Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

6 December 2021

Community Protection Update

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 community protection within County Durham.

Executive summary

2 The presentation attached in appendix 2 will aim to provide Members with an overview of community protection activity including development of a County Durham Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy (ASB), implementation of a place-based multi-agency approach and making every adult matter initiative and area based interventions.

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 ASB. Information within this presentation includes ASB and associated initiatives and interventions are linked to the Safe Durham Partnership plan priority “Promote being safe and feeling safe in your community” and the Council Plan ambition “Connected Communities”.

5 Appendix 2 to this report contains a presentation to provide Members with progress community protection activity in relation to development of an ASB strategy for County Durham, information on the establishment of a place-based multi-agency approach and the Making Every Adult Matter initiative. The presentation also includes details on key deliverables including tackling ASB, crime and disorder and improving confidence in services. In addition, Members will be provided with an update on current and future activity for area-based interventions including the Safer Streets initiative, the Community Action Team programme and how this activity supports the implementation of initiatives including tackling empty properties and longer term regeneration plans. The presentation will be delivered by Joanne Waller, Head of Community Protection.

Main implications

Crime and Disorder

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

Conclusion

7 The attached presentation provides an update and opportunity for Members to provide comment on current and future on community protection activity.

8 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.

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Staffing

None.

Accommodation

None.

Risk

None.

Procurement

None.