

COUNCIL CABINET 13 MAY 2003

Report of the Chief Executive

Community Tensions Reporting

RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 To approve the Community Tensions Reporting Framework.
- 1.2 To refer it to the Regeneration and Social Inclusion Overview and Scrutiny Commission.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2. A joint community tensions reporting framework with the police will ensure effective partnership working on community cohesion.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 May 2002 Anti-Social Behaviour ASB Team established, funded by the Neighbourhood Renewal Fund, running to March 2004. Rapid Response Unit for truancy attached to this team.
- 3.2 December 2002 Anti-Social Behaviour Order Protocol approved by Council.
- 3.3 December 2002 Each council department nominated ASB Link Officer.
- 3.4 March 2003 Youth and Community Co-ordination Group approve proposal for the Council's Community Safety Strategy.
- 3.5 March 2003 COG approve framework for Partnership Management of Community Tension, with ASB Team and Police to act as lead date for implementation to be agreed. Attached at Appendix 2.
- 3.6 March 2003 First meeting of ASB Link Officers. Terms of reference and procedures agreed.
- 3.7 March 2003 Report submitted to COG to clarify the Council's Internal Reporting procedures in regard to incidents of community tension attached at Appendix 3. Implementation date for new arrangements to be set.
- 3.8 13 May 2003 Council Cabinet.
- Ongoing Council Community Safety Strategy, first draft to be completed by 31 May 2003.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4. No other options considered.

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Background papers: None.

List of appendices: Appendix 1 - Implications

Appendix 2 – Community Tensions Reporting, A Framework for

Partnership Management

Appendix 3 – Community Tensions Reporting, Internal Council

Communications Procedures

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. None.

Legal

2. None.

Personnel

3. None other than extension of role of ASB Team Manager.

Corporate Themes and Priorities

- 4.1 The Community Tensions Reporting Framework comes under the Corporate Plan theme of **safer and healthier communities.**
- 4.2 It furthers the Council's priority of **improving life chances for disadvantaged people and communities.** Specifically, it focuses on outcome 2.17 of tackling antisocial behaviour through appropriate use of legal powers.