipment was purchased and six days of training delivered. Each session attracted between 11-19 participants and included training in coppicing, hedge laying and woodland management. Through conservation activities, the project has identified benefits in terms of physical fitness, improved mental health, increasing local pride and active volunteering.

## **East Midlands Freeport**

The East Midlands Freeport was announced as a successful Freeport bid by the UK Government in March 2021. The Freeport will now receive up to £25 million seed funding from the Government and potentially hundreds of millions in locally retained business rates to drive growth in the UK's advanced manufacturing, biomanufacturing, logistics, and low carbon industries.

It will help encourage investment into sectors including automotive, space, and satellites sectors, generating thousands of jobs and boosting the local economy. The East Midlands Freeport is uniquely positioned as the only inland Freeport in England, with connections to major regional transport hubs, such as the East Midlands Airport.

Further information: <https://emfreeport.com/>

## **Bus Services**

A number of enhanced bus services are operating to assist employees and apprentices to access key employment sites in the area. The services are provided by Midland Classic/Diamond Bus: <https://midlandclassic.com/>

- 19A – Burton, Swadlincote and Measham linking with Mercia Park: <https://merciapark.co.uk/>

Derbyshire County Council is supporting bus services providing vital links to employment sites:

- Airway 9 - Burton, Swadlincote, Melbourne and Ashby linking with East Midlands Airport and East Midlands Gateway: <https://slp-emg.com/>
- 401 Service – Burton, Hatton, Foston and Uttoxeter linking with Dove Valley Park: <https://www.clowes-dvp.co.uk/>

## **Shared Prosperity Fund**

South Derbyshire has been allocated £2,156,374 through the Shared Prosperity Fund over the period 2022/23-2024/25. £236,441 of expenditure was undertaken in 2022/23.

The Investment Plan for South Derbyshire has been approved by Government, and envisages a package of measures:

## *Communities and Place*

- Town centre public realm works are underway in Swadlincote. The Delph market square is undergoing refurbishment, including the installation of additional bollards to prevent unwanted vehicle access onto the square and the resurfacing of the main square and restoration of the Town Hall steps. The redevelopment of the vacant/derelict Bank House/Sabine's Yard site is also underway to create additional free public car parking and a pocket park on Belmont Street.
- Promotional and community activities, including visitor promotion, events and activities, and the appointment of an additional Community Safety Enforcement Officer dedicated to addressing environmental crime and anti-social behaviour issues in town centres.
- A community grant fund for third sector organisations, voluntary and community groups has been established to offer grants of between £2,000 and £25,000 (up to 80% of total project costs). Projects that could be supported include property improvements, energy efficiency and generation measures, green space enhancements, or arts, cultural, tourism and heritage initiatives.

## *Supporting Local Business*

- A grant scheme for smaller businesses has been established, open to sole traders, partnerships and limited companies with less than 50 employees. Grants of £1,000 - £50,000 (up to 80% of the total project costs) are available. Projects that could be supported include purchase of equipment, the introduction of new products/services or processes/techniques, starting or growing exports, and initiatives to increase productivity.
- The Derbyshire business start-up programme has been extended. This scheme is open to people who are starting their own business or have set up a business in the last 12 months. It offers expert advice, together with grants of up to £10,000.
- Proposals are being drawn up to deliver the following programmes:
  - A business support programme, including workshops, events, and specialist advice.
  - Energy audits and a carbon reduction grant scheme for smaller enterprises.

## *People and Skills*

- Proposals are being drawn up to deliver the following programmes:
  - Employability activities to support those furthest from the labour market.
  - Supporting aspirations amongst young people in order to raise social mobility.
  - Addressing skills gaps through training courses or learning bursaries.

## **Rural Economic Prosperity Fund**

South Derbyshire has been awarded £400,000 from the Rural Economic Prosperity Fund (REPF), which will operate alongside the Shared Prosperity Fund during two financial years, 2023/24 and 2024/25. The Fund will provide capital grants to organisations located in the Government's designated rural areas of South Derbyshire – these can be viewed at: <https://magic.defra.gov.uk/> (under Administrative Geographies/Other Administrative Boundaries - the REPF Status can be checked by clicking on the Identity button which is the 5th one along at the top).

Rural areas often face specific challenges including lower productivity rates, poorer connectivity and poorer access to key services.

The Rural Fund supports the aims of the Government's Levelling Up White Paper and Future Farming Programme. It funds capital projects for small businesses and community infrastructure. This aims to improve productivity and strengthen the rural economy and rural communities.

The Rural Fund is integrated into the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) which supports productivity and prosperity in places that need it most. The Rural Fund is a rural top-up to UKSPF allocations. It supports activities that specifically address the particular challenges rural areas face. It is complementary to funding used to support rural areas under the UKSPF.

Any organisation with legal status can apply for funding to deliver a Rural Fund intervention. This may include: local authorities; public sector organisations; higher and further education institutions; private sector companies; voluntary organisations; registered charities; and, arms-length bodies of Government.

The Rural Fund provides capital funding to spend on lasting assets such as a building or equipment that:

- support rural businesses to develop new products and facilities that will be of wider benefit to the local economy. This includes farm businesses looking to diversify income streams.
- support new and improved community infrastructure, providing essential community services and assets for local people and businesses to benefit the local economy.

#### Any action required of Partners i.e. attendance or promotion of an event.

To raise awareness of the initiatives highlighted above and make referrals, including:

- Green Entrepreneur Fund - grant fund for businesses interested in developing, investing and training in green energy and carbon reduction schemes:

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/business/green-entrepreneurs-fund/green-entrepreneurs-fund.aspx>

- Grant schemes for new start and existing smaller businesses, and community organisations are now operating in South Derbyshire funded by the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and Rural England Prosperity Fund – further information:

<https://www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/our-services/business-and-investment/uk-shared-prosperity-fund-grants-and-programmes>

<https://www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/our-services/business-and-investment/rural-england-prosperity-fund>

- Burton upon Trent Jobs Fair – 29 June 2023, Burton Town Hall

[https://twitter.com/JCPInStaffDerby/status/1666422351532113923?ref\\_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwamp%5Eembeddedtimeline%7Ctwterm%5Escreen-name%3ASDerbysBAS%7Ctwcon%5Es1](https://twitter.com/JCPInStaffDerby/status/1666422351532113923?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwamp%5Eembeddedtimeline%7Ctwterm%5Escreen-name%3ASDerbysBAS%7Ctwcon%5Es1)



## 1.0 Recommendations

1.1 To note the financial position of the Partnership.

## 2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 The District Council acts as accountable body for the South Derbyshire Partnership. This report provides an overview of the Partnership's current financial position.

## 3.0 Detail

3.1 In March 2023, Members approved a funding request from the Old Post Centre for £3,000 for the Community Based Work Club. The total cost of the Project is £8,000, with the balance of £5,000 coming from Derbyshire County Council.

### Aims

The Community Based Work Club shall provide additional support and guidance to local job seekers who are ready to re-enter the workforce in an accessible non-threatening venue, located in the heart of Newhall, which is one of the most deprived areas in South Derbyshire.

Support and help shall include confidence building, motivation, developing / increasing IT skills, CV writing, interview skills, improved letter writing and form completing skills, support setting up and using email accounts and Find a Job.

Delivery shall be via a combination of bookable one to one specialist sessions and drop-in sessions, supporting the most vulnerable people.

### Objectives and Timescales

- To reduce the amount of benefit claimants via increasing the amount of people re-entering the workplace, volunteering, and entering training opportunities.
- To improve mental and emotional well-being by providing a friendly, informal and unique service which endeavours to provide every individual with quality time and support, including on a one-to-one basis.
- Improve the quality of family life and financial stability by providing individuals with the confidence, skills, self-belief, and motivation along with tangible tools, such as a professionally written CV, covering letter and interview skills to look for and secure employment.
- Increased skills base in low / poorly educated adults – IT skills, ability to complete forms/write letters and the ability to communicate effectively and calmly.



- Offering specialist one to one, confidential help to those requiring a little extra support, privacy, and guidance.
- Work in partnership with other local service providers and county level employability services such as, DWP, ALICE, Citizens Advice Mid Mercia, National Careers Service, South Derbyshire CVS Volunteer Force Development Officer, and Financial Inclusion Group etc. to share ideas/best practice, keep abreast of rules and legislation and signpost clients to maximise support, ensuring all pockets of the community get the help required.
- Maximise funding to achieve targets.
- Work closely with Swadlincote JCP and South Derbyshire District Council Housing Officers to maximise referrals and ensure all job seekers are given the opportunity to attend.
- Delivery of 38 sessions between April and June 2023, and September 2023 and March 2024.
- To complete the project by the end of March 2024.

### 2023/24 Distribution of Funds

3.2 South Derbyshire District Council has provided £10,000 of funding to the Partnership for 2023/24.

2023/24	£
<b>Income</b>	
Balance from previous years	11,897.25
SDDC contribution for 2023/24	10,000.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>21,897.25</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	
• <b>Project Awards:</b>	
Space to Create (Arts Melbourne) – balance of funding awarded in 2022/23	2,028.75
Swadlincote Performing Arts (South Derbyshire CVS) – balance of funding awarded in 2022/23	2,500.00
Work Club (Old Post Regeneration Association) - match funding for £6,000 from Derbyshire County Council (Public Health Locality Funding).	3,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>7,528.75</b>
<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>14,368.50</b>

3.3 A number of the projects supported by the Partnership also attract match funding contributions from other public, private and voluntary/community sources, in particular Public Health Locality funding from Derbyshire County Council.

#### 4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 The Partnership currently has a positive balance of £14,368.50.

#### 5.0 Conclusions

5.1 The Partnership is able to directly and indirectly influence significant expenditure taking place in the District, through its own budget and the match funding this attracts and, in particular, through the involvement of the Theme Groups in allocating resources and influencing organisations' activities in the local area.

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