
REPORT TO: HOUSING & COMMUNITY SERVICES

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REPORT FROM: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

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SUBJECT: CRIME AND DISORDER PARTNERSHIP END OF YEAR REPORT

REF:

WARD(S) AFFECTED: ALL

TERMS OF REFERENCE: HCS07

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 Members accept the 2003/04 Crime and Disorder Partnership Year End Report and approve the 2004/5 Crime and Disorder Partnership Action Plan.

2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 To provide Members with the Crime and Disorder Partnerships 2003/4 Year End Report and gain their approval of the Action Plan of work for 2004/5.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 In April 2002 the South Derbyshire Crime and Disorder Partnership published its three year strategy for reducing crime and disorder in the District. The second year action plan of that Strategy has now been completed and the End of Year Report for that Plan has been approved by the Partnership's Strategic Group. The report is attached as Annexe No. 1.

- 3.2 The Partnership focuses its work in a number of areas which are viewed by both the partners and the community as being priorities for crime reduction. Consequently house burglary and auto crime were once again concentrated and these are also crimes that the Government have set targets for reduction by the Council itself.

- 3.3 The Partnership's work in these two areas achieved the following crime figures:

	<u>2002/3</u>	<u>2003/4</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
Burglary	396	372	-6%
Auto Crime	926	831	-10%

- 3.4 Crime figures in other areas of the Partnerships work include:

	2002/3	2003/4	CHANGE
Violent Crime	998	1013	+1.5%
Criminal Damage	1170	1156	-1%
All Crime	6081	5336	-12%

- 3.5 The Year End Report also includes a summary of the Community Against Drugs Initiative which has contributed greatly to the reduction in burglary.
- 3.6 In terms of Year 3 (2004/5) of the Crime and Disorder Strategy the Action Plan has been approved by the Strategic Group and is attached as Annexe No. 2.
- 3.7 The Plan is far more ambitious than the first year and the actions for Anti-Social Behaviour and Domestic Violence seek to place these issues at the Centre of the Partnerships work for 2004/5.
- 3.8 Particular issues that will be looked at include:-
- CCTV feasibility
 - Domestic Abuse Co-ordinator and Services
 - Neighbourhood Watch and Local Crime Reduction Group Support
 - Anti Social Behaviour Response Team
 - Youth Facilities
 - Neighbourhood Wardens
 - Liberation Day
 - School Safety Day
 - Youth Engagement Through Sport Project
- 3.9 These projects will give a balanced approach between short term crime reduction through prevention and deterrent measures and a longer term behavioural change process linked to facilities for young people and community engagement.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 The Crime and Disorder Partnerships annual budget has grown from £12,000 in 2001/2 to an estimated £550,000 for 2004/5. The Council's contribution has grown from £2,000 in 2001/2 to over £120,000 for this year.

5.0 Corporate Implications

- 5.1 The work of the Crime and Disorder Partnership is significantly contributing to the Council Comprehensive Performance Assessment as well as encouraging more joint working across Council departments which leads to a more efficient and effective delivery of services.

6.0 Community Implications

- 6.1 The work of the Partnership is having a positive impact on the lives of local people with less burglaries and car crime already resulting from focussed work.
- 6.2 In some communities local people are being engaged in the Partnership's work and this will become a focus for future work in 2004/5.

7.0 Conclusions

7.1 The work of the Crime and Disorder Partnership has already started to contribute to making South Derbyshire a safer place to live, work, play and visit and the combined funding of the partners will ensure that this contribution is increasingly effective.

8.0 Background Papers

8.1 Crime and Disorder Files CD1 – 16.

