

# STROUD DISTRICT COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP (SDCSP)



...and other non-statutory organisations

## Key Responsibilities of SDCSP

- Oversee strategic analysis of current activity appropriate at district level, including strategic assessments and ensure an evidence-based approach to priority-setting
- Agree key priorities at district level and ensure that there is a three-year Community Safety Strategy and Plan
- Undertake regular community engagement and consultation
- Keep a strategic overview of progress against delivery of objectives
- Analyse a wide range of data to implement possible efficiencies and increase effectiveness
- Raise the awareness of key issues and facilitate the exchange of information between all organisations involved that are appropriate at a district and county wide level
- Produce a strategy to reduce reoffending
- Commission domestic homicide reviews
- Ensure compliance with the statutory duties and responsibilities stated in the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, the Police and Justice Act 2006, and in subsequent Home Office regulations





## Partnership Vision

*'To contribute to a high quality of life for all, across both urban and rural communities by facilitating an environment where people feel secure and live without the threat or fear of crime and disorder, Violence and Anti-social Behaviour'*

## Overarching Aim

*'To deliver enhanced partnership working, collaboration and collective problem solving.'*



## SDCSP Priorities

**1**

**Aim to reduce and proactively tackle Anti-social Behaviour (ASB) in all its forms and raise awareness of alcohol and substance misuse and reduce related crime/incidents including street related ASB.**

**2**

**Aim to reduce but increase awareness and reporting of Violence and Intimidation Against Women and Girls (VIAWG) serious violence, domestic abuse / sexual violence, and exploitation whilst supporting victims: including criminal exploitation, modern slavery, and human trafficking.**

**3**

**Aim to Prevent people being drawn into extremism and take positive action in respect of hate crime.**

**4**

**Build stronger and cohesive communities with a focus on increasing community confidence.**

**5**

**Aim to reduce and prevent re-offending by working with partners to address persistent prolific offenders who cause most harm.**

# Priority 1

## Why is this a priority?

Nationally and locally, anti-social behaviour has a high profile, and the Partnership accepts that incidents of anti-social behaviour have a negative impact upon the quality of life of the residents within our communities.



## What will we aim to achieve?

- Reduced street related ASB
- Use of ASB case review
- Close Community engagement
- Effective communications with communities and victims

## How will we achieve our aims?

Develop an asset based community development approach to engage with communities

Raise awareness of opportunistic crimes within the daytime economy and provide prevention campaigns

Support events, businesses and the Police by providing effective CCTV coverage

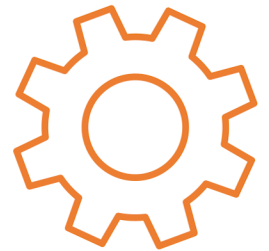
Ensure publication of successful initiatives through effective press liaison

Introduce 'SOLACE' to reduce persistent ASB, support victims of anti-social behaviour and provide effective case management.

Focus on tackling anti-social behaviour issues related to young people as victims and perpetrators

Engage with the integrated offender management (IOM) team to address behaviour of a small number of persons who commit most of the crime and ASB

Implementation of the Stroud District Council ASB policy 2023



## How will we measure success?



Increase in reporting ASB

Number of non-legal interventions taken against perpetrators of ASB

Number of breaches of civil interventions

The Partnership will monitor the number of incidents recorded and compare to the preceding year

SOLACE will monitor monthly the number of non-legal interventions taken against young perpetrators

# Priority 2

## Why is this a priority?

Vulnerable, high risk and repeat victims of crime and anti-social behaviour present the highest levels of threat and harm for the Partnership. By encouraging victims to report incidents, the Partnership will be in an informed position and be more effective in supporting victims and developing further services



## What will we aim to achieve?

Increase the reporting of serious violence, Domestic Abuse offences and VAWG & Sexual Abuse

Raise awareness of serious violence, VAWG, Domestic Abuse, Sexual Abuse, and the support services available in the district.

To identify adults/youths at risk of exploitation and put in place appropriate referrals

Raise awareness of Modern slavery and Human Trafficking

To provide diversionary projects that target young people at risk of becoming drawn into Crime and ASB

Ensure that front line staff are sufficiently knowledgeable about the subject

## How will we achieve our aims?

Engage with national and local Domestic Abuse initiatives

Highlight the local Domestic Abuse services that are available to victims and their families

Review and respond to any learning outcomes from any Domestic Homicide Reviews

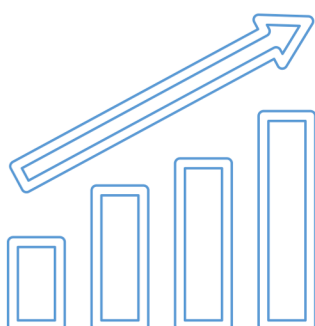
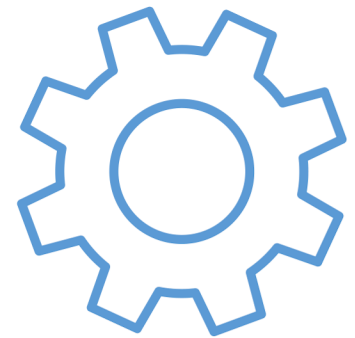
Prevention – examine ways to change attitudes and ensure that information about domestic abuse is widely available

Improve information sharing and ensure a robust audit trail for information relating to the vulnerability of young people

To provide diversionary projects that target young people at risk of becoming drawn into Crime and ASB

Ensure appropriate referrals are made for support to children and young people to relevant authorities.

Refer and engage young People at risk of criminal exploitation



## How will we measure success?

We will adopt the Gloucestershire Serious Violence Strategy 2023 – 2026

Reduction in the number of serious violence with Injury crimes

Increase reporting and raise awareness of the number of Domestic Violence incidents/crime

Increase awareness and reporting of VAWG.

Raise awareness of modern slavery, human trafficking, and criminal exploitation

Increase awareness of the National Referral Mechanism (NRM) with staff and partners (see appendix for guidance)



# Priority 3

## Why is this a priority?

The Prevent Strategy is part of the Government's counter-terrorism strategy, 'Contest'. It aims to stop people becoming extremists. It is important that the Partnership is proactive in addressing issues that could threaten community cohesion and that partner agencies work collaboratively to demonstrate that hate crime and extremist actions will not be tolerated.



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## What will we aim to achieve?

- Respond to the ideological challenge of terrorism
- Prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure they are given appropriate advice and support.
- Work with sectors and institutions where there are risks of radicalisation
- To promote the work of the County Hate Incident & Gloucestershire Prevent and Partnership Board (GPPB), reporting processes and the support available to victims through events and local media
- To take positive action in respect of all hate incidents/crimes



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## How will we achieve our aims?

Ensure publicly owned venues and resources do not provide a platform for extremists

To ensure that all vulnerable young people and adults who might be susceptible to extremism are referred through to Channel via the GPPB

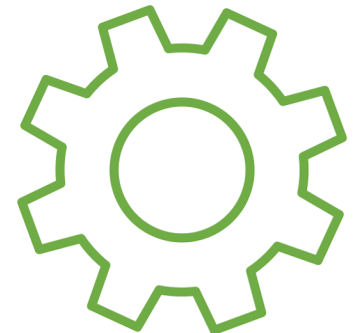
To monitor extremism at local, national, and international levels

By complying with the statutory duties on Local Authorities to Prevent and address all forms of extremism

To ensure that all relevant staff understand the Prevent Strategy and are equipped to respond to concerns

By holding Hate Awareness events throughout the year, promoting discussion, and increasing awareness with members of the public

Deliver presentations to Schools, in hotspot locations for Hate Crime, as well as deliver training for Hate Incident reporting staff



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## How will we measure success?

The number of staff that understand the Prevent Strategy and are equipped to respond to concerns

Number of Channel referrals made.

The Community Safety Partnership will monitor the number of Hate crimes, as recorded by Gloucestershire Police, on a quarterly basis



# Priority 4



## Why is this a priority?

Recent local surveys indicated that residents and business owners are concerned about rising levels of crime



## What will we aim to achieve?

Encourage people to take reasonable precautions to protect themselves

Update the SDC website on a regular basis.

Increase use of social media as a vehicle to communicate crime reduction messages i.e., community alerts

Implement new neighbourhood watch schemes throughout the district

Work in partnership with town and parish councils to identify areas where they may need support in order to action their statutory duty.

Actively work with business & VCSE organisation via established networks and groups to provide advice, guidance, and support.

Increase the awareness around the benefits of community payback.

## How will we achieve our aims?

Promote good news stories, crime reduction figures and messages of reassurance through a variety of media channels.

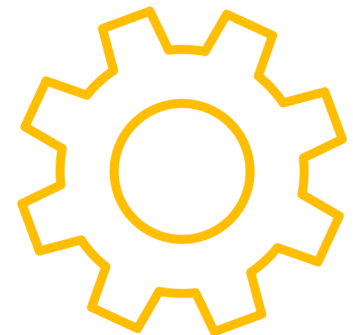
Support a process of communicating with neighbourhoods

Inform the community of the actual levels of crime and ASB

Engage with residents and local representatives, to understand local concerns and seek feasible solutions

Create checklist and practical ideas resource for residents, VCES organisations and businesses.

Organise workshops for residents, VCSE organisations and businesses to attend help enhance their understanding of their responsibility



## How will we measure success?

By aiming to increase the number of people of all ages stating that felt safe in their local area after dark

By aiming to increase the number of people stating that ASB got better or stayed the same

Number of organisations who have completed the checklist

Number of community workshops which have been delivered

Number of organisations engaging with community payback

Number of areas which have benefited from community payback involvement.



# Priority 5

## Why is this a priority?

Prevent and reduce re-offending is a priority as the Partnership understands the significant detrimental impact that crime has on victims. The focus of partnership activity under this priority will aim to disrupt Serious and Organised Crime, prevent and reduce youth offending and reduce repeat offending of those involved in violence, including domestic abuse. Offenders will be managed locally by Probation and those on the Integrated Offender Management Board.



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## What will we aim to achieve?

Reduce crime recorded in Stroud District Area  
Reduce the number of young people committing crime  
An increased awareness of county lines amongst young people to avoid them becoming involved in or targeted by gangs  
Improvement in the detection and disruption of Organised Crime Groups across the district  
Successful monitoring and behaviour change of known offenders through the Integrated Offender Management Programme and the work of the Probation Service  
Sound intelligence picture of the key offences committed by prolific offenders operating in and throughout Stroud District



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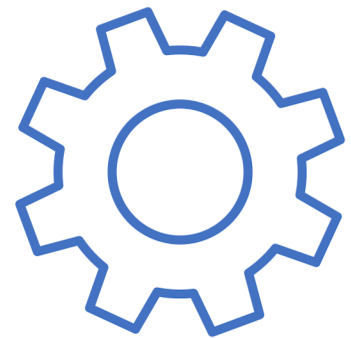
## How will we achieve our aims?

To continue with a multi-agency approach to disrupting Serious and Organised Crime using powers and authorisations that are available to different agencies

To work with Probation and law enforcement colleagues through offender management programmes to moderate behaviour

Support victims of crime via other agencies such as Stroud Neighbourhood Wardens, Victim Support and Neighbourhood Watch, whilst offering advice on scams to those identified as more vulnerable to becoming victims of Serious and Organised Crime

To work with and support Gloucestershire Trading Standards with knife test purchase operations whilst raising the importance of 'Challenge 25' with local businesses.



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## How will we measure success?

Aim to reduce re-offending is a cross-cutting theme and affects all areas of the Partnership's work.

To achieve longer-term changes in behaviour, the Partnership will need to also aim to take a full problem-solving approach considering causal factors contributing to offending behaviour

