Housing and Community Service Scrutiny Panel



Date of meeting: 26 July 2024

Title of Report: Reduction of Serious Violence

Lead Member: Councillor Sally Haydon (Cabinet Member for Community Safety,

Libraries, Events, Cemeteries & Crematoria)

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Your Reference: Reduction of Serious Violence

Key Decision: No

Confidentiality: Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to share the Reduction of Serious Violence Action Plan

Recommendations and Reasons

I. Endorse the Reduction of Violence Action Plan

Reason: This action plan is designed to facilitate the delivery of the key priorities of working with the Police to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour and keeping children, adults and families safe. The success of these objectives relies upon effective collaboration with all specified authorities responsible for fulfilling the Serious Violence Duty. The partnership approach has been emphasised throughout the action plan as it places a strategic approach of prevention and early intervention as recommended in the corporate plan.

Alternative options considered and rejected

1. Do nothing – This is not a viable option as we are required to create a Serious Violence Reduction Strategy and to embed an action plan to enable the reduction of violence.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

This vision and action plan align with the Corporate Plan in that we are "Working with the police to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour" and that we are "Keeping children, adults and communities safe", and that we are doing this by "Trusting and engaging our communities" and "Focusing on prevention and early intervention" The Councils Corporate Plan sets out our ambition to be one of Europe's most vibrant waterfront cities, where an outstanding quality of life is enjoyed by everyone.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

The allocated funding covers a 12-month period exclusively. Specified authorities were mandated to submit funding forms outlining their approach to maintaining financial sustainability in the event of requiring additional funding after the 12-month period.

Financial Risks

There are no known financial risks currently. As the Serious Violence responses are embedded, we will understand more detail of any potential future funding opportunities or risks.

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

There are no direct carbon or environmental impacts arising from these recommendations.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.

Diverse communities were engaged in the Strategic Needs Assessments and their voices have been used to shape some of the Violence Reduction initiative. An EIA was carried out at that time and remains under review.

Appendices

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Α	Serious Violence Reduction report									
В	Equalities Impact Assessment									
С	Strategic Needs Assessment									
D	SV Funding budget									

Background papers:

Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are <u>unpublished</u> works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based.

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Matt Garrett

Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes

Date agreed: 17/06/2024

Cabinet Member approval: Approved by Sally Haydon by email.

Date approved: 14/06/2024