

COMMUNITY SAFETY SUB OSC AGENDA

Tuesday, 4 October 2016 at 5.30 pm in the Bridges Room - Civic Centre

From the Acting Chief Executive, Mike Barker

Item Business

1 Apologies

2 Minutes (Pages 3 - 6)

The Committee are asked to approve the minutes of the last meeting held in 28 June 2016 (attached)

3 Community Safety Board Strategic Priorities - Six Month Progress Update
(Pages 7 - 14)

Report of the Strategic Director, Communities and Environment

4 Preventing Violent Extremism - Quarterly Progress Update (Pages 15 - 18)

Report of the Strategic Director, Communities and Environment

5 Hate Crime

Presentation by PC David Burton and PC Chrissie Ender, Central Engagement Team – Northumbria Police

6 Vanguard Approach

Presentation by Peter Wright, Service Manager – Environmental Health, Trading Standards and Community Safety

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GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SAFETY SUB OSC MEETING

Tuesday, 28 June 2016

PRESENT: Councillor P Dillon (Chair)

Councillor(s): T Graham, P Craig, K Dodds, J McClurey and J Turnbull

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor(s):

APOLOGIES: Councillor(s): S Dickie and A Wheeler

1 APOLOGIES

2 MINUTES

RESOLVED

- i) That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Sub OSC held on 22 March 2016 were agreed as a correct record.
- ii) That the minutes of the meetings of the Community Safety Board held on 4 March 2016 and 22 April 2016 respectively were agreed as a correct record.

3 CONSTITUTION - FOR INFORMATION

RESOLVED

- i) That the constitution of the committee and the appointment of the Chair and Vice Chair for the municipal year 2016-2017 was agreed

4 ROLE AND REMIT - FOR INFORMATION

RESOLVED -

- i) That the role and remit and terms of reference of the sub-committee be noted.

5 UPDATE ON FAMILIESGATESHEAD PROGRAMME

The Committee received a presentation and update from Susan Butler on the Families Gateshead Programme.

RESOLVED

- i) That the information be noted
- ii) That further information be requested as to why the number of families that the council needed to work with had reduced having looked at the indices of deprivation based on calculations received from the DCLG this week.

- iii) That the further information requested above shall be provided to the committee separately as soon as possible.

6 THE COUNCIL PLAN - END OF YEAR ASSESSMENT OF PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERY 2015/16

The Committee received a report providing the year end assessment of performance for 2015/2016. It also provided an update on the performance and delivery of the Council Plan 2015-2020.

- RESOLVED -
- i) that the activities undertaken at year end 2015/16 are achieving the desired outcomes in the Council Plan 2015-2020, with the addition that the levels of substance misuse in Gateshead is also included in the information.
 - ii) that the report be referred to Cabinet on 12 July 2016, with the recommendations from the Community Safety Overview and Scrutiny Sub Committee for their consideration.

7 CORPORATE STRATEGIC TRACKER AND TARGET INDICATORS - 2020

The Committee received a report outlining the proposed service targets to be agreed for the period up to 2020.

The targets set express the planned level of performance and are based on a sound understanding of current and past performance and the likely influences over future performance. They will be used as a tool for driving continuous improvement and stretching performance against a particular measure over a given period of time and help to set out what needs to be done to achieve improvement within an appropriate timescale.

- RESOLVED -
- i) that the proposed 2020 targets set for the corporate strategic indicators and the available benchmarked performance to ensure the Council's performance is continuously improving to contribute to the delivery of vision 2030 and the Council plan is acceptable.
 - ii) that a further indicator on measuring the levels of substance misuse in Gateshead be added
 - iii) that the information be referred to Cabinet for approval.

8 COMMUNITY SAFETY BOARD - PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2016/17

The Committee received a report with an overview of the Community Safety Board Partnership Plan which provided details of the strategic priorities that have been identified by the Community Safety Board to deliver against throughout the next 12 months.

RESOLVED

- i) That the information be noted.
- ii) That the Committee agree to receive regular updates on actions undertaken to the strategic priorities (as per the OSC Workplan 2016/17)

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TITLE OF REPORT: **Community Safety Board – 6mth Progress Update**

REPORT OF: **Paul Dowling
Strategic Director – Communities and Environment**

Summary

The Community Safety Board is required to attend the Community Safety Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee (OSC) on a six-monthly basis to provide an overview of the activities that have been undertaken to address its strategic priorities (as set out in the statutory Partnership Plan for 2016/17).

1 Background

- 1.1 The Community Safety Board is a standalone themed partnership that has the legal obligation to address the key crime, disorder and substance misuse (drug and alcohol) issues that are impacting upon the Borough. The Board also has a statutory duty under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to produce an annual intelligence-led Strategic Assessment and Partnership Plan.

2 Strategic Assessment and Partnership Plan

- 2.1 As a reminder, the Strategic Assessment is a detailed analysis of the key crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour issues within Gateshead in order to assist in setting future community safety priorities for the Board. The ninth Strategic Assessment was completed in December 2015 and identified three priorities for the Board to address over the next twelve-months.

3 Partnership Plan

- 3.1 As a reminder, the Partnership Plan brings together the analytical findings from the Strategic Assessment, along with the key activities undertaken by the Board in the previous 12 months to set out the strategic priorities that will be delivered upon in the forthcoming year. The strategic priorities endorsed by the Board for 2016/17 were:

- Prevent Crime, Re-offending and ASB to Reduce Demand on Services
[Burglary Dwelling; Violence, Criminal Damage, Anti-Social Behaviour, Deliberate Secondary Fires and Focusing on High Demand Locations]
- Protect and Support Vulnerable Victims and Persons
[Domestic and Sexual Abuse, Operation Encompass, Sexual Exploitation, Drug-related Deaths, Preventing Violent Extremism and Radicalisation and Hate Crime]
- Addressing Key and Emerging Threats
[Novel Psychoactive Substances, Cyber-related Crime, Community Tensions and Cohesion, Serious and Organised Crime and Suicides]
- Cross-cutting Issues
[FamiliesGateshead, Substance Misuse, Early Intervention/Prevention, Improving Community Confidence, Tackling Complex and Multiple Needs, Dual Diagnosis]

4 Current Performance

- 4.1 The level of recorded crime in Gateshead increased by 49% between April and August 2016 (an additional 2,293 crimes when compared to the previous year). The largest increases have been experienced in violence against the person offences (up 87%; +971 crimes) and criminal damage (up 41%; +404 crimes).
- 4.2 Whilst increases have been recorded in most crime categories, there has been a reduction in burglary-related offences, with domestic burglaries falling by 13% (-25 crimes) and non-domestic burglaries falling by 30% (-111 crimes) – and are the highest reductions throughout the whole of Northumbria. Vehicle and acquisitive crimes have also fallen, down 9% (-35 crimes) and 7%; (-43 crimes respectively).
- 4.3 Gateshead remains one of the best performing Community Safety Partnerships within its Most Similar Family Group of 15 CSPs; while the rate of crime (per 1,000 residents) continues to be lower than the average for the Northumbria Force area. National surveys to measure feelings of safety within an area show Northumbria to be the second highest performing area in the country.
- 4.4 The volume of anti-social behaviour reported to Northumbria Police has fallen by 6% (down 211 incidents). Reported incidents of youth-related ASB across the Borough have fallen by 4%, while there has been a 18% downturn in reported incidents of alcohol-related ASB (-59 incidents).
- 4.5 New cases of anti-social behaviour that are opened by The Gateshead Housing Company have fallen by 14% in the first quarter of 2016/17 (397 cases compared to 459). The majority of incidents continue to be noise-related nuisance (27%) with domestic abuse (18%) and animal nuisance (11%) featuring highly. Legal action has been taken on 19 occasions and includes: 8 NOSPs (Notices of Seeking Possession), 4 Possession Orders and 3 evictions.
- 4.6 Perceptions of Gateshead residents remain positive: the proportion of residents surveyed as part of the Safer Communities Survey who state that they feel very or fairly safe in their area currently stands at 98%, on par with the Force average for this measure. In addition, 71% of people agreed that the police and council are dealing with the anti-social behaviour and crime issues that matter in their area. Although slightly lower than the force average of 73%, this has remained relatively steady over the last 12 months.
- 4.7 Between April and August 2016 the Private Sector Housing team received 473 complaints linked to anti-social behaviour or noise. Almost half of all complaints received were linked to either music and parties or barking dogs, with smaller proportions linked to general noise (e.g. footsteps), shouting and swearing and house alarms.
- 4.8 The latest data from the Youth Offending Team, which covers the period April – June 2016, shows that there has been a 77% reduction in the number of First Time Entrants to the justice system in Gateshead compared to the previous quarter. In total there have been 12 first time entrants during this period, with violence against the person and weapon offences the most common offence type for these individuals.

- 4.9 Gateshead Youth Offending Team also uses a live tracker, where 125 young people who have been sentenced between April 2015 and March 2016 are tracked over an 18 month period to monitor their offending behaviour. The data shows that 89 young people (71% of the cohort) have not yet re-offended. The 36 individuals who went on to re-offend committed a total of 89 offences.
- 4.10 Data provided by Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service suggests that the number of deliberate secondary fires attended in Gateshead has increased. During the period April – July 2016 there were 275 deliberate secondary fires attended, 20 more than at the same time in 2015. This represents an 8% increase in fires attended. Data on all hotspots will be used by Tasking and as part of the Bonfire Night campaign to target specific localities.
- 5 Strategic Priorities – Update**
- 5.1 This section provides an update of Community Safety activity within Gateshead. It sets out progress and/or actions that have been implemented in the last six-months and highlights future workstreams that are currently being developed to address any emerging themes/trends.

Prevent Crime, Re-offending and ASB to Reduce Demand on Services

- 5.2 Public Space Protection Orders
PSPOs were implemented as part of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 and were intended to give councils additional powers to stop individuals or groups committing anti-social behaviour in public spaces which could have a detrimental effect on the local community's quality of life. We are currently consulting on three PSPOs – one covering the entire Borough (which will replace the Designated Public Protection Order), one covering Town Centre and the final one covering Metro Centre Retail Park. It is recognised that to be successful, the orders must be appropriately enforced. Police Officers, PCSOs and Council officers will be able to enforce the restrictions and requirements, as well as other designated groups. It is envisaged the orders will be implemented from November 2016, subject to consultation responses.
- 5.3 ASB Tools and Powers
It was recognised the new ASB tools (Closure Orders, Community Protection Notices and Injunctions) were being underutilised by Council services and partner agencies. Community Safety was keen to provide ASB Panel members with training so they better understood the benefit of each tool. Subsequently, a training session was held for members of the Panel in August, which has resulted in a marked increase in the number of Closures and CPNs used.
- 5.4 Neighbourhood Tasking and Co-ordination
Following a mini-review of the Neighbourhood Tasking model, a new approach has been adopted. There is now one monthly Tasking meeting for the whole of Gateshead, instead of ten. The new way of working means it is more effective, less resource intensive for partners and avoids duplication of effort. There have been four meetings since the implementation of the new structure, which have been extremely productive. Some of the issues tackled have included:
- Addressing issues of youth disorder, secondary fires and criminal damage in Saltwell Park;

- Working with partners to divert young people from causing a nuisance in Fewster Square, and
- Identifying and tackling offenders committing crime or anti-social behaviour on Pelaw Metro Station.

5.5 Task and Finish Group: Offenders

Following an in-depth review of areas where there was a higher concentration of violent offences, a multi-agency task and finish group was established to help tackle the issue. Respective partners were asked to review their processes in relation to the top 20 offenders and victims in order to help identify if there were any missed opportunities to intervene and minimise violent incidents. This exercise showed a gap in the management of repeat offenders and quite often they 'slipped' between agencies. To help address this issue longer term, it was agreed to re-establish the Integrated Offender Management model to ensure a joined up approach to addressing offending behaviour.

5.6 Summer Activity

Work has been ongoing throughout the summer to address:

- *Motorcycle Disorder* – this includes identification of perpetrators and taking enforcement action where necessary, new signage, regular press releases and the production of a multi-agency leaflet which was distributed to hot spot areas.
- *Youth ASB* - Following a partner review of youth ASB, a proactive approach to addressing the issue was adopted by the Community Safety Team and Northumbria Police. Incidents are now responded to almost immediately after being reported. Anecdotal information suggests that the number of youth ASB incidents is decreasing and only exists in small pockets across the borough.

5.7 ASB Volunteers

There are currently a number of ASB volunteers involved in the ASB Volunteer Project, each have their own caseload supporting and providing information to individuals. A second round of recruitment for additional volunteers is underway and training for this will run over 10 weeks starting November 2016. The training will cover information around the role, health and safety, safeguarding processes and counselling skills as well as other areas.

Protect and Support Vulnerable Victims and Persons

5.8 Hate Crime Reporting – ARCH

Hate-related incidents reported to ARCH have continued to increase during 2016/17. There have been 150 incidents reported between April and August 2016. This is an increase of 42% when compared to April – August 2015, an additional 44 incidents. The majority of incidents reported are racist incidents, accounting for 7 in 10 of the incidents reported in Gateshead during the period.

5.9 Hate Crime

Community Safety, in conjunction with partner agencies, has refreshed the local Hate Crime Strategy which includes actions linked with:

- *Reporting Hate Crime* – to ensure people understand what hate crime is; how to report it and how it will be dealt with; and improving the means for

reporting incidents by making them more accessible, easy to use and having more reporting options available.

- *Case Management* – to improve our case management process so we can be sure all reported incidents are dealt with as effectively and consistently as possible, making the best possible use of the resources available. To ensure we make the best use of appropriate interventions to intervene in a timely manner to stop behaviour escalating.
- *Prevention through Education* – to communicate effective and consistent messages to help prevent incidents occurring and to deliver targeted education and training programmes to specific groups most at risk of victimisation and offending.

5.10 To support delivery of the Gateshead Hate Crime Strategy and action plan, the Community Safety commissioned two projects:

- *Show Racism the Red Card* – delivered four training sessions to front line to 60 professionals in the community and voluntary service to provide them with an increased understanding of how to recognise racism, feel more confident in challenging racism and gain a better understanding of how to report hate crime.
- *GemArts* – delivered Travelers' Tales Schools Project, a 6 week arts project with Traveler young people from 3 primary schools, creating an animation piece that explored heritage, history and culture of Traveler communities. In addition, they have delivered Indian art, dance and culture sessions in schools where there issues around negative stereotypes relating to different faith communities. A local artist worked alongside 30 pupils to create a visual arts piece that explored Hinduism. The arts work was embedded into a project around Hinduism and India, enabling young people to understand and develop greater cultural awareness and knowledge of India and faith communities.

5.11 Domestic Abuse

The Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA) Service provide specialist support to individuals assessed as being at high risk of homicide or serious harm. During 2015/16 the service received a total of 1344 referrals, up from 1022 the previous year, an increase of 32%. The engagement rate for the period was 59%. During the first quarter of 2016/17 there were 315 referrals to the IDVA Service, 13.5% lower than the previous year – but in line with similar reductions experienced by the Police in the number of high risk victims identified. The engagement rate for the period was 57% with a further 5% receiving initial advice but declining further support.

5.12 Perpetrators of Domestic Abuse

The Multi-Agency Tasking and Co-ordination (MATAC) approach to tackling perpetrators of domestic abuse has been evaluated by Northumbria University. The report highlights a number of initial successes including:

- implementation of a bespoke Recency, Frequency, and Gravity model;
- development of a toolkit for use in addressing behaviour of perpetrators;
- information sharing to proactively manage perpetrators.

The report also identifies a number of areas for further development, including: better links with Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference; increased publicity around successes; and, improved partner engagement.

- 5.13 Domestic Violence Champions
In partnership with the Police and Crime Commissioner, Community Safety is involved in an initiative which aims to improve community and business responses to domestic and sexual violence by delivering training to volunteer 'Champions' from a wide range of organisations. Two sessions have been delivered since April 2016 with in excess of 150+ attendees – and focused on raising awareness of civil/legal remedies, stalking, housing support and Female Genital Mutilation.
- 5.14 Domestic Abuse Training
Throughout the last six-months, representatives from a range of organisations have been involved in delivering a programme of training to professionals working in Gateshead around domestic abuse. The programme includes sessions on: domestic violence and abuse awareness; honour-based violence and forced marriage; multi-agency risk assessment conference; responding to domestic violence; and, young people living with domestic violence. During this period, over 260 individuals have accessed the training. To further enhance the programme a training needs analysis will be undertaken across the partners to identify any gaps or emerging themes.
- 5.15 Sexual Violence Training
SafeLives were commissioned to deliver bespoke training for Domestic Abuse practitioners around 'Responding to victims of sexual violence'. The session was opened up to partner organisations working routinely with those affected by domestic abuse and delivered to a group of 24 frontline professionals.
- 5.16 Domestic Violence Support Advisors (DVSA) Project
Community Safety is working with the Police and Crime Commissioner to roll out a Domestic Violence Support Advisors (DVSA) Project within Gateshead, which aims to offer specialist advice and support to victims immediately following a domestic abuse incident taking place. It will focus on peak demand times, usually Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening and night (between 8pm to 4am) and, where relevant, will deliver targeted activity within hotspot locations – and involves specialist domestic violence trained officers to accompany Police on patrols to incidents of domestic violence.

Addressing Key and Emerging Threats

- 5.17 Drug-related Deaths
The Drug-related Death Panel continues to meet on a monthly basis to discuss cases and explore possible learning outcomes from all drug-related deaths that occur within the Borough. There has been a significant increase in drug related deaths in Gateshead over the past 2 years. In 2015, there were 17 deaths, and between January and September 2016, there have already been a total of 18. An action plan has been produced outlining a number of recommendations to minimise and reduce the number of drug related deaths in the longer term.
- 5.18 Training
A number of training sessions have taken place since April 2016 in conjunction with the Adult and Young Peoples Substance Misuse Services (Evolve and Platform) to provide practitioners in Gateshead with information on drug and

alcohol awareness, overdose awareness as well as the emerging trend around New Psychoactive Substances (aka legal highs).

5.19 Substance Misuse Strategy

The joint drug and alcohol strategy for Gateshead is near completion and in draft format; this is the first combined strategy for several years and will focus on delivering activity based around three themes:

- reduce demand and prevention across the life course
- reduce supply protection and responsibility
- build recovery and health and wellbeing services

5.20 Darker Nights / Operation BOND

There is be a borough-wide partnership operation 'Operation Bond' which will led by the Central Neighbourhood Policing Team, to coincide with the darker nights – and will deliver crime prevention advice to vulnerable people through direct engagement, media campaigns and community messaging.

5.21 Diverting Offenders

There is limited provision in Gateshead available to offenders which would see them engaged in any sort of activity that would remove them from crime and ASB. Initial conversations are taking place with officers across the Council and external agencies which would look to fill this gap. This has included specific support for veterans, in conjunction with Community Rehabilitation Company and HMS Calliope. In addition, Fulfilling Lives Service User Consultation Group will be consulting with the street drinkers in the town centre in order to ascertain the reasons behind their offending and to identify measures that can put in place to minimise future issues/behaviour (and complements the Town Centre Public Space Protection Order outlined earlier).

5.22 **Bonfire Night**

Initial meetings have started to plan for Bonfire Night 2016. Various initiatives take place co-ordinated by the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service which include:

- targeting of hot spot areas as identified by historic and current fire data;
- identification of combustible materials which are discarded or in a dangerous position and reporting to be collected;
- Schools education programmes run for the duration of the period
- Targeted bonfire assemblies take place at all secondary schools in the Borough for year 7,8 and 9 children;
- fire safety specific media and social media campaigns run throughout the period and particularly during the bonfire period

6 Recommendation

6.1 Members are asked to:

- (i) Comment on the progress made in relation to the strategic priorities of the Community Safety Board;
- (ii) Continue to receive six-monthly Community Safety updates;
- (iii) Identify any issues/areas that OSC want to scrutinise in greater detail at a future meeting.

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Community Safety
Overview and Scrutiny Sub Committee
4 October 2016

TITLE OF REPORT: PREVENT Review – Progress Update

REPORT OF: Paul Dowling
Strategic Director, Communities and Environment

Summary

Community Safety Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee agreed that its review for 2015/16 would focus upon the Prevent agenda – which is one of four key elements of the national Counter Terrorism Strategy. Members received the Final Report in March 2016 which set out a number of recommendations to help build upon, and strengthen, our existing approach to Preventing Violent Extremism within Gateshead. This report provides an update on the work/activity that has taken place in order to implement the recommendations along with any further developments that have taken place.

1 Introduction

- 1.1 This report provides the Committee with an update on the work/activity that has taken place in the last three months in order to address the recommendations outlined within the Final Report (of the review of Preventing Violent Extremism that was carried out in 2015/16).

2 Background / Context

- 2.1 As a brief reminder for members, the Final Report concluded that there were strongly co-ordinated multi-agency arrangements in place in Gateshead to meet the statutory responsibilities set out in the national Prevent Duty Guidance. The Review identified no significant gaps but felt it prudent that a self-assessment should be undertaken on regular basis to ensure that we continue to have strong and robust processes in place to safeguard those at risk of being drawn into extremism (and to help demonstrate that, as a Council, we are proactive in addressing future challenge). Recommendations were aligned to the 3 themes identified in the national guidance including: Leadership, Working in Partnership and Capabilities.

3 Progress against Recommendations

- 3.1 The following actions have been carried out relating to 'Leadership':

Recommendation	Progress/Actions Update
Undertake a robust self-assessment to ensure appropriate activity has been developed in relation to responsibilities outlined in Prevent Duty Guidance – and to remain proactive in addressing future challenges/issues.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A mini self-assessment has been carried out by Community Safety Team to ensure activity meets national Prevent standards. The Self-assessment revealed no additional concerns or issues (to those identified as part

	<p>of the OSC Review process).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The self-assessment is an ongoing process and will continue to be completed/updated at regular intervals throughout next 12 months (to ensure compliance with legislation and to address any emerging or changing threats).
Ensure all departments and/or services in Gateshead Council have a clear awareness of their role and responsibilities in complying with Section 26 of the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frontline practitioners in key services across the Council have received training in relation to 'Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent'. A comprehensive Practice Guidance Note was produced to help officers understand the processes involved, should a Prevent referral be received, which includes details of SPOC within respective service areas. The Counter Terrorism Local Profile has been shared with Chief Executive; and a sanitised version will be provided to Community Safety in the coming weeks to help support ongoing development work. The local Community Tensions Framework continues to provide a mechanism for sharing of key issues across key Council services in a timely and effective manner.
Briefing sessions are arranged to ensure local Councillors understand about the nature of risk in their local area and the work being done to address any identified risks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A briefing session has been planned on the Counter Terrorism Local Profile and will take place with Councillors in October 2016 and further sessions will be planned, as required. The LGA are producing additional guidance for Councillors in relation to Prevent/Counter Extremism.
Ensure that Gateshead Council utilises its full authority and legitimacy to challenge narratives of radicalisers and extremists, puts forward positive alternatives and works closely with local communities to condemn activities of individuals who misrepresent extremist views.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council approved a motion relating to impact of hate crime, condemning all forms of hate crime and violent extremism. Work continues to take place with a range of partners to challenge narratives and negative views that impact on integration and cohesion (e.g. proactive approach to EDL campaigns and/or marches)
Ensure strategic and operational links are made to relevant partnerships and Boards including: the Community Safety Board, the Local Safeguarding Children's Board, the Safeguarding Adults Board, Youth Crime Management Board and others, where necessary (e.g. MAPPA).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive guidance has been produced for Safeguarding Adults Board, which sets out the process undertaken by practitioners if a Prevent referral should be received. Community Safety is working with Resilience to ensure effective join-up between different strands. Initial conversations have started to explore opportunities for WRAP/Operation Griffin training materials to be merged. Preventing Violent Extremism is captured via the statutory Strategic Assessment process.

3.2 The following actions have been carried out relating to 'Working in Partnership':

Recommendation	Progress Update
Undertake a programme of targeted activity in order to challenge negative stereotypes (particularly with children and young people).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioned Show Racism the Red Card to deliver a series of training sessions to local voluntary and community groups around hate crime awareness – which included elements of challenging stereotypes. • Gem Arts delivered a programme of activity with children and young people designed to highlight the importance of integration and multi-cultural society. • A regional funding bid is being developed to increase the provision available to support those individuals that do not reach thresholds for Prevent/Channel but still hold challenging views and beliefs that, in some cases, have been compounded by Brexit.
Greater dissemination of key messages contained within the CTLP (Counter Terrorism Local Profile) in order to raise the profile of the localised context to Prevent and to support the risk assessment process.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upon receipt of the Counter Terrorism Local Profile, the Board will produce an action plan for how to raise the profile of the localised context of terrorism. • Refresh of local training has been undertaken to ensure it remains accurate.
Continue to proactively share knowledge of possible community tensions across Council services and partner agencies to ensure all concerns can be reviewed, and actions to address issues can be implemented, in a timely and effective manner.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The local Community Tensions Framework continues to provide a mechanism for sharing of key issues across key Council services in a timely and effective manner. • Information is now routinely shared with neighbouring authorities, particular Newcastle – facilitated by Central Engagement Team at Northumbria Police.
Formalise Gateshead Council processes in relation to Channel to ensure all Prevent referrals are reviewed in a consistent and structured way.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive guidance has been produced for Safeguarding Adults Board, which sets out the process undertaken by practitioners if a Prevent referral should be received. • Referrals are triaged in the first instance, in collaboration with Special Branch, using the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH). • A similar referral process is being drawn up for the Local Safeguarding Children's Board.

3.3 The following actions have been carried out relating to 'Capabilities' (including training and use of Council resources):

Recommendation	Progress Update
Continue to undertake WRAP training (Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent) and/or utilising suitable materials (e.g. use of online resources, toolbox talks etc) to upskill staff/practitioners.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WRAP training continues to take place on a regular basis throughout the year. • All training is advertised through the LSCB Training Directory. Uptake of training is good

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – with 340+ individuals trained in 12 months. • We have arranged for Special Branch to roll out Train the Trainer sessions to staff in Adult Social Care to increase the local capacity to deliver future WRAP training. • Bespoke training sessions have taken place with Designated Safeguarding Leads within schools and childcare providers.
Ensure that a plan is in place to train targeted staff and frontline practitioners.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All training is included within the LSCB and is targeted towards frontline practitioners who are working with adults and children. • Training covers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ understanding Prevent ○ raising awareness of the Council's duty; ○ recognising risk and vulnerability aspects of being drawn into extremism/terrorism – and the consequences of it; ○ how to challenge extremist ideology; and ○ how to respond and refer to services, when risk is identified.
Develop appropriate guidance and literature on the Prevent agenda.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This action remains outstanding. • Discussions have taken place at the Regional Prevent Working Group to explore how this could be undertaken regionally – so that the messages relating to Prevent are consistent.
Consider wider elements of Prevent (e.g. ensuring that organisations who are currently contracted to work with/for the Council are not engaged in any extremist activity or disseminate extremist views).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This action remains outstanding. • Further work will be undertaken with Council services (such as ICT and Commissioning) to progress.

6. Recommendations

6.1 The Committee is asked to:

- (i) Discuss and comment on the contents of the report;
- (ii) Agree to receive further updates in relation to the progress made against delivering the recommendations at future meeting;

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