Safer Oxfordshire Partnership

Community Safety Agreement 2017/18



FOREWORD

Welcome to the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership Community Safety Agreement which is the business plan for supporting a safer Oxfordshire. It sets out how the authorities responsible for community safety - such as the police, county council (including the fire and rescue service, social care and public health), district/ city councils, Clinical Commissioning Group, National Probation Service, Community Rehabilitation Company, and the voluntary sector - will all work together to identify our shared priorities to prevent crime and disorder across Oxfordshire.

Our aim is to make Oxfordshire a safer place, especially those who are most vulnerable, and we do this by working together on those priority areas of activity that can be delivered most effectively through a collaborative approach. The partnership works very closely with the multi-agency district/ city Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) in Cherwell, Oxford, South and Vale, and West Oxfordshire, who develop community safety plans to prevent crime at the local level.

Given our work continues to focus on protecting those who may be vulnerable to becoming a victim of crime, it is important that we have strong engagement with other countywide partnerships, such as the safeguarding Boards, the Health & Wellbeing Board and the Children's Trust. Keeping our communities safer through safeguarding is everybody's business and lies at the heart of successful partnership working.

This plan outlines our priorities for supporting victims, tackling offending and working with the local community to prevent crime and anti-social behaviour to help them stay safe. This year our work continues to prioritise those who are vulnerable and may be exploited by others to commit crime, or are victims of crime themselves, especially in relation to abuse, financial exploitation, slavery and radicalisation.

The Police and Crime Commissioner remains a key partner in supporting our work to prevent crime, support victims of crime and reduce reoffending. We welcome the Commissioner's continued commitment to the Community Safety Fund to keep Oxfordshire safer. I look forward to working with you all safer over the coming year.

Councillor Kieron Mallon

Chairman of the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership

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INTRODUCTION

What is the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership?

This countywide partnership provides strategic direction for shared community safety priorities across Oxfordshire. It supports the coordination of community safety activity around shared priorities so that we can more effectively and efficiently reduce crime and anti-social behaviour across the county.

The Safer Oxfordshire Partnership consists of an elected member-led Oversight Committee which provides support and challenge to an officer-led Coordination Group on how we are delivering our shared priorities. The Coordination Group supports collaboration on community safety priorities that are shared across the four district-led Community Safety Partnerships (CSP) areas.

Organisations represented on Safer Oxfordshire include the county and district councils, health, police, the national probation Service, the community rehabilitation company, the prison service and the voluntary sector.

Principles of Working Together

A working protocol has been agreed across the multi-agency Boards/ Partnerships that are working to improve the health and wellbeing of Oxfordshire's residents and safeguard children, young people and adults with care and support needs who are vulnerable to abuse and neglect. Underpinning this protocol are the principles of thinking partnership working; understanding our own responsibilities and those of other partnerships; working together on themes of common interest; sharing information about risk; providing mutual challenge and support; sharing good practice and resources; and working with openness and honesty.

The protocol sets out how the different Boards and partnerships will interface with each other, including reporting; regular liaison and consultation; and escalating safeguarding concerns and can be found on the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership webpage.

Purpose of the Community Safety Agreement

The legislation states that an annual community safety agreement is required in two tier county areas. Such an agreement provides a brief summary of our achievements over the past year and sets out our joint priorities for the year ahead. It also sets out our principles for working together and provides information about how the partnership works.

OUR VISION

WORKING TOGETHER TO REDUCE CRIME AND CREATE A SAFER OXFORDSHIRE

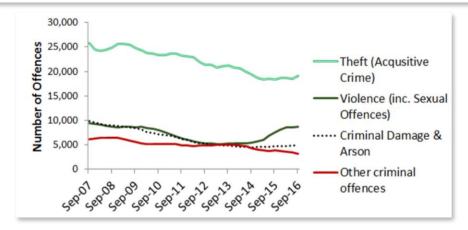
We will deliver this vision through the priorities identified in this plan that outlines our priorities for safeguarding vulnerable adults and children through supporting victims, tackling offending and working with the local community to keep themselves safe.

All of our activity will include consideration of inclusivity and access to Oxfordshire services by minority and vulnerable groups. Oxfordshire is a low crime area and we are committed to working together to ensure that crime levels remain low and we continue to improve the safety of our local community.

SOME OF OUR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016/17

PREVENTING RADICALISATION The partnership oversees the implementation of the Prevent duty through providing a forum for partners to coordinate activity at the county level. Prevent has been embedded into existing safeguarding processes and over 320 frontline staff (including schools) have received WRAP (Workshop to Raise the Awareness of Prevent) training. Oxford CSP coordinates progress on Prevent across all specified authorities, whilst all district CSPs monitor implementation of their local Prevent delivery plans.

REDUCE THE RISK OF ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION The strategic review of domestic abuse, which heard the voices of both adult and child victims, as well as perpetrators, has been completed and 9 recommendations are being implemented. Support has been provided for 217 high risk victims of domestic abuse and there are 1135 trained domestic abuse champions across Oxfordshire, with 104 being trained last year. Two Domestic Homicide Reviews have been undertaken in South & Vale. The CSE sub-group has funded activity to build resilience and reduce risky behaviours by young people who may be vulnerable to CSE. This has included outreach work to build resilience amongst at risk young people and providing confidential spaces for hard to reach boys/ young men to discuss challenging issues such as radicalisation, honour based violence, substance misuse and positive families.



*Long-term trends in recorded crime in Oxfordshire, broken down by crime category

EXAMPLES OF LOCAL CSP ACTIVITY....

Cherwell CSP

- CSE street intervention project engaged 470 young people at risk of CSE, especially young white males
- Over 6,800 young people engaged in diversionary/ engagement activities through youth activators

West Oxfordshire CSP

- Engage young people in peer group discussions on crime-related concerns
- Support Safe Places scheme so vulnerable people feel safe out and about

Oxford CSP

- Language School Action Plan to engage students in keeping themselves safe and prevent ASB, including Students Champion Scheme
- Developed and implemented Hotel Watch scheme to prevent CSE

South & Vale CSP

- Fund supported housing for ex-offenders
- 4 area based diversionary projects for young people
- Supported FGM summer campaign

ACTIVITY TO REDUCE REOFFENDING

Public Health support the Refresh Café initiative which provides work/ employment-based interventions, support and real work experience to drug and alcohol users with a history of offending.

The rate of reoffending for young people who work with the Youth Justice Service has continued to fall. This downward trend is testament to the work of the Youth Justice Partnership who promote effective partnership working with agencies that meet cross cutting agendas, such as risk management and victims.

OUR PRIORITIES FOR 2017-18

How the priorities are agreed

Each year we produce a Strategic Intelligence Assessment (SIA) for Oxfordshire. The assessment is a snapshot of crime and community safety. It describes future threats and opportunities and helps us to understand crime and disorder issues. The assessment uses data from Thames Valley Police, the Home Office and the Office for National Statistics. The SIA, together with the strategic objectives of the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), and the priorities of the district/ city Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Plans, provide the evidence base to agree our countywide priorities. The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has produced a new 5 year strategic plan 2017 – 22 which sets out the Commissioner's priorities.

Further Information: Evidence for Shared Priorities

Appendix 2: Safer Oxfordshire Strategic Intelligence Assessment 2017

Appendix 3: Police and Crime Commissioner Strategic Objectives

Appendix 4: District/ City Community Safety Partnership Plans and Priorities

Safer Oxfordshire Partnership priorities

Our priorities for 2017/18 are to:

- Support a strategic and operational response to exploitation
- Protect vulnerable people through reducing the risk of abuse and human exploitation
- Reduce anti-social behaviour
- Reduce the harm caused by alcohol and drugs misuse
- Reduce the level of re/offending, especially young people
- Reduce the risk of radicalisation and hate crime
- Support a countywide approach to tackling serious and organised crime
- Provide support and challenge to the Police and Crime Commissioner

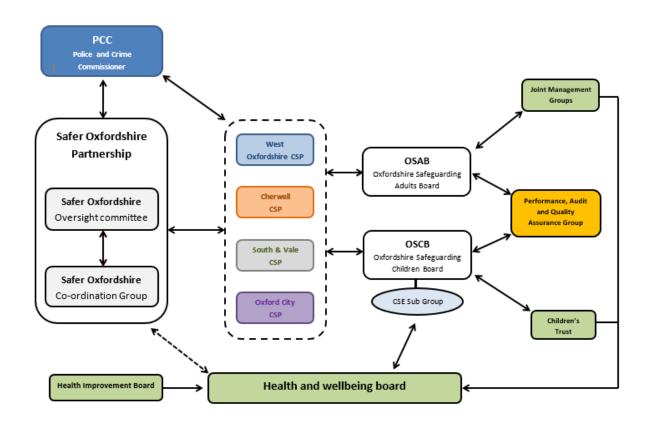
Outcomes have been agreed for each of these shared priorities as set out in Appendix 5. New priority areas of work will be added as necessary.

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

Safer Oxfordshire Partnership

Led by elected members and council officers, the Partnership provides a coordinated approach to responding to shared community safety priorities across the four district level CSPs. Representation on the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership includes the county council (children's social care, fire and rescue, public health), the district/ city councils (who chair the four CSPs), as well as the police, probation service, community rehabilitation company, prison service, Clinical Commissioning Group, and the voluntary sector.

Our broad membership ensures strong links between other strategic partnerships, such as the Oxfordshire Safeguarding Children Board, the Oxfordshire Safeguarding Adults Board and the Health and Wellbeing Board. A working protocol clarifies the relationships and information sharing between the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership, the CSPs and these other countywide boards.



Safer Oxfordshire Partnership: relationship framework

Dotted arrow = informal relationship. Solid arrow = formal relationship

The Safer Oxfordshire Partnership is an elected-member-led Oversight Committee and Coordination Group ensure there is a collaborative approach to tackling shared community safety priorities. The partnership also provides a single point of contact for the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. The role of the Oversight Committee is to provide support and challenge to the Coordination Group on cross-border community safety priorities.

The Coordination Group is responsible for ensuring that the community safety statutory requirements at the countywide level are being met which include: producing the Strategic Intelligence Assessment, managing the business planning process, supporting effective information sharing and coordinating reporting to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Appendix 5 lists the members of both the Oversight Committee and the Coordination Group.

Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service provides the secretariat function for the partnership. The secretariat also oversees the development of this annual community safety agreement, distribution of funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner and production of the SIA.

Safer Oxfordshire Partnership Website

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Appendix 1 PCC Community Safety Fund Reporting Template

Nominated Local Authority contact for CSF grant:	LPA Commander (or relevant county TVP lead) Name:
Signature:	Signature:
Date:	Date:
Local Authority Area:	Local Authority Area:

Funding Period:	
CSF Grant Allocation:	

Expenditure Title (the expenditure titles proposed in the spending plan must be used in the midand end-year returns):	Objectives (start of year spending plan) OR Progress/outcomes (mid- and end-year returns)	Cost to CSF 2017-18	% of 2017-18 CSF grant	If part-funded by CSF, other funding source(s) and amount(s)
e.g 1. Three IDVA posts based within xxx organisation; 2. ASB post based within community safety team; 3. Cybercrime awareness campaign		£X	X%	

The partnership signs the grant agreement in June and reports to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner at mid-year and end-year intervals.

Appendix 2 Safer Oxfordshire Partnership Strategic Intelligence Assessment (SIA) 2016/17 Executive Summary

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

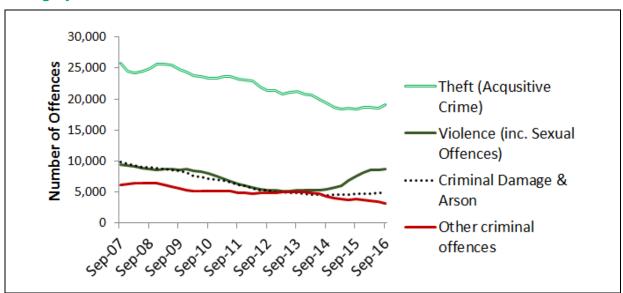
- In the 12 months to the end of September 2016, there was a total of **35,865** police recorded crimes in Oxfordshire.
- Long-term trends for Oxfordshire show a fall in the number of crimes by 30% in the nine years since 2007 and by 1% in the three years since 2013.
- However, the number of crimes rose between 2015 and 2016 from 34,516 to 35,856, an increase of 1,340 or 3.9%. Over the same period, crime in England and Wales increased by 8.8%. The increase in the number of Violence and Sexual Offences is likely to be due, at least in part, to improved compliance by police forces with national recording standards (NCRS). Numbers of crimes in these crime groups have also increased nationally.
- In most cases, Oxfordshire's crime rates per 1,000 people in the population remained below the national average in the 12 months to the end of September 2016.
- Across the county's five districts, Oxford City had the highest rates of most crime types.
- Comparing each district with its set of "most similar areas" shows that the overall crime rate was above average in Cherwell, similar to average in Oxford and South Oxfordshire and below average in Vale of White Horse, and West Oxfordshire.
- Other community safety and crime data shows that:
 - Anti-social behaviour: Police data show that there were 9,177 incidents in the 2016 calendar year, an increase of 1.3% compared with 2015.
 - Domestic abuse: There were 3,146 recorded crimes in the 2016 calendar year, an increase of 0.8% compared with 2015. There were 33,463 non crime occurrences,¹ an increase of 7.2% compared with 2015
 - Exploitation: There is continued focus on issues of child and adult exploitation, including, in particular, child sexual exploitation and modern slavery. In 2016, Thames Valley Police recorded a total of 169 victims of Child Sexual Exploitation in Oxfordshire, a slight increase from 2015 (163).
 - o Hate incidents: Between 2015 and 2016, in Oxfordshire there was:

¹ Non crime occurrences are incidents which have come to the attention of the police, and would normally amount to a notifiable crime, but a resultant crime has not been recorded.

An **increase** in the number of recorded hate <u>incidents</u> (which were non-crime occurrences) from 296 in 2015 to 470 in 2016 (+59%). This was above the increase across Thames Valley of +55%.

- Doorstep crime: Oxfordshire County Council's Trading Standards team recorded a total of 390 doorstep crime incidents in 2015/16, a slight increase (+3%) from the previous year.
- Mental health detentions: In 2016 there were 312 detentions under Section 136 of the Mental Health Act, up from 274 in 2015 (+14%).
- Re-offending: the adult re-offending rate in Oxfordshire in 2014 was 24.6%. This was the same as the national rate and the same as the level in Oxfordshire in 2013. Juvenile re-offending rates fell from 31.2% in 2013 to 29.5% in 2014.
- Road traffic accidents: 361 people were reported to the police as killed and seriously injured on Oxfordshire's roads in 2015. This was a 4% reduction on the number killed or seriously injured in 2014 (378).

Figure 1: Long-term trends in recorded crime in Oxfordshire, broken down by crime category*



Source: ONS Police Recorded Crime Statistics (January 2017 data release); *for a list of crimes included in each category see table 2 in the full SIA.

The full Strategic Intelligence Assessment can be found on Oxfordshire Insight: http://insight.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/community-safety-0

Appendix 3 Police and Crime Commissioner Strategic Objectives

The role of the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) includes working with the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership to achieve the shared objectives of tackling crime, the causes of crime, and supporting victims and offenders. The PCC has ring-fenced a portion of his budget for community safety activity and gives this funding to the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership for allocation to various different projects and partnerships to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour across the county.

The Safer Oxfordshire Partnership coordinates bi-annual reporting to the Commissioner to account for this funding and ensures that it supports delivery of the PCCs strategic objectives, which are outlined below.

Police and Crime Commissioner Strategic objectives

Strategic Objective 1	Vulnerability: Managing demand on services through working together
Strategic Objective 2	Prevention and Early Intervention: Improving safeguarding in physical and virtual space
Strategic Objective 3	Reducing Re-offending: Targeting and managing harm and risk
Strategic Objective 4	Serious Organised Crime and Terrorism: Improving the local response
Strategic Objective 5	Police Ethics and Reform: Increasing the pace of change

For full details of the Police and Crime Plan visit www.thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk

Appendix 4 City and District Community Safety Partnership Plans and Priorities

Each district level Community Safety Partnership (CSP) is responsible for publishing its own community safety plan. Each plan outlines how the CSP will engage with local communities to reduce crime and the fear of crime and their priorities for the year ahead. These plans are available on the websites below.

	Website Link
Cherwell Community Safety Partnership	www.cherwell.gov.uk
Oxford Community Safety Partnership	www.saferoxford.org.uk
South and Vale Community Safety Partnership	www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk
oddir and vale community carety i arthership	www.southoxon.gov.uk
West Oxfordshire Community Safety Partnership	www.westoxon.gov.uk

Appendix 5 Delivering the Priorities 2017/18

The agreed outcomes for each joint priority are set out in the table below. The delivery plan will be updated as part of the 6 monthly reporting process to the PCC.

PCC Strategic Objective	Joint Priority	Lead Agency	Outcome
1. Vulnerability: Managing demand on services through working together	Support a strategic and operational response to exploitation	TVP and Safer Oxfordshire Partnership	Development of an overarching strategy supporting vulnerable groups open to all forms of exploitation (alongside OSCB and OSAB)
2. Prevention and Early Intervention: Improving safeguarding in physical and virtual space	Protect vulnerable people through reducing the risk of abuse and human exploitation	Oxfordshire Domestic Abuse Advisory Group	The following recommendations from the Strategic Review of domestic abuse in Oxfordshire which completed in October 2016 will be implemented throughout 2017-18 using a strong partnership approach and involving victims, their families as well as key agencies. 1. Endorse and implement a pathway of domestic abuse services based on the identified needs set out in the strategic review 2. Implement the proposed new governance structure for domestic abuse 3. Set up task & finish groups to consider (i) how to address "hidden" domestic abuse, (ii) improve prevention work, including work in schools and GP Practices (iii) multi-agency approaches and possible improvements to data capture in relation to domestic abuse including environmental scanning across the Thames Valley, (iv) the viability and effectiveness of a range of perpetrator interventions 4. Adopt a co-commissioning approach that identifies resources, agrees a range of outcomes and measures success and implementation. 5. Service user voice to be included in all service development and commissioning work considering the approaches highlighted in this Review and ensuring user voice reporting to both the domestic abuse operational group and to the domestic abuse strategic group. 6. Strengthen connections both strategically and operationally between domestic abuse and sexual violence delivery. 7. Training strategy for domestic abuse to be developed and co-funded to deliver multi-agency training 8. Recommend that the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership develops a 5-year strategic plan for domestic abuse considering the funding for the sustainability of service provision and the longer term outcomes for victims across Oxfordshire. 9. Develop and implement an information strategy to ensure that appropriate and accessible information is accessible both to those affected and those responsible for responding to domestic abuse

PCC Strategic Objective	Joint Priority	Lead Agency	Outcome
		Oxfordshire Safeguarding Children	Leadership and Governance – escalation of safeguarding issues to the OSCB
		Board – Executive group and CSE Sub group	Risk assessment of capacity issues across children's services in light of budget reductions, increased activity and the potential impact of this on safeguarding children.
			Practice improvement particularly in relation to protecting older children from harm and criminal exploitation, addressing neglect and ensuring the front door to children's services is safe and coordinated well.
		CSPs	Locally determined – see district level CSP plans
		Safer Oxfordshire Partnership	Support the Safeguarding Boards to develop guidance on identifying and responding to modern slavery and exploitation and take action to improve understanding of these issues amongst front-line practitioners.
			Oxfordshire Modern Slavery partnership established
			Framework in place for identifying and tackling instances of modern slavery and exploitation in place and operational
		Safer Oxfordshire Partnership/ CSPs	Support development of a Thames Valley-wide approach to tackling cybercrime
	Reduce violence	Oxfordshire Domestic Abuse Advisory Group	In addition to supporting the strategic lead for domestic abuse in taking forward recommendations from the strategic review of domestic abuse, the Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Co-ordinator will work to further implement the national VAWG strategy across Oxfordshire. This work includes promoting awareness and appropriate responses both from professionals and in the community to a range of violent offences. The areas covered by this work include FGM, forced marriage, Honour based violence, domestic abuse and sexual violence. The VAWG Co-ordinator will deliver a range of training for key professionals as well as engaging with community based groups. A further piece of work is to support the delivery of a Thames Valley Learning Disability and domestic abuse conference due to take place in the autumn of 2017
	Reduce anti- social behaviour	CSPs	Locally determined – see district level CSP plans
3. Reducing Re- offending:	Reduce the harm caused by alcohol and drugs	Public Health	Review progress on implementing action plans for each working group of the Oxfordshire Alcohol and Drugs Partnership and produce an annual report for 2016-17
Targeting and managing harm and risk	misuse		Set out priority actions for 2017-18 and work with partners on the following topics: • Alcohol harm reduction – especially developing training to front line staff in a range of settings so they can offer brief advice and referral to people who are drinking at

PCC Strategic Objective	Joint Priority	Lead Agency	Outcome
			harmful and hazardous levels.
			 Children and Young People – including establishing clear and effective prevention and early help initiatives within newly designed services for children and families.
			People with complex needs (e.g. substance misuse, mental illness, ex-offenders) - including completing the work to ensure good systems for Drugs Rehabilitation Orders and Alcohol Treatment Requirements.
	Reduce the	Youth	Support delivery of Youth Justice Strategy 2017/18
	level of re/offending, especially young people	Justice Service	 Reduction in number of FTEs entering the YJS Reduce numbers of young people reoffending. Continue low custodial rate Deliver on reducing criminalisation of children in the care system Target Restorative Justice and Risky behaviour work for children on the edge of care and criminality.
		National Probation Service (NPS)	Connecting up activity to support victims and offenders across Oxfordshire to reduce reoffending through working in partnership to: • reduce the likelihood of more people becoming a victim of crime • prevent ASB and other behaviours which can lead to offending
		CSPs	Locally determined – see district level CSP plans
4. Serious Organised Crime and Terrorism: Improving the local response	Reduce the risk of radicalisation and hate crime	CSPs and Safer Oxfordshire Partnership	Participate in the Home Office Peer Review of Prevent and respond to its recommendations Oversee the delivery of Prevent at the county level, and effectively manage any changes in requirements to the operation of the Channel Panel. Provide support and challenge for the district level Prevent delivery plans, as necessary. Raise awareness of the Thames Valley Hate Crime Service
-	Support a countywide approach to tackling serious and organised crime	Safer Oxfordshire Partnership	See exploitation project under strategic priority 1
5. Police Ethics and Reform: Increasing the pace of change	Provide support and challenge to the Police and Crime Commission er	Safer Oxfordshire Partnership and CSPs	Representation on Thames Valley Police and Crime Panel

Note: In addition to the collaborative priorities above, the district CSPs are responsible for delivering local priorities which include theft, burglary, robbery, rural crime (as appropriate), as well as supporting local multi-agency operations to tackle serious organised crime, managing CCTV and other crime prevention measures.

Appendix 6 Safer Oxfordshire Partnership Membership

Members include representatives of organisations with a statutory responsibility for community safety, and groups key to shaping and delivering the community safety agenda.

Safer Oxfordshire Partnership Oversight Committee:

Cherwell District Council

Community Rehabilitation Company - Thames Valley North

National Probation Service

Oxford City Council

Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group

Oxfordshire County Council: Adult Social Care

Children, Education & Families

Fire and Rescue/Trading Standards

Public Health

South Oxfordshire District Council

Thames Valley Police

Vale of White Horse District Council Voluntary Sector – Reducing the Risk

West Oxfordshire District Council

Safer Oxfordshire Partnership Coordination Group

Cherwell District Council

Community Rehabilitation Company - Thames Valley North

National Probation Service

HMP Bullingdon
Oxford City Council

Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group

Oxfordshire County Council: Adult Social Care

Early Intervention Service

Fire and Rescue/Trading Standards

Public Health

Safeguarding Boards Youth Justice Service

South and Vale District Council

Thames Valley Police

Voluntary Sector – Safe! and Victim Support

West Oxfordshire District Council

Appendix 7 Resourcing

The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) has indicated that his Community Safety Fund for partnerships will be reduced by 10% for 2017-18. This 10% top slicing of grant funding will be used by the PCC to commission Thames Valley-wide activity to deliver against his strategic priorities. This 10% reduction for Oxfordshire means that last year's funding of £778,813 will be reduced to £700,932 and allocated as set out in the table below.

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
	£	£	£	£
Public Health	181,127*	65,127	57,127	50,656
Youth Offending / Early Intervention Service	257,866	257,866	249,866	226,913
Community Safety Partnerships	350,323	350,323	350,323	319,899
- Cherwell (18.3%)	64,180	64,180	64,180	<i>58.54</i> 2
- Oxford (34.6%)	121,063	121,063	121,063	110,685
- South and Vale (33.4%)	117,111	117,111	117,111	106,846
- West Oxfordshire (13.7%)	47,969	47,969	47,969	43,826
Domestic Abuse (DA) and exploitation	n/a	111,000*	119,133*	94,374
Violence Against Women and Girls Coordinator (VAWG) – including, in previous years, DA Coordinator post support for high risk victims of domestic abuse, DA Champions training etc)*				
Strategic Intelligence Assessment (SIA)	n/a	2,364	2,364	2,081
TOTAL	789,316	786,680	778,813	693,923

^{*} Requests for funding for CSE and FGM previously came out of £15k allocated to the domestic abuse funding pot

^{**} Any future requests should be made direct to the district level CSPs through their local bidding processes.

APPENDIX 8 PREVENTING RADICALISATION

Memo of Understanding: Summary

The Safer Oxfordshire Partnership oversees delivery of Prevent at the county level, including managing any changes in requirements to the operation of the Channel Panel. It also provides support and challenge for the district level Prevent delivery plans, as necessary.

PREVENT Memo of Understanding (MoU) sets out an agreement between the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership (SOP), Cherwell Community Safety Partnership (CSP), Oxford City CSP, South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse CSP, and West Oxfordshire CSP. It is intended to provide a framework to guide future working practices on PREVENT between these partnerships and to ensure that roles and responsibilities are clearly translated into practical working arrangements. The aim is to promote the establishment of close working relationships and agreed protocols between the partnerships to ensure the effective delivery of the Home Office statutory requirements in relation to the PREVENT duty as part of the Government's Strategy to counter extremism.

The PREVENT MoU sets out how Safer Oxfordshire and the City/ District CSPs will agree to work together in partnership to meet our shared objective of a consistent and co-ordinated approach to the delivery of the PREVENT duty across the county. Central to this approach is the development, implementation and regular review of local PREVENT delivery plans that are owned and managed by the City/ District level CSPs and scrutinised by the Safeguarding Boards. PREVENT is a safeguarding issue and operates in a non-criminal space.

This district-level approach requires the City/ District CSPs to support a consistent approach in the development and delivery of their local PREVENT plans so that there is clarity at the Oxfordshire level. Therefore, CSPs will agree with the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership the areas of activity that will need to be co-ordinated at the county level, including the Channel Panel which is overseen by Oxfordshire County Council.

Specifically, the MoU agreement embodies the following aims:

- To identify the specific roles in relation to the PREVENT duty for Safer Oxfordshire and City/ District CSPs
- To establish clear and effective governance arrangements, especially in relation to the management of risk
- To share relevant information as necessary
- To maintain effective communication between partnerships

The PREVENT MoU can be found on the Safer Oxfordshire Partnership webpage.

Appendix 9 Related Plans

A Thriving Oxfordshire: Oxfordshire County Council Corporate Plan 2016 to 2020

Local Criminal Justice Board, Thames Valley Reducing Reoffending Delivery Plan 2016-17

Oxfordshire Alcohol and Drugs Partnership Strategy 2015-2018

Oxfordshire Children and Young People's Plan 2015-18, Refresh 2017-8

Oxfordshire Strategic Review of Domestic Abuse September 2016

Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Community Risk Management Plan 2017 - 2022

Oxfordshire Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2015-19

Oxfordshire Local Transport Plan 2011-30

Oxfordshire Safeguarding Children Board - Tackling Child Sexual Exploitation Professionals' Handbook 2016

Oxfordshire Safeguarding Children Board (OSCB) Strategy to prevent Female Genital Mutilation 2014-2017

Oxfordshire Youth Offending Team Strategic Plan 2014-2016

Thames Valley Police Delivery Plan 2017-18

Thames Valley Police and Crime Plan 2017 to 2021

Trading Standards Service Strategic Plan 2013-14 to 2017-18