#### **Cabinet**

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Safe Durham Partnership Plan 2011-14 Refresh



# **Report of Corporate Management Team**

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## Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is to update Cabinet on the refresh of the Safe Durham Partnership (SDP) Plan 2011-14 and seek agreement for it to go to full Council for formal adoption.

# **Background**

- The Crime and Disorder (Formulation and Implementation of Strategy)
  Regulations 2007 require that Durham County Council, along with other
  responsible authorities (Durham Constabulary, NHS County Durham,
  County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service, Durham
  Police Authority and Durham Tees Valley Probation Trust), develop
  and implement a Partnership Plan. The 2011-14 Plan is the Safe
  Durham Partnership (SDP) strategy for reducing crime and disorder
  and for combating substance misuse in the area.
- The regulations also require that at the start of each year the Safe Durham Partnership Plan shall be revised following the completion of an annual Strategic Assessment.
- The annual SDP Strategic Assessment was completed in November 2011 and following public, and stakeholder, consultation it was decided that the SDP priorities and 'key areas for improvement' would remain unchanged.

#### **Current Position**

- The Sustainable Communities Strategy 2010-30 contains the agreed priorities for the SDP until March 2013:
  - Reduce anti-social behaviour;
  - Protect vulnerable people from harm;

- Reduce re-offending;
- Alcohol and substance misuse harm reduction;
- Reduce serious and violent crime:
- Counter terrorism and prevention of violent extremism; and
- Casualty reduction.
- In addition to these priorities, the SDP Plan 2011-14 contains the agreed five 'Key Areas of Improvement':
  - Anti-Social Behaviour;
  - High Impact Households;
  - High Impact Localities;
  - Alcohol Harm Reduction; and
  - Organised Crime;
- The SDP Plan 2011-14 is a three year strategy. The commitments outlined in the plan, and the program of delivery, remain unchanged. The first refresh, therefore, comes in the form of a supplement (Appendix 2) to the original Plan. The supplement provides a summary of the partnership's first year of progress with additional detail in the form of a case study, under each of the five key areas of improvement.
- The draft Partnership Plan refresh was agreed at the Safe Durham Partnership Board on 26 March 2012. A final designed version of the supplement will be made available to the public.

#### **Recommendations and Reasons**

- 9 Cabinet is recommended to:
  - a. Agree the Partnership Plan refresh;
  - b. Agree the Partnership Plan refresh will go forward to full Council on 19 September 2012 for formal adoption; and
  - c. Request a copy of the Partnership Plan refresh is made available to the public through the Corporate Website and the County Durham Partnership Website.

## **Background Paper(s)**

Safe Durham Partnership Plan 2011-14

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# **Appendix 1: Implications**

#### **Finance**

An Action Plan has been developed to support the delivery of the Partnership Plan. The Safe Durham Partnership has developed a funding package to support the delivery of the Action Plan.

## **Staffing**

The Plan will be implemented using existing resources. Durham County Council will contribute to the delivery of the plan in partnership with other responsible authorities.

#### Risk

No adverse implications.

# **Equality and Diversity/Public Sector Equality Duty**

An impact assessment has been undertaken on the Partnership Plan 2011-14.

#### **Accommodation**

No adverse implications.

#### Crime and disorder

The Partnership Plan outlines the Safe Durham Partnership priorities for tackling crime and disorder in County Durham.

## **Human rights**

No adverse implications.

#### Consultation

Statutory consultation with the community and stakeholders has been undertaken as part of the plan's refresh.

## **Procurement**

No adverse implications.

# **Disability Discrimination Act**

No direct adverse implications. An impact assessment will be undertaken when the refresh has been agreed.

#### **Legal Implications**

No adverse implications. The County Council, as a responsible authority under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, has a statutory duty to produce a Partnership Plan.

# Appendix 2: (Draft Refresh) Partnership Plan 2011-14

See attached document.