

# SAFER DERBY COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP PLAN

2022-2025



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# **Foreword**

Reducing disorder, protecting vulnerable people, and working proactively to reduce the risk of serious criminal activity are critical factors in improving the lives of Derby residents. Our Better Together approach, ensuring our work is done 'with' our communities and not 'to' our communities, will work alongside this strategy to complement and connect our corporate ambitions.

We are proud of the progress we are making but acknowledge that more needs to be done and so we must now recognise the need for a rapid, permanent, and more sustainable shift towards lower levels of crime and disorder.

The Community Safety Partnership remains committed to finding new ways of working effectively and efficiently with partners, residents, and businesses to make Derby safer. This document sets out our collective determination to tackle the issues that matter most to our residents and those that are causing harm to the most vulnerable.



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Cabinet Member for Community Development, Place and Tourism

# The Partnership Plan

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 recognises that the police cannot be the only organisation responsible for crime prevention. Derbyshire Police work closely with partners across the County and in Derby the partnership has formulated a Community Safety Partnership Plan. The act advocates for a holistic approach to crime and disorder that incorporates several local partners to enable the delivery of more effective community safety initiatives. Community Safety Partnerships (CSP) are local multi-agency partnerships that are vital to preventing and reducing crime and disorder.

The Safer Derby Community Safety Partnership Plan 2022-2025 is a three-year rolling document, which identifies how the Community Safety Partnership plans to tackle community safety-related issues that matter to residents, businesses, and visitors. The plan is revised annually by reviewing information set out in the community safety strategic intelligence assessment and from information obtained from the annual community consultation which ensures that current issues are considered and used to direct the Community Safety Partnership's strategy and actions.

The overarching aim of the Derby City Community Safety Partnership is to:

- 1. Work in partnership to address local crime and disorder priorities
- 2. Improve safety in the city for people who live in, work in, and visit Derby
- 3. Identify key local crime and disorder priorities through assessments and consultation
- 4. Monitor and evaluate these strategies

The Partnership is made up of several statutory and non-statutory agencies including:

- Derbyshire Police
- Derby City Council
- Derbyshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
- Derbyshire Fire and Rescue
- Derby City Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Derbyshire Probation
- Derby Homes
- Community and Voluntary Sector

In a recent assessment partnership working was rated as 'Outstanding' and the assessors strengthened this by saying "Partnership is clear to see from all perspectives in Derby. Be the Police, regulatory or compliance, cultural and regional, retail/business and leisure everyone plays their part in team Derby". There will be some overlap with other departmental, strategic and partnership outcome ambitions, such as the Youth Justice Plan, the Police and Crime Plan as well as others. To ensure a cohesive and collective response consultation has taken place and the Safer Derby Board will continue to ensure it operates with consideration and connectivity to other workstreams within the City. The collective strength of the partnership, combined with better funding models means we can continue to position ourselves to respond to the complexity of community safety-related issues.

# **Police and Crime Commissioner**

The role of Derbyshire's Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) is designed to bring communities and the police closer together. Derbyshire's Police and Crime Commissioner has responsibility for policing throughout the county, which includes the city. Part of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner's Role is to work with community safety partnerships in their joint efforts to prevent and reduce crime.

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire has produced a plan that explains how the police, community safety partners and other criminal justice agencies will work together to reduce crime. The Police and Crime Plan reflects the Commissioner's manifesto and priorities for making Derbyshire a safer county for everyone.

# **Work Structure and Approach**

The delivery of this strategic plan is accountable to the Safer Derby Board which provides governance and oversight of the issues affecting Derby residents. Several thematic boards reporting to the Safer Derby Board provide focus and alignment to agreed priorities that have been identified by the strategic intelligence assessment. Each board is represented by statutory and non-statutory partners as well as the community and voluntary sector.

The board structure encourages the national public health approach to be adopted to improve services: identifying, focusing, and investing in the most efficient and effective local service. The delivery of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) takes a whole system approach and recognises the influence of place-based risk on residents.

To support the place-based risk approach and facilitate Team Derby working better together, multi-agency hubs have been developed in the heart of the City;

- Public Protection Hub Council House
- Enforcement Hub Riverside Chambers
- Community Action Derby Hub Shot Tower
- Multi-Agency Rough Sleepers Hub (MARSH) Safe Space Normanton Road

In addition to our City Centre hubs another enabler in order to work closely with partners, provide the reassuring presence and give confidence and trust to the people of Derby and its visitors, a Divisional Headquarters provides the base for those resources and more to protect and prevent crime.

# **Strategic Intelligence Assessment**

The Strategic Intelligence Assessment (SIA) is an annual evidence base compiled and analysed to inform the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP). The SIA aids understanding of emerging trends and patterns in crime and disorder and is used to explore future threats and opportunities.

The overview included within this strategic plan (Appendix 1) provides a highlight that has informed the CSP priorities. Further, a more detailed, analysis can be found here.



# INTEGRATION AND COMMUNITY COHESION

PREVENT is part of the government's counter-terrorism strategy and aims to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism or supporting terrorism of any form. PREVENT is also required to tackle non-violent extremism which may provide an environment conducive to terrorism. Our priorities and commitments align with the national Prevent Strategy and Prevent Duty. This is a statutory responsibility of the agencies who are part of the Community Safety Partnership, which is the consequence of the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015.

#### It matters because:

- Derby is a diverse and multicultural city where most people have respect and tolerance for one another. However, there are some people who do not share these values and instead wish to create a divide and perpetuate hate.
- Terrorist groups have links and networks to Derby. This has seen people from Derby committing terrorism offences, and others to have previously been members of now banned terrorist groups. Further, extremist groups operate in Derby. We must address this holistically to prevent the strengthening or expansion of these networks.
- We know that some people who live locally promote extreme views that have led some people to become radicalised.
   We must work collaboratively to tackle this issue head-on.
- Policing in Derby is fundamental to Community Cohesion and integration and Derbyshire Police work closely with partners to deliver PREVENT which is part of the government's counter terrorism strategy to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism or supporting terrorism of any form. The strategy is also required to tackle non-violent extremism which may encourage or provide an environment conducive to terrorism.

# We hope that together we can:

- Prevent people from being radicalised.
- Prevent terrorism and counter radicalisation in partnership with several agencies and members of our communities. It will include the delivery of a multi-agency 'Channel' panel. Channel will support people who are identified as being susceptible to being drawn into terrorism.
- Work with our communities to enable them to play a key role in countering terrorism. This will include commissioning

- community projects, upskilling existing deliverers and providing a point of contact for people to raise concerns, ask questions and get help.
- Ensure Derby City's education sector understand radicalisation and terrorism so they can effectively respond to concerns.

#### Together we will:

- Target those who seek to radicalise people.
- Safeguard and support those at risk of being drawn into terrorism. This includes working with our community and voluntary sector.
- Ensure there is an effective and functioning Channel panel in place that meets monthly.
- Ensure public sector staff and community members are trained to identify signs that someone may be at risk of being drawn into terrorism and know what to do when they have concerns.
- Ensure there are personnel who are responsible for tackling hate crime locally.
- Work closely with Victim Support so victims can receive support following them reporting an incident.
- Work with the Hate Crime Practitioners
   Forum which brings together key partners
   to tackle hate crime and discrimination.
   This will include delivering an annually
   refreshed hate crime action plan which will
   incorporate preventative work, awareness
   campaigns, staff training and victim
   support.
- We will organise and deliver a Black History in Education conference and a series of subsequent follow-up events.
- Respond to City and community priorities and celebrate diversity, share values and understanding by arranging celebration events.



# NEIGHBOURHOOD CRIME AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB), in Derby, is defined as any behaviour that is unreasonable and causes or is capable of causing people in the community harassment, alarm and distress.

ASB encompasses a range of issues. It may include disturbances such as people being rowdy, or it could be ongoing issues and disputes between neighbours which *could* turn criminal in nature. In any event, ASB can have a significant effect on people and our communities, making it imperative that we address it.

#### It matters because:

- Incidents of anti-social behaviour might seem minor but they can have a huge impact on residents. It often results in members of the community not wanting to live in their home or being fearful of leaving it. It can especially impact those most vulnerable such as the elderly or those with mental health problems or learning difficulties.
- Everyone has the right to feel safe in their homes, neighbourhoods and city centre.
   Ensuring that Derby is a safe place and feels like a safe place to live, work or visit is a priority across all local agencies and sectors.
- Anti-social behaviour can create no go areas and result in members of the community not wanting to live in their home or being fearful of leaving it. It can especially impact those most vulnerable such as the elderly or those with mental health problems or learning difficulties and Derbyshire Police, working with its partners aim to ensure that Derby is a safe place and feels like a safe place to live, work or visit.
- Other activity that preserves the confidence of visitors to Derby includes night-time economy which as a University City includes the many students that live in Derby during their studies. Weekend evenings through term time a frequented by many young students who may from time to time be vulnerable to exploitation or violence and Police patrols across the City help to give confidence to those visitors.
- The City also has a substantial retail experience that draws many shoppers in to the City during the daytime. The Policing presence serves as a deterrent to retail theft and other associated crime.

# We hope that together we can:

- Have more people reporting that they feel safe in their homes, neighbourhoods and the city centre.
- Improve residents and visitors confidence to report ASB, building on community resilience. We will curate easily accessible ways to report ASB and offer support to those who have been victims.
- Have a robust city-wide tasking to implement a multi-agency approach to tackle issues faced within our communities, providing engagement and reassurance.
- We will have a robust enforcement process to tackle the behaviours affecting our communities.

#### Together we will:

- Provide a consistent, multi-agency approach to tackle ASB, utilising the most appropriate legislation.
- Continue to enforce current Public Spaces Protection Orders in designated areas within the district.
- Utilise CCTV to deter, detect and gather evidence.
- Ensure young people are involved in consultation and decisions relating to commission community safety activities.
- Joint working practices around the use of CPW, CPN and fines under ASB and environmental legislation.
- Facilitate and attend Community Trigger meetings to ensure victims' experiences are taken seriously.
- Implement Home Office ASB principles ensuring a consistent approach to understanding and addressing ASB in local communities.
- Work collectively and support the community in our response to illegal encampments ensuring the needs of all are met.



# DOMESTIC ABUSE & VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

Domestic abuse is a cruel and complex crime that anyone can be affected by. The impact can last a lifetime, often across generations. Tragically, it sometimes leads to the loss of life. Domestic abuse remains high on the national agenda with the Domestic Abuse Act becoming law in April 2021.

The Government is committed to raising awareness and understanding about the devastating impact of domestic abuse on victims and their families, further improving the effectiveness of the justice system in providing protection for victims of domestic abuse and bringing perpetrators to justice, as well as strengthening the support for victims of abuse by statutory agencies.

#### It matters because:

Applying the national <u>Office for National</u> <u>Statistics (ONS)</u> estimates to Derbyshire's population:

- In the city, it is estimated that there were between 7,800 women and 3,700 men who were victims of domestic abuse.
- The number of contacts to Children's and Young Peoples services in the city for domestic abuse increased by 1,856 on the previous year and increased from 30.9% of all contacts in 2018/19 to 37.4% in 2020/21.
- Over the last two years (2019-20 and 2020-21) a monthly average of 1,060 domestic abuse incidents were reported to police in the county council area of which 913 were recorded as crimes. In 2020/21, there were 6,666 police domestic abuse calls for service to police in the city council area and 5,919 recorded crimes.

### We hope that together we can:

- Ensure everyone can live safe lives, without the threat or experience of domestic abuse or sexual violence. This vision is set out in our Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence stategy.
- Work in a coordinated way to provide safe accommodation and support for victims of domestic abuse under the Domestic abuse Act 2021. This is set out in the Domestic Abuse Support in Accommodation Strategy.
- Ensure domestic abuse services continue to be improved for all victims and survivors. It will also entail working together with local stakeholders to raise awareness and deliver support and prevention work concerning domestic abuse.

# Together we will:

- Support those provided with sanctuary schemes and target hardening measures, enabling people to remain safely in their homes.
- Improve support for victims with complex needs, including mental health and substance misuse issues.
- Continue and develop community outreach services for adults and children.
- Collaborate on the commissioning of services between Local Authorities, The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Health, Police and other partners to facilitate comprehensive, sustainable support in accommodation across the city and county.
- Develop a Training, Education and Communication Strategy as part of the joint City/County Strategy.
- Increase the number of support workers, including children's support workers, to enable commissioned services to provide increased safe accommodation, including flexible dispersed properties.
- Commission practical support, including legal support for those in accommodation.
- Improve the availability of and access to counselling services and group recovery services to ensure that accommodationbased clients are not reliant on short-term additional grant funding.
- Provide a dedicated child support worker within safe accommodation.

**PRIORITIES** 



# SERIOUS VIOLENCE AND SERIOUS YOUTH VIOLENCE

In July 2019 the Government announced that it would be introducing legislation to create a new "duty" on public bodies and relevant services to work together to tackle serious violence within their localities. The Duty requires specified authorities within local areas to collaborate to understand the local problem, the drivers and causes of serious violence, and develop responses that focus on prevention and early intervention as a way of tackling the issue.

#### It matters because:

- Crime has fallen rapidly over the last 20 years. Despite this, some serious violence offences have been increasing since 2014 – homicide, knife crime, and gun crime – which typically make up about 1% of crimes recorded by the police.
- While these offences make up only 1% of total crime, they are among the most harmful to society with significant and disproportionate economic, health and societal implications.
- Derby has seen an increase in violence however not at a rate seen nationally. The key issues within Derby are knife crime and possession of a knife and the increased risk of serious violence and homicide.
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#### We hope that together we can:

- Empower and resource individuals, families, and communities to play a role in tackling serious violence resulting in communities that are strong and resilient.
- Make Derby safer together, subjectively and objectively, by reducing the instances, severity and impact of serious violence on individuals, families, and communities.
- Make Derby a safe city that protects those that need support.

# Together we will:

- Keep local communities at the heart of the work that we do in addressing serious violence.
- Utilise local systems, structures, and services to deliver the strategy and subsequent action plans to make our communities safer
- Shape and strengthen existing structures and services, recognising that there are already several projects and initiatives taking place to address serious violence and serious youth violence in Derby.
- Take an evidence-based approach to understand serious violence and continuously learn and improve as we respond.
- Continue to deliver educational-based programmes by working with a commission through the Youth Alliance and Stronger Board.
- Develop a countywide Serious Violence Strategy in partnership with key stakeholders.
- Attend and support the delivery of the Serious Violence Tasking to ensure a partnership approach to issues in the City.



# **ORGANISED CRIME**

This priority will focus on our coordinated approach to protect people from the most serious harm with a particular focus on organised crime. Working with partners, we will look to protect those that are vulnerable to exploitation or targeted based on their vulnerabilities. Workstreams will include county lines, modern slavery, and other exploitative criminal activity.

#### It matters because:

- Derby is a city that is not free of organised crime and faces its challenges concerning organised crime, exploitation, modern slavery and county lines. Given the location of Derbyshire, it has easy links to other major areas in the country.
- Organised criminal groups are present and have links in Derby. We must address this holistically to prevent the strengthening or expansion of these networks.
- Sometimes, the person is not aware that they are being exploited, or they are not aware of the consequences of being involved in organised crime. Thus, we must take a collaborative approach with several agencies to ensure that support mechanisms are appropriate and working effectively. Similarly, we must target organised crime groups and individuals to prevent their activities.
- We recognise that exploitation, modern slavery and involvement in organised crime for children/young persons and adults are very different, resulting in different support mechanisms, different services being involved and different ways of working.
- Organised crime requires a coordinated approach to protect people from the most serious harm. Derbyshire Police work with partners to protect those that are vulnerable to exploitation or targeted based on their vulnerabilities with workstreams that include county lines, modern-slavery and other exploitative criminal activity.

# We hope that together we can:

- Ensure those working with and caring for children are aware of the exploitation and the signs to look out for in children and young people who may be being exploited and make sure they are aware of referral pathways for support.
- Deliver community campaigns to raise awareness of organised crime, modern slavery and exploitation.
- Work closely with communities to raise awareness around organised crime and to educate people on issues such as 'cuckooing' and the signs that someone may be being exploited.
- Create and maintain better partnerships working through the current intervention and support programmes we have available for children who are vulnerable and susceptible to exploitation.

#### Together we will:

- Safeguard and support those at risk of modern slavery, exploitation and organised crime by working with our communities and education providers.
- Consistently attend police tasking meetings and multi-agency meetings as and when necessary.
- Named lead from the local authority with regards to organised crime, modern slavery and exploitation from the local authority.
- Ensure all agencies and services involved will work in line with the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and follow stringent policies and procedures, ensuring we all follow our duties and responsibilities in line with this. There will be awareness raised with regards to the correct usage of the National Referral Mechanism.

# **Key Legislation**

#### Crime and Disorder Act 1998

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 gave a statutory responsibility to local authorities, the police and other responsible authorities (collectively referred to as a Community Safety Partnership) to reduce crime and disorder in their local area. The Policing and Justice Act 2006 has also made it incumbent on Community Safety Partnerships to consider substance misuse and antisocial behaviour within its remit.

# **Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015**

This legislation places a duty on local authorities and other specified authorities "to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism" when exercising its functions. This is known as the 'Prevent Duty'. Prevent is one strand of the government counterterrorism strategy which aims to stop people from becoming a terrorist or supporting terrorism of any form. Section 36 of the act requires local authorities to ensure that there is a functioning Channel panel in place in the local area to provide support to people who are identified as being vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism.

# Safeguarding legislation

There are several safeguarding legislation that seeks to safeguard and support vulnerable people. Some of these include the Care Act 2014. Modern Slavery Act 2015 and Serious Crime Act 2015. These legislations have placed duties on certain authorities to enable people to be better protected from harm.

# Anti-social behaviour, crime and Policing Act 2014

This act has provided powers to better protect victims and establish effective community safety initiatives. It also enables the public to have a greater say in the way problems are addressed in the area.

#### **Domestic Abuse Act 2021**

This act strengthens the protections afforded to victims of domestic abuse. It also provides a mechanism to better protect people from domestic abuse. It has placed several duties on community safety partners which include establishing a domestic abuse local partnership board.

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