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**Sefton Safer Communities Budget Plan
2020/2021**

Vision:

To build community resilience to crime and increase the confidence of our residents by changing their perception of crime in Sefton

Sefton in context

Ensuring the safety of our residents is a clear priority for partners in Sefton. Sefton's Safer Communities Partnership is the coming together of organisations from across the borough to work towards reducing crime and reassuring our communities. The effect of crime on our communities is wide reaching. It is the Partnership's plan to help reduce this effect and make our communities safer places to live, work and visit.

This plan is a positive opportunity to set out a coordinated and consistent approach amongst all partners in Sefton as to how we will allocate funding from the Crime reduction grant and the Violence Reduction Partnership grant

What we know

We are all working within the context of reducing resources, which means we have to make difficult decisions as to where we focus our attention and to deliver the best outcomes for all. In order to do this, we have considered the evidence and intelligence available and listened to what our communities are telling us about the things that concern them and impact upon their lives.

The Partnership will continue to work with the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Violence Reduction Partnership to ensure the priorities for our communities are highlighted and can be used to inform plans.

There are some emerging trends we need to be mindful of whilst developing our priorities in Sefton which include Youth Violence, Knife Crime and Serious Acquisitive Crime but we must be mindful of the fact that Serious and Organised Crime continues to be a major concern to our communities and our partnership. We will also have to be flexible in our approach to delivering services and activities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The number of incidents of Domestic Abuse presents a challenge for us all, particularly levels of repeats and the correlation among young women, Domestic/Sexual Abuse and Gang issues. It is imperative that we ensure that key stakeholders recognise their roles

and responsibilities in tackling domestic and sexual abuse, and that our services for victims, offenders and families are fit for purpose, improve outcomes and are in accordance with safeguarding duties.

Hate Crime is an area we need to continue to focus upon to increase confidence in reporting, support frontline services to recognise an incident as Hate Crime and to ensure we have the appropriate support structures in place for those who experience Hate Crime.

Communities need the support and advice to become resilient and the VCF sector is taking more responsibility in delivering activities previously delivered by Local Authorities and other strategic partners.

Sefton Safer Communities Partnership is committed to working together to address those issues concerning our communities. Our priority remains to tackle issues of crime and community safety and make best use of the resources we have available to us to deliver the best quality services to our residents.

Merseyside Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP)

The Merseyside Violence Reduction Partnership brings together Merseyside police, Merseyside Fire and Rescue, local government, National Probation Service and the county's Youth Offending Service, health and education professionals, community leaders and other key partners as one team to identify and tackle the root causes of serious violence

The VRP priority areas for funding have been set out to follow a public health approach and the VRP stipulates that funding bids from Community Safety Partnerships need to be used on one or more of the following areas that are most relevant to the issues identified and focused on within the problem profile: -

- Early Help
- Early Years
- Speech and Language Therapy and readiness for school
- Targeted interventions (with at risk young people)
- Youth diversion and mentoring
- Local education initiatives

Priorities and actions for Crime Reduction Grant 2020/2021

Activity	Expected Outcomes	Performance Measure
Anti-Social Behaviour £119,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Productive engagement throughout the lifespan of a Youth order. • Reduction in reoffending. • An engaged cohort of young people during the summer months, and other peak times. <p>Reduction in group anti-social behaviour in public areas.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reduction in re offending rate • 60 Park night sessions • 600 participants
Sexual Violence £50,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victims of sexual violence in Sefton receive the support they need • Improved wellbeing of victims supported • Increased service provision for perpetrators of domestic abuse • Increased information and guidance available on children and young people causing harm • Increased support for parents and young people to reduce violent behaviour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sexual violence support: As per PCC led contract monitoring • As the other projects are new, outputs are to be agreed with project leads
Vulnerable People including Hate Crime £15,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise the awareness of hate crime across the Borough. • Support vulnerable individuals within our community. • Keep messages simple and clear. (Use education actions to deliver detailed messages). • Reduce reoffending. • Reduce Isolation of a vulnerable group • Break down language barriers and develop community cohesion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase reporting to over 500 incidents • Deliver 8 hate crime training sessions • Establish 2 more reporting centres

<p>Community Infrastructure £60,000.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will be using resources to make our communities more resilient to the impact of Anti-Social and Criminal behaviour. • We will aim to make our communities sustainable in tackling Anti-Social and Criminal behaviour. • Reduced Anti-Social and Criminal Behaviour. • Better reporting and use of up to date technology. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 250 young people engaged via SIT team • 260 adults engaged via the SIT team • 2 new mobile CCTV cameras set up • Establish 2 friends of groups for open spaces that are ASB hotspots
<p>Community Resilience £53,000.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to deliver and expand the reach of Sefton's Scrambler Bike initiative. • Use all available resources from partners to get messages to the public arena. • Support the local economy. • Continued support of Community Justice Panels. • Make Sefton's Public highways safer for all users. support colleagues from Merseyside Police in delivering specific operations and activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 Schools involved in the Scrambler Bike Project Training for 10 new volunteers for the Community Justice Panels • 200 arrests in Op CHAPAR • deploy 600 drug wipe kits • 750 bike marking kits given out
<p>Serious Organised Crime & Serious Acquisitive Crime £35,000.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • support the Stay Safe project to continue to deliver sessions in schools and develop a youth group early intervention project • Commission the Get Away and Get Safe project to deliver One to One session with vulnerable exploited children 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 52 workshops • 50 playground sessions • 8 early intervention projects • 20 one to one sessions

Priorities and actions for Violence Reduction Partnership Grant 2020/2021

Project/Activity	Expected Outcomes	Performance Measure
GANGS Project £30,000.00	30-week long sessions in primary settings across the borough	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 sessions delivered • Feedback from Teachers/Schools
Commissioned Youth Provision £60,000.00	£10,000 for each of the 6 commissioned providers to deliver additional activities and engagement with Young People encouraging community cohesion and healthy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All commissioned groups will report back via the commissioned youth providers forum success and learning from additional activities • Young People attending SYMBOL meeting feedback on extra activities delivered
Youth Offending Team £17,500	Education Psychologist ACE's training and delivery Diversionary programmes for YOT cohort	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young people's Additional needs are identified, and counselling will be provided as required • Young people who suffer trauma will be supported via a bespoke programme • Access to holiday programmes to offer positive diversionary activities for young people working with the YOT team
Sefton CVS £26,000.00	Support for non-commissioned providers to deliver activities to reduce Violence Working with the Young Advisors to ensure that young people's voices are heard about Violence and Gang crime Develop new communities of practice ACE's. Training and delivery of sessions across the sector.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non commissioned providers identified and approached to deliver activities • Young Advisors and Youth Cabinet engage with young people via SYMBOL meetings • Expand existing, and develop new, Communities of practice

Flexible reserve £46,500.00	respond to potential issues post COVID19 in regards to the night time economy, businesses and ASB and other issues that may emerge.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•• Develop intelligence led planning of activities in response to COVID19 recovery• Engage with Night Time Economy businesses

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