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COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIC BOARD THURSDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER, 2019

Date: 12 September 2019

Time: 2.00 p.m.

Location: Council Chamber, Scottish Borders Council, Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells

	BUSINESS		
1.	Apologies		
2.	Minute	All	
	 (a) Minute (Pages 5 - 8) Consider Minute of previous meeting of the Community Planning Strategic Board held on 13 June 2019. (Attached) 		
	(b) Action Tracker (Pages 9 - 10) (Attached)		
3.	Men's Shed Presentation by the Men's shed Development Officer on the work of Men's Sheds across the Scottish Borders.	Ross Hall	
4.	Community Plan Annual Performance Report (Pages 11 - 20) Consider example format and detail for Quality of Life. (attached)	Jenni Craig	
5.	Child Poverty Action Plan (Pages 21 - 22) Governance update attached.	Allyson McCollam	
6. Community Plan Action Plan:			
	(a) Economy, Skills and Learning Update	Rob Dickson/ Angela Cox	
	(b) Health and Wellbeing Update	Tim Patterson	
	(c) Quality of Life Update (Pages 23 - 28) Highlight report attached.	Stuart Easingwood /Stuart Reid	
	 (d) Place Update (Pages 29 - 30) (a) Highlight report (attached). (b) Presentation on Green Homes Initiative. 	Nile Istephan/ Julia Mulloy	

7.	Any Other Business	
8.	Date of Next Meeting The next meeting of the Strategic Board is scheduled for Thursday 21 November 2019 at 2.00pm.	

Note: Members are reminded that should they have a Declaration of Interest to make on an item of business, they should do so at the appropriate time.

Name	Organisation
Councillor Mark Rowley* (Chair)	Scottish Borders Council
Councillor Sandy Aitchison*	Scottish Borders Council
Councillor Stuart Bell*	Scottish Borders Council
Mr Malcolm Dickson	NHS Borders
LSO Stephen Gourlay	Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
Councillor Carol Hamilton*	Scottish Borders Council
Ms Karen Hamilton	NHS Borders
Mrs Marjorie Hume	Third Sector representative
Mr Tony Jakimciw	Borders College
Superintendent Angus MacInnes	Police Scotland
Councillor George Turnbull*	Scottish Borders Council
Ms Elaine Morrison	Scottish Enterprise
Mr Simon Mountford	Registered Social Landlords representative
	(SBHA)

Members of the Strategic Board;

* any 3 from the 5 named SBC Councillors

Copies also sent for information:

Name	Organisation
Mr David Alexander	Eildon Housing
Mr Andy Bruce	Scottish Government
Lin Bunten	Scottish Environment Protection Agency
Mr Niall Corbet	Scottish Natural Heritage
Councillor Gordon Edgar	SESTRAN
Mr David Gordon	Waverley Housing
Mr Grant McDougall	Skills Development Scotland
Mr Colin McGrath	Community Council Network representative
Mr Bill White	Live Borders

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SCOTTISH BORDERS COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIC BOARD

MEETING

Date:	13 June 2019 from 2:00 to 3:45 p.m.
Location:	Committee Room 2, Scottish Borders Council, Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells
Attendees:	Councillors Mark Rowley (SBC)[Chair], Mr Malcolm Dickson (NHS Borders), Mrs Marjorie Hume (Third Sector), Superintendent Angus McInnes (Police Scotland), Councillor George Turnbull (SBC).
Also in Attendance:	Colin McGrath (Chairman, SBCCN); Ralph Roberts (NHS Borders); Michael Battie (Chair of the Child Protection Committee); Philip Barr, Stuart Easingwood, Shona Smith, Jenny Wilkinson (all SBC).

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chairman welcomed Malcolm Dickson, Steve Mitchell and Ralph Roberts to their first meeting of the Strategic Board. He also paid tribute to the work of John Raine, who had recently retired as Chairman of NHS Borders Board. There was then a round of introductions.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Mr D. Alexander (Eildon Housing), Councillor S. Aitchison (SBC), Councillor S. Bell (SBC), Mr S. Gourlay (Scottish Fire & Rescue), Councillor C. Hamilton (SBC), Mr Tony Jakimciw (Borders College), Ms Elaine Morrison (Scottish Enterprise), and Mr Simon Mountford (SBHA).

3. BORDERS DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT 2018

- 3.1 Copies of the Director of Public Health's Annual Report 2018 had been circulated, and Dr Tim Patterson gave a presentation, highlighting the 6 priorities with associated key areas for action:
 - Priority 1: A Borders where we live in vibrant, healthy safe spaces and communities
 - Priority 2: A Borders where we flourish in our early years
 - Priority 3: A Borders where we have good mental wellbeing
 - Priority 4: A Borders where we reduce the use of and harm from alcohol, tobacco and other drugs
 - Priority 5: A Borders where we have a sustainable, inclusive economy with equity of outcomes for all
 - Priority 6: A Borders where we eat well, have a healthy weight and are physically active

3.2 Tim Patterson confirmed that an action plan would be developed and the Community Planning outcome measures updated as a result of this. In response to questions, Dr Patterson confirmed that boredom and loneliness were included under mental health, especially its impact on older people, and it was hoped that communities would help through actions in Locality Plans; work was ongoing to develop funding to try to address health in the workforce in smaller companies; and there were encouraging signs from the work of the family nurse programme in trying to reduce smoking in young mothers. There followed some discussion on low carbon and sustainability and the option of sharing property and transport. Dr Patterson then gave an update on public health reform with the formation of Public Health Scotland. Allyson McCollom would circulate copies of a response to the consultation on this to members of the Board. **Noted.**

4. **MINUTE**

Copies of the Minute of Meeting of 7 March 2019 had been circulated. In response to a question with regard to paragraph 7, the Best Value Audit, SBC Executive Director Philip Barr confirmed that the draft outcome of the audit was expected in about 6 weeks and publication of the final report would be in October 2019.

AGREED to approve the Minute.

5. CHILD POVERTY ACTION PLAN

- 5.1 Copies of a report by the Director of Public Health on the development of a Child Poverty Action Plan in response to the Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017, had been circulated. Allyson McCollam, Associated Director of Public Health, presented the Action Plan, whose 3 main drivers were income from employment; income from social security and benefits; and the cost of living. Scottish Government guidance required Local Authorities and the NHS to produce joint reports by June 2019. This single joint Plan from the Community Planning Partnership was intended to fulfil that need. Once submitted to Scottish Government, the Plan would be assessed by an independent body which would provide comments. As this was the first Plan, current activities were described as well as the future direction including a step change in the approach. Reporting would also go beyond children's services and include other partners. There was also a need to demonstrate how families experiencing low income/living in poverty were being engaged and what impact any changes being made were having on them. This was work in progress and would be strengthened in future. There were 5 main work-streams: employability; housing; customer services, including welfare benefits advice; education; and health & wellbeing. There was a very specific duty placed on NHS to have pathways in place for young children, with Scottish Government setting long term targets for 2030 for reductions in poverty, with milestones along the way. Some national support and guidance had been provided around those. Whichever measures were chosen, either 1 in 4 or 1 in 3 children in the Borders was living in poverty and with the Borders being a low wage economy, progress for young people may not be quite as positive as elsewhere. It was recognised at the recent Community Planning Programme Board that this Action Plan combined both strategic and operational aspects of work so this needed to be separated out, the economic development aspects captured, and further discussion be taken forward with the Third Sector.
- 5.2 In response to a query regarding Scottish Government's 4 definitions of poverty and measures, Ms McCollam advised that the Improvement Service was carrying out some work which may give local authorities more trackable measures. In terms of engaging with the public, in particular those experiencing poverty, there were no direct ways at the moment but any ideas on how to do so without stigmatising people would be welcomed. The Third Sector may also be able to provide support. This was a really important Community Planning initiative with further work required on how best to take actions forward.

AGREED:

- (a) to approve the Child Poverty Action Plan for submission to the Scottish Government; and
- (b) that a further report would be provided to the next meeting of the Strategic Board on how the governance, including reporting, of the Action Plan would be taken forward.

6. DRAFT SCOTTISH FIRE & RESCUE STRATEGIC PLAN 2019 - 2022

Copies of the Draft Scottish Fire and Rescue Strategic Plan 2019 – 2022, which was currently out for consultation, had been circulated. Steven Mitchell advised that the consultation was available on Citizen Space until 18 July 2019, with all partners invited to provide comments. The Plan "Working Together for a Safer Scotland" had 4 broad outcomes around prevention, response, people and public value. Discussions were currently underway to broaden the role of the fire fighter to the benefit of communities, which was all about working together in partnership. Members of the Board offered their congratulations on the expanded services and the partnership working by the Fire and Rescue Service.

Noted.

7. SCOTTISH BORDERS COMMUNITY PLAN ACTION PLAN

Copies of the Community Plan Action Plan 2019 had been circulated, which gave details of the expected outcomes for each Theme along with actions to deliver the outcomes. Still to be added were the progress RAG status and timescales for each action. Shona Smith, SBC Communities & Partnership Manager, confirmed that while a lot of progress had been made, there was still much to be done. At the recent CP Programme Board meeting, the Theme Leads had been asked to add in the timescales and resources for actions. Some of the measures and targets may change now that they had all been brought together into the one document. Dr Patterson confirmed that with regard to Our Health & Wellbeing Theme, a lot had happened since indicators had first been identified so these now needed to be re-visited to make them much more specific and smarter. The Chairman commented that many of the outcomes were general and aspirational, so it would be helpful for monitoring purposes if they could be more quantifiable, including a definition of short, medium and long term. Updates on each action would not be expected everu time. Superintendent McInnes also commented on the next cycle of local policing plans which were due at the end of the year which may change some of the actions and measures if the public's priorities had changed. It was important that there was a golden thread running through all plans. Mrs Hume commented that it would be good to get Third Sector measures into the Action Plan, such as Men's Sheds and University of the Third Age, and Ms Smith confirmed that these, and any other measures, would be welcomed.

AGREED to receive an update on the Action Plan at the next Board meeting.

8. LOCALITY PLANS AND EMERGING KEY PRIORITIES

With reference to paragraph 6 of the Minute of 7 March 2019, copies of draft Locality Plans for each of the 5 areas had been circulated. Copies of a document with the key priorities which had come out of discussions at the Area Partnerships were issued at the meeting. Shona Smith, SBC Communities & Partnership Manager, advised that the next stage was to take the Plans and key priorities to other stakeholders to see if they agreed with the content. The Locality Plans were dynamic documents and would evolve as progress was made and it was important that these were driven by local communities and in partnership. Ms Smith gave the example of transport, which had not been included as a priority in the original Community Plan due to lack of evidence but was now likely to be included in the next version as it had been included in each Locality Plan. Philip Barr, SBC Executive Director, explained that the intention was to measure success on a regular basis but also be prepared to change as communities asked for priorities to change. Further work would be needed on communication with communities to ensure people knew what was happening and where to find information. **Noted.**

9. COMMUNITY PLAN ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

Colin Banks, SBC Locality Development Officer, advised that each Community Planning Partnership had to publish what they had been doing with regard to Community Partnership work. The aim was to include this Performance Report as an addendum to the Community Plan, reflecting on the work that had been carried out and also a plan for the following 12 months. Further details would be worked up on the 3 Quality of Life Theme outcomes and presented to the CP Programme Board and if these were approved then the same would be done for the other Themes' outcomes and brought to the Strategic Board thereafter.

AGREED to receive at the next Board meeting further details and an update on progress with the Annual Performance Report, including an anticipated timetable for reporting.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr McGrath, Chairman of the Scottish Borders Community Council Network, made reference to the growth of Men's Sheds, with the SBCCN AGM recently being held in the Kelso Men's Shed. Shona Smith, SBC Communities & Partnership Manager, explained about the role of the Men's Shed Co-ordinator who reported quarterly.

AGREED to have a presentation and update from the Men's Shed Co-ordinator and representatives from Men's Sheds in the area at the next meeting of the Board.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting of the Strategic Board was confirmed as Thursday 12 September 2019 at 2.00 p.m. **Noted.**

SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL

ACTION SHEET

COMMUNITY PLANNING STRATEGIC BOARD - November 2012 onwards

Notes:-

- 1. Paragraphs Marked with a * require full Council approval before action can be taken
- 2. Items for which no actions are required are not included

NO.	MINUTE PARAGRAPH NUMBER, TITLE AND DECISION REQUIRING ACTION	ORGANISATION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	OUTCOME
13 June	e 2019			
1.	Paragraph 5.2(b) (Child Poverty Action Plan) – Action: AGREED that a further report would be provided to the next meeting of the Strategic Board on how the governance, including reporting, of the Action Plan would be taken forward.	NHS/SBC	Tim Patterson	On agenda – 12 September.
2.	Paragraph 7 (Community Plan Action Plan) – Action: AGREED to receive an update on the Action Plan at the next Board meeting.	All	Delivery Theme Leads	On agenda - 12 September
3.	Paragraph 9 (Community Plan Annual Performance Report) Action: AGREED to receive at the next Board meeting further details and an update on progress with the Annual Performance Report, including an anticipated timetable for reporting.	SBC	Shona Smith	On agenda - 12 September
4.	Paragraph 10 (Any Other Business – Men's Sheds) Action: AGREED to have a presentation and update from the Men's Sheds Co-ordinator and representatives from the Men's Sheds in the area at the next meeting of the Board.	SBC	Shona Smith	On agenda - 12 September

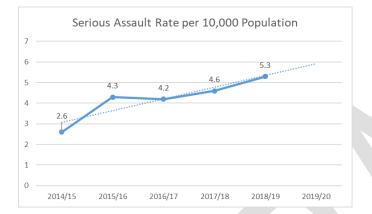
KEY:	
No symbol	Deadline not reached

R	Overdue
	<1 week to deadline
G	Complete – items removed from tracker once noted as complete at meeting.

What we know about the Scottish Borders



Outcome: Fewer people experiencing violence (incl. domestic abuse)



Our Measures and Targets

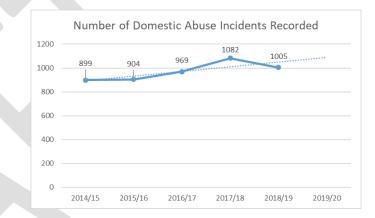
Serious assault (Group 1) crime rate recorded

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Reduce the number of assaults by working collaboratively with partners to reduce incidents within our communities.

Key Actions - last 18 months:

- Direct focus in particular areas in the community to reduce violence, especially with a night time economy.
- Focus on raising awareness of domestic abuse.
- Direct focus on those who are repeat offenders and support repeat victims within the community



Number of domestic abuse incidents recorded

In the short and medium term increase incidents being reported by building confidence in victims to report. With the caveat that in the long term

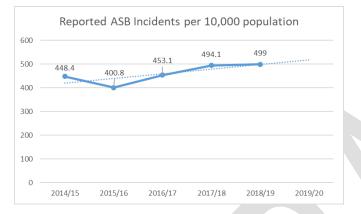
Next 12 months:

- Particular focus on reducing crimes of violence through engagement with Licensed Premises, in towns with an active night time economy.
- Focus on raising awareness of domestic abuse.
- Direct focus on those who are repeat offenders and support repeat victims within the community

What we know about the Scottish Borders



Outcome: Fewer people experiencing anti-social behaviour (ASB)

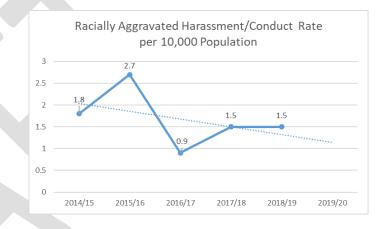


Page 10 2014/15 2015/16 201 Our Measures and Targets

Anti-social behaviour incidents recorded To reduce number of ASB incidents by more robust and sustainable partnership working

Key Actions - last 18 months:

- We will work in partnership to reduce repeat offending and victimisation.
- Engage with our partners to educate and inform the community about the effects of anti-social behaviour, hate crime and cybercrime on the most vulnerable in our community.
- Work collaboratively with partners to divert those who commit minor offences or divert away from offending behaviours.



Racially aggravated conduct recorded

To reduce number of ASB incidents by more robust and sustainable partnership working

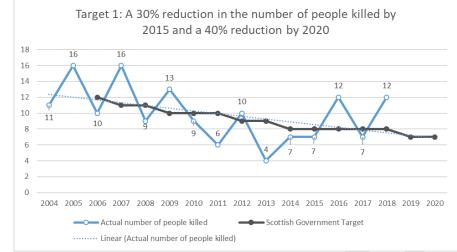
Next 12 months:

- Ongoing Core group meetings to be held each month whereby partners implement interventions in relation to those individuals who are involved in ASB.
- The Gypsy/Traveller liaison function has now been finalised and the Mediation Officer has now taken on this function.
- The ASB Strategy, Policy & Procedure and Information Sharing Protocols have now been updated and will be worked to within the coming months.
- In order to continue to provide personal support to Victims of Crime, the contract for VSSB has been renewed for the next year.
- Upgrades to the ASBU database are being progressed to better analyse what early interventions are most effective.

What we know about the Scottish Borders



Outcome: Fewer people killed or seriously injured on our roads



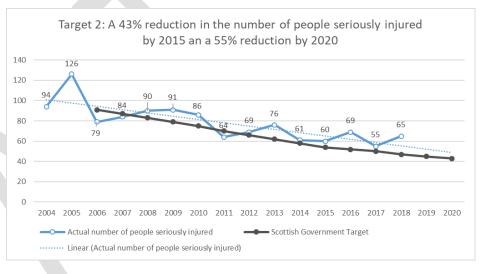
Our Measures and Targets

People killed

To reduce by 40% by 2020 (Scottish Government Target)

Key Actions - last 18 months:

- Education, Training and Publicity, e.g. Advanced driving courses
- Engineering, e.g. Accident Investigation and Prevention site analysis, Safer routes to schools schemes
- Enforcement, e.g. ZENITH motorcycle campaign, Summer Drink Drive campaign
- Direct focus on people of all ages about road user behaviour, with particular focus on young and old people through Drivewise and motorcyclists



People seriously injured

To reduce by 55% by 2020 (Scottish Government Target)

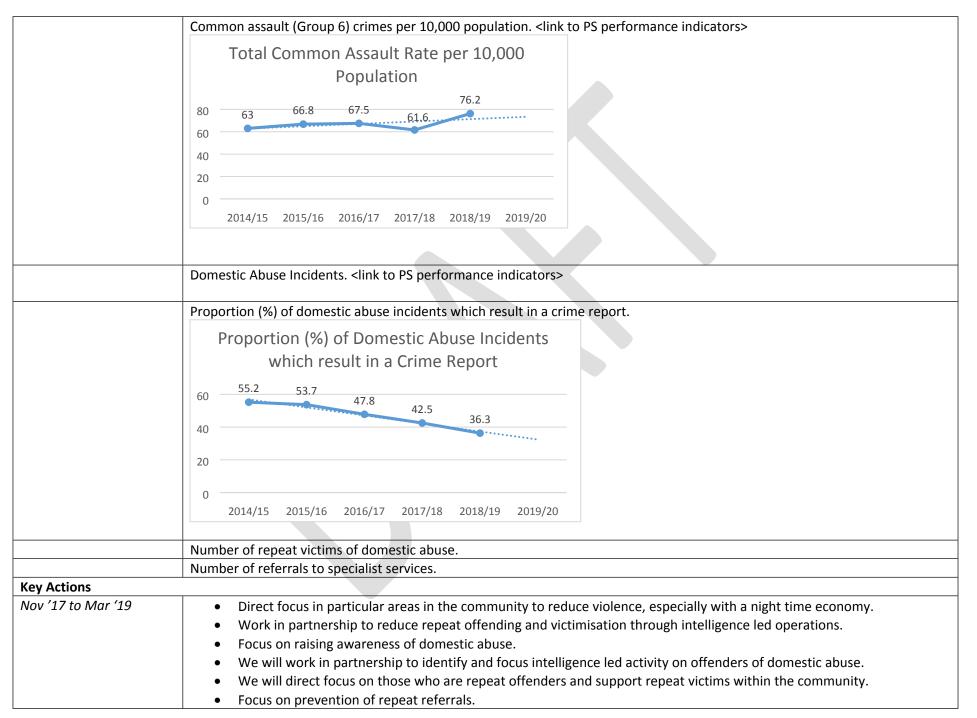
Next 12 months:

- Education: communication programme; road safety publicity campaigns; encourage road safety in the school curriculum; specific programmes to target priority/ at risk groups.
- Engineering, e.g. Accident Investigation and Prevention site analysis; identify problems, emerging patterns or trends for intervention;
- Enforcement: Target offences that are known to contribute to KSI collisions; Work with partners to interact with casualty/ vulnerable groups; Work with partners to identify solutions to areas that cannot be resolved through enforcement.

Appendix #: Community Plan Outcomes – In Detail

Template

Outcome:	Fewer people experiencing violence (inc domestic abuse)	
Our Understanding: (as at November 2017)	 Why do we want to improve this outcome? Because Violent crime has increased in the Scottish Borders by 54% compared to 11% in Scotland since 2014/15. Assaults have increased by 8% in 2016/17 in the Borders. The number of recorded incidents of domestic abuse has increased by 8% compared to Scotland which has a decrease of 2%. There has been a rise in sexual crimes of 26% compared to Scotland which has seen an 11% increase. Domestic abuse was ranked 12/24 in Police Scotland's 2016/17 'Your view counts' survey. 	
Our Measures and Targets:	 Serious Assault crime rate recorded: Reduce number of assaults and robberies by working collaboratively with partners to reduce incidents within our communities Number of domestic abuse incidents recorded: In the short and medium term increase incidents being reported by building confidence in victims to report. With the caveat that in the long term to then reduce numbers of domestic incidents reported. 	
Performance Indicators		
	Serious Assault (Group1) crimes per 10,000 population. Robbery and assault with intent to rob (Group 1) crimes per 10,000 population. Robbery and Assault with intent to Rob (Group 1) per 10,000 Population 1 1.9 1.5 1.2 0.5 0 2014/15 2015/16 2016/17 2014/15 2015/16 2016/17 2014/15 2016/17 2017/18	

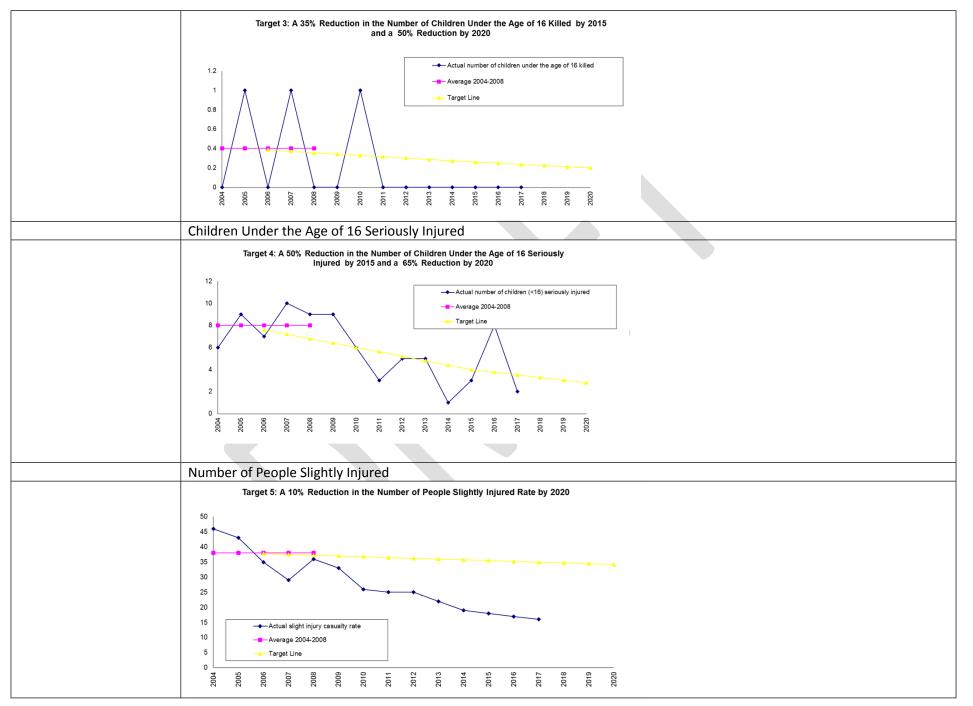


	• Engage with our communities and partners to ensure there is an awareness of threats posed by terrorist actions, how to be vigilant and how to react.	
Apr '19 to Mar '20	 The priority for the domestic abuse services over the next reporting period is to ensure that the structures and processes are in line with the recording requirements for the new Domestic Abuse Act being implemented 1st April 2019. Detailed night time dispersal plans to reduce alcohol related violence, especially in larger Scottish Border towns with a 	
	 Detailed fight time dispersal plans to reduce alcohor related violence, especially in larger scottish border towns with a heavy night time economy, will be continued. 	
	 Carrying out intelligence led stop and searches targeting individuals believed to be carrying weapons. 	
	• Licensed premises checks, focusing on early intervention, preventing violence and disorder, particularly during the festive period where 123 licensed premises visits were carried out. Promoting 'Ask for Angela' campaign through education within licensed premises.	
	 Reassurance patrols are being carried out by the Community Action Team with reassurance patrols in the Scottish Borders community in the aftermath of any violence and disorder. 	
	Operation to tackle reduction in violent crime.	
Key Plans, Strategies and	d Scottish Borders local Police Plan 2017-2020 (Police Scotland)	
Initiatives (and Lead):	Scottish Borders Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan 2017-2020 (Scottish Borders Community Justice Board)	
	Scottish Borders Equally Safe Strategy 2016-21 (Violence Against Women Partnership)	
CPP Lead(s):	Stuart Reid & Stuart Easingwood	

Outcome:	Fewer people experiencing anti-social behaviour (ASB)
Our Understanding:	Why do we want to improve this outcome? Because
(as at November 2017)	Anti-social behaviour (ASB) was ranked 1/24 in Police Scotland's 2016/17 'Your view counts survey'.
	Hate crime within the Scottish Borders has increased by 38%.
	Online ASB has increased in the Scottish Borders by 131 compared to 52% in Scotland.
Our Measures and	ASB incidents recorded: Reduce number of ASB incidents by more robust and sustainable partnership working.
Targets:	• Racially aggravated conduct: Reduce number of ASB incidents by more robust and sustainable partnership working.
Performance Indicators	
	Anti-social behaviour incidents, crime per 10,000 population. < link to Police Scotland performance indicators>
	Racially aggravated conduct, crimes per 10,000 population. < link to Police Scotland performance indicators>
	Number of persons being monitored on the ASBU Monitoring List.
	Number of early interventions made by ASB partners.
	Number of referrals to the mediation service.
	% of mediations cases showing agreement/improvement after mediation.
Key Actions	
Nov '17 to Mar '19	We will work in partnership to reduce repeat offending and victimisation.

CPP Lead(s):	Stuart Reid & Stuart Easingwood
Initiatives (and Lead):	
Key Plans, Strategies and	Scottish Borders Local Police Plan 2017-2020 (Police Scotland).
	in legislation or working procedures will be much easier and quicker to implement.
	• The ASB Policies and Procedures and Strategy will go online once finalised, this will future proof them so that changes
	Data Protection Officer.
	• The "Noise App" use will be further explored, this will be done in conjunction with the SBC Legal Department and The
	• Upgrades to the ASBU database are being progressed to better analyse what early interventions are most effective.
	next year.
	 In order to continue to provide personal support to Victims of Crime, the contract for VSSB has been renewed for the
	working to reduce ASB.
	• The ASB Strategy, Policy & Procedure and Information Sharing Protocols have now been updated and will be worked to within the coming months. These have been significant pieces of work and it is hoped they will enhance partnership
	The remit for this new role has been captured within the SBC Gypsy/Traveller Policy.
	• The Gypsy/Traveller liaison function has now been finalised and the Mediation Officer has now taken on this function.
	Partnership.
	individuals who are involved in ASB. This group and the meetings are vital to the day to day workings of the wider
Apr '19 to Mar '20	Ongoing Core group meetings to be held each month whereby partners implement interventions in relation to those
	behaviours.
	Work collaboratively with partners to divert those who commit minor offences or divert away from offending
	and cybercrime on the most vulnerable in our community.
	• Engage with our partners to educate and inform the community about the effects of anti-social behaviour, hate crime

Outcome:	Fewer people killed or seriously injured on our roads	
Our Understanding:	Why do we want to improve this outcome? Because	
(as at November 2017)	Road Safety was ranked 6/24 in Police Scotland's 2016/17 'Your View Counts' survey.	
	Fatalities on the roads have increased by 57% in the Scottish Borders compared to -9% in Scotland.	
	People killed or seriously injured in the Borders have increased by 12% compared to Scotland which has decreased by -13%.	
Our Measures and	People killed: To reduce by 40% by 2020	
Targets:	• People seriously injured: To reduce by 55% by 2020	
Performance Indicators		
	Children Under the Age of 16 Killed	



Key Actions	
Nov '17 to Mar '19	 Education, Training and Publicity, e.g. Advanced driving courses Engineering, e.g. Accident Investigation and Prevention site analysis, Safer routes to schools schemes Enforcement, e.g. ZENITH motorcycle campaign, Summer Drink Drive campaign Direct focus on people of all ages about road user behaviour, with particular focus on young and old people through Drivewise and motorcyclists
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Key Plans, Strategies and	Scottish Borders Road Safety Plan 2010-2020
Initiatives (and Lead):	(lead is Scottish Borders Road Safety Working Group)
CPP Lead(s):	Stuart Reid & Stuart Easingwood

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Child Poverty Action Plan: Update for Community Planning Partnership

1. Situation

Following approval by the CPP Strategic Board, the Child Poverty Action Plan was submitted to Scottish Government in June 2019.

The Board agreed that a multi-agency working group should be established to oversee the further development and implementation of the plan, with membership drawn from across the CPP. Public Health was asked to chair the working group, which meets for the first time on 24th Sept.

2. Background

The CPP Strategic Board requested that governance arrangements for the Child Poverty Action Plan be clarified. The working group was asked to maintain a strategic focus on the drivers of child poverty and to identify how collaborative effort could be best targeted to achieve improved outcomes in short and longer term.

3. Assessment

Working group

It is proposed that the working group should maintain an overview of the key strategic development s to address agreed priorities in the Child Poverty action plan. Membership of the group will be made up of CPP partners and services / directorates that have a remit for the relevant strategic areas. The working group will report to the Children and Young People's Leadership (CYPLG) six monthly and provide an annual update to the CPP Strategic Board, in advance of submitting the required annual report to Scottish Government (next due in June 2020). Terms of reference for the working group will be developed for approval by CYPLG. The working group will focus initially on reviewing the first action plan to identify key strategic priorities and potential areas for collaborative action.

<u>Scrutiny</u>

National scrutiny of local action plans will be provided through the Poverty and Inequalities Commission which will be reviewing a sample of local child poverty action plans and is expected to provide feedback on this exercise later in 2019. The Improvement Service lead for Child Poverty is visiting Scottish Borders on 30th Sept to meet with the SBC and NHS child poverty leads.

Third sector links

Engagement with the TSI is planned in advance of the first meeting of the working group, in order raise awareness of the action plan.

Programme delivery

At local community level, partners have been collaborating in the design and delivery of an extensive summer programme in Eyemouth, Burnfoot, Langlee and Philiphaugh. This included considerable in kind contribution from partners, extensive volunteering efforts and the realisation of Community Benefits through procurement processes. An evaluation of impacts achieved is being undertaken to inform future planning and identify potential opportunities to attract external funding for future such holiday programmes.

Partners in CLD, Education and Public Health are working together on local activities as part of national Challenge Poverty Week 7th – 13th Oct, with support from Comms. This will include a local event on 9th Oct for partners on current good practice in schools and in community settings and will also explore opportunities to support the promotion of Credit Union services in Scottish Borders.

4. Recommendations

The Community Planning Partnership is asked to:

- note the progress since June towards establishing the Child Poverty working group
- approve in principle the governance arrangements described above for the action plan
- support in principle the activities and communication planned for Challenge Poverty week

Author	Role	Date
Allyson McCollam	Associate Director of Public	9 th Sept 2019
	Health	

Community Planning Partnership Strategic Board Community Plan Action Plan update September 2019 Quarter 1: April 2019 – June 2019

Theme	Our Quality of Life: Leads – Stuart Reid / Stuart Easingwood
Outcomes	11. Fewer people experiencing violence (including domestic abuse)
	12. Fewer people experiencing anti-social behaviour (ASB)
	13. Fewer people killed or seriously injured on our roads

Actions agreed to achieve outcome 11:

- We will work in partnership to reduce repeat offending and victimisation.
- Engage with our partners to educate and inform the community about the effects of anti-social behaviour, hate crime and cybercrime on the most vulnerable in our community.
- Work collaboratively with partners to divert those who commit minor offences or divert away from offending behaviour.

Actions agreed to achieve outcome 12:

- We will work in partnership to reduce repeat offending and victimisation.
- Engage with our partners to educate and inform the community about the effects of anti-social behaviour, hate crime and cybercrime on the most vulnerable in our community.
- Work collaboratively with partners to divert those who commit minor offences or divert away from offending behaviour.

Actions agreed to achieve outcome 13:

- Education, training and publicity e.g. Advanced Driving Courses.
- Engineering e.g. Accident and Investigation and Prevention site analysis, safer routes to school schemes.
- Enforcement e.g. ZENITH motorcycle campaign, Summer Drink Drive campaign.
- Direct focus on people of all ages.

Progress in current reporting period against the actions detailed above:

Outcome11 – Violent Crime and Domestic Abuse

Figures are April – June 2019 compared to the same time period in 2018

Police Scotland

Group 1		
2019/20	2018/19	Change
24	22	+9.1%
24	<u> </u>	13.170

Serious Assaults		
2019/20	2018/19	Change
10	8	+25%

Domestic Abuse Incidents		
2019/20	2018/19	Change
263	270	-2.6%

<u>SBC</u>

Domestic Abuse Referrals			
2019/20	2018/19	Change	
196	183	+7.1%	

MARAC Referrals		
	2018/19	Change
31	29	+6.9%

- 10 of the Group 1 crimes recorded were in Public Space, this equates to 41.6%.
- The detection rate for Serious Assault in the Scottish Borders during the reporting period is 60%, and is on an upward trend moving into quarter 2.
- 5 of the Serious Assaults have a domestic abuse Aggravator, which equates to 50% of Serious Assaults.
- 25% of Group 1 Crimes have alcohol aggravators.
- Section 1 of the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act has featured in a number of cases (3) but has not yet had a marked impact upon domestic abuse service demand.

Outcome 12 – Antisocial Behaviour

Figures are April – June 2019 compared to the same time period in 2018 or compared to a target baseline

Police Scotland

ASB Incidents		
2019/20	2018/19	Change
1454	1508	-3.6%
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Racially Aggravated Offences		
2019/20	2018/19	Change
11	6	+83.3%

<u>SBC</u>

Persons Monitored for ASB			
2019/20	2018/19	Change	
448	416	+7.7%	

ASB Early interventions			
2019/20	2018/19	Change	
192	226	-15%	

Mediation Referrals			
2019/20	2018/19	Change	
49	38	+28.9%	

Improvement after Mediation			
2019/20	Baseline	Change	
86.7%	80%	+6.7%	

- The Police Scotland Community Action Team continue to be tasked through the Oversight Group.
- The number of early interventions has reduced in quarter 1 and as a result the persons being monitored for ASB has increased. This slight worsening in performance will continue to be monitored. There does tend to be some seasonal movement throughout the year.
- The Council has upgraded its 3 pieces of Noise Monitoring Equipment and are up to date with deployment requests.
- Mediation referrals have increased in quarter 1. The success rate of mediation remains favourable.

Outcome 13 – Road Safety (Road casualties)

Figures are April – June 2019 compared to the same time period in 2018

Police Scotland

Road Accidents		
	2019/20	2018/19
Fatal	2	2
Serious	21	15
Slight	38	37

- The number of people killed on the Scottish Borders' roads between has remained static though serious injury casualties have increased.
- Although Drivewise has become a charity and moved away from statutory service control services still participate in support of the project, in particular young and older drivers.
- Police Scotland have been active in enforcement and a variety of resources have been deployed in support of National Road Safety campaigns, detections across a range of road traffic offences have risen during quarter 1.
- The annual Schools Countryside Day was held at the Border Events Centre, Springwood, Kelso. This year, the Safer Communities pitch was mainly centred on road safety in the countryside and covered topics such a cycle safety, road safety regarding large agricultural vehicles. The Safer Communities pitch was made up of council staff and colleagues from Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service. As with previous years, the children actively engaged with participating staff.

Issues and Risks:

Outcome 11 – Violent Crime and Domestic Abuse

- Domestic Abuse incidents are down in quarter 1 though the number of referrals to services has increased compared to the previous year.
- There has been a 5.9% increase in Common Assaults of which 70% have been detected. Of these crimes 30% of common assaults have alcohol aggravators.
- Domestic abuse proactive bail checks have resulted in 8 detections for bail offences an increase of 14.3% on the same period last year.
- Intelligence led Violence Reduction plans direct the response to reducing violence across the Scottish Borders.
- Outcome 12 Antisocial Behaviour
- There has been an increase of 7.7% in people being monitored for anti-social behaviour and the number of early interventions undertaken by ASB partners has decreased by 15% in the first quarter of 2019/20. This slight worsening in the position for quarter 1 will continue to be monitored.
- Victim Support continue to work with the council Antisocial Behaviour Unit by supporting people experiencing antisocial behaviour.
- The Antisocial Behaviour policies and procedures have been refreshed to maintain a common approach.

Outcome 13 – Road Safety

• Drink / Drug Driving has shown an increase in detections up by 72.7% on the same period last year to 38.

Planned activity in next reporting period:

Outcome 11 – Violent Crime and Domestic Abuse

- The priority for the domestic abuse services over the next reporting period is to develop additional pieces of management information to enhance service delivery.
- Maintain the analytical profiling to direct the activity of the Police Scotland Community Action Team so that their deployment is effective. Additional resources are joining the Team in September.
- Promotion of the Best Bar None Scheme to support self-regulation.

Outcome 12 – Antisocial Behaviour

- The Gypsy/Traveller liaison function has been established and there has been interaction with several encampments. The role has had clear benefits to both the Gypsy/Traveller and settled communities. A review of arrangements is necessary to make any adjustments based on this initial experience.
- The second Police Scotland Community Action Team becomes active during September and the full complement of staff in post by the end of 2019. Work is underway to ensure tasking remains meaningful and reflects delivery of the Community Plan, Local Policing Plan and Safer Community Team priorities.

Outcome 13 – Road Safety

- Drivewise events have commenced and partners continue to support the activity.
- Ongoing use of Pop-Up Bob (Life size image of a Police officer holding a speed detection device) to reduce speeding in hot spot areas.
- Antisocial driving continues to feature in the police Community Action Team tasking across various hot spots.
- The annual winter driving campaign has started the planning which links across into Drivewise. This is a digital campaign using social media.

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Community Planning Partnership Strategic Board

Community Plan Action Plan update - August 2019

Theme	Our Place: Leads – Julia Mulloy and Nile Istephan
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12. More people able to heat their homes

13. More people living independently in affordable and sustainable homes

Actions agreed to achieve outcome 12:

- Target resources, information and advice to ensure owner occupiers and private landlords benefit from opportunities for insulation, double glazing, upgraded heating systems etc.
- Ensure effective targeting of energy efficiency measures on those who are experiencing fuel poverty

Actions agreed to achieve outcome 13:

- Accelerate infrastructure projects to enable affordable housing projects to proceed: engage with development agencies and construction firms to identify housing led growth opportunities
- Liaise with Registered Social Landlords partners to consider a range of new and existing provision that could be adapted to suit changing needs and service configuration

Progress in current reporting period against the actions detailed above

Outcome 12.

Outcomes

- Affordable Warmth & Home Energy Efficiency Strategy now approved following extensive partnership working and consultation. The Scottish Borders Home Energy Forum now focussed on delivery and also responding to emerging national fuel poverty strategy and legislation.
- Collaborative working between SBC, RSLs, Changeworks and Energy Savings Trust on a number of projects and funding bids.

Outcome 13.

- Pre-manufacture (including modular) housing group progressing with affordable housing schemes using modern methods of construction proposed across Borders and D&G. Working with the Construction Scotland Innovation Centre to utilise their support and advice.
- Extra care projects progressing initial phase build in Gala and Duns (with further progress being made at Kelso and Eyemouth). Model for delivery still under discussion with RSLs, SBC and IJB currently working with Indigo House to resolve areas under discussion.
- Rapid Rehousing Final Plan 2019-24 approved by SBC in March 2019 for final submission to Scottish Govt– developed in partnership with Borders Housing Alliance and Health and Social Care Integrated Strategic Planning Group with implementation from April 2019. Feedback from Scottish Government has now been received and follow up action is being planned.
- Housing Supply some challenges and delay with securing planning consent, but the delivery of the expanded programme is progressing well
 with future projects and priorities being identified. Looking to use the output from the current Wheelchair Accessible Homes Study to inform
 future investments.

• Discussions ongoing with Aberlour and SBHA on potential future provision for Borders based project for Children with Learning Disabilities and between EHA and Cornerstone with respect to a new LD service.

Issues and Risks

Outcome 12.

- Recruitment to the recently vacated lead officer post in SBC leading on these issues.
- Owner engagement in initiatives and financial ability to address hard to heat homes.
- EESSH 2 2025 targets are significant and may present cost benefit challenges.
- Addressing affordable warmth in more rural locations and customer confidence in new technology such as air source heat pumps.
- Funding opportunities can be complex and don't always fit need and engaging all partners in solutions can be complex with some of the funding regimes. The Forum is co-ordinating efforts to maximise opportunities.
- Scotland wide research indicates high levels of not using heating due to fuel poverty so measures focusing on fabric may have more success.

Outcome13.

- To achieve full delivery of RRTP additional resources will be required e.g. Scottish Govt Ending Homelessness together Fund.
- Awaiting further detail on Scottish Govt post 2021 housing policy and investment priorities.

Planned activity in next reporting period:

Outcome 12.

- Implementation of the first stages of the Affordable Warmth & Home Energy Efficiency Strategy once agreed maximising joint funding and commissioning opportunities.
- Further investment in EESH building on the significant investment made on SHQS and EESH to date by the 4 RLSs with high and increasing levels of compliance recorded.

Outcome 13.

- Progressing the Affordable Green Homes in the Borders programme https://www.eildon.org.uk/2019/08/affordable-green-homes-in-the-borders/
- Scoring of SHIP projects and submission to Scottish Govt for Funding.
- Progress on feedback implementation of the RRTP Action Plan.

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