



### **Greater Fishponds Neighbourhood Partnership**

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Report of:

**Title:** Community Safety Officer Delivery Agreement

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#### Recommendation

(1) That the NC notes the progress and updates on the neighbourhood community safety priorities

(2) That the NC notes the progress and updates on the full CSO work plan contained as Appendix 1

## Report

## **Priority 1: Reducing Burglary**

#### Actions and achievements

- Burglary has reduced across the Partnership area by 11% in the first two quarters of 2012-2013 when compared with the same period last year.
- Safer Bristol has supported the local neighbourhood policing teams in providing awareness events and promoting the use of Immobilise to members of the public and partners.
- 3 targeted walkabouts have been carried out in burglary hotspot areas to identify work to reduce the vulnerability of local homes.

Clearing overgrown shrub areas in Eastville in response to burglary.





Before After

This was direct action following the targeted walkabouts to clear overgrown shrubs to the rear of homes in Gloucester Street that have been identified as seriously vulnerable to burglary. This work removed hiding places and vastly improved the look of the planted areas. This work was carried out with the extensive support of the Area Environment Officer and the Community Payback Team (Probation Service).

We are also working with BCC Housing to improve the security of Farringford House at this same location.

- 4 No Cold Calling zones have been set up in Hillfields to increase resident resilience to door step crime.
- A pre-Christmas campaign is being planned to target homes across the area that may fall prey to domestic burglary and vehicle crime during the Christmas period. Distribution of literature, speaking with residents at busy shopping areas and engaging with local schools are all part of this campaign.

Partnership working and funding secured for Neighbourhood Priority 1

- £150 paid by Neighbourhood Engagement for shrub clearance
- £50 paid by NDT for shrub clearance
- Working with police to target patrols and provide advice
- Further support from Neighbourhood Engagement Team and BCC Housing

## **Priority 2: Reducing the Impact of Street Sex Work**

Actions and achievements

- Secured the support of BCC Public Lighting to improve the quality of lighting at Bay Gardens to deter street sex work
- Worked with Police Vice team to organise and run drop-in reporting/support sessions in East Park using Police community vehicle
- Supported the Neighbourhood Forum by organising a visit by Magistrates to answer questions about how they decide upon sentencing relating to street sex work
- Distributed crime reporting information to all houses on the East Park estate and all homes adjacent to the M32
- Worked with Police, BCC Highways and NDT to agree the dismantling of damaged fencing under the M32 and replace with new fencing (See plan as Appendix 2). The new fencing will be repositioned closer to the River Frome to eliminate the current opportunities for street sex workers and other criminal and anti-social. This work also involved extensive consultation and engagement with local residents and community groups (details later in report).



Fencing by M32 planned to be replaced by end of February 2013

Partnership working and funding secured (if applicable) for neighbourhood priorities

- Provision of new lantern and lighting repairs by BCC Public Lighting
- Funding to replace fencing and new tarmac service under the M32 with support from Safer Bristol, NDT and BCC Highways
- Support from Police to engage residents
- Targeted police patrolling in Bay Gardens and Fountaine Court

## **Priority 3: Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)**

Actions and achievements

- Recorded ASB: In the first two quarters of 2012 2013 there have been 1125 incidents of reported ASB this represents a fall of more than 22% compared with the same period last year and 321 less victims.
- Work in to increase community cohesion Ledbury road. Jubilee fun day arranged by residents as a result of this work.
- Partnership work has been ongoing in the area to improve youth provision this has included a football-coaching project delivered in partnership with Bristol city council youth services and 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance. The PACT project involved Bristol Rovers coaches delivering football sessions to different young people from Kingsway Youth Project, Hillfields Youth Centre and Meadowvale estate. Each centre received 12 weeks of coaching, engaging over 70 young people. The project has gone on to train young people to become coaches and the next step is seeing them delivery football coaching in the community. A full report on the project will be available for the Annual report.
- Reduction of ASB across the partnership area of 27% comparing Quarter 1(April- June) 2012-13 to the same period for 2011-12.
- Two lane closing schemes are being developed in the Partnership area to address ASB and fear of crime.



Unofficial lane in Pound Drive subject to planned closure. This area experiences frequent and serious ASB • Co-ordinated response to secure three garages in Freeland Buildings used for street sex work and rough sleeping. Work still needs to be done to improve their appearance but no further reports of trespassing.

Partnership working and funding secured for neighbourhood priorities

- Avon Fire and Rescue delivered over 20 home fire safety checks as part of the Ledbury Road project.
- Working with 2nd chance to bring support to deliver the PACT project
- The Police have been significant partners in the efforts to tackle ASB across the area
- Residents and Local Councillor have played a leading role in progressing a gating scheme in Symington Road

#### **Priority 4: Tackling Vehicle Crime**

Actions and achievements

- Supported the Police to provide crime reduction information in high crime areas
- Have supported victims of crime at Neighbourhood Forums or in response to direct contact
- Christmas tackling crime campaign is planned for November and December to raise awareness of seasonal risks. Information will be distributed to local homes, visits to schools and community groups will be made and we shall also attend local shopping areas to provide crime reduction information.

Priority 5: Actively engage residents across the whole Greater Fishponds area to address fear of crime and increase community confidence



#### **Barton fields Diamond Jubilee Fun Day (Safer Bristol stocks)**

#### Actions and achievements

- Safer Bristol officers have attended all Neighbourhood forum meetings and supported community events including the Diamond Jubilee event at Barton fields (Pictured above) promoting reporting and providing information on council and police services to tackle community based issues
- Problem solving training (using IDPARTNERS) offered and delivered to residents and officers across the partnership area. The training is to encourage all participants to take an active role in leading on problem solving in their community.
- Community safety officers have responded to both community and councillor request for information to bring about quick resolving of issues and signposted when appropriate to the correct police or council department ensuring that feedback is given
- Supported community clean ups across the Partnership area (including the provision of high visibility jackets and litter pickers to residents and partners agencies)

 Increasing the Positive – Tackling Street Sex Work, Crime and ASB beneath the M32: Extensive consultation and engagement work has been carried out in the residential area adjacent to the M32. This is in relation to developing more positive use of the newly created space below the M32 following the installation of the new fencing.

More than 10% of the local homes were visited to discuss concerns and ideas about the space beneath the M32 and 600 homes and business received information about the planned fencing and an invitation to become involved in this project.

In excess of 40 people attended 2 information events at the M32 Café where information about planned work was again distributed and residents submitted their ideas about possible positive activities under the M32. A headline report is attached as Appendix 3

Partnership working and funding secured for neighbourhood priorities

- Support of the owners of the M32 Café for Information events
- Support of local residents for the ideas regarding the M32
- Support of Police at community events and local engagement activities
- Support from BCC Highways at M32 events
- Support from Safer Bristol for funds M32 consultation/information events

## **Appendices:**

- 1. Up-dated Delivery Agreement
- 2. Plans for new fencing under M32
- 3. M32 Community Engagement Report



# Community Safety Officer Delivery Agreement 2012 - 2013

## Greater Fishponds

## Safer Bristol Community Safety Officer

- Safer Bristol will work with the Neighbourhood Partnership to develop its Action Plan around community safety priorities (crime/disorder, drugs and alcohol harm and anti social behaviour) and deliver a programme of work in 2012/2013 to address the community safety issues identified through the Action Plan.
- Safer Bristol will report back on this Agreement at a NP meeting once a year, the date to be agreed by the NP.
- The Community Safety Officer acts as a single point of contact to wider Safer Bristol services and support for the Neighbourhood Partnership. The CSO will work within the NP area to gather local priorities to help inform the production of the Neighbourhood Profile within Safer Bristol's annual Crime & Disorder Strategic Assessment.
- The CSO acts as the problem-solving advisor to the NP, using the ID PARTNERS problem-solving process. The development of Problems Solving Plans (PSP's) feature in this document. The CSO will provide briefings on the Problem Solving Process on request.
- The CSO will support the delivery of Neighbourhood Forums and the forum process, tackling crime and community safety issues raised when appropriate.
- The CSO will work with communities and partners to resolve community issues around Crime and Community Safety as
  identified through NP groups, other local groups and residents.

#### Community Safety Priorities for the area:

The Safer Bristol Strategic Assessment provides recommendations for crime and disorder issues that need to be tackled by the Neighbourhood Delivery Teams (NDT) across Bristol. The recommendations for the Greater Fishponds area are:

- To reduce property crime: namely burglaries and vehicle crime.
- To reduce incidents of anti-social behaviour; with a key focus to reduce the impact of street sex work but also addressing the harm caused by other forms of behaviour that cause distress to people living and working in the Greater fishponds area.

We are also keen to encourage the active involvement of as many residents as possible in making Greater Fishponds safer, as they know the needs of their own neighbourhoods and this will help ensure that the issues we are working to address are those that matter most to local people.

The most common Neighbourhood Forum issues across the NP area are: Street Sex Work, traffic, parking, litter and fly-tipping.

Greater Fishponds Neighbourhood Partnership's Action Plan highlights a number of actions around community safety and crime prevention and features many of the perennial problems in the area for residents. Priority themes that complement the NDT action plan include burglary reduction, tackling the problems associated with street sex work and the reduction of ASB.

## Greater Fishponds Neighbourhood Partnership Community Safety Officer Delivery Agreement

	Priority Issue	Proposed Action	Lead Agency	Timescale	Measuring and Monitoring	Up-date
1	Reducing Burglary  Domestic: House Burglaries  Non-domestic: garage and shed break-ins  NDT: Burglary Priority Areas  A burglary scoping report of priority areas has been produced to support targeted work of the NDT and these areas will be a key focus in 2012/2013.	Actively participate in crime reduction campaigns especially summer and Christmas (or at times of significant crime increases)  Continue commitment to tackling problems associated with 'Cold Calling' and distraction burglaries  Lead and support on the development of problem solving plans (PSP's) to tackle burglaries  Support physical security improvement projects when appropriate and resources allow (linked with PSP's)	Police Safer Bristol	Throughout the year  Seasonal campaigns  At times of increased crime	Number of campaigns  Burglary recorded crime data  Numbers of 'No Cold Calling' campaigns and zones  Numbers of practical problem solving projects delivered and subsequent outcomes  Community Confidence Surveys	4 No Cold Calling zones set up in Hillfields.  Burglary has reduced by 11% in the first two quarters of 2012-2013 when compared with the same period last year.  3 targeted walkabout in historic hotspot locations. Action to be taken to address identified issues.  Extensive shrub clearance to the rear of properties on Gloucester Street to reduce burglary risk  Christmas anti-crime campaign planned

2	Reducing the Impact of	Meet with local people	Safer Bristol	Throughout the	Details of Police	Secured the support
	Street Sex Work	regularly to gauge the		year	Enforcement	of BCC Public
		impact of street sex	Police		Actions where	Lighting to repair 3
		work, feedback actions			possible	street lamps and
		and report results	Waste		'	install a new lantern
			Management		Police Crime data	at Bay Gardens to
		Promote and deliver	Services		relating to street	deter street sex work
		targeted walkabouts in			sex work	
		areas most affected by				Drop-in sessions
		street sex work			Numbers of	held in East Park
		Engura la cal magnia			practical projects	using Police vehicle
		Ensure local people			(and subsequent	parked in street to
		know how, and are			outcomes)	enable reporting and
		confident to report street sex work and			·	provision of support
		associated problems			Numbers of	
		associated problems			walkabouts	Arranged for
		Ensure all residents				Magistrates to attend
		are happy with			Details of	Neighbourhood
		responses to reports			campaigns and	Forum to answer
		and that they receive			other	residents questions
		feedback.			engagement	about sentencing
					activities to	relating to street sex
		Monitor the effective			promote incident	work
		removal of sex litter			reporting	
		and negotiate				Worked with Police,
		improvement to service			Performance	BCC Highways and
		levels			details relating to	NDT to agree the
		Provide local			effectiveness of	dismantling of
		intelligence to support			sex litter removal	damaged fencing
		the Police and other			(statistics and	under the M32 and
		partners to deliver			resident	replace with new
		enforcement action			satisfaction)	fencing to reduce
						opportunities for
					Numbers of	street sex work and
					newsletters and	other crime and ASB
					similar forms of	
					communication	

		Lead or support the development and delivery of targeted PSP's to tackle street sex work.				Distributed crime reporting information to all houses on the East Park estate and all homes adjacent to the M32
3	Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)	Actively support residents to report incidents of ASB through targeted campaigns, attending forum meetings and other community engagement activities.  Respond quickly, sensitively and effectively to concerns raised by local people relating to ASB  Ensure feedback is given regarding reports  Meet with local people regularly to gauge the impact of ASB and measure any improvements  Lead or support the development of targeted PSP's to tackle ASB	Safer Bristol ASB Officers Police Housing Providers	Throughout the year  At specific times when risk of ASB is highest e.g. school holidays, summer period, Halloween, bonfire night	ASB recorded data – measuring performance  Number of residents supported  Number of referrals made to partner agencies  Community confidence survey  Number of specific practical projects (and subsequent outcomes)	In the first two quarters of 2012 – 2013 there has been 1125 incidents of reported ASB; this represents a fall of more than 22% compared with the same period last year and 321 less victims.  Work to increase community cohesion in Ledbury road. Jubilee fun day arranged by residents as a result of this work.  PACT Football coaching delivered in the area from Hillfield's youth club, engaging disaffected young people

		Where ASB is related to drug dealing or street sex work, links will be made with Police, ASB and housing colleagues to ensure effective enforcement actions are taken				2 'Transformers' applications to support projects for young people have been received for the partnership area. 1 has so far been successful.  2 lane closure projects are being developed in the Partnership to tackle issues of crime and ASB.  3 garages have been secured at Freeland Buildings to prevent incidents of street sex work and rough sleeping
4	Tackling Vehicle Crime  Mainly theft of Motor Vehicle  NDT: Theft Of Motor Vehicle Priority Areas  A vehicle crime scoping report of priority areas has been produced to support targeted work of the NDT and these areas will be a key focus in 2012/2013.	Actively participate in crime reduction campaigns to prevent or reduce vehicle crime  Lead or support on the development of problem solving plans (PSP's) to tackle vehicle crime in high crime areas	Police Safer Bristol	Throughout the year  Targeted work at times of increased vehicle crime	Police crime statistics  Community Confidence Surveys  Numbers of practical projects (and the subsequent measurable outcomes)	Supported the Police to provide crime reduction information in higher crime areas  Have supported victims of crime at Neighbourhood Forums  Christmas tackling crime campaign is planned for November/December

5	Actively engage residents across the whole Greater Fishponds area to address fear of crime and increase community confidence	Attend Neighbourhood Forum meetings  Support residents to actively engage in making their own local neighbourhoods safer, enabling them to raise concerns and work alongside them to deliver practical projects  Ensure that all local community priorities are recognised by the NDT and Neighbourhood Partnership structures.  Lead or support practical projects to address crime or antisocial behaviour issues raised by local people.	Safer Bristol		Number of Forum meetings attended  Numbers of Community Confidence Surveys and their findings  Number of residents actively involved in neighbourhood work as a result of our engagement  Numbers of practical projects delivered (and their subsequent outcomes).	CSO's have attended all Neighbourhood Forum Meetings across the Partnership area.  Actively supported the Barton Fields Diamond Jubilee event  Provided problem solving training to residents and staff  CSO's have been a direct contact point for tackling crime and ASB issues across the partnership area  CSO's have supported community clean up events across the Partnership area.  Extensive engagement work has been carried out to increase safety and positive use in the space below the M32 – 600 local homes and businesses have
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