



**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (MEETING AS THE CRIME AND
DISORDER COMMITTEE)**

THURSDAY 11 MARCH 2021

Please find attached the following presentations:

6. **Maldon District Community Safety Partnership Update** (Pages 3 - 12)

To consider the report of the Director of Service Delivery, (copy enclosed).

7. **Police Performance Update** (Pages 13 - 24)

To receive a verbal update on Police performance from Chief Inspector Steve Scott-Haynes.

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Maldon Overview and Scrutiny Committee

SPENCER CLARKE

COMMUNITY SAFETY MANAGER

Community Safety Partnership

Statutory Duties

- ▶ Crime and Disorder Act 1998
- ▶ Statutory Partners / Responsible Authorities Group
- ▶ Strategic Assessment and Priorities
- ▶ Partnership Plan and Financial Monitoring
- ▶ Survey Public Opinion and Face the Public
- ▶ Annual Presentations to Overview and Scrutiny
- ▶ Prevent, Domestic Abuse, Modern Day Slavery
- ▶ ASB, Crime and Policing Act 2014





Community Safety Partnership

Priorities 2020/2021 and 2021/22

Maldon District Community Safety Partnership organise a wide range of activities and initiatives to reduce crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour

-  **Priority 1**
 - **Tackling Crime & Reducing Reoffending**, with an emphasis on violent crime, gangs, and drug trafficking.
-  **Priority 2**
 - **Driving Down ASB in Public Places**, with an emphasis on youth nuisance and improving partnership visibility.
-  **Priority 3**
 - **Identifying & Supporting Vulnerable People**, with an emphasis on Domestic Abuse, Social Isolation, Suicide and Mental health.
-  **Priority 4**
 - **Increase Confidence in Identifying & Reducing Rural Crime.**
-  **Priority 5**
 - **Promoting Road Safety & Challenging Irresponsible Driving**, with an emphasis on speeding and street racing



Community Safety Partnership

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Horizon Scanning 2021 and Beyond

Impact of COVID 19 (domestic abuse, increase in ASB, mental health, emotional health and wellbeing of young people, increased alcohol consumption, scams, conspiracy theories and domestic extremism)

Domestic Abuse Bill 2020 (strengthen duty to protect victims of domestic abuse by statutory agencies – safe accommodation)

Serious Violence Duty (duty to have serious violence as a priority and to engage and share information with partners) and Serious Violence Reduction Orders (SVROs)

Protect Duty (duty to protect crowded places) - consultation closes in July 2021



Community Safety Partnership Structure

Community Safety Partnership Hub since March 2019 with monthly partnership tasking – community policing team (CPT) and Violence and Vulnerability Unit (VVU)

Local response team (LPT) based at Maldon DC since October 2018

Effective forums for areas of need: schools, social landlords, mental health, neighbourhoods and communities

Good engagement with social care, youth offending service and youth service

Safer Essex, Essex Community Safety Network, Prevent Board, MACE, BAP, Mid Essex Children's Partnership Board, Eastern SIGCE, Safeguarding Adults Board and more



Community Safety Partnership

Crucial Crew (Virtual) and StoryLab

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Education and awareness for Year 6 students

Exploitation – gangs, drugs, knives

Commissioned Tic Box Productions to deliver a drama streamed online with interactive sessions with the actors

Lesson plan (by teacher) and e-learning module (created by Essex VVU)

Offered to other CSPs – now potentially 16,000 students may benefit!

StoryLab (Anglian Ruskin University) - delivering an immersive virtual reality experience for Year 7 and 8

Domestic Abuse

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Local Support

COMPASS is the Domestic Abuse Helpline to access Community Based Services and Specialist Accommodation in Essex and is funded by ECC and PFCC

Maldon District Council has a statutory duty to provide housing assistance to those who are facing a housing problem due to Domestic Abuse and a duty to provide accommodation for someone who is fleeing Domestic Abuse and has priority need, this is often through refuge

Next Chapter are commissioned by ECC to deliver community-based services

The CSP have delivered J9 training to staff, elected members and in the community



COMPASS
A partnership of domestic abuse services providing a response in Essex

Essex Domestic Abuse Helpline:
0330 333 7 444

Helpline available from 8 am to 8 pm weekdays and 8 am to 1 pm weekends.
Messages will be responded to within 24hrs.
You can refer here:

or

General enquiries: enquiries@essexcompass.org.uk



Community Safety Partnership

Other Projects

TRUCAM delivered by our Community Engagement Officers – joint working with Essex Police RET, Environment Agency, Youth Service, Just Play

Comprehensive CCTV system which is monitored by SIA licensed staff who are police accredited

Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) - consultation for Maldon Promenade, Hythe Quay, High Street and Burnham Riverside Park

Design Council Project – screening tool to assess emotional wellbeing of children in transition year from primary to secondary education

Multi-agency work – Safe, Well and Secure with ECFRS

Dengie Tri-Service Rural Community Officer Pilot

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[Tri-Service Rural
Community Officer
starts work for all three
emergency services -
YouTube](#)



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MALDON OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: 11 March 2021

CHIEF INSPECTOR STEVE SCOTT-HAYNES



- ❖ District Commander for Maldon and Chelmsford: - Chief Inspector Stephen Scott-Haynes
- ❖ Local policing teams (24/7 response) - based in Maldon and Chelmsford
- ❖ Maldon & Chelmsford Community Policing Team (including Town Centre Team)
Based in the Community Safety Hub at Chelmsford City Council
- ❖ CPT work to the local priorities of the Community Safety Partnership



Force Plan 2020/2021

- Help people
- Keep people safe
- Catch criminals



How we work

WITH EACH OTHER

Support each other

Act fairly and respectfully

Follow the Code of Ethics

Promote inclusivity, equality and diversity

WITH COMMUNITIES AND PARTNERS

Build trust and confidence

Clarify our role and purpose

EFFICIENTLY AND EFFECTIVELY

Use intel, data and evidence to make decisions

Develop, learn and improve

Skilled, equipped and enabled to use technology

Make the most of our resources

Our priorities

To prevent, investigate and tackle:



VIOLENCE IN ALL ITS FORMS



ONLINE CRIME



ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR



GANGS AND ORGANISED CRIME



SAFETY / CRIME ON THE ROADS



DOMESTIC ABUSE



BURGLARY

To support and protect:



CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE PEOPLE



VICTIMS OF CRIME



VISIBILITY IN COMMUNITIES

Main effort

Victims

Vulnerability

Violence

Visibility



The Seven Policing Priorities to Protect Essex

- More local, visible and accessible policing
- Crack down on anti-social behaviour
- Breaking the cycle of domestic abuse
- Reverse the trend in serious violence
- Tackle gangs and organised crime
- Protecting children and vulnerable people
- Improve safety on our roads



Maldon Performance Summary

- ❖ Crime is down by 4.9% (184 less offences) - rolling 12 months to February 2021, a similar trend across Essex
- ❖ ASB is up by 71.8% (568 more incidents) - predominately COVID breaches, whilst high it is similar compared with other districts in Essex, Maldon has been compliant
- ❖ Less opportunity to commit crime (reduced night- time economy/dwelling burglary)
- ❖ Areas of concern (Sexual Offences: 41.2%, Violence without Injury: 9.1%, Stalking and Harassment: 16.5% - linked to Domestic Abuse, and Hate Crime: 18.2% - steady increase since referendum)
- ❖ Percentages rates high but actual numbers relatively low since starting from low base rate
- ❖ Future use of Power BI (Business Intelligence)



The Impact of Covid on Policing

- ❖ Operation Talla – huge demand on patrolling areas to ensure compliance to the COVID laws. These currently include but are not limited to: no mixing with any other household unless exercising with 1 other person from another household, face mask compliance. We cannot enforce social distancing as this is a recommendation not law.
- ❖ Overall crime reduced during the pandemic, as lockdowns ease demand on policing returns to pre-covid levels
- ❖ Effective response to issues: reopening of the town centre, licensing breaches, illegal raves and music events, anti-lockdown protests, supporting businesses to operate, concerns for welfare
- ❖ Supporting the vaccination sites that are setting up in the district
- ❖ Supporting victims of domestic abuse



Local Community Policing Structure

- ❖ The community policing team are made up as follows:
 - Detective Inspector Kelly Thurston
 - Community Policing Sergeants Ps David Woods and T/Ps Matt Dalby run the 2 CPT shifts which include 9 Pcs and 2-4 PCSO's each
 - Town team is run by Ps Graham Thomas with 8 Pcs and 4 PCSO's. They cover Chelmsford City Centre, Maldon Town and South Woodham Ferrers Town

- ❖ Included within the team are 4 CYP officers, 2 MPLO's and 2 CSEO's and 1 SIM Pc.



Recruitment Campaign

- ❖ The [We Value Difference](#) campaign is a part of our successful Fit the Bill recruitment drive.
- ❖ It focuses on dispelling the myths that you have to be a certain 'type' of person to be a police officer. At Essex Police, we know that the best way to maintain an effective, forward-thinking workforce is to continue to represent our county, and country, including the differences this can bring.
- ❖ We Value Difference predominantly focuses on nine strands of difference: personality, age, cultural background, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, language, education and faith.
- ❖ Our police officers and detectives are continuing to create equal opportunities for everyone. Almost 34% of our officers are female, and 3% are officers from BAME backgrounds. In July and August, our application rates in under-represented groups continued to grow, with almost 10% of our applicants from ethnic minority backgrounds and 30% of applicants being women.
- ❖ Essex is a diverse community and we want to reflect that in our policing.



Maldon Policing Tactics

- ❖ Community policing – Being responsible for specific beats and areas of the community to enable officers to take control of the local impacts. Community policing is about being visible and responding to demand when appropriate and engaging with our communities through social media where appropriate. (FB and Twitter)
- ❖ Being more accessible – street meets, coffee with cops, WhatsApp, Facebook live, reporting online, digital 101 live chat and local newsletter. There will also be monthly updates going in some parish council papers/newsletters. COVID has obviously been a challenge for community engagement, and it has made us think about how we can interact. Currently we hold FB live sessions and are considering other ways to digitally engage.
- ❖ Ensuring that we have the capability to support our rural areas and working with partners – NHW, Farmwatch, active citizens, Rural engagement team.
- ❖ Role of community safety engagement officers – PC Rosie Smith (Maldon) and PC Chris Major (Chelmsford)



Maldon Police Operations

- ❖ Committed to Community Safety Hub, joint tasking and problem- solving approach
- ❖ Violent crime and drugs – Operations Sceptre and Overwatch, effective use of stop and search powers aimed at drugs and weapons
- ❖ Vulnerability – Operations Enlightenment (schools) and Henderson (transport hubs)
- ❖ Local issues – we frequently run small localized specific operations intrinsically linked to a small specified area



QUESTIONS?

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