



Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date **Wednesday 2 March 2022**
Time **9.30 am**
Venue **Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham**

Business

Part A

Items which are open to the Public and Press
Members of the public can ask questions with the Chair's agreement,
and if registered to speak.

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Substitute Members
3. Minutes of the Meeting held 6 December 2021 (Pages 3 - 10)
4. Declarations of Interest, if any
5. Safer Cyber (Pages 11 - 36)
 - (i) Report of Corporate Director of Resources
 - (ii) Presentation of Detective Inspector, Durham Constabulary - Cyber Prevent, Protect and Prepare Supervisor, Durham Constabulary – Strategic Manager, Partnerships, Durham County Council
6. Road Safety (Pages 37 - 60)
 - (i) Report of Corporate Director of Resources
 - (ii) Presentation of Strategic Traffic Manager and Road Safety Manager
7. Any items from Co-opted Members or Interested Parties
8. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration

Helen Lynch
Head of Legal and Democratic Services

County Hall
Durham
22 February 2022

To: **The Members of the Safer and Stronger Communities Overview
and Scrutiny Committee**

Councillor J Charlton (Chair)
Councillor P Heaviside (Vice-Chair)

Councillors V Andrews, P Atkinson, D Boyes, J Cairns, L Fenwick,
C Hampson, C Lines, M McGaun, D McKenna, C Martin, E Mavin, J Miller,
D Nicholls, D Oliver, J Quinn, A Simpson, D Sutton-Lloyd and M Wilson

Co-opted Members: Mr D Balls and Mr A J Cooke

Co-opted Employees/Officers: Chief Superintendent A Green,
Superintendent N Bickford, Chief Fire Officer S Errington and
Deputy Chief Fire Officer S Helps

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DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

SAFER AND STRONGER COMMUNITIES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

At a Meeting of **Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee** held in **Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham** on **Monday 6 December 2021** at **9.30 am**

Present:

Councillor J Charlton (Chair)

Members of the Committee:

Councillors V Andrews, P Atkinson, D Boyes, J Cairns, S Deinali, L Fenwick, C Hampson, P Heaviside, M McGaun, D McKenna, D Oliver, J Quinn, A Simpson and M Wilson

Co-opted Members:

Mr D Balls

Co-opted Employees/Officers:

Superintendent N Bickford and Chief Fire Officer S Errington

Also Present:

Councillor S Henig

The Chair congratulated Stuart Errington, Chief Fire Officer, County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service on being awarded the Queens Fire Service Medal for the contribution he had made to the Fire and Rescue Service.

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E Mavin, D Nicholls, D Sutton-Lloyd and Mr A J Cooke.

2 Substitute Members

There were no substitute Members.

3 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 November 2021 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

The Overview and Scrutiny Officer informed Members that the Committee's comments in relation to Arson and Deliberate Firesetting and Domestic Abuse had been forwarded to the Safe Durham Partnership.

4 Declarations of Interest

Councillor C Hampson declared an interest in relation to item 6 Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) as a member of the County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Authority.

5 Any items from Co-opted Members or Interested Parties

There were no items from Co-opted Members or Interested Parties.

6 Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP), formerly known as Integrated Risk Management Plan, Annual Consultation

The Committee received a report of the Corporate Director of Resources which provided background information on the consultation of County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Authority's (CDDFRA) CRMP and consultation process (for copy of report and presentation, see file of minutes).

The Chief Fire Officer gave a presentation setting out details of the CRMP and consultation invited comment on proposals for new emergency response standards and comments on the CRMP and approach to allocating resources. Members noted that the CRMP consultation process runs from the 15 November 2021 to 7 February 2022.

The Committee gave support to the proposals in relation to the new emergency response standards and Community Risk Management Plan.

In response to a question from Superintendent Bickford with regards to dwelling fires during the COVID pandemic, the Chief Fire Officer advised that the number of dwelling fires and road traffic collisions had reduced significantly during lockdown. It was noted with more people working from home, there was an increase in false alarm incidents reported in relation to burning rubbish when household disposal sites were closed. He added there was some concern that those figures would distort the data, therefore the data was removed for analysis purposes.

Councillor Boyes queried how County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service compared to other similarly sized authorities. The Chief Fire Officer explained that each authority had a different response standard, therefore it was difficult to measure. It was noted that County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue has stringent standards in place and in comparison, to other areas have the fastest response times within rural areas. Regarding performance, he advised that County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service were one of the most productive Fire and Rescue Services, carrying out more business fire safety audits than any other Fire Service in the Country and second in the Country in relation to

home fire safety checks and safe and wellbeing checks which had significantly reduced the number of incidents.

Responding to a question from the Chair in relation to the safe and wellbeing visits, the Chief Fire Officer advised that visits were on target with pre-pandemic figures. It was noted that wellbeing checks continued during Covid restrictions by adapting a different model and additional safety measures were carried out when attending face to face visits to support individuals that were most vulnerable and at greater risk.

Resolved:

- i) That the report and presentation be noted.
- ii) That a response containing comments from the Committee to the consultation be submitted to County Durham & Darlington Fire and Rescue Service.

7 Nuisance Motorbikes and Quads - Time Limited Action Plan (TLP)

The Committee received a report of the Corporate Director of Resources which provided background information on partnership activity through a time limited action plan to address concerns with nuisance motorbikes and quads within County Durham (for copy of report and presentation, see file of minutes).

The Public Protection Manager gave a presentation, highlighting the following areas:

- Operation Endurance;
- Powers;
- Challenges;
- TLP Objectives;
- Key Messages and Actions;
- Outcomes.

Councillor Boyes expressed that this was a significant issue across the county and felt that communities were losing confidence with the authority in relation to the ongoing issues with off-road bikes. He described incidents where the Police were unable to take action and had concerns that communities believed that offenders were allowed to get away without prosecution and felt untouchable. He added that until government introduce national legislation, the issue would continue to blight communities in County Durham. The Public Protection Manager acknowledged people's frustration and continued to encourage people to report incidents. He added that despite limitations, the team were committed to improving the situation and were exploring different opportunities in relation to housing tenancy.

Responding to a query from Councillor P Atkinson in relation to criteria for deploying cameras in hotspot areas, the Public Protection Manager advised that instances are reported through the Multi Agency Problem Solving Groups and high zoom cameras which provides quality images to identify individuals are now portable and can be deployed in particular areas of concern.

Councillor J Quinn asked if additional action could be taken against individuals whose vehicle are seized. He understood that currently individuals can pay the release fee and receive the vehicle back immediately. He added that some riders had a blasé attitude and incidents were being reported and offenders identified, however felt no action had been taken.

The Public Protection Manager advised that a more proactive intervention can be taken when individuals are identified and he would explore what action had been taken against individuals in terms of intervention.

Responding to Councillor J Quinn query in relation to electric scooters, the Public Protection Manager confirmed that electric scooters were legal to purchase and other authorities had taken part in trial hire schemes which was not an issue if they are used responsibly. He explained the concerns were in relation to modified scooters that were being used irresponsibly that were causing greater risk to the public and road users.

Councillor Deinali asked if there had been a positive impact in relation to the use of long lens cameras. The Public Protection Manager advised that it was anticipated that the new cameras would provide improvements, however figures were not currently available.

Resolved:

That the report and presentation be noted.

8 Community Protection Service

The Committee received a report of the Corporate Director of Resources which provided background information on community protection within County Durham (for copy of report and presentation, see file of minutes).

The Public Protection Manager gave a presentation, highlighting the following areas:

- Antisocial Behaviour (ASB) Strategy;
- Key Priorities;
- Enhanced reporting arrangements;
- Partnership working including Crime and Antisocial Behaviour Risk Assessment Conference (CASBRAC);
- Impacts and Outcomes;
- CCTV, Body cams and Antisocial Behaviour App;
- Place based approach and problem solving;
- Area Based Interventions.

Councillor J Quinn praised the Community Action Team for the improvements they have made to Ferryhill. He raised concerns in relation to CCTV cameras not working in his area, which had only been identified following a request from the Police to

review footage. He asked that Councillor's be notified if cameras were not working in future. The Public Protection Manager was disappointed this had happened and advised that the Partnership Team should be aware if CCTV cameras were not operational so they can arrange to have the unit repaired or replaced.

Councillor P Atkinson noted the considerable difference the Community Action Team intervention had made to the Ferryhill area and asked if there were plans to roll out the 'Horden Together Project' to other communities. The Public Protection Manager advised that lessons learned from the 'Horden Together Project' would feed into the wider Durham Together Programme and added that the Anti-social Behaviour App was in the process of being tested and would be rolled out shortly.

Councillor Cairns queried when the selective licensing scheme would be implemented and raised concerns regarding the lack of youth provision and the antisocial behaviour links between generations. The Public Protection Manager advised that communication in relation to selective licensing would be circulated shortly and acknowledged that a lot more work was required in relation to youth provision. He was working closely with Superintendent Bickford and colleagues in Children's Services to tackle the issue and noted that progress had been made in relation to projects and interventions. He referred to the next steps, where they would be looking at diversional activities and adult provision.

Councillor Boyes noted that previously, the Selective Licensing Scheme had proven to reduce antisocial behaviour significantly which was primarily due to more control in relation to landlords. It was noted since the pandemic, there had been a reduced police presence on the streets and hoped that issues would start to improve when PACT meetings resumed. He raised concerns in relation to communicating information, highlighting he was not aware of the Safer Streets Initiative in Easington until weeks into the programme and was unable to help signpost the scheme to improve uptake. He praised the work of the Community Action Team, however felt that when the team leave, the situation reverts back within 6 months. The Public Protection Manager advised that he would provide further information with regards to the Selective Licensing Scheme and circulate to Members. He agreed that the work Community Action Teams do in communities was very effective and suggested that further communications be developed around engagement and motivation to ensure progress continues after the team move on.

Councillor Hampson commented on the excellent youth provision in her area, however, there was a small cohort of young people who are not willing to engage in the youth provision provided. The Public Protection Manager recognised that not everyone would engage and advised that work is being undertaken with Children's Services to engage more with families as a more appropriate intervention to tackle behaviour and try to avoid the enforcement route.

The Chair requested that regular updates on the Community Protection Services be presented to the Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Superintendent Bickford suggested he would stay back after the meeting to address any issues of concern that members have. The Overview and Scrutiny Officer added that the Committee's comments on this item and the previous agenda item Nuisance Motorbikes and Quads - Time Limited Action Plan would be forwarded to the Safe Durham Partnership, Cabinet Portfolio holder and Council Service Grouping.

Resolved:

That the report and presentation be noted.

9 Public Protection Service - Enforcement and Intervention Activity

The Committee received a report of the Corporate Director of Resources which provided background information on enforcement and intervention activity by the Council's Public Protection Service (for copy of report and presentation, see file of minutes).

The Public Protection Manager gave a presentation, that provided an overview of activity undertaken by the Service in partnership with a number of agencies in relation to activities such as doorstep crime, counterfeit goods, illicit tobacco and alcohol, fair trading and Covid 19 enforcement and intervention response.

Responding to queries from Councillor Henig in relation to Public Protection Services staffing levels, performance assessments and how resources were deployed across the County, the Public Protection Manager provided a breakdown on staffing resources across the County and explained that teams were generally deployed countywide, however Anti-social Behaviour and Community Safety Teams were more area based. He highlighted that recruitment and retention was a challenge nationally and they were in the process of producing a Workforce Development Plan. He explained the difficulty in measuring Regulatory Services performance and referred to the Impact and Outcome Framework in relation to Trading Standards. It was noted that prioritisation was based on intelligence with elements of triaging for special investigations and focus on high harm, financial detriment and community risk issues.

Referring to the courts system backlog and cuts in police resources, Councillor Boyes questioned justifying police officer's attendance at lengthy court hearings. He recalled a case of non-compliance that resulted in the individual paying a fraction of the fine following court action which suggested that sanctions need to be more balanced. The Public Protection Manager stressed the importance of court action to convey the right message when cases are published. He referred to recent legislation that identified increases to non-compliant fixed penalties and believed that increased enforcement action and custodial sentencing would help improve community confidence.

Councillor J Quinn queried the evidence that suggested electronic geek bars were dangerous in view of the fact that Health Organisations imply e-cigarettes are significantly safer than smoking. He suggested careful use of terminology as the

Council could be seen to be sending the wrong message. The Public Protection Manager advised that some devices exceed the maximum nicotine content that breach regulations and possess a greater health risk.

Resolved:

That the report and presentation be noted.

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**Safer and Stronger Communities
Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

2 March 2022

Safer Cyber



Report of Paul Darby, Corporate Director of Resources

Electoral division(s) affected:

Countywide

Purpose of the Report

- 1 To provide the Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee with background information in advance of a presentation on activity of the Safe Durham Partnership's Safer Cyber group.

Executive summary

- 2 Tackling and preventing cyber enabled crime is a strategic priority within the Safe Durham Partnership Plan and the presentation attached in appendix 2 provides an overview of partnership activity through the Safer Cyber working group to contribute to delivery of this priority area.

Recommendation

- 3 Members of the Committee are asked to note information contained within this report and presentation and comment accordingly.

Background

- 4 To 'tackle and prevent cyber enabled crime' is one of six strategic priorities within the Safe Durham Partnership Plan 2021-2025 and within this priority, there are the following work areas:
 - (a) Raising awareness of the general population about staying safe online,
 - (b) Reducing risk of the most vulnerable groups
 - (c) Building resilience of local businesses to the threat of cybercrime
- 5 To deliver this strategic priority and work areas, the Safe Durham Partnership structure includes the Safer Cyber Working Group. This a multi -agency group with representation from Durham Constabulary, Durham County Council, Co Durham & Darlington Fire & Rescue Service, New College Durham and the business community. The working group is chaired by Detective Inspector Luke Terry, Durham Constabulary.
- 6 Appendix 2 to this report contains a presentation that provides an overview of the group including its remit, achievements to date and future work activity. The presentation is scheduled to be delivered by Detective Inspector Luke Terry, Claire Turnbull, Cyber Prevent, Protect and Prepare Supervisor, Durham Constabulary and Andrea Petty, Strategic Manager, Durham County Council.
- 7 For Members reference, the Committee has previously undertaken work on Cyber Safety. In 2018, the Committee presented a report titled 'Cybercrime' to the Council's Cabinet and Safe Durham Partnership Board. The report focused on partnership work being undertaken to prevent young people becoming engaged in cybercrime activity. A progress report on implementation of recommendations from this work was concluded in January 2020. Links to both the Committee's report on Cybercrime and progress of recommendations to the Committee's meeting in January 2020 are included within the other useful documents section of this report.

Main implications

Crime and Disorder

- 8 Information with this report aims to contribute to the Safe Durham Partnership Plan priority to tackle and prevent cyber enabled crime.

Conclusion

- 9 The attached report and presentation provide an opportunity for Members to consider and comment on the partnership approach on cyber safety.

Background papers

- None

Other useful documents

- Cabinet 16 May 2018 - [Cybercrime Cover report](#) and [SSC OSC Cybercrime review report](#)
- Safer and Stronger Communities OSC, January 2020 - [Progress of recommendations OSC review of cybercrime](#)

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Appendix 1: Implications

Legal Implications

None.

Finance

None

Consultation

None

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty

None.

Human Rights

None.

Climate Change

None.

Crime and Disorder

Information with this report aims to contribute to the Safe Durham Partnership Plan priority to tackle and prevent cyber enabled crime.

Staffing

None.

Accommodation

None.

Risk

None.

Procurement

None.

SAFER CYBER

DETECTIVE INSPECTOR LUKE TERRY, DURHAM CONSTABULARY

**CLAIRE TURNBULL, CYBER PREVENT, PROTECT AND PREPARE
SUPERVISOR, DURHAM CONSTABULARY**

**ANDREA PETTY, STRATEGIC MANAGER – PARTNERSHIPS,
DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**



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What do we mean by Safer Cyber/Cyber Crime?

- Safer Cyber is about working in partnership to raise awareness, provide resources and upskilling people to help reduce the risk of becoming victims of cyber crime.
- Cyber crime is criminal activities carried out by means of computers or the internet. It is the fastest growing crime and affects both individuals and businesses.



How big a problem is Cyber crime?

Cyber crime continues to rise in scale and complexity, affecting essential services, businesses and private individuals alike.

Cyber crime costs the UK billions of pounds, causes untold damage, and threatens national security.

The scale and complexity of cyber attacks is wide ranging. 'Off the shelf' tools mean that less technically proficient criminals are now able to commit cyber crime.

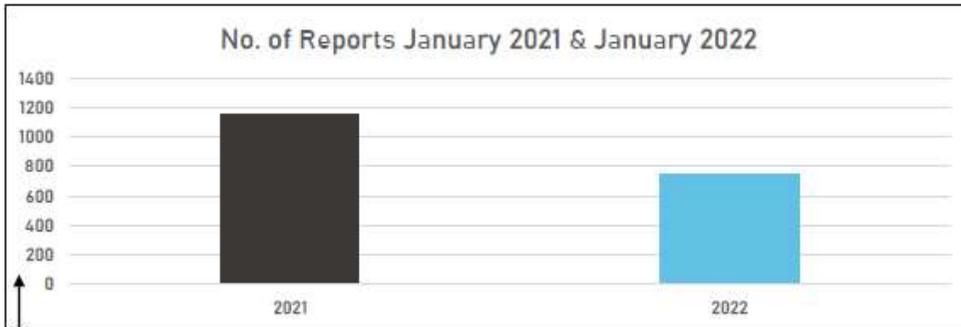
More young people are getting involved in cyber crime.



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Action Fraud. Regional Data

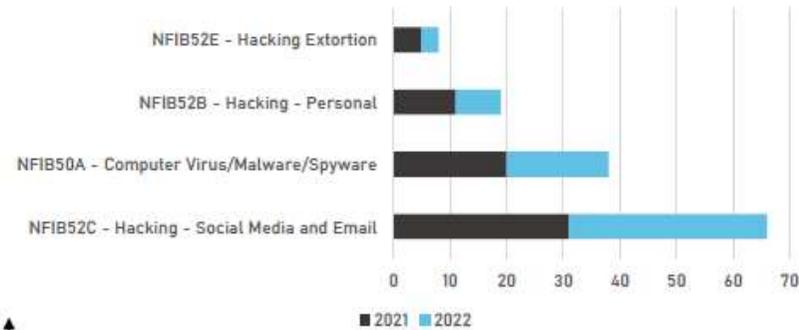
The data produced by Action Fraud which categorises the reports made by victims. As a result, this is a partial view as many instances of Financial Abuse go unreported. The category NFIB90 - None of the Above has been excluded from the cyber dependant and fraud data tables to create a more accurate result.



In January 2021 Action Fraud recorded a total of 1,154 victim reports of Fraud and Cyber dependant crimes in the North East. This dropped by 35% in January 2022.



Cyber Dependant Crime January 2021 & January 2022



Throughout January 2021 and 2022 the North East's most reported cyber dependant crime continues to be Hacking via Social Media and Email. During January 2022 have seen an increase of 12% in reports for this crime type.



Online Shopping and Auctions still remains the highest reported Fraud category. In comparison to January 2021 reports for this fraud category have decreased by 40%.

We continue to see second hand market places and fake websites being the main factors in these reports.



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Current trends

Today 16:43

PayPal: We need your help resolving an issue with your account. Please log in via <https://paypal.case-id9033.com> to confirm your identity and restore service.

Royal Mail: Your package has a £2.99 unpaid shipping fee, to pay this now please visit <https://shippingfees-royalmail.online> Or your package will be returned

E.E: Unable to process your latest bill. In order to avoid fees Please login at <https://ee.co.uk-refi7d6.com?ee=2> to update your information.



WhatsApp Friends and Family Scam

In January 2022, there were 35 reports from victims who had received a message on WhatsApp from a suspect, claiming to be the victim's son or daughter.

The message specified their phone had been lost or damaged and this was their replacement phone number. They then asked for money to be sent in order to pay an outstanding bill that they could not yet pay due to one reason or another.

The total loss for these reports was over £22,000 in January 2022. Whilst campaigns have been published to warn people against this scam, we are continuing to see a high number of reports.

The 2022 National Cyber-Crime Strategy

- Strengthening the UK cyber ecosystem, investing in our people and skills and deepening the partnership between government, academia and industry
- Building a resilient and prosperous digital UK, reducing cyber risks so businesses can maximise the economic benefits of digital technology and citizens are secure online and confident that their data is protected
- Taking the lead in the technologies vital to cyber power, building our industrial capability and developing frameworks to secure future technologies
- Advancing UK global leadership and influence for a more secure, prosperous and open international order, working with government and industry partners and sharing the expertise that underpins UK cyber power
- Detecting, disrupting and deterring our adversaries to enhance UK security in and through cyberspace, making more integrated, creative and routine use of the UK's full spectrum of levers



What is Cyber Crime?

“Dependent”



“Enabled”



“Facilitated”



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Yes this does happen in our own back yard

- Cyber attack at Durham Johnston School
- Remote computer access in January where £12,000 stolen
- Several domestic cyber offences where offenders use technology to stalk, track and monitor their victims
- Hacking of a business where bank account details changed on invoices and money laundered on fraudulent accounts
- Text messages and phone calls to victim where offenders have purported to be from the victim's bank and convinced her to transfer £45,000 into Bitcoin



Coronavirus and online crime?

- Whilst we do not yet know the full impact; during the early stages of the pandemic, traditional recorded crime significantly reduced during 2020
- However, online related fraud, cyber-crime and sexual offences all increased due to social isolation and increased time spent online. Offending spread online and these offences are still on the increase.
- Around 10% of children aged 10-15 years old were reported by parents to have a negative online experience during the pandemic due to the increase in time spent online.
- The National Crime Agency reported a 25% increase of online child-abuse during the last 3 months of 2021.
- Fraudsters continue to exploit Covid-19 related scams through online and cyber-related offending including phishing, scam e-mails and messaging, money laundering, and other digital offending.
- Cyber-dependent crime including hacking, malware, ransomware, DDOS attacks continue to spread and are international in nature



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How we tackle Cyber Crime



PURSUE



Pursue offenders



PROTECT



Helping you & others not to become victims of Cyber Crime



PREVENT



Distracting persons away from Cyber Crime



PREPARE



Advising victims & communities on recovery following being a victim of Cyber Crime.



How we tackle Cyber Crime

2018 – SSC Overview & Scrutiny Review into Cybercrime

Working together under SDP – SCWG to share that wealth of knowledge, information and provide a multi-agency response to tackle cyber-crime.



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Working Together

Regional Cyber Protect Network.

DAAC.

Volunteers.

Education sector.

Neighbourhood Policing teams.

Train new police officers and front line staff.



Funding bids to AAP's and PCC for cyber youth clubs

- Provide an opportunity for young people to have fun online in a safe environment and at the same time reduce anti-social behaviour.
- Improve cyber skills to help with education and career opportunities.
- Encourage young people to carry out their online activity in a safer way.
- Help raise awareness of cyber crime with siblings, peers, parents/carers and older relatives.



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Working in Partnership

Safer Cyber Partnership Group



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Safer Cyber Working Group

Strategic Priority 6	Tackle and prevent cyber enabled crime		
Work Areas	Raise awareness of the general population about staying safe online	Reduce risk to the most vulnerable groups	Build resilience of local businesses to the threat of cyber crime
Core Deliverables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver awareness raising sessions of the risks and threats of cybercrime • Deliver a general understanding about digital hygiene through events, seminars, marketing and communications • Increase awareness of those in the public, voluntary and community sectors about protecting clients from becoming a victim • Increase confidence to report incidents of cyber-crime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate with other partnerships to widely embed cyber-crime and exploit opportunities for joint working • Work with the voluntary and community sector to identify means of communicating cyber safety to those who have vulnerabilities (e.g. older people) i.e. More secure passwords/up to date anti-virus software • Work with education, youth support and other networks working with children and young people to identify those vulnerable to entering or remaining in cyber-crime activity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with the business sector to promote Cyber Essentials and programmes of support as a means of protecting businesses from cyber crime • Work with the education sector to develop opportunities for raising awareness of cybercrime with students • Work with the business and education sector to provide advice on recovery after a cyber-attack and encourage businesses to develop business continuity plans
Delivery plan mechanism	Safer Cyber Working Group Action Plan		

Membership

- Durham Constabulary Digital Investigation Unit
- Durham County Council
 - Partnerships Team
 - Area Action Partnerships
 - Children and Young People's Services
 - Civil Contingencies Unit (representing the Local Resilience Forum)
 - Housing Solutions
 - Community Protection
- County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service
- National Probation Service
- Durham Police and Crime Commissioners Office
- Victim support representative
- North of England Commissioning Support, on behalf of regional CCGs
- Further Education representatives
- Business sector representative
- VCS representative



Improving links between other relevant partnerships

- **Prevent: Counter Terrorism** – Social Media, Apps, Gaming, Symbolism, Fake News, Echo Chambers
- **Child Exploitation** – Online grooming, Internet safety, Sexting, Cyber Blackmail, advise for parents and carers
- **Elderly and vulnerable exploitation** - Scams, Phishing, Spam, Personal information & password security
- **Online business crime** – Ransom ware, phishing, cyber attacks, DDOSing, promotion of careers in cyber security
- Identified by the Local Government Association as best practice

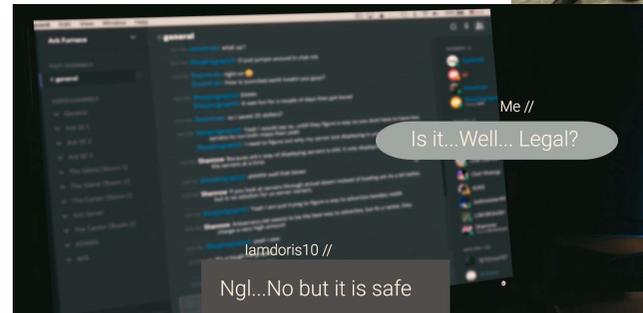


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Recent activity

New College Durham Cyber Safety Event.

- November 2021
- National Safeguarding Week
- Security
- Scam awareness
- Online safeguarding issues
- Health and social care students completed the National Trading Standards' Friends Against Scams e-learning course.
- [Hack Video](#)



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Rationalisation of online safety advice for Schools, Students and Parents/Carers.

Websites

Please advise the editor of suggested content for use on the school. The following represents a wide range of resources - and should normally be the main focus of research with parents.

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Remember to check the following:

- Is the resource free to use by schools?
- Is the resource suitable for primary, secondary or tertiary schools?
- Is the resource suitable for the school's curriculum?
- Is the resource suitable for the school's ethos?
- Is the resource suitable for the school's location?

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Online Safety Websites for schools

List of online safety websites - the top page the the ones we suggest schools share, the next pages are alternatives and the last page provides links for use when dealing with a problem.

padlet

Paul Hodgkinson · 1d

Primary School Online Safety and Digital Literacy resourcebank

FS / KS1 / KS2 Where I have added a year group this is a suggestion not a firm recommendation. All resources should be checked before use.

https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/	Professionals / Parents	More aimed at schools rather than parents but some useful advice - particularly on reporting.	General Information & Resources. POSH helpline useful for advice - particularly on removing hurtful content quickly	UK based site - sponsored and part EU funded	Yes
https://www.childnet.com/	Professional / Parents / Children	Mixture of resources and support	Mixture of resources and ideas	UK Charity	Harder to navigate
https://parentzone.org.uk/home	Parents / Professional	Mixture of resources and support	Mixture of resources - good links to Google resources	UK Business	Yes
https://www.betterinternetforkids.eu/	Parent / Professional	Mixture of resources and support	European resources - with useful EAL links	EU	Harder to navigate
https://www.esafety.gov.au/	Professional / Parent	Often a better fit than many American resources	Australian online safety resources	AU govt.	Yes



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Campaigns and events for 2022

- **8th February – Safer Internet Day.**

Working group activities included:

DCC's education team raising awareness of information and resources available to support schools and their pupils and families throughout the week.

- **9th February - New College Durham staff development day.**
- Durham Constabulary Cyber Protect and Prevent team delivered to 400 New College students during the week and to staff on their development day.



Campaigns and events for 2022

- **14 February** - National Clean Out Your Computer Day.
- **31 March** - World Backup Day.
- **12 April** - Identity Management Day.
- **5 May** - World Password Day.
- Durham Cyber – social media campaigns.

Take five to stop fraud campaigns throughout the year.



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Questions/Comments



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**Safer and Stronger Communities
Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

2 March 2022

Road Safety



Report of Paul Darby, Corporate Director of Resources

Electoral division(s) affected:

Countywide

Purpose of the Report

- 1 To provide the Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee with background information in advance of a presentation on Road Safety .

Executive summary

- 2 Road Safety is a specific work area within the Safe Durham Partnership Plan priority 'promote being safe and feeling safe in your community' and the presentation attached in appendix 2 provides an overview of partnership activity to contribute to delivery of this priority area.

Recommendation

- 3 Members of the Committee are asked to note information contained within this report and presentation and comment accordingly.

Background

- 4 At its meeting in July 2021, the Committee agreed its work programme to include a presentation on Road Safety. Information within this presentation is linked to the Safe Durham Partnership plan priority “Promote being safe and feeling safe in your community”
- 5 To deliver this work area, there is a partnership arrangement in place known as the County Durham and Darlington Casualty Reduction Forum. The Forum provide reports to the Safe Durham Partnership Board and its membership includes Durham County Council, Durham Constabulary, County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service, Highways England, and Darlington Borough Council.
- 6 Appendix 2 to this report contains a presentation that provides an overview of the Casualty Reduction Forum, road traffic collision data, development of a road safety strategy and partnership activity in relation to education, engagement and enforcement. Dave Lewin, Strategic Traffic Manager and Angela Redmond, Road Safety Manager are scheduled to be in attendance to deliver the presentation to the Committee’s meeting.

Main implications

Crime and Disorder

- 7 Information within this report aims to contribute to the Safe Durham Partnership Plan priority to promote being safe and feeling safe in your community.

Conclusion

- 8 The attached report and presentation provide an opportunity for Members to consider and comment on the partnership approach on road safety.

Background papers

- None

Other useful documents

- None

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Appendix 1: Implications

Legal Implications

None.

Finance

None

Consultation

None

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty

None.

Human Rights

None.

Climate Change

None.

Crime and Disorder

Information with this report aims to contribute to the Safe Durham Partnership Plan priority to promote being safe and feeling safe in your community.

Staffing

None.

Accommodation

None.

Risk

None.

Procurement

None.

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ROAD SAFETY STRATEGY

Presentation to
Overview & Scrutiny Committee
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Development of a Strategy

- Durham County Council's previous road safety strategy is due to be refreshed
- Opportunity for us to review our current road safety priorities and ways to develop a safer road environment for the county moving forward



Road Casualty Statistics

Casualty Severity	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Fatal	19	24	28	17	26	21	18	9	19	19	13
Serious	177	174	172	165	186	157	183	154	227	152	170
Slight	1459	1346	1168	1403	1030	998	1049	919	680	497	458
Total	1655	1544	1368	1585	1242	1176	1250	1082	935	668	641

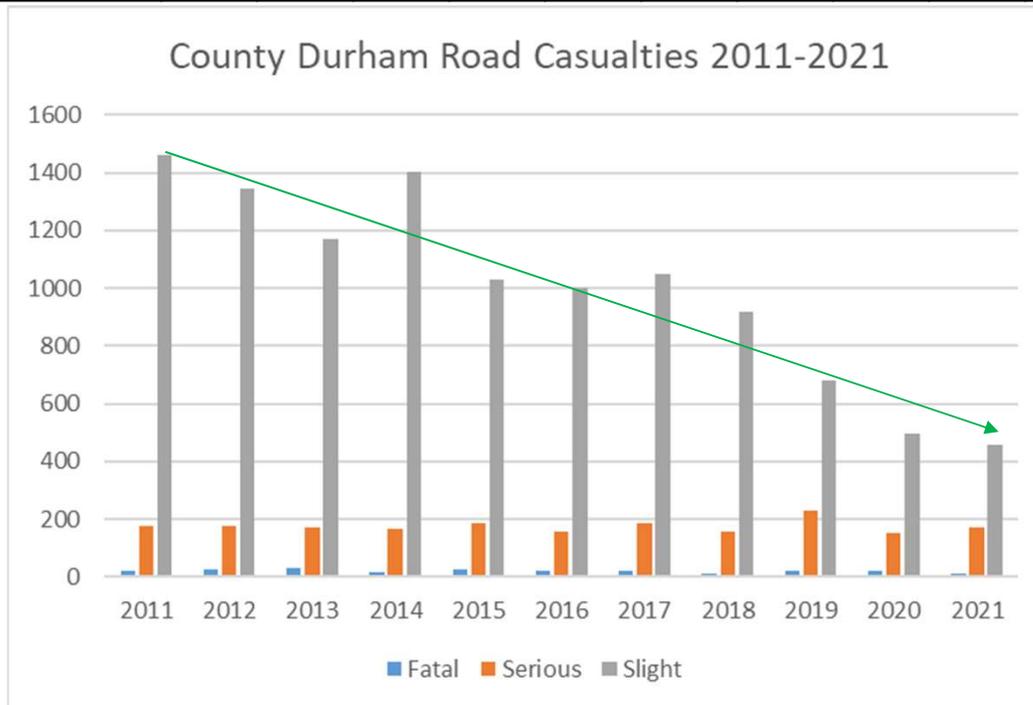


Figure 3: Rate of Casualties per Billion Vehicle Miles by Local Authority

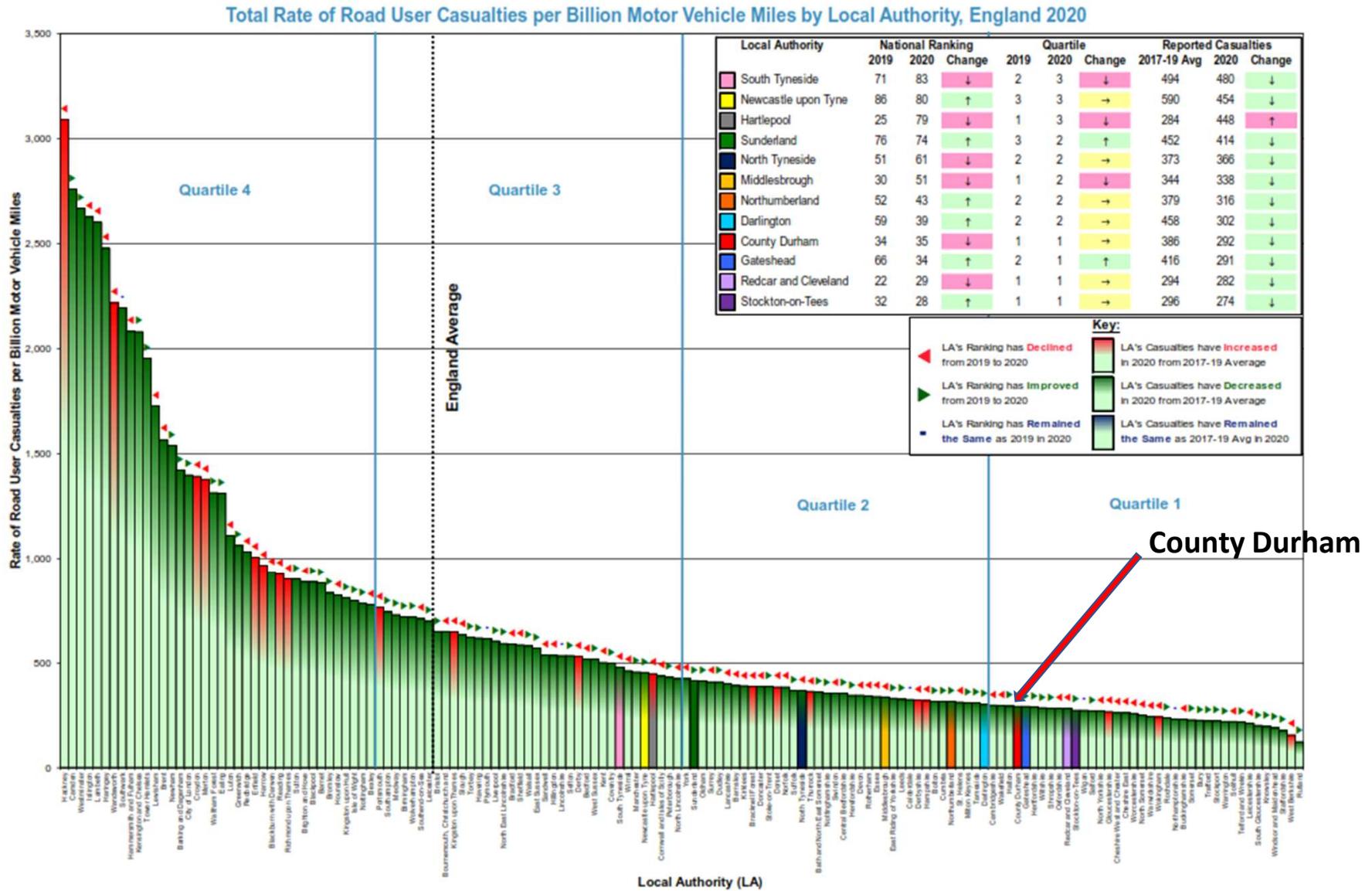
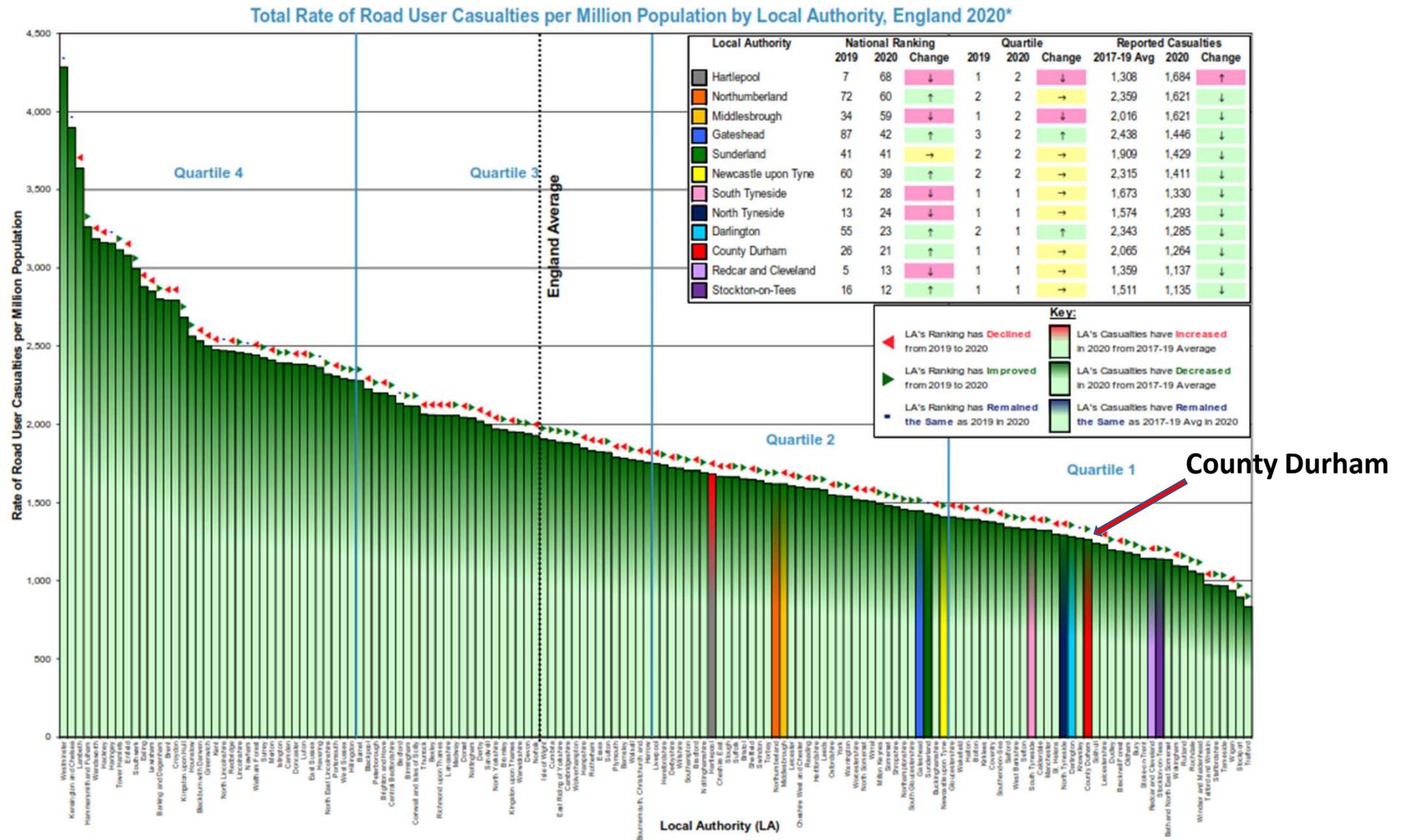


Figure 4: Rate of Casualties per Million Population by Local Authority



* Please note that the City of London's rate of 10,514 casualties per million population has not been included on this figure, but has been included in the calculation of the England Average.

Strategy Objectives

Primary objectives:

- Provide a coordinated approach
- Aim to maintain a downward trend
- Specifically target those road user groups over-represented in casualty statistics
- Improve safety
- Promote and encourage safer, healthier modes of travel
- Reduce the burden of road casualties

Strategy Benefits

An effective Strategy can deliver significant benefits including:

- Saving lives
- Preventing emotional and psychological trauma
- Saving a significant amount of public money
- Reducing the burden on over-stretched public services
- Supporting other public policies
- Helping to tackle health inequalities
- Improving community cohesion
- Reducing the environmental impact motorised vehicles have on air quality

Strategy Delivery

Traditional 3 'E's' approach:

- Education
- Engineering
- Enforcement

Education

Durham County Council and its road safety partners deliver a number of schemes that directly contribute to reducing casualties and encouraging safer and active lifestyles



What we currently do

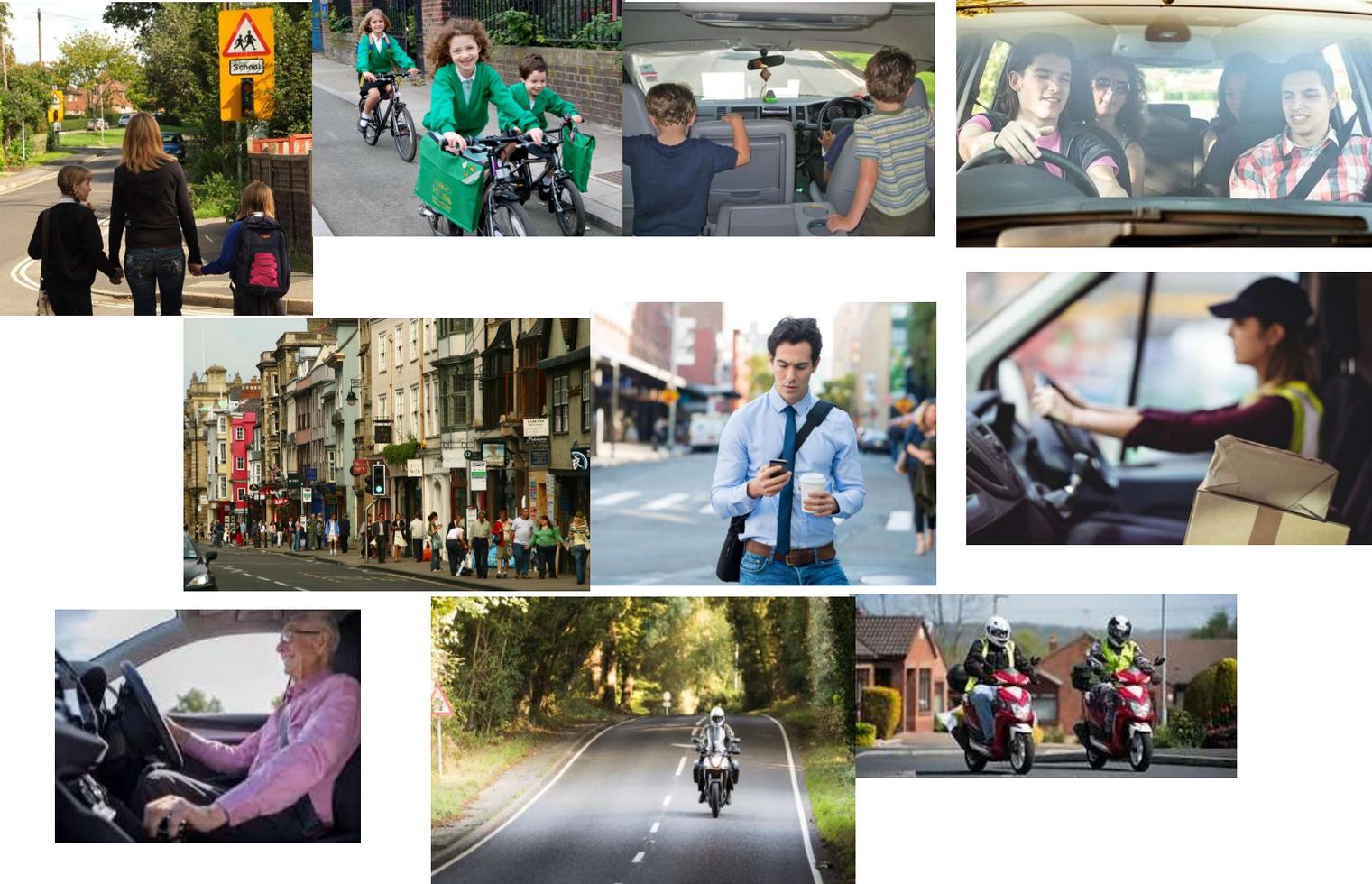


- Targeted road safety education, training and campaigning
- Delivering safety campaigns
- Delivery of training schemes for vocational drivers
- Engaging with businesses
- Using a targeted approach
- Promoting safer road use



Education

Identification of Specific Groups



Causation Factors and the Fatal Four

- The most identifiable causations in County Durham are as follows:

Causation Factor	Percentage
Fail to Look	47%
Speeding	17%
Impaired by alcohol	8%
Distraction	5%
No Seatbelt	5%
Drink/Drug Driving	8%

- The Fatal 4 are key risk taking behaviours and actions that are often over-represented in road traffic collisions



Enforcement Delivered by Durham Constabulary



HGV/LGVs –
Operation Tramline



Drink/Drug Driving

Speeding



No insurance –
Operation Tutelage



Target approach to
persistent offenders.
Operation Dragoon



Mobile Phones



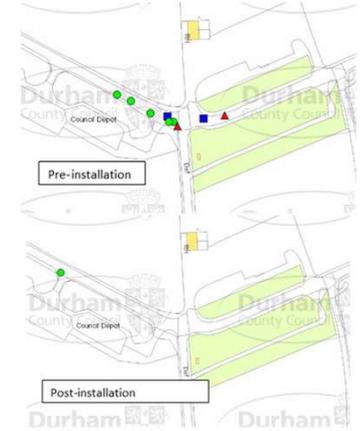
Seatbelts

Nuisance Motorcycles –
Operation Endurance



Engineering

Implementing low-level highway improvements and local safety schemes



The analysis of casualty data



Identifying proportionate and suitable strategies for reducing speeds and addressing community concerns

Evaluating new developments

Undertaking road safety audits

Evaluation

- Undertake annual casualty analysis
- Measure the effectiveness of road safety initiatives
- Monitor casualty data
- Record casualty data at an area level with particular reference to children and other vulnerable road users

Road Safety Partnerships

- County Durham and Darlington Strategic Road Safety Partnership
- County Durham and Darlington Road Safety Partnership (Delivery Group)
- Road Safety Great Britain – North East

County Durham and Darlington Strategic Road Safety Partnership

Consists of senior and strategic representatives from the organisations represented in the delivery group.

Responsible for:

- Providing strategic direction
- Performance monitoring
- Resource allocation

Road Safety Partnership Delivery Group (AKA Casualty Reduction Forum)

- Durham County Council
- Darlington Borough Council
- Durham Constabulary
- Durham Police, Crime and Victim's Commissioner's Office.
- County Durham Fire & Rescue Service
- National Highways
- Public Health
- Partnership Expansion and Development



Road Safety Great Britain – North East

Representatives:

- 12 Local Authorities
- 3 Police Forces
- 4 Fire and Rescue Teams and
- Highways England



Any questions ?