

Bolsover District Council

**Meeting of the Climate Change & Communities Scrutiny Committee on 7th March
2023**

Annual Review of the Bolsover Community Safety Partnership

Report of the Scrutiny and Elections Officer

Classification	This report is Public
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PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF REPORT

- To clarify the areas of enquiry for the 2022/23 review of the Bolsover Community Safety Partnership (CSP).
- To provide members with the necessary background information in support of the review.

REPORT DETAILS

1. Background

- 1.1 This report and its appendices provides the necessary background information for committee when completing their Annual Review of the Community Safety Partnership.
- 1.2 Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act requires every local authority to have a Crime and Disorder Committee with the power to review or scrutinise decisions made or other action taken in connection with the discharge by the responsible authorities of their crime and disorder functions. (Responsible authorities are effectively the statutory partners within a community safety partnership i.e. Police, local authorities (county and district), Fire and Rescue Authority, Probation Trusts and the local Integrated Care Board.)

2. Details of Proposal or Information

2.1 The Committee was consulted prior to the review to establish current issues and key lines of enquiry. Relevant officers were also approached prior to the review to ensure Members were fully briefed on current developments and service delivery during the pandemic.

2.2 Appendices attached are as follows:

Public documents attached to this report:

- Appendix 9.1 Update on Bolsover CSP and current delivery
- Appendix 9.2 Community Enforcement Rangers and ASB Team Update
- Appendix 9.3 Report from Deliberate Fires Group (VERBAL REPORT)

Exempt documents in Agenda Item 11 (after public exclusion):

- Appendix 11.1 Domestic Abuse Service (RESTRICTED)
- Appendix 11.2 Scrutiny Case Study (RESTRICTED)
- Appendix 11.3 Bolsover CSP Performance Report (RESTRICTED)

2.3 Partners in attendance include:

- Cllr Mary Dooley, Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Chair of the CSP
- Karen Hanson, Executive Director of Resources, Bolsover District Council
- Victoria Dawson, Head of Housing Management & Enforcement, Bolsover District Council
- Deborah Whallett, Housing Enforcement Manager, Bolsover District Council
- Matt Liddy, Enforcement Manager
- Ellie Bircumshaw, ASB Officer, Bolsover District Council
- Sharon Ryan, Domestic Violence Officer/IDVA
- Julie Crookes, Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service
- PC Amanda Burden, Bolsover/Clowne SNT, Derbyshire Police

2.4 Due to the sensitivity of some of the information being presented to Members, this item will be split across the Public and Exempt sessions of the meeting. The first part of the review will take place under item 9 of the agenda with the remaining elements of the review falling under item 11 in exempt session.

3. Reasons for Recommendation

3.1 Completion of the Annual Review of the CSP is required by legislation and this area falls within the remit of the Climate Change & Communities Scrutiny Committee.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

4.1 The Committee is required by legislation to scrutinise the CSP. As such there is no alternative but to complete this review in order to comply, as detailed within this report.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. That Members review the supporting documents to refresh their knowledge of current delivery.
2. That following briefings by the officers present, Members scrutinise current and planned delivery of the CSP, making recommendations where required, in accordance with Part 3.6(7) of the Constitution.

IMPLICATIONS:

Finance and Risk: Yes No

Details:

The Authority has a duty under s.17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (as amended by subsequent legislation) to consider crime and disorder implications. Failure to comply with this duty would breach the legislation and leave the authority at risk of challenge.

On behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes No

Details:

In carrying out scrutiny reviews the Council is exercising its scrutiny powers as laid out in Part 1A, s9F(2) of the Local Government Act 2000.

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On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Environment:

Please identify (if applicable) how this proposal/report will help the Authority meet its carbon neutral target or enhance the environment.

Details: The Committee considers climate change and carbon reduction as part of its core remit. With reference to Bolsover CSP, Members will consider the impact of environmental damage as a result of crime and anti-social behaviour.

Staffing: Yes No

Details:

None from this report.

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

<p>Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds:</p> <p>Revenue - £75,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £150,000 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i></p>	No
<p>Is the decision subject to Call-In? <i>(Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</i></p>	No

<p>District Wards Significantly Affected</p>	All
<p>Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Executive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/></p>	Details:

<p>Links to Council Ambition: Customers, Economy and Environment.</p>
<p>Ambition: Environment</p> <p>Priority: Working with partners to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour</p>

DOCUMENT INFORMATION	
Appendix No	Title
9.1	Update on Bolsover CSP and current delivery
9.2	Community Enforcement Rangers and ASB Team Update
9.3	Report from Deliberate Fires Group (VERBAL REPORT)
11.1	Scrutiny Case Study (RESTRICTED)
11.2	Bolsover CSP Performance Report (RESTRICTED)

<p>Background Papers</p>
<p><i>(These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Executive you must provide copies of the background papers).</i></p>
<p>Please contact the Scrutiny & Elections Officer for additional detail.</p>