

## Gosport Community Safety Partnership - Strategic Plan 2020 – 2021



### Introduction

Gosport is an urban peninsula situated on the Solent coastline located between the cities of Portsmouth and Southampton with the population of Gosport being 85,300. Gosport Community Safety Partnership (CSP) brings together partners from a range of statutory and non-statutory organisations that are committed to ensuring the safety of Gosport communities by addressing and reducing crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB). Through analysis of crime data and intelligence the Partnership has identified three priority areas which will inform the key areas of work for the 2020 – 2021 financial year.

### Vision and Strategic Priorities



National police recorded crime has increased by 4% in 2019/2020 and for Hampshire 1% <sup>1</sup>.

Gosport crime statistics show an overall decrease of 4.5% for 2019/2020 and Hampshire figures show a 0.7% increase. <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/crimeandjustice/datasets/policeforceareadatatables>

<sup>2</sup> Interact Crime Records

## **Strategic Priority 1 – Vulnerability**

### **Why is it a priority?**

Nationally and locally it is increasingly recognised that serious and organised crime impacts on our communities. The exploitation of young people and vulnerable adults, including county lines, child sexual exploitation, cuckooing, modern slavery and extremism, is increasing in volume and complexity. Consequently, there is the need to ensure that communities are better at spotting the signs of exploitation whilst continuing to focus on the threat of extremism because of the potential level of harm caused. Domestic abuse accounts for 13% of all crime within Gosport and the recent increased use of the internet (especially in light of COVID19) also risk of exploitation and fraud.

## **Strategic Priority 2 – Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)**

### **Why is it a priority?**

Anti-social behaviour impacts on the community's quality of life as well as their confidence in the police and partners. In Gosport ASB is primarily categorised as 'community': incidents where an act, condition, thing or person causes trouble, annoyance, inconvenience or offence to the community in general rather than to individual victims and includes incidents where behaviour goes beyond the conventional bounds of acceptability.

Police, partner agency and community data and feedback identifies concerns around ASB, substance misuse and inappropriate behaviours associated with rough sleeping.

## **Strategic Priority 3 – Community Confidence**

### **Why is it a priority?**

Community Confidence is important because it prevents the public having an unnecessary fear of crime. If the public feel confident in the Police and its partners they will be more likely to work alongside them in tackling crime and ASB and more willing to seek advice and support when needed. One of the most effective ways of increasing community confidence is by increasing community engagement and building good relationship with the local community.

Social media has an increasingly key role in community engagement and confidence as it can inform the public, provide an engagement mechanism and build community groups and resilience. The instantaneous nature of social media means it has the ability to reduce the fear of crime by responding quickly to public concerns and providing accurate information for dissemination within the community. It also acts as a key communication tool for those who do not access information in the more traditional forms such as leaflets or meetings, or those individuals who may have difficulty accessing services by other means.

## Action Plan – How will the CSP improve the Safety of Gosport Communities?

Vulnerability	Domestic Abuse	Support partnership referrals to MARAC by promoting the use of the DASH (Domestic Abuse, Stalking and Honour-based violence) risk identification checklist, include via a training session.	Stop Domestic Abuse	December 2020
	Domestic Abuse	Promote and publicise the 16 days of action against Domestic Abuse to raise awareness of all types of Domestic Abuse.	Community Safety Officer	November 2020
	Domestic Abuse	Support partnership referrals to domestic abuse services by promoting The Domestic Abuse Front Door and the principle that for every victim there is a perpetrator.	Stop Domestic Abuse	March 2021
	Prevent	Actively participate in the development and delivery of Prevent Communications (via the Prevent Communications Sub Group).	Corporate Policy and Community Safety Team	March 2021
	Exploitation	Publicise digital resources and campaigns for cyber-crime and modern slavery to a range of audiences.	Community Engagement & Project Officer	March 2021
ASB	All ASB	Co-ordinate multi-agency support and enforcement to assist with vulnerable individuals, persistent offenders and problematic locations through partner referrals made to the Partnership Action Group.	Community Safety Officer	March 2021

	All ASB	Promote the use of the mediation service delivered by the Community Safety Team to reduce resource demands on front line services.	Community Engagement & Project Officer	March 2021
	Youth related	Prevent young people from entering the criminal justice system by the early management of ASB through the use of a range of tools and powers.	Community Safety Officer	March 2021
	Youth related	Implement alternative provision for Gosport Summer Passport delivery utilising online tools.	Community Engagement & Project Officer	September 2020
	Youth related	Improve support for young people who are part of the PAG process by identifying opportunities acknowledged from learning reviews which seek to discover innovative solutions and problem solving to prevent future offending.	Community Safety Officer	December 2020
	Substance Misuse	Lead the co-ordination of the Homelessness Action Group to make Gosport a safer place by providing support for those who are street homeless and to address problematic street activity such as begging and substance misuse.	Community Safety Officer	March 2021
	Substance Misuse	Work with partners to support substance misuse reduction campaigns and promote services which address these issues.	Community Engagement & Project Officer	March 2021

Community Confidence	Promote existing services available for those who are street homeless within Gosport to members of the public and develop a co-ordinated approach to identify a long-term solution for individuals.	Community Safety Officer	March 2021
	Utilise Gosport's Cycle Safe initiative to work in partnership to engage communities to promote personal cycle safety and cyclists' responsibilities.	Community Safety Officer	March 2021
	Seek to expand engagement opportunities for young people by introducing new modes of engagement and utilising expertise of local models.	Community Engagement & Project Officer	November 2020
	Publish an online replacement of the Safer Gosport Community Day on the Partnership website, complemented by a social media campaign to highlight key messages and work of the partnership.	Community Engagement & Project Officer	June 2020
	Support the outcomes of the Mutual Gain World Café event and delivery of a community led Participatory Budgeting process.	Community Engagement & Project Officer	December 2020
	Promote better use of technology to access services and report issues including the Victim Care Service and Fearless anonymous reporting.	Community Engagement & Project Officer	March 2021
	Analyse social media trends facilitated by COVID19 and develop a partnership approach and activity to ensure effective and safe use of these new mechanisms.	Community Engagement & Project Officer	March 2021
	Research and understand local drivers of public safety (including the role of social media).	Community Engagement & Project Officer	March 2021

### **How will we monitor our impact?**

Gosport CSP Plan sets out the vision, strategic objectives and actions which will be delivered throughout 2020/21. Within Gosport there is a history of strong partnership working and successful delivery of this plan will be dependent on partners proactively supporting delivery of the actions outlined. Progress against this plan will be monitored throughout the financial year by each organisation responsible for delivery of any actions with a formal review of partnership delivery being undertaken at the bi-annual CSP Board.