

CRIME AND DISORDER
REDUCTION IN THE
MALDON DISTRICT

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Strategic Assessment 2009 - 2010





Executive Summary

The Strategic Assessment (SA) is the result of a comprehensive analysis of crime and disorder and community safety data within the Maldon District. This data has been collated following consultation with the public, organisations and agencies representing our communities.

The subsequent Annual Partnership Plan (APP) is based upon the priorities identified through the Strategic Assessment which will drive forward our actions to reduce crime and disorder.

The Strategic Assessment and Annual Partnership Plan will help the Maldon District Community Safety Partnership (MDCSP) and partner agencies achieve their objectives.

The actions will be regularly reviewed using robust data whereby the existing and latest objectives will be updated and any new initiatives will be added annually to the Partnership Plan.

The following priorities have been identified through the Strategic Assessment.

- 1) Manage perception of local crime levels, alleviating concerns to ensure people feel safe.
- 2) Meeting community needs by increased Partnership engagement.
- 3) Protect and safeguard young people in the community and foster mutual respect with the other groups, particularly the elderly.
- 4) To reduce the harm caused by alcohol through enforcement, awareness and treatment.
- 5) To reduce the harm caused by drugs through enforcement, awareness and treatment.
- 6) To reduce the most serious violence, including tackling sexual offences and domestic violence.
- 7) To reduce anti-social behaviour in the community.
- 8) To reduce reported crime by 5% during 2009/10.

These priorities have been identified to incorporate the needs of our locality, taking into account the rural aspect of our community and the hard to reach groups. The MDCSP is a high performing partnership resulting in a low crime in the Maldon District. The priorities identified will strive to maintain and improve our performance in addition to enhancing community engagement and reducing the fear of crime.



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To reduce reported crime by 5% during 2008/09

Homicide and wounding

Serious sexual offences

Other violent offences

Assaults

Public order and harassment

Serious acquisitive crime

Robbery

Dwelling burglary

Theft of a motor vehicle (Tomv)

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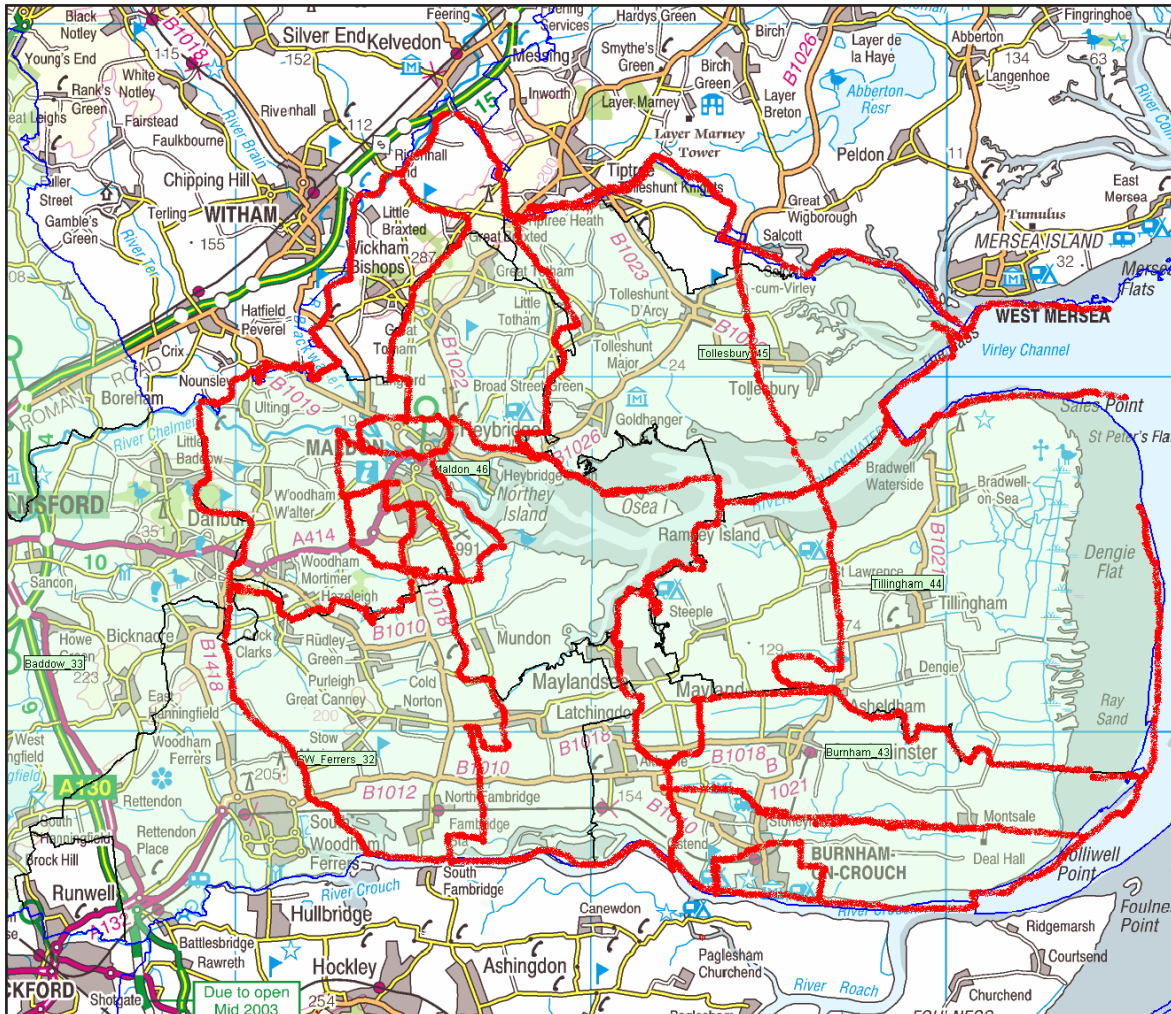
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Aim of Strategic Assessment

The aim of this Strategic Assessment is to identify and explore the current and future gaps in the risks that impact upon the Maldon District and the communities it serves linked to crime and anti-social behaviour that adversely affects the communities and environment.

The Strategic Assessment will ultimately enable the MDCSP and its Partner agencies to deliver various initiatives for enforcement, intervention, education, prevention and public reassurance.

A significant part of this Strategic Assessment is the development of a comprehensive analysis of community safety related issues and how these link to our partner agencies most recent crime data, performance and their service plans. This will provide an enhanced, comprehensive and holistic partnership-focussed approach to tackling crime, reassurance, anti-social behaviour, substance misuse and behaviour which affects the MDCPSP environment and communities. This will enable the MDCSP to review the effectiveness of current priorities, strategies and action plans and aims to provide a detailed focus and direction throughout the time frame of this document.

The information in Maldon District Strategic Assessment will also inform a county-wide picture of current crime analysis and support Essex in setting priorities for the next year.



Mission Statement

This Strategic Assessment and Annual Partnership Plan has been developed with the following mission in mind:

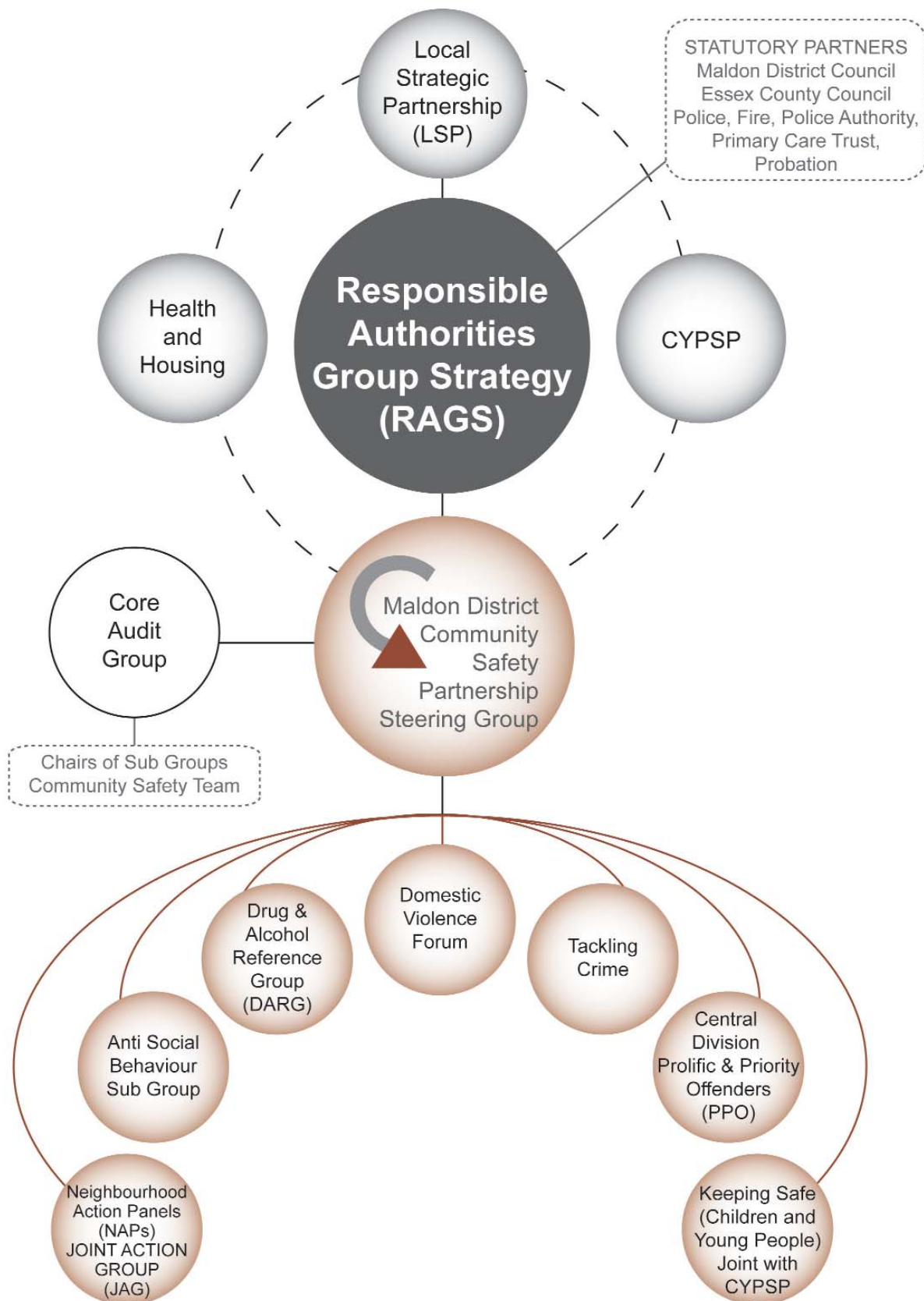
"To engage with our communities, to enhance community safety in its widest sense and reduce crime, the perception of crime and disorder and the concern of crime within Maldon District. In so doing, continue to improve our quality of life by addressing those anti-social issues that affect us all".

Purpose

The development of robust, co-ordinated plans for tackling crime and disorder originates from a combination of local and national initiatives. Locally, agencies have recognised for sometime the need to address the relevant and potential issues which often feature top of the list of public concerns. This document is about intelligence led data, information and analysis and that inform Chief Officers from the Council, Police, County Council, Primary Care Trust, Probation and Fire & Rescue to identify neighbourhood priorities and effective local performance within Maldon District.

This will provide the foundation for the Partnership Plan that will set out how the neighbourhood priorities will be met.

Ultimately the purpose of this document is to identify key priorities to make Maldon District an even safer place to live by reducing crime, enhancing community safety and providing reassurance to improve the quality of life.



Education, training and prevention to become standard items on all Sub Group agendas



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Background to Strategic Assessment

The Maldon District Community Safety Partnership (CDRP) was formed as a result of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The 1998 Act included the requirements to produce a detailed crime and disorder audit, consult with key agencies and the wider community; use the findings to identify strategic priorities, set targets and performance measures and develop strategies to tackle priority issues every three years

In April 2008, the Assessment of Policing and Community Safety (APACS) Framework was introduced. It covers key services delivered by the police working on their own and in partnership, streamlining and aligning the way performance is measured and assessed across policing, crime and drugs.

In 2006, a review of the partnership provisions of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and Police Reform Act 2002 lead to a series of recommendations. This review sought to strengthen and extend these requirements further, based on experience gained through partnership working. As a result a new set of national minimum standards came into force in England during August 2007 and was introduced in Wales in November 2007.

These new statutory requirements form part of the hallmarks of Effective Partnership working that underpin effective delivery. Each hallmark comprises of two elements:

- (a) Statutory element for partnership work; the key requirements that have been introduced as a result of the Police and Justice Act 2006 provisions; and
- (b) Suggested practice to achieve improved partnership effectiveness, using the statutory requirements as a foundation.

Responsible authorities have a legal obligation to comply with the statutory requirements, which include the place of the duty on the strategy group to prepare a Strategic Assessment on behalf of the responsible authorities.

Partnerships may also use the hallmarks to assess their own effectiveness and to identify areas for improvement.



Responsible Authorities Group (Strategy)

The Strategic Assessment process requires that a Strategy Group is responsible for

- (a) Preparing the strategic assessment
- (b) Preparing, and implementing a Partnership Plan

Members of the Maldon District Community Safety Partnership Strategy Group are:

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Methodology

Representatives from key Partners across Essex have worked together to oversee the production of district wide Strategic Assessments to ensure that a consistent format followed. In Maldon District, representatives from Maldon Police, Maldon District Council, Essex Fire and Rescue Service, Essex Probation and Essex County Council considered the local prospective using a range of historical data and analytical tools. This included setting the context, current CDRP performance; progress to date against target and predicted target and predicted projection for the figures over 3, 6 and 12 month periods.

In order to provide focus to the assessment only detailed data has been analysed where specific targets are underperforming or projected to result as an issue in the forthcoming year.

As the Community Safety Partnership develops and evolves its approach to the assessment, more data gaps may be identified and it is important that potential solutions are considered. Partner data used to formulate the assessment includes:

- Reported offences, incident, geography, age, gender and intelligence data provided by Essex Police
- Incident data and intelligence provided by Essex County Fire and Rescue Service
- A range of drug and alcohol data provided by Essex Drug and Alcohol Team (EDAAT) and Open Road
- Reoffending and rehabilitation data from Essex Probation and Youth Offending Team (YOT)
- Data from Essex County Council
- A range of community and environmental data provided by Maldon District Council
- Data from Mid Essex Primary Care Trust
- Data from Marine Police
- Data from Women's Aid
- Data from Children and Young People Services

Data refers to the timeframe between April and December 2008. (Where available trends and patterns over other time scales apply, these are detailed in the table below.

After the data had been analysed, a scanning process was undertaken to provide a set of priorities, these priorities were then considered to fall in line with statutory partner agencies business plans and strategic assessments. Local Area Agreements (LAA) targets both current and predicted (LAA Phase 2) were then linked to the



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appropriate priority. This analytical approach ensures all key agencies and County priorities under LAA are consistent and that all initiatives to meet these targets fall under the criteria of meeting our communities needs (see appendix A).

Data Sources

DATA SOURCE GEOGRAPHICAL	STATISTICAL	PERCEPTION	TIMEFRAME	
Iquanta	✓		01 Jan 08 - 31 Dec 08	National
Place Survey	✓	✓	1 Apr 07 - 31 Dec 07	National
Storm Database - Essex Police	✓		01 Apr 07 - 7 Oct 08	District
Essex Police Draft Strategic Assessment	✓		01 July 07 - Sept 08	District
ECC Tracker Survey		✓	2007	District
MDC Public Perception Survey (MORI)		✓	2008	District
Fire & Rescue Business Plan	✓		2008	District
Joint Needs Strategic Assessment	✓		2008	County/ District
Children's & Young People Questionnaire	✓	✓	2008	County/ Mid Essex
PCT Secondary User Service Inpatient Table	✓		2006- 2007	District

Contextual Information

OVERVIEW OF DISTRICT:HISTORY

Maldon District covers an area of over 36,000 hectares in East Essex. The landscape and character are dominated by the District's 60 miles of coastline that includes the estuaries of the rivers Blackwater and Crouch.

Many people know the District from its association with sailing. The Blackwater and Crouch are of international importance for nature conservation particularly for their extensive population of wildfowl and waders.



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The District has a rural character ranging from tidal salt marshes to farmland and rolling wooded ridges. A network of delightful country lanes provides access to the countryside from the towns and villages. The main towns are Maldon, Heybridge and Burnham on Crouch. The majority of people live in the small rural villages, many of which owe their origins to their connection with the coast or agricultural economy.

	2006	%
Total Maldon District Population	61,700	100%
Male (population)	30,500	49.4%
Female (population)	31,200	50.6%
	June 07-June 08	
Working Age	40,500	61%
Economically Active	32,600	79.2%
Employed	31,300	75.8%
Unemployed (estimated)	1,000	3.2%
	2008	Jan 2009
Seeking Job Seekers Allowance (all)	463	863
Seeking Job Seekers Allowance (male)	333	624
Seeking Job Seekers Allowance (female)	130	239
	%	
White	96.6%	
Mixed	0.8%	
Asian	1.3%	
Black	0.8%	
Chinese or other ethnic groups	0.5%	

- The total population of Maldon District in 2006 was estimated to be 61,700 persons. Of this total, 30,500 were male, 31,200 were female. 40,500 of the total were of working age.
- Between June 2007 and June 2008, 32,600 (79.2%) were Economically Active. The number of those employed was 31,300 (75.8%). The estimate for those Unemployed is 1,000 (3.2%)
- The average Gross weekly pay for a full-time worker in 2008 was £564.
- Total number of persons seeking Job Seekers Allowance in January 2009 was 863 (of which 624 were Male, 239 were Female).
- Major group 1-3 : Managers and senior officials, Professional occupations and Associate professional & technical = 13,600
- Major group 4-5: Administrative & secretarial and Skilled trades occupations = 7,200
- Major group 6-7: Personal service occupations and Sales and customer service occupations = 3,900
- Major group 8-9: Process plant & machine operatives and elementary occupations = 6,600



Scanning Exercise

The Scanning exercise reviews and summaries the levels and patterns of crime and disorder, anti-social behaviour, substance misuse, road and fire safety. This process investigates perceptions towards crime concerns.

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Local Area Agreements LAA2 - Essex County Crime Reduction Priorities

Local Area Agreements (LAA) were introduced in Essex from April 2006 and places a requirement upon Maldon District Local Strategic Partnership, the MDCSP and its partners, to deliver against specific crime reduction targets. The LAA2 for 2008-2011 has 4 primary themes and 10 targets which are:

- A) OUR PEOPLE
 - 1) Children and young people realise their potential in education
 - 2) Fewer children and young people missing education or not in employment or training
 - 3) More older people supported to live at home with sufficient support for carers
 - 4) Better public health and longer lives
- B) OUR COMMUNITIES
 - 5) Local residents enjoy better access to services and facilities, with better public transport
 - 6) More volunteering and participation in sport and culture
 - 7) Essex is a safe place to live
- C) OUR ECONOMY
 - 8) Essex has a strong and competitive economy
- D) OUR WORLD
 - 9) A smaller carbon footprint with less waste
 - 10) A well managed natural environment

The role and function of MDCSP will be to contribute to the LAA2 under the theme of 'Our Communities' which will also influence several of the other LAA2 targets linked to quality of life, volunteering, business sustainability, health and children/young people.

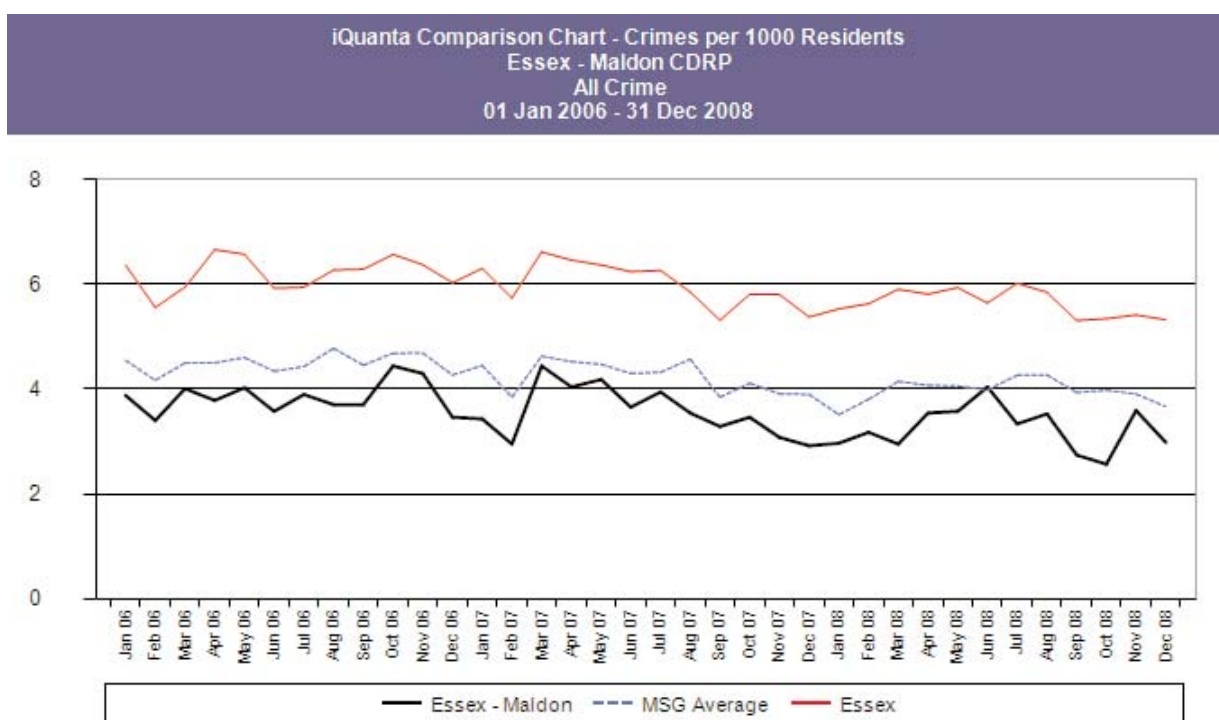


SECTION 2 - THE ANALYSIS

Assessments over time

The charts below represent recorded crime within the District comparing 2003/04 (time period since last Community Safety Audit) together with 2006/07 and the past 12 months. These charts identify trends and patterns of crime. The data also shows the crime levels in Maldon District have been continually falling.

THIS CHART SHOWS THE COMPARISONS OF CRIMES PER 1000 RESIDENTS.



SUMMARY

PREVIOUS QUARTER

1 July - 30 Sept

9.605

Down 0.465 (5%)

CURRENT QUARTER

1 Oct - 31 Dec 07

9.140

QUARTER PREVIOUS YEAR

1 Oct 2007 - 31 Dec 2007

35.118

Down 2.213 (7%)

CURRENT QUARTER

1 Oct - 31 Dec 08

29.906

PREVIOUS YEAR TO DATE

1 April 07 - 31 Dec 07

35.118

Down 2.804 (8%)

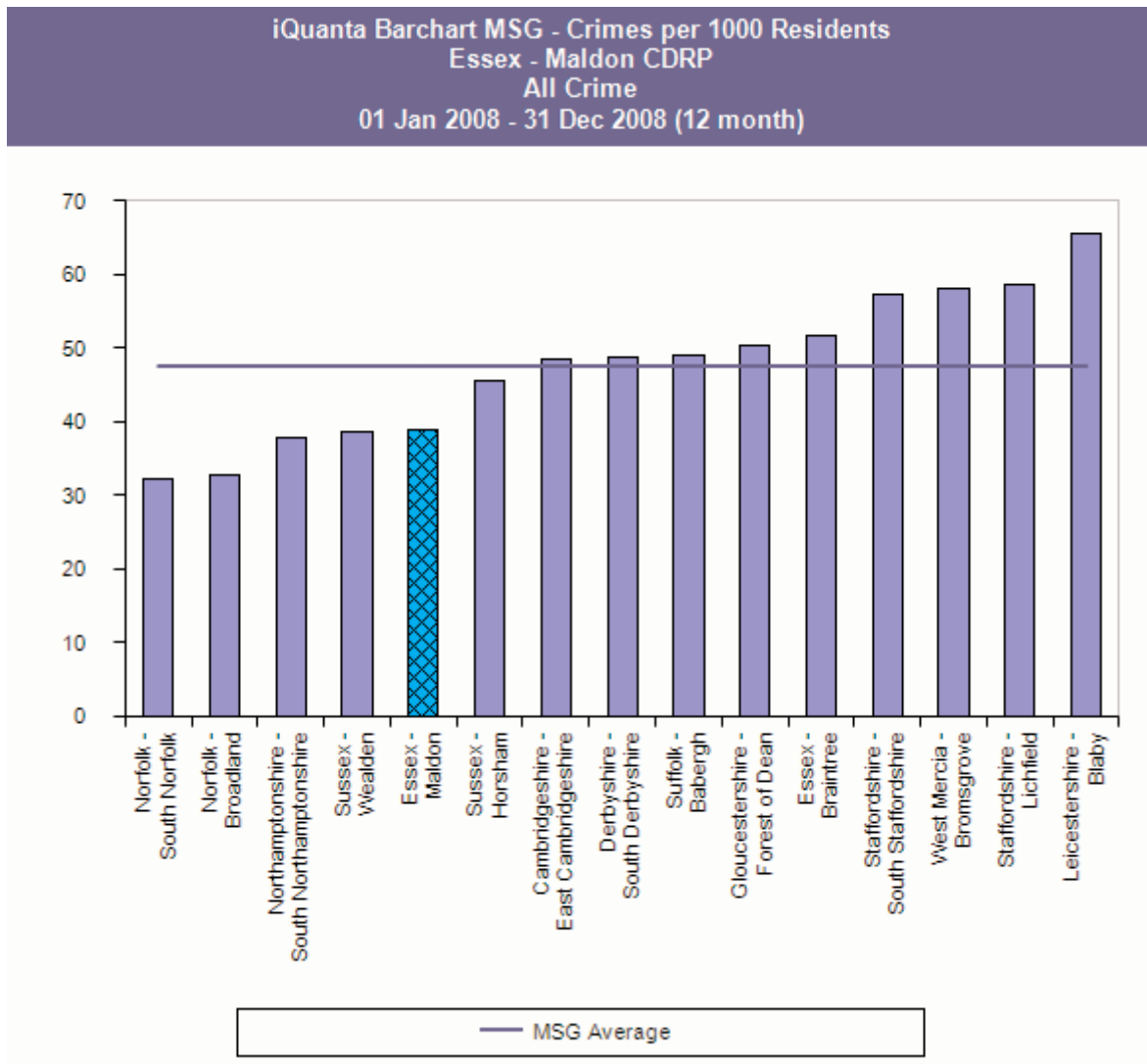
YEAR TO DATE

1 April 07 - 31 Dec 07

32.460



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ALL CRIMES COMPARISON WITH MOST SIMILAR GROUP (MSG) CDRP FAMILIES

CDRP	Crimes per 1000 Residents
Norfolk - South Norfolk	32.173
Norfolk - Broadland	32.654
Northamptonshire - South Northamptonshire	37.767
Sussex - Wealden	38.634
Essex - Maldon	38.997
Sussex - Horsham	45.654
Cambridgeshire - East Cambridgeshire	48.535
Derbyshire - South Derbyshire	48.662
Suffolk - Babergh	49.137
Gloucestershire - Forest of Dean	50.513
Essex - Braintree	51.630
Staffordshire - South Staffordshire	57.354
West Mercia - Bromsgrove	58.224
Staffordshire - Lichfield	58.559
Leicestershire - Blaby	65.622



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Data is recorded from Iquanta database (Home Office database used to record all crime statistics). This chart shows our current placing amongst our family group (Districts with similar population) crime figures per 1000 residents.

Fear of Crime Data

Fear of Crime Data (See Appendix A). As we are a high performing Partnership with comparatively low crime levels, a survey was undertaken on Fear of Crime in 2004 for the Community Safety Strategy which resulted in identifying priorities, however to date no follow up work has been undertaken. Therefore data has been drawn from LGUSS survey 2006 and ECC Tracker Survey 2007. The Place Survey for our local district is due for publication in 2009 and this data will be incorporated into the Partnership Action Plan and future Strategic Assessments. This data shows that perception of the fear of crime has decreased since 2006. However, this area still needs to be addressed, improved and sustained over the next three years.



PRIORITY 1

Manage perception of local crime levels, alleviating concerns to ensure people feel safe

Improvement Objectives

- Reduce the fear of crime
- Increased community engagement to cascade the good practice of the Maldon District Community Safety Partnership

Focus

Essex County Council (ECC) Tracker Survey data (2007) giving comparisons against Local Government User Satisfaction Surveys (LGUSS) survey (2006) confirmed that the fear of crime in the past year has fallen. However Maldon District Council People Perceptions Survey (2008) recorded that feeling safe in the District is the highest priority to our Community.

During 2008 increased community engagement took place by way of the Partnership Conference, attendance at Parish Councils, attendance at Police Community Consultative Group, older people's forums, elected Member Training and young people's conference, youth council, youth consultations, stakeholder partnership and public events. Feedback and evaluation at these events showed that a fear of crime is still a big issue, in particularly with the elderly and young people groups.

Successes in relation to initiatives and supportive work the Partnership undertakes needs to be delivered to the community and cascaded to families and peers. A volunteer scheme has been introduced to support Partner Agencies to deliver this work as past experience has shown community engagement is time resourceful and involvement from the community will enhance ownership. A full programme will be delivered to rural and urban areas to ensure that safety messages are cascaded as far as possible. Parishes and other community forums can request a free workshop on any specific safety topic and experts, volunteers and partners will deliver these.

Maintaining effective initiatives and a public event will enhance this work. Working at strategic level with other strategic groups will also ensure that positive outcomes are recorded.

The Maldon District Community Safety website was launched in October 2009. This website will be promoted to all the community via workshops, events and meetings. All partner agencies are encouraged to produce a summary of their services, so that this website can be as effective as possible.



PRIORITY 2

Meeting community needs by increased partnership engagement

Improvement Objectives

- Address concerns relating to under reporting of crimes, particularly in relation to domestic violence and racial incidents.
- Promotion of Maldon District Community Safety Partnership to ensure that the public are aware how it supports and engages with the community.
- Engage with community by attendance at established groups.

Focus

RACIAL AGGRAVATED CRIME

Within the past six months there has only been 4 racially aggravated offences reported. This number is very low, especially as there has been an increase in the number of Eastern European communities now residing in the District. In community focus groups it has been recorded that racial incidents are often not recorded. As a result to ensure this hard to reach group also feels safe within our District it is important to address this issue. Cultural Awareness and increased Partnership engagement may increase the number of reported incidents and this could affect Priority 1. In February 2009 a cultural awareness event took place with schools linking their PSHE education to this event to teach their students about cultural differences and respect for those differences.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND PARTNERSHIP PROMOTION

During 2008 increased community engagement took place by way of a Public and Stakeholders Partnership Conference, attendance at Parish Councils, attendance at Police Community Consultative Group, older people's forums and elected Member Training. Feedback and evaluation at these events revealed the need for a programme of work to be established to engage further and promote good practice within the Partnership to reduce the fear of crime and keep the community informed. As this work is time extensive and resources are limited, during 2008/09 a scheme to engage the community as volunteers to support this work was launched. These workshops have been offered to all areas and they will be used, not only to give safety information, but also as a consultative tool for future Strategic Assessments. The Partnership Website was also launched in October 2009 to allow the community to access information easily. This website, www.maldondistrictcsp.co.uk, is maintained regularly and further promotion will be carried out during 2009/10.



PRIORITY 3

Protect and safeguard young people in the community and foster mutual respect with other groups, particularly the elderly

Improvement Objectives

- Keep young people safe by delivering a programme of youth initiatives to give preventative messages.
- Build mutual respect between the elderly and young people and raise awareness of their specific needs by delivering a programme of intergeneration initiatives.
- Build resilience and self confidence in young people to reduce bullying and the number of young people entering the criminal justice system by early intervention and preventive work.

Focus

BRINGING ELDERLY AND YOUNG PEOPLE TOGETHER

Consultation at the Partnership Conference, attendance at Parish Councils, attendance at Police Community Consultative Group, older people's forums and elected Member Training sessions showed the need for the elderly and young age groups to have a better understanding of their lifestyles and specific needs to build mutual respect and to reduce the fear of crime.

A programme of intergeneration projects will be delivered with invitations given to the media to report on this good practice. In 2008/09 a intergeneration project involving pupils at Integrated Support Services and residents at Moat Residential Homes took place and further projects are planned for 2009/10.

KEEPING YOUNG PEOPLE SAFE

To support the Every Child Matters hallmarks in particular "keeping safe". The Maldon District Community Safety Partnership has been delivering programmes of initiatives. Projects that continue to deliver these messages effectively will be maintained and new initiatives; especially to the hard to reach groups will be adopted.

IMPROVE RESILIENCE AND SELF CONFIDENCE IN YOUNG PEOPLE

Maldon District Community Safety Partnership has been delivering a play to tackle bullying within our District since 2005. It is difficult to establish positive data to ensure that this work is effective, however all schools are very proactive in dealing with incidents of bullying. It is also difficult to ensure that bullying incidents are recorded and different perceptions of bullying are consistent. By delivering a programme of



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work to improve resilience, self confidence and respect in young people it is envisaged that effective awareness of the issues is raised and also the young person's capabilities to deal with these matters are addressed.

Campaigns such as Kool 2b Kind can be measured by young people and schools participation, and will continue to be enhanced in the future.

EARLY INTERVENTION AND PREVENTATIVE WORK

Data is not available after the early intervention work and preventative work has been completed as it is difficult to monitor a child as they grow older. However these preventative measures have shown that individuals can: increase in confidence, are able to deal with situations as they arise and are able to use their cognitive skills appropriately. This decreases the risk of a child entering the criminal justice system. A programme of early intervention work and specific work with Integrated Support Services has been delivered during 2008/09 and will continue during 2009/10.

LINKS TO CHILDREN YOUNG PEOPLE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (CYPSP)

Links to CYPSP have now been established. MDCSP and CYPSP will now link closely with their Strategic plans and commissioning processes to ensure that the most effective service to children and young people are delivered to keep children safe and build resilience.



PRIORITY 4

To reduce the harm caused by alcohol through enforcement, awareness and treatment

Improvement Objectives

- Proactive operations to address underage drinking
- Improve support for parents and carers
- Employment of Community Initiatives Officer to engage with vulnerable groups

Focus

Currently it is difficult to monitor the number of alcohol related offences. These offences are recorded against the specific offence caused i.e. criminal damage. However there is evidence from Youth database that there is an ever increasing number of underage drinkers. A baseline will be established at the end of 2008/09. Youth Diversionary activities will be increased by support of the Youth Participation and Development Officer and Partner Agencies to tackle this problem. A new bottle-labelling scheme has been funded by Go East, Home Office to pilot a system to tackle illegal sales to underage children. There is also evidence to show that children and young people are obtaining alcohol from home. Therefore a priority has been set to improve support and services to parents and carers. Children and Young People Strategic Partnership (CYPSP) and MDCSP will work together to fund additional support to parents especially those resident in the hard to access rural areas. Essex County Council has funded a post for Community Initiatives Officer to work with vulnerable groups in Maldon District. The starting remit for this post is to research vulnerable areas for drugs, alcohol and families suffering from domestic violence abuse. When key areas have been established support can be targeted from key agencies. This work will link into enhanced services being provided by Mid Essex Primary Care Trust (PCT) at General Practitioners (GPs) for brief interventions and the employment of employing a drugs/alcohol co-ordinator.



PRIORITY 5

To reduce the harm caused by drugs through enforcement, awareness and treatment

Improvement Objectives

- Proactive operations to address drug misuse.
- Improve community awareness in relation to drug issues and how they can support service users and enforcement.
- Employment of Community Initiatives Officer to engage with vulnerable groups

Focus

DRUG OFFENCES

It is clear that there are very few drug related offences across the Maldon District, with the last 6 months seeing a total of only 8 offences for Possession of Class A drugs and 27 for possession of cannabis. Offence levels for production/supply/possession prediction for the next six months are dependant on the number of operational activity. Although the above figures do not show that drug use is a significant problem in the District at present. Data received from Essex Drug And Alcohol Action Team (EDAAT) and key service providers show that there are pockets of seemingly increasing activity that should be addressed this year.

TREATMENT

Using Drug Intervention (DIP) and Open Road Data it is apparent that only small numbers of users are engaging in treatment. Measures to be taken are to build awareness of the service providers and the support offered and will be addressed in the Strategic Assessment.

PREVENTION AND EDUCATION

Early Intervention in relation to education around social and health issues caused by Alcohol and Drugs has proven to be effective in the past and in other areas this increased work has proven to be essential. Diversionary projects such as sport are also invaluable to divert young people from substance misuse. It is difficult to measure success of programmes such as these, however if substance misuse can be tackled at an early intervention stage the results will show via communities perception surveys. Essex County Council have funded Community Initiatives Officer who will be carrying out research to identify specific areas where support and services should be targeted in Maldon District and this will link to working with the Drugs/Alcohol Co-ordinator to be employed by Mid Essex PCT and key service providers, such as Open Road, Unites, Changes and EYPDAS.

A programme of education and diversionary projects will be delivered.



PRIORITY 6

To reduce the most serious violence including tackling sexual offences and domestic violence

Improvement Objectives

- To decrease the number of repeat incidents of domestic violence.
- Increase the number of initiatives in relation to raising awareness of support available to domestic violence victims and families.
- Support and enhance outreach services to victims and families.
- Preventative education to young people in relation to knife crime issues.

Focus

VIOLENT OFFENDING

Since the last strategic assessment the number of violence assaults has increased from 66 to 94. This is a large increase in this area however the reasons are unclear. There was a spike in domestic assaults in June and May. Just under half of the assaults in the District involved domestic violence and 16 of these were repeat victims. LAA target 7.1 is to reduce the number of repeat victims of domestic violence.

There has been a slight decrease in the number of serious sexual offences during April - September 2008 compared with the same period in 2007. A majority of offences involved a female victim and domestic abuse was evident in some cases.

These figures are for reported crime, it was evident from last strategic assessment that outreach referral increased by 50% when women's aid increased their outreach activity in the Maldon District. Unfortunately due to funding restraints Women's aid had to reduce this activity during 2008/09 and figures cannot therefore be compared.

PREVENTATIVE

Support for increased outreach work will be addressed in under this priority and in particular an outreach worker to support victims and their children.

Community awareness and workshops will be delivered so that the community will understand the sensitive issues surrounding this priority.

A research project will be undertaken with Community Initiatives Officer/Women's aid to identify areas that need enhanced support and awareness.

Continued training will be delivered to key agency workers to ensure that the correct messages can be cascaded to their staff.

**PRIORITY 7****To reduce anti social behaviour in the community****Improvement Objectives**

- Reduction in the level of anti-social behaviour in the Community
- Engagement with parents when young people are involved in anti-social behaviour

Focus

Across the District, there have been 1127 Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents reported in the last six months (April to September). However, there has been a peak in offences over the past 3 months. Up to date figures from January 2009 also show an increase in anti-social behaviour offences.

A majority of the Anti-Social incidents are made up of Rowdy/Nuisance calls (64%), Vehicle Nuisance/inappropriate vehicle use calls (11%). In the last six months, these types of incidents are primarily occurring in the evenings on Friday to Sunday evenings and previous analysis of this type of offence shows that it is likely that they are caused by youths entertaining themselves or young adults under the influence of alcohol.

Anti-Social Behaviour will continue to have an effect on the District, particularly in town centres and built up areas in the evenings at the weekends. Primarily where youths are causing a nuisance in order to entertain themselves.

Alcohol related incidents of anti-social behaviour are increasing and Priority 4 will address this. A Youth Database has been established so that increased engagement with parents can be given and support offered where appropriate. Increased enforcement in relation to underage drinking will be addressed and neighbourhood nuisance will be resolved using the appropriate powers and tools designed to tackle Anti-social Behaviour.

The Youth Participation and Development Officer working in Partnership with Teams Around Schools, Children and Community (TASCC) and other agencies to develop diversionary activities will support young people.

A proactive enforcement programme is to be established which will include enforcement operations and preventative initiatives. A mapping exercise has identified the areas that will be targeted for this intervention work. The funding for this programme has been agreed by Essex police and is scheduled to be in place early 2009.



The Key Findings for Priority 8 were drawn from the Essex Police (Maldon District) Strategic Intelligence Assessment (SIA) - Data collection, Collation and Techniques.

Data is from crime records using the Home Office classification codes provided by the CDRP Strategic data guidelines and queries set up by the Senior Police Analyst. All statistical data is manipulated using Microsoft Excel. Data has also been taken from Essex Police Intelligence Systems, Home Office G0-East - Iquanta database and other open sources.

This document amalgamates a large volume of data and provides a broad overview of the current situation within Maldon Police District making broad predictions on the future situation of crime. It is not intended to be a detailed or tactical analysis and may require further analysis.

PRIORITY 8

To reduce reported crime by 5% during 2009/2010

Improvement Objectives

- To reduce reported crimes by 5% during 2008/09
- Continual monitoring of reoffending by Priority and Prolific Offenders (PPOs) to ensure re-offending by PPOs does not increase
- Continual monitoring of reoffending by adult and young people to ensure reoffending does not increase
- Reduce first time entrants into the criminal justice system

Focus

Reported crime has decreased within Maldon District by 22% over the past 3 years exceeding the optimistic target of 12.5% set by Home Office for the 2005-2008 Community Safety Strategy. During 2008/09 a target was set to reduce crime by a further 5%, final figures for this year are yet to be announced, and currently to December 2008 the Partnership is on track to meet this target. Crime in the District can continue to be reduced by incorporating preventative and enforcement measure, however as Maldon District is one of the safest places to live, it is recognised that crime will not disappear entirely. It is important to note that due to the economic climate that it will be a challenge this year to meet a further reduction of 5% however the Partnership will continue to drive towards excellence.

Reported crime will continue to be monitored and working with Essex Police



and other Partners a reduction of 5% during 2009/10 is the set objective. Scanning of reported crime between April 08 - December 08 has shown:

Assaults

In the last six months there have been 193 assaults in the District, 37% of which occurred in the Maldon Neighbourhood. A majority of these assault were assaults actual bodily harm (120 offences), followed by common assault (68 offences). The most common venue was within dwellings (47%) and on the streets (30%). Those aged 15-26 accounted for more than 37% of the victims.

Alcohol was a contributory factor in at least a third of these offences. June saw the highest number of assault offences possible linked to increased alcohol consumption around major sporting events and warmer weather.

Harassment

In the last 6 months there have been 43 Harassment offences in the District, just under half of which occurred in the Maldon Neighbourhood.

SERIOUS ACQUISITIVE CRIME

Robbery

Across the District, there have been 6 Robbery offences in the past six months and with so few offences it is difficult to conduct any robust analysis. Currently this is not a significant problem in the District.

Dwelling Burglary

In the last six months there have been 57 Burglary Dwelling offences in Houses and bungalows; these being the most common dwellings targeted (51 offences, 89%). Flats have been targeted on 5 occasions in the District. There have been 6 Artifice burglaries. The majority of these offences took place during daylight hours, often when the victim was at work. Preventative and education work will be needed to address this issue. It is predicted that due to the current economic climate an increase in dwelling burglary could be possible. Fluctuations in the price of illicit drugs will also have an impact of all serious acquisitive crime.

Theft of a Motor Vehicle (TOMV)

In the last six months there have been 41 TOMV offences in the District. A majority of these are crimed as theft of motor vehicle (30 offences), but this also includes; unauthorised taking of motor vehicle (7 offences), aggravated vehicle taking (4 offences).

This is not currently a problem in the District, but will continue to be monitored carefully.

Theft from a Motor Vehicle (TFMV)

TFMV continues to be a high volume crime and a concern for the District with 113 Offences occurring. A series of offences were theft from boats, (usually targeting outboard motors). In all the Neighbourhoods offences are primarily taking place at the weekends overnight. TFMV in the District see cash and other



visible goods (catalytic converters, satellite navigation systems, radios and tools being the items most commonly stolen) primarily for financial gain, with other offences including theft of index plates. Preventative measures and educating the public to not leave visible goods in vehicles will continue to be addressed.

Prevention and awareness will help to prevent this crime pattern, this will be address under Priorities 1, 2 and 9.

Burglary Other

Burglary Other offences are below target. This is encouraging as last year this area was highlighted as a concern. Sheds are garages are being targeted overnight. The majority of offences were for metal, such as lead flashing, due to the high price of scrap metal. This has seen a reduction in value over the past months so this may reduce activity in this area.

This is not currently a problem in the District, but will continue to be monitored carefully.

Theft of Pedal Cycle

Over the past six months there has been a fall in the number of thefts. Preventative measures will continue to be maintained to ensure this trend remains.

Theft from Shop

The last 6 months have seen a reduction in offences, and are below target. Monitoring will continue to ensure these offences do not rise.

Knife and Gun Crime

There were no gun crime offences in Maldon District during the past six months and 7 knife crimes. Only one of these offences was recorded as Violent offence. Offences generally took place in the evening or night at weekends. There were 4 possession of weapons within Maldon District. Due to the increased media attention, preventative and educational measures will be addressed as a priority to ensure these offences do not increase.

Criminal Damage

There have been 320 Criminal Damage offences in the Maldon District in the past six months, This is a reduction to the same time last year. During the last six months, Criminal Damage to Motor Vehicles accounts for 43% of offences (138 offences). Other areas for concern are Criminal Damage to Other Property (21%) and Criminal Damage to Dwellings (18%). There were a total of 13 arson offences, 2 endangering life.

Criminal damage is often alcohol related and occurs mainly near Town centres on a Friday or Saturday night. Detailed Analysis from 2007 - 2008 shows a reduction in the number of offences however as this is the District's highest volume crime, it will be addressed under Priorities 5 and 9.



Fraud and Forgery

A total of 18 Making off without payment offences occurred in the last six months. This can be attributed to the high price of fuel and it is likely that the current reduction in fuel prices may have some impact on this offence levels.

This will continue to be monitored.

Hate Crime

There have been six offences in past six months. None of the victims were repeat victims. As it is not known how accurate the recording of these offences is, the data is not strong enough to take further action in this respect. However with the emerging communities entering Maldon District there is evidence that this is still an area of under-reporting and actions will be ongoing to address this.

Reoffending and reducing the number of first time entrants into the criminal justice system

Data was collected from Essex Probation and Youth Offending Team (YOT) in relation to reoffending within our District. Essex Probation showed that there was a low to moderate risk in respect of adult reoffending and youth re-offending. There are currently four Prolific and Priority Offenders in our District. The District, however, has a low level of people entering the criminal justice system in comparison with other areas in Essex. Therefore it is important that early intervention and prevention work continues to be given high priority within the Strategic Assessment.



Public Engagement and Consultation

Public engagement and consultation has been undertaken in the following manner:-

NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION PANELS	NUMBER OF PRIORITY ISSUES
Speeding	46
Youth Nuisance	42
Parking	15
Underage drinking/drugs	18
Litter	6
Dog Fouling	5
Vandalism	11
Cycling issues	1
Miscellaneous	17
Nuisance Mopeds	2

Neighbour Action Panels were launched in July 2007 and community issues are reported and a panel prioritises 3 main issues to their neighbourhood.

This summary records priority issues from January 2008 to October 2008. These figures cover 7 neighbourhoods: Burnham, Gt. Totham, Heybridge, Maldon, Purleigh, Southminster and Wickham Bishops/Woodhams.

The three top priorities to be addressed are:

- Speeding
- Youth Nuisance/Anti-social behaviour
- Underage drinking/drugs

The Partnership held two Community Safety Partnership Conferences during 2008. The first was held in March 2007 and was themed around the Fear of Crime and the second was held in October and was to promote awareness around alcohol issues; consultation was sought from stakeholders, young people, parish councils and the public.

Priorities from these consultations were:

- Further work and awareness around bullying
- More events to promote the partnership
- More workshops to inform the community of police and safety issues
- Substance misuse awareness, treatment and enforcement
- More information about accessing services to support young people and families
- Support police to target enforcement to prevent repeat offenders



CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN MID ESSEX

Data collected from a sample of primary school pupils aged 7 - 11 and secondary pupils aged 12 - 18 throughout Mid Essex (Maldon, Chelmsford and Braintree) gave information about children and young people's lifestyles. Priorities taken from this consultation were

- Bullying (45% of pupils reported that they felt afraid to go to school because of bullying) In Maldon the results show that this is third highest in the County, mainly at senior school level.
- Alcohol; 33% of pupils said they drink alcohol occasionally or regularly) at secondary school level. 7% said they usually buy alcohol from an off-licence that should only sell to over 18s, and 28% of pupils said they usually get alcohol from friends or relatives. 57% of 15 year olds drank alcohol in the week before they were consulted.
- Drugs; 22% of pupils at secondary schools said that they had been offered illegal drugs and 17% said that they had taken drugs not prescribed by a doctor.

Young People's consultations were held in Tollesbury and Burnham during 2008 and findings revealed that they were concerned about bullying, in and outside school. They would like to see more police and felt that anti-social behaviour would be reduced if more diversionary activities were available.

OLDER PERSONS - MALDON DISTRICT

Consultation for the Older People's Strategy revealed that older people were concerned about the following:-

- Road Safety issues including speeding and drivers consideration especially near pedestrian crossings
- Bogus callers
- More police in rural areas

ONGOING CONSULTATION is also taken from a variety of other sources such as:

- Internet
- Public meetings
- Town & Parish Councillors
- Local press and media
- Partner agency activity
- Direct mailing
- Focus Groups
- Surveys
- Existing consultations
- Police Beat Surgeries
- Newsletters
- Public meetings
- TV

MDCSP launched its own website in 2008 www.maldondistrictcsp.co.uk and this will be developed in the forthcoming year for use as a live consultation tool.



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POLITICAL ISSUES

- **Elections:** There are no central government elections planned for 2009. Local Elections may impact slightly if key Members are up for election.
- **Knife Crime and gun crime:** in the media may drive possession figures up as more young people feel the need to carry a weapon as protection to feel safe.
- **Neighbourhoods:** Central government is placing an ever increasing emphasis on community engagement and community led priorities as per the recent White Paper on 'Strong and Prosperous Communities' and the recent Policing Green Paper. This will require mechanisms to deliver meaningful community engagement which include a mix of:
 - Neighbourhood Action Panels x 7
 - Essex Police Pledge for minimum service delivery
 - A programme of Community Safety Awareness Workshops going out to communities and residents where they live, study, work and play rather than expecting them to come to us
 - Engaging with hard to reach groups
 - Greater use of the internet and web based technology
- **Every Child Matters:** Change for Children and the Children and Young People Plan; Building Brighter Futures are new approaches to the well being of children, young people (and their families) from birth to age 19. The Government's aim is for every child to
 - Be Healthy
 - Stay Safe
 - Enjoy and Achieve
 - Make a positive contribution
 - Achieve economic well being

This means that the organisations involved with providing services to children and families will be working together in new ways to share information, to protect children and young people from harm and help them achieve what they want in life.

- **Terrorism:** The key aim of countering terrorism is to reduce the risk we face from international terrorism so that people can remain safe and free from fear. Although there is a low risk attached to this issue in Maldon District many agencies contribute to the government's counter-terrorism strategy. Our stakeholders' in this effort include Government Departments, local police, fire and other emergency services. The consequences of any terrorist incident are dealt with via the Civil Contingencies Act. Contingency plans are exist to mitigate the consequences of any incident or accident.



- **Partnership working linked to CDRP review and Government's White Paper on 'Strong and Prosperous Communities:** Partnership working is increasingly acknowledged as the fundamental principle for generating solutions to problems that single agencies cannot solve. It also improves services to the customer and enhances co-ordination of services across organisational boundaries. Changes to legislation and government guidance will place an increasing emphasis on how statutory and voluntary sector work together to make our communities safer.

ECONOMIC ISSUES

- **Business closures:** Local shop closures will affect the number of elderly people needing to travel to large supermarkets and therefore increase their vulnerability in relation to purse theft.
- **Scrap metal:** The cost of certain metals (copper, tin and lead) is likely to drop due to the economic downturn in 2009. Due to this and the lower demand the theft of scrap metal may decrease in the District.
- **The economic downturn:** The credit crunch may have a high impact on crime levels; Loss of jobs, lack of money may increase crimes such as theft, fraud and burglary.
- **Ageing population:** The number of older people claiming state pensions is rising which may require an increase in reassurance campaigns.
- **Young victims::** An increase in young victims may also occur due to the economic downturn as this group is an easily targeted vulnerable group.

SOCIAL ISSUES

- **Community Call for Action Days (CCfA):** This process has been confirmed as part of the Policing Green Paper which encourages communities to request a CCfA who are dissatisfied with actions taken to combat persistent or serious problems caused by crime, disorder, ASB and quality of life issues or those that want to influence these issues will be able to ask their local councillor for further action.
- **Mental Health, Drugs and Alcohol:** Depression and other mental health issues due to the economic downturn may lead to an increase in drug and alcohol dependency resulting in more serious violent offences.
- **Domestic Violence** is a police force priority and is part of a growing importance attached to domestic violence issues at local, county and government levels
- **Youth nuisance:** Neighbour Action Panels and Community Safety/force intelligence is consistently identifying youth nuisance as a primary concern.



TECHNICAL ISSUES

- **Compact electronic items:** The increased availability of smaller more compact electronic items at lower prices, such as mp3 players, laptops, digital cameras, satellite navigation systems and game stations increasing returns from burglaries, robberies and thefts. The continuing development of technology, for example television availability via mobiles means this trend is likely to continue.
- **Cyber bullying:** Young peoples' access to personal computers and mobile phones increases the likelihood of them becoming victim of cyber bullying.
- **Identity theft:** Chip and pin technology has had a marked impact on card fraud but card 'skimming' remains a problem for all card holders to be aware of and take steps to prevent.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

- **Flooding:** Maldon District faces a risk of flooding not only from the sea but from main rivers as well as fluvial flooding caused by storms and heavy rain. The Council maintains contingency plans to mitigate the risk of flooding and is working with Partners to reduce the risk of flooding occurring. This multi-agency approach ensures all emergency services understand the respective roles.

LEGAL ISSUES

- **MARAC:** The introduction of MARAC and specialised Domestic Violence Courts will assist in addressing the protection of victims against prolific domestic violence perpetrators.
- **Violent Crime Reduction Act:** The Act represents the latest legislative against anti social behaviour, with measures to address alcohol-fuelled violence, the sale, possession and use of weapons, and mobile phone piracy. The Bill includes provisions to issue persistent drunken offenders with drinking banning orders, and closure notices to premises selling alcohol to children. Through the introduction of 'alcohol disorder zones', the Bill aims to pass some of the increased costs of policing city centres and violence "hot spots", with licensees paying an increased fee in such areas.
- **Crime and Disorder Act Review:** The Government's overall objective in carrying out the review was to strengthen the visibility, responsiveness, membership and role of local partnerships. The aim is to make them the most effective possible vehicle for tackling crime, anti-social behaviour, behaviour adversely affecting the environment and substance misuse at a local level. One of the outcomes was this Strategic Assessment and Annual Partnership Plan.
- **The Policing Green Paper from the Neighbourhood to the National: Policing our Communities Together:** Organisational The Green Paper describes the new deal



between the strategic centre, police and public. It puts improving public confidence at its heart by giving the police more freedom and power and the public more say and action on crime in their neighbourhoods.

ORGANISATIONAL ISSUES

- **Funding:** There is a risk of funding resources withdrawn. Additional strategic time commitments to be put in place to ensure that funding streams are correctly monitored and commissioned.
- **Neighbourhood policing:** The primary aim of the Police is being described as putting "the right people, in the right places, in the right numbers tackling crime nuisance and disorder to make Essex safer.

MEDIA ISSUES

- **Fear of Crime:** Local and National media will always impact on people's perceptions and increase or decrease concerns around Crime. Pestle Analysis showed this issue as the highest risk to our District. Developing further relationships with the local media is essential.
- **MDCSP Website:** The Maldon District Community Safety Partnership launched their website in 2008. This is a developing website which contains information for all ages to access about crime reduction, alcohol & drug misuse, domestic violence, personal safety, home safety, ASB, safety for children and young people and much more.



Outcomes

The one aim of the Maldon District Community Safety Strategy 2005-08 was to reduce reported crime by 12.5%. The Partnership was successful in achieving a reduction of 22%.

The following priorities were addressed during Maldon District Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessments 2008/08. Objectives have been successfully achieved and outcomes measured to help the Partnership conclude:

1. **Decrease substance misuse through enforcement, awareness and treatment**

Successful initiatives and police operations to tackle alcohol and drug abuse such as:

Alcohol Awareness Conference, Designated Alcohol Control Zone at Promenade Park and surrounding roads, Prohibition notices, BOBB Scheme, Stay Safe, Stay Cool event, Crack House Closure in Burnham, employment of drug and alcohol worker to deliver education into schools.

Manage perception of local crime levels, alleviating concerns to ensure people feel safe

The Launch of Maldon District Community Safety Partnership website. www.maldondistrictcsp.co.uk informs the local community and partners of activity ongoing to reduce crime. Increased consultation and focus groups helped the Partnership learn more about your views and development of training volunteers to help deliver community safety workshops to all areas of the district.

2. **Meeting community needs by increased Partnership engagement**

An increased number of initiatives in relation to raising awareness of Domestic Violence victims.³. Promote all aspects of road, fire and marine safety to reduce accidents by 5% during 2008-2011.

The following shows a significant decrease in the number of Killed and Seriously Injured (KSIs) figures.

	DISTRICT KSIs	YOUNG DRIVERS	MOTORCYLISTS
2007/08	48	12	12
Year to date	20	4	5

The Enhanced Pass Plus Project will continue to be run during 2009/10

4. **Protect and safeguard young people in the community and foster mutual respect with the other groups, particularly the elderly**

A number of initiatives have been started during 2008 including the Integrated Support Services working with the elderly residents at Moat Residential Homes.

A fishing project was launched to tackle anti-social behaviour and to improve self esteem and confidence. An O2 award was received in February 2009 for this project.



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Kool 2b Kind Campaign was enhanced and improved. This won The High Sheriff Award in 2008 for Turning Young Lives Around.

Crucial crew was also seen as good practise with the introduction of the workbook for teachers to use as a learning aid in lesson plans.

The Youth Database was introduced to identify young people who may be approaching the criminal justice system. Parents have been offered support and Common Assessment Framework (CAF) referrals to the appropriate agencies have been completed.

A pilot cultural awareness event was held. This event was very successful with the children identifying the differences in cultures and acting out their projects.

5. To reduce anti-social behaviour in the community.

Awaiting data.

6. To reduce reported crime by 5% during 2009/10.

Currently on track to meet our target of 40.0%. As at 28 February 2009 this was on track at 36.5%.



The Strategic Priorities

The identified priorities have been listed in the introduction and data has been evidenced within the analysis section where possible to show how these priorities have been established.

As a partnership we are currently unable to provide such detailed analysis around all identified priorities, we have however previously evidence via other forms of data, through consultation and engagement through our autonomy with Maldon District.

We therefore feel that we are aware of the needs and concerns of our community which we consider to be justification for the selection of our priorities.



Conclusion

Making It Happen

The Annual Partnership Plan (APP) will outline a number of improvement outcomes that will be tackled during 2009/10. These measures will address the eight priorities identified. Baselines will be established and added to APP. These objectives will then be measured and reported to the Responsible Authorities Group (Strategy) on a quarterly basis. The APP is a flexible 'live' document that can be adapted to accommodate reactionary crime trends.

Standardised questions for perception consultations will be constructed and used consistently amongst Partner to enable the Partnership to correctly measure the concern of Crime in our District Data will also be collected from additional agencies to fill identified gaps to establish improvement outcomes for 2010/11.

This Strategic Assessment will incorporate proactive involvement by all agencies to deliver core requirements for maintaining the high standard for reducing Crime and Disorder in our District. Links to LSP, CYPSP and LAA will ensure Maldon District Community Safety Partnership are best placed to plan a comprehensive and inclusive approach which extends right across the different ways crime and perceptions of safety impacts on local communities.



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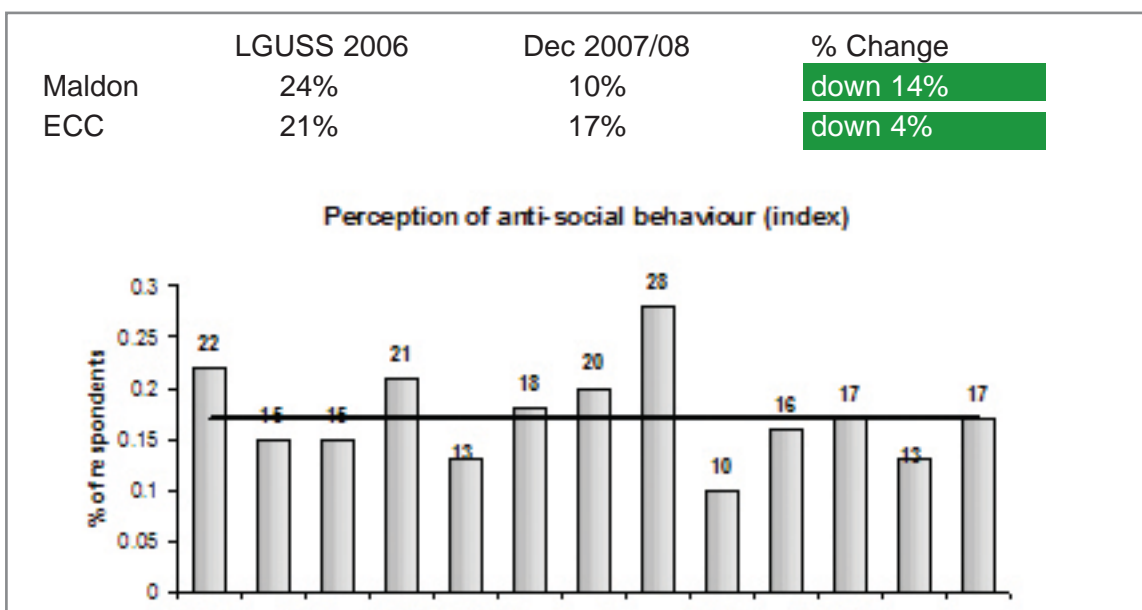
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Fear of Crime Data

Below are the latest Tracker Survey figures compared with LGUSS Survey 2006 for perception LAA Targets to December 2007 (Quarter 3)

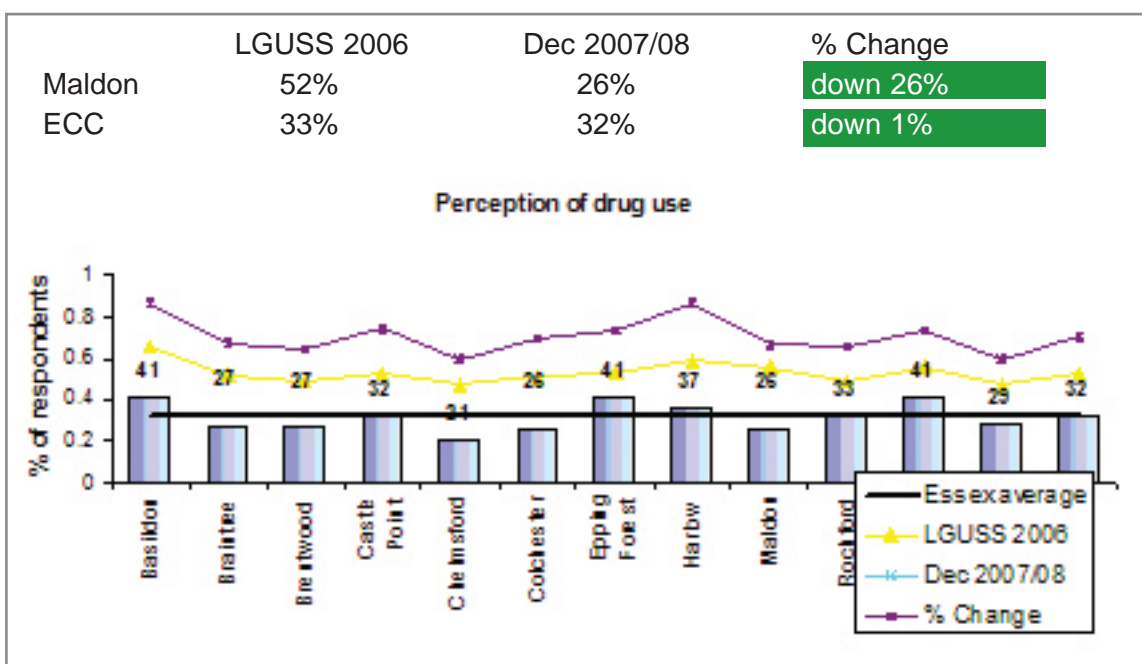
LAA 11.1 Perception of ASB (7-strand index)

Essex 07/08 Target = 20%



10.7 Perception of local drug dealing and drug use as a problem

Essex 07/08 Target = 32%

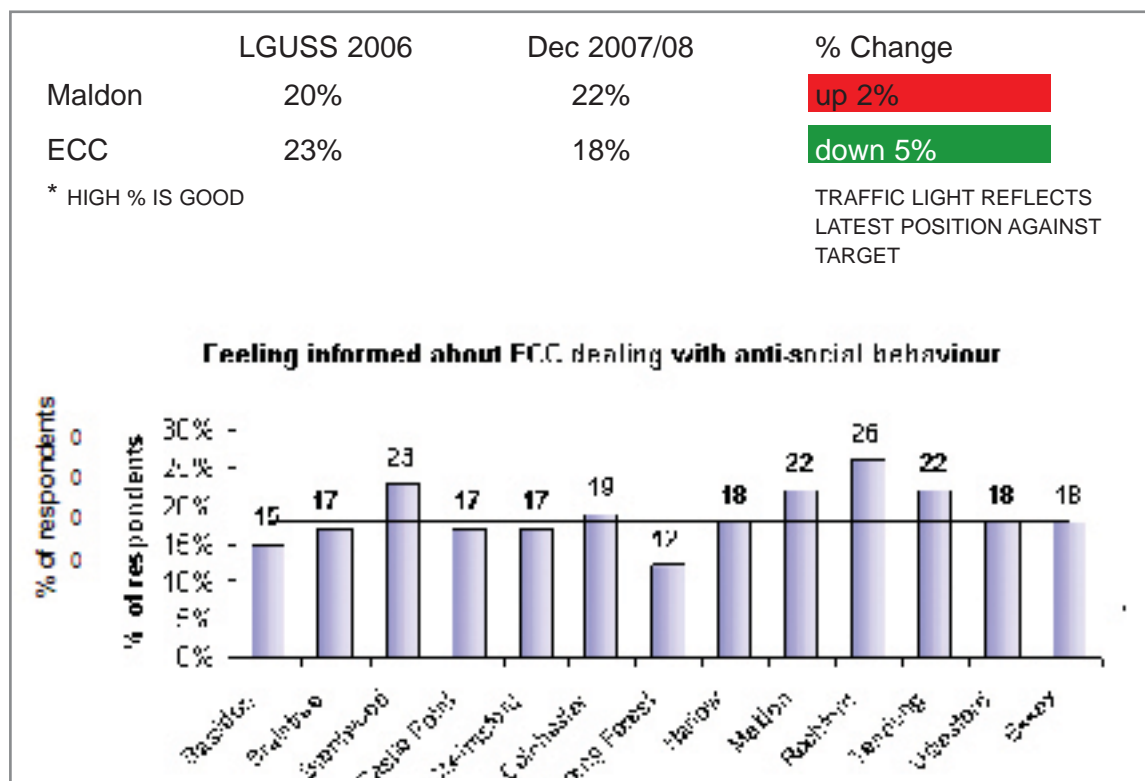




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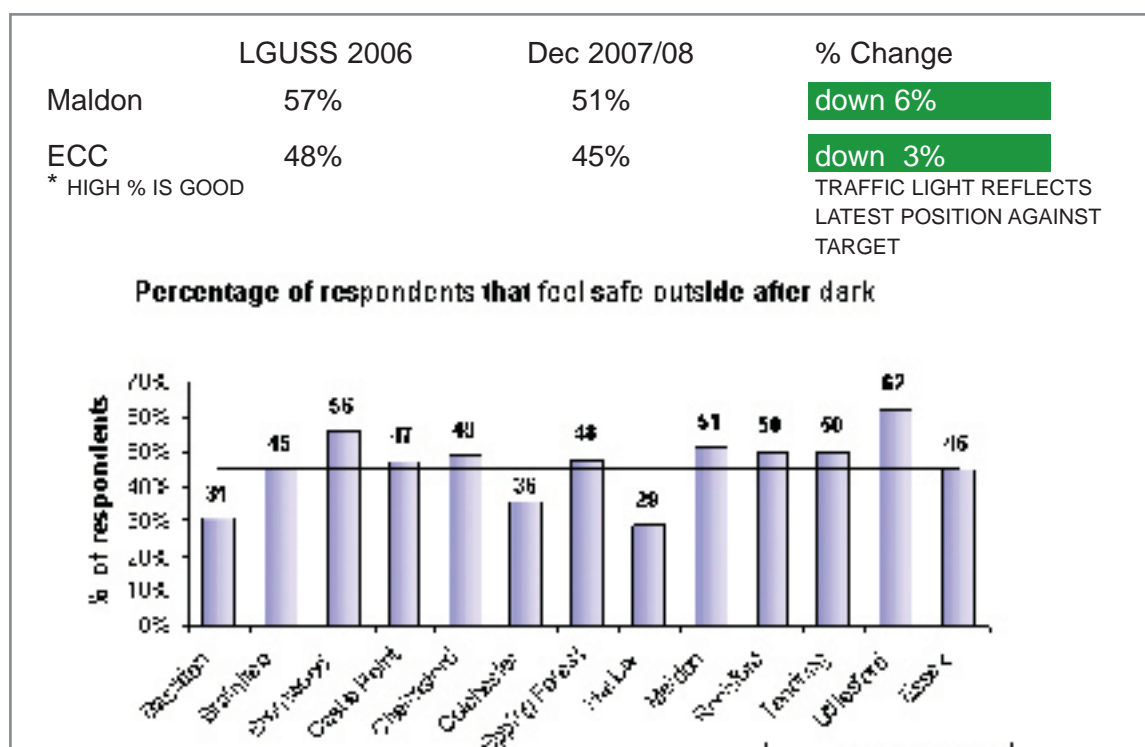
LAA 11.2 Feeling informed about what the council is doing to tackle ASB in your area

Essex 07/08 Target = 24%



LAA 10.3 Fear of Crime (% Feeling safe after dark)*

Essex 07/08 Target = 41.5%





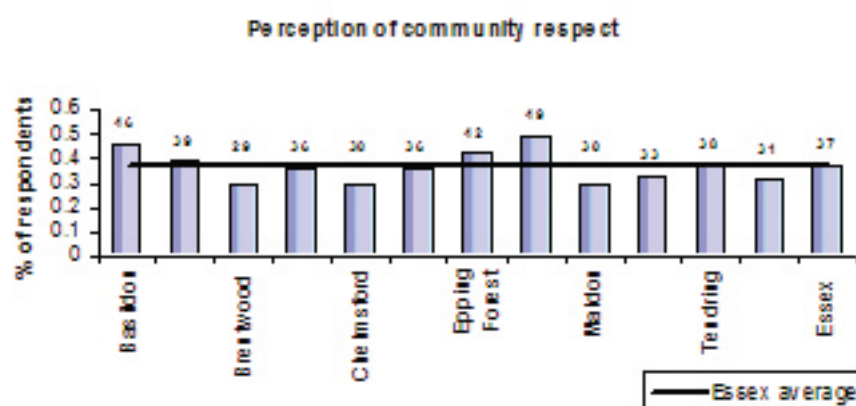
LAA 11.3 Perception of Community Respect

Essex 07/08 Target = 44%

	LGUSS 2006	Dec 2007/08	% Change
Maldon	53%	30%	down 23%
ECC	45%	37%	down 8%

* HIGH % IS GOOD

TRAFFIC LIGHT REFLECTS
LATEST POSITION AGAINST
TARGET

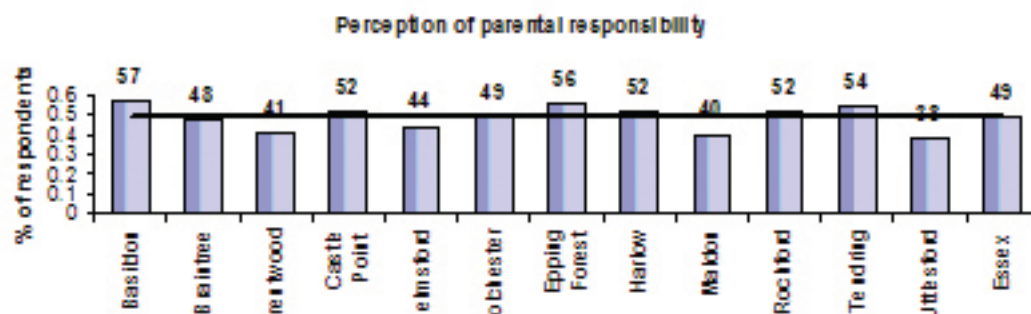


LAA 11.4 Perception of parental responsibility for children

Essex 07/08 Target = 60%

	LGUSS 2006	Dec 2007/08	% Change
Maldon	73%	40%	down 33%
ECC	61%	49%	down 12%

The statistics above show that Maldon District perception of crime levels have decreased during the past year, but areas such as keeping the public informed, perception of ASB and feeling safe after dark need continuing work.





APPENDIX B

Functions of the Community Safety Partnership Groups

STRUCTURE

Responsible Authorities Group (RAG) (STRATEGIC)

MEMBERSHIP

- Essex County Council
- Maldon District Council
- Essex Fire and Rescue Service
- Essex Fire Authority
- Mid Essex Primary Care Trust
- Essex Police Authority
- Essex Probation
- Essex Police

FUNCTIONS

- Co-ordinated the Strategic Assessment and Partnership Plan.
- Approves and publishes final Community Safety Strategic Assessment and Partnership Plan.
- Approves a financial plan and bid annually for resources.
- Reviews a quarterly progress report from the Operational Groups.
- Accounts for the budget allocation
- Organises and attends an annual public event.

STRUCTURE

Community Safety Partnership Steering Group (OPERATIONAL)

MEMBERSHIP

- Partnership Manager - Community Safety.
- Senior Nominated Lead Officers from the relevant agencies including Social Services, Maldon District Council, Essex County Fire and Rescue, Essex Police, Road Safety, Crime Prevention Officer, Voluntary Sector, and other partners who wish to actively contribute.

FUNCTIONS

- Meets quarterly to review progress and reports from the Community Safety Partnership Team.
- Receives feedback from the strategic group.
- Reviews targets quarterly and annually.
- Pursues External Funding.



STRUCTURE

Community Safety Partnership Task Groups Including:

Persistent and Priority Offenders, Anti Social Behaviour, Drug and Alcohol Reference Group, Education, Prevention and Promotional initiatives, Partnership Development, Neighbourhood Action Panels, Core Audit Group, Domestic Violence Forum, Saving Lives and Tackling Crime

MEMBERSHIP

- Community Safety Team.
- Community Representatives.
- Young people.
- Faith Groups.
- Service providers.

FUNCTIONS

- Implements a local action plan.
- Produces a local implementation project plan.
- Reviews progress of plan against audit data and targets.
- Reports to the operational group.

STRUCTURE

Community Safety Team -

Partnership Manager - Community Safety and LSP

MEMBERSHIP

- ASB Co-ordinator.
- Community Safety Development Officer.
- Youth Participation & Development Officer.
- Community Development Officer.
- NAPS Co-ordinator.
- Administration Assistant.
- Community Initiatives Officer.
- Alcohol Harm Reduction Co-ordinator.

FUNCTIONS

- Initiates and completes Strategic Assessment, including recorded crime data from other service delivery organisations.
- Ensures protocols are agreed for sharing information.
- Publishes Community Safety Strategic Assessment and Partnership Plan results for consultation.
- Devises actions and targets, performance indicators and costs.
- Secures Funding agreements with project providers.
- Maintains monitoring systems.
- Facilitates the Task Groups.
- Organises Community Safety Events.
- Reduces ASB and Perception of ASB.
- Develops links with Parishes and Communities.
- Develops diversionary activities and projects for young people.
- Supports vulnerable groups.
- Project management.

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