

November 23rd, 2023

Notice Of Meeting

You are requested to attend the Policing and Community Safety Partnership meeting to be held on **Tuesday, 28th November 2023 at 6:00 pm** in **Microsoft Teams & Downshire Civic Centre.**

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6pm 31 January in the Council Chamber, Downshire Civic Centre and online via Microsoft Teams.

POLICING COMMITTEE AND POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP**Minutes of the Newry, Mourne & Down Policing Committee and Policing & Community Safety Partnership Meeting held on Tuesday 26 September 2023 at 6.00pm in the Downshire Chamber, Downpatrick and remotely via MS Teams**

In attendance in Chamber:

Councillor T Andrews, NMDDC
Councillor C Galbraith, NMDDC
Councillor O Hanlon, NMDDC (Chair)
Councillor A Mathers, NMDDC
Councillor D Murphy, NMDDC
Councillor H Reilly, NMDDC
Councillor J Truesdale, NMDDC
Superintendent Norman Haslett, PSNI
Chief Inspector Lynne Corbett, PSNI
Chief Inspector Conal Hanna, PSNI
Inspector Kelly Gibson, PSNI
Sergeant Ryan Duffy, PSNI
Constable Matthew Hamilton, PSNI
Audrey Byrne, PCSP Independent Member
Dan McEvoy, PCSP Independent Member
Martin Healy, NIFRS
Michael Heaney, YJA
Roisin Leckey, PBNI
Stephen McCracken (attending as guest presenter, Agenda no.5)
Tom Jameson (attending as guest presenter, Agenda no.5)

In attendance via Teams:

Councillor R Howell, NMDDC
Councillor D Taylor, NMDDC
Inspector Darren Hardy, PSNI
Tara Campbell, PCSP Independent Member
Michelle Osborne, PCSP Independent Member
Liam Gunn, NIHE
Donna Weir, EANI
Aidan McCabe, SHSCT

Officials in attendance in Chamber:

Alison Robb, Assistant Director, NMDDC
Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager, NMDDC
Shannon Creaney, PCSP Officer
Jacqueline Urey, PCSP Officer
Shane McGivern, Safer Communities & Good Relations Officer

Officials in attendance via Teams:

Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement, NMDDC

1 Welcome, Chairperson's Remarks and Apologies

Councillor Hanlon welcomed members to the Partnership meeting. Councillor Hanlon also welcomed Stephen McCracken and Tom Jameson who were in attendance to give presentations on the Home Secure and Social Alarm schemes.

Apologies were received from Cllr Michael Savage and Chris McLoughlin (NIFRS), noted that Martin Healy was attending on behalf of NIFRS.

Councillor Hanlon noted the resignation of Independent Member John Allen, the Partnership thanked John for his contribution to the PCSP during the course of his term.

Councillor Hanlon reminded members that the recruitment campaign for new Independent PCSP Members is currently open and asked all members to encourage applications where possible.

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3 Draft Minutes of PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting dated 25 July 2023

Read: Minutes of PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting held on 25 July 2023 (copy circulated).

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Galbraith, seconded by Councillor Andrews, it was agreed to approve the Minutes of the Policing Committee and PCSP Meeting held on 25 July 2023 as a true and accurate record.

4 Matters Arising

Councillor Hanlon noted that there are two items from the Action Sheet dated 25 July 2023 still in progress.

Letter to the Policing Board re PSNI budget cuts: This letter is being drafted by Mrs Flynn and will be forwarded to the Chairperson & Vice Chairperson in the first instance.

Pilot Business Watch Scheme: Chief Inspector Corbett advised that she is currently looking at this with ABC PCSP and will have an update before the next PCSP meeting.

5 Presentation on PCSP Contracted Services – Community Safety Wardens / Home Secure / Social Alarm Scheme

Presentations were given on the PCSP Contracted Services – Home Secure Scheme (Stephen McCracken), Social Alarm Scheme (Tom Jameson) and Community Safety Wardens (Mrs Flynn provided an overview of this service).

Mrs. Leckey asked was there a percentage of people who see the Home Secure Scheme as a service to get security equipment for free. Mr. McCracken advised that the majority of people don't use it in this manner and that most referrals come through statutory partners and in some cases from community groups. Self-referrals are less common.

Councillor Hanlon discussed the camera doorbells which are Tier 4, these are something that she would receive enquiries about due to their popularity. Councillor Hanlon asked would they supersede some of the lesser security measures as they can monitor who is approaching a house. Mr McCracken advised that it is a tiered approach and each referral is assessed during a visit to see what the best intervention is to meet that need of that person.

Councillor Reilly asked how the areas are selected for patrols for the Community Safety Wardens. Mrs. Flynn advised that the wardens currently cover Downpatrick, Newry, Warrenpoint and Newcastle. Those areas were selected using data from the PSNI identifying areas significantly affected by anti-social behaviour.

Mrs. Flynn advised that the purpose of having Mr McCracken and Mr Jameson in attendance was to give an overview of both Schemes, especially given that the contracts for these services will end on 31 March 2024. As a Partnership, Members will have to decide and prioritise, possibly in the context of a reduced budget, whether to go ahead to tender for these services to continue. If the Partnership wish to look at new areas to be covered in the Community Warden Scheme this can be looked at in the upcoming planning sessions.

Councillor Hanlon asked where referrals came from for the Social Alarm scheme, Mr Jameson advised that referrals come in the same format as the Home Secure scheme, many from the PSNI and a decision is made based on an assessment of the individual situation. The vast majority relate to cases of domestic violence.

Mrs. Leckey asked was there a safe room scheme in existence, Mr Jameson advised the Sanctuary Scheme is funded by the Housing Executive and this builds a strong room in the house of a victim of domestic violence. It includes works such as strengthening the doorframe, installing a fireproof door and other fire prevention measures.

Mrs Flynn gave an overview of the Community Warden Scheme as the current supplier, Talon Security, had given an apology for the meeting.

Councillor Reilly asked are the Wardens in contact with the PSNI and how are they kept safe. Mrs. Flynn advised that the Wardens wear body cameras and stay in touch with each other via radio which links to a control room in their head office. They have contact numbers for police should they need to contact them in case of emergency.

Mr. McCracken and Mr. Jameson left the meeting once Agenda No.5 was concluded.

6 PCSP Officer Report

Read: PCSP Officer Report (copy circulated)

Mrs Flynn highlighted that NMDDC are working with partners in Women's Aid in relation to domestic abuse initiatives. Mrs Flynn also noted that Theresa Burke recently gave 12 drug awareness talks across the District with schools, youth groups and sporting clubs. 1,200 young people attended these talks.

The recruitment process for new PCSP Independent Members is currently ongoing and closes on 13 October and it is asked that members raise awareness of this as far as possible.

Mrs Flynn advised that she has been invited to speak at the Scottish Community Safety Network conference in Glasgow on 1 November to highlight the work of Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP.

Mr. McEvoy discussed how well the PCSP is recognised in general, stating that in his view some people don't understand what the PCSP is about and that he would like to see more awareness raising other than through social media. Mr. McEvoy advised he would like to see a focus on how information is going out such as articles in the newspaper introducing the Independent Members and the Elected Members. Mr McEvoy suggested that the Partnership consider ways where the PCSP can be promoted locally.

Mrs Flynn advised that one of the key roles of the Independent Members is to provide a conduit to the local community and raising awareness of the PCSP is an essential role of all Members. Profiling individual Independent Members was previously discussed and not all Independent Members felt comfortable with this.

Mrs Byrne advised that in the past pictures would have been in the local paper with some information. Mrs Byrne also said that during the recruitment process, members agreed to their names and pictures being made public. Mrs Byrne would like to look at some ways to promote the PCSP and what it does.

Councillor Murphy commented that prior to becoming a Councillor he was a PCSP Independent Member and recalled that the best way to let people know you are on the PCSP was to hold local meetings. This approach very found to be very effective.

On the point of promoting the PCSP, Mrs. Leckey suggested that leaflets outlining what exactly the PCSP does could be placed in doctors, libraries and other public spaces.

Councillor Hanlon discussed the recent Probation Board NI open day and found it a very positive event and suggested it is something the PCSP could replicate.

Mrs. Leckey suggested a pilot or focus group to raise awareness of the PCSP.

Mrs. Byrne discussed two public meetings that were held in the past year, these were poorly attended but thought it would be useful to try these again in another location to try to attract more people.

Councillor Reilly added that he attended the PBNI open day and commended the work that this body does and would like to see the PCSP replicate such an event.

Mrs Flynn stated that PCSP staff organise a schedule of events on a regular basis. This year there have been over 30 public events and these are an ideal opportunity for Members to attend to see the work that is being done and engage with local residents. These events take place in community centres and facilities. There hasn't been a big uptake on Members attending these events and it should be noted that a continuous effort has been made to raise awareness in local communities. Members are encouraged to attend these events as the low attendance has been noted by the Department of Justice and Policing Board. A starting point for increasing awareness would be for members to attend future events where possible. Mrs Flynn added that officers will look at the other options discussed to raise awareness.

Councillor Truesdale agreed that it would be useful to look at raising awareness of the PCSP and noted that it might be useful to tack a PCSP event with another event in order to attract larger numbers.

Mr McEvoy added that previously there were newsletters and information leaflets with photographs and also leaflet drops with the local newspapers. Mr McEvoy suggested that these more traditional methods may be a useful way to get information out there. Mr McEvoy would like to see an increased awareness of the PCSP in the general community whereby the public know to come to Members and raise issues.

Mrs Campbell advised that as an Independent Member she actively promotes the PCSP in the Kilkeel area, has done many referrals to the Home Secure Scheme and through events and social media promotes the work of the Partnership.

Councillor Murphy discussed the SID data from Camlough and raised concern about the breaches of the speed limit and asked had there been any PSNI initiatives to try to stop this.

Mrs Flynn stated that the SID data is passed to the PSNI and this is used to inform speed operations. Mrs Flynn advised that it would be useful if this data was layered with other data such as the number of operations and detections in that area. Mrs Flynn suggested that the SID data report is over-layered with some information from the PSNI to show the extent to which the information is being utilised to inform operations and the impact of that locally.

Mrs. Flynn added that the Camlough SID sign appears to have been hit and will need to be re-grounded.

Superintendent Haslett addressed the Camlough speed concerns, and advised that road safety continues to be a priority for PSNI in Newry, Mourne and Down. There has been one further death on the roads since the last meeting, a male was killed in the Downpatrick area. There are a number of factors which inform where speeding operations take place. The SID data is used, but also data from Road Traffic Collisions is used. Repeat locations where there have been three RTCs with injuries in the last four months include the Camlough Road and Belfast Road in Newry between 4-7.30pm. Regarding Camlough, the PSNI are aware of the SID data and this is used to inform local operations. Superintendent Haslett discussed the hotspot times from Camlough and advised that in the last reporting period, the Slieve Gullion North Team conducted two early morning road safety operations in Camlough.

In terms of Road Safety across the whole district during this reporting period, officers from NMD arrested 58 drivers for drink driving, 83 drivers were detected driving with no insurance and received either a fixed penalty notice or were referred to the courts. 66 drivers were detected a for speeding and they received either a fixed penalty notice or were referred to the courts. Superintendent Haslett added that he would take a look at Camlough and if possible would try to extract the additional data on Camlough as suggested by Mrs Flynn.

Agreed: It was agreed the Committee:

- **Note the report**

7 PCSP Sub Group Report

Read: PCSP Sub Group Report (copy circulated)

Councillor Hanlon noted an error in the Action Sheet of the ASB Sub Group Meeting 2 held on 5 September stating that Councillor Galbraith chaired the meeting, this should state that Councillor Hanlon chaired that meeting.

Mrs. Flynn advised that subject to the above amendment being made, the Action Sheets for both ASB Sub Group Meetings are for approval.

Agreed: On the proposal of Mr. McEvoy, seconded by Mrs. Byrne it was agreed the Committee:

- **Note the report.**
- **Agree the attached Draft Action Sheets of ASB Sub Group 1 held on 6 September 2023 and ASB Sub Group 2 held on 5 September 2023.**

8 District Commander's Report – Period 2

Read: District Commander's Report – Period 2 (copy circulated)

Superintendent Haslett updated on the District Commander's Report to the Partnership, highlighting the following points:

ASB

ASB is on a downward trend following higher levels in July. The August peak times for ASB were on Thursdays and Saturdays. The key emerging issue for ASB is focussing on Halloween and planning is ongoing to deal with issues which Halloween raises across the District.

Domestic Abuse

Domestic abuse incidents have decreased overall in the last rolling year by 201. There has been 181 less domestic offences and 20 less domestic incidents. Op Encompass was discussed, since the commencement of 22/23 school year, police have attended 842 domestic incidents and referred 1,593 children to their respective schools.

Crime

The overall crime rate in the last rolling year in the District has decreased by 2.9%. Violence against the person has decreased by 14.2%. Sexual offences have increased by 3.4%, however some of those have been historical cases. Burglary is down by 5.9%. Residential burglary is down by 13.2%. The clearance rate is currently sitting at 32.8% which is 3.5% higher than last year.

Superintendent Haslett added that since the last meeting, the PSNI have been faced with a number of very challenging incidents across the District which include three separate stabbings and 2 shootings. 4 out of these 5 incidents have been classed as attempted murder. Added to this, there was also the tragic death of an elderly couple on the Greenan Road near Newry.

The ongoing incidents discussed are a cause for concern and it has been a difficult time for the PSNI with the data breach and resignation of the Chief Constable. Superintendent Haslett reassured the Partnership that it is business as usual for Police Officers in Newry, Mourne and Down as they continue to give the best service they can to the citizens of the District.

Councillor Hanlon noted the death of the elderly couple and how this reinforces the importance of looking in on elderly neighbours to check on them.

Councillor Hanlon asked if Op Encompass is now extended out to all schools. Superintendent Haslett advised that the scheme was initially piloted locally and had now been rolled out to all schools.

Councillor Murphy commented on the two shootings that had taken place in South Armagh and welcomed that arrests had been made that morning in relation to the Crossmaglen shooting. Councillor Murphy added that it has been three weeks since the shootings, the gap of time can cause pressure on relationships and confidence. Councillor Murphy added that the details of the vehicle used in the Crossmaglen shooting hadn't been released publicly and asked if it would be useful for this information to be made available.

Superintendent Haslett updated on the attempted murder at Ballsmill Road, Crossmaglen and informed the Partnership that a significant search operation involving over 100 officers took place that morning with 5 arrests being made and an amount of drugs and cash were seized from the premises which were searched. On the timing between the shooting and the complex policing operation of that size, it took time to put this together. Superintendent Haslett added that he is confident in the efficiency of the investigation to date. In terms of the vehicle, as this is an ongoing investigation it would be improper to comment on that aspect but would

encourage local Councillors if they have any information that could assist with the investigation to pass it on to the PSNI.

9 Date of Next Meeting

The next PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday 28 November at 6pm, this will be held in the Downshire Civic Centre, Downpatrick with a hybrid option available. Councillor Hanlon encouraged all members to attend in person if possible.

Mrs Leckey added her thanks to those who attended the PBNI open day.

Councillor Reilly commented on the incredible volume of work that is covered in the PSNI and PCSP reports and varied themes that are covered.

Mrs. Flynn reminded members that two PCSP planning sessions are scheduled for October and this is an opportunity for members to discuss items such as awareness raising and an opportunity to discuss practical ideas to incorporate into the next year's Action Plan. These sessions are held in October with a view to bring the 2024/25 Action Plan to the November PCSP meeting for approval.

The dates for the planning sessions are:

- Tuesday 17 October 10am-1pm in the Burrendale Hotel, Newcastle
- Thursday 19 October 6-9pm in the Canal Court Hotel, Newry

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.08pm.

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	28 November 2023
Subject:	PCSP Action Plan 2024/25
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either:-

For decision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	For noting only	<input type="checkbox"/>
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1.0	Purpose and Background
1.1	<p>Purpose To consider and agree the PCSP Action Plan for 2024/25.</p>
1.2	<p>Background PCSPs are required to develop annual Action Plans to address each of the 3 agreed Strategic Priorities –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strategic Priority 1: To ensure effective delivery in response to local need, and improve the visibility and recognition of the work of the PCSP through effective communication and engagement - Strategic Priority 2: To improve community safety by addressing local community safety issues, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour - Strategic Priority 3: To increase confidence in policing through collaborative problem solving with communities. <p>PCSPs are required to use the OBA approach including Turning the Curve Exercises for developing and monitoring their annual Action Plans, to better measure the impact their actions have in their PCSP area and help with the evaluation of projects and programmes of work.</p>
2.0	Key issues
2.1	<p>1. Action Plan 2024/25 PCSP Members recently took part in two planning sessions (17 & 19 October 2023) which have informed the development of the PCSP Action Plan for 2024/25. Approval is now required for the final draft of the 2024/25 Action Plan to ensure timely submission of the Plan to Joint Committee.</p> <p>2. Procurement of PCSP Contracted Services The PCSP currently manages delivery of key contracted services including the Social Alarm Scheme, Home Secure Scheme and the provision of the Community Safety Warden Service.</p> <p>Current contracts for these services end on 31 March 2024 – in order to comply with NMDDC Procurement Policy procurement will need to commence in December 2023 for 2024/25 contract delivery. This will ensure timely procurement and minimise the risk of any gap in</p>

	<p>service provision; based on expenditure to date the recommended contract values are as follows –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community Safety Warden Scheme - £53,000 per annum - Home Secure Scheme - £40,000 per annum - Social Alarm Scheme - £15,000 per annum <p>The PCSP will submit its Action Plan for 2024/25 to the Joint Committee in early 2024. A Letter of Offer will be issued once this has been approved - procurement exercises for the 2024/25 financial year will therefore be undertaken before this is received. In the absence of a Letter of Offer from the Joint Committee (at the date of release of a tender) these will proceed on an at-risk basis (as in previous years). Subject to compliance with NMDDC procurement protocols it is recommended that procurement takes place for the 2024/25 financial year with the option to extend contracts over for a minimum one year period (subject to funding and satisfactory performance).</p>
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	<p>That the Committee:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note the report. • Approve the attached draft Action Plan for the PCSP for 2024/25. • Approve procurement for the following services for 2024/2025 and as per Action Plan values, with the option to extend contracts over for a minimum one year period (subject to funding and satisfactory performance) - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community Safety Wardens - Social Alarm Scheme - Home Secure Scheme
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	<p>Revenue All actions are budgeted for in the PCSP 2024/25 Action Plan</p> <p>Capital N/A</p>
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)
5.1	<p><i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i></p> <p>It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
5.2	<p><i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following: The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened <input type="checkbox"/></p>

	The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.3	<p>Proposal initiating consultation</p> <p>Consultation will seek the views of those directly affected by the proposal, address barriers for particular Section 75 equality categories to participate and allow adequate time for groups to consult amongst themselves</p> <p>Consultation period will be 12 weeks</p> <p>Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided)</p> <p><i>Rationale:</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)	
6.1	<p>Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following: Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.0	Appendices	
7.1	Appendix I: Draft PCSP Action Plan 2024/25	
8.0	Background Documents	
8.1	None.	



Newry, Mourne & Down Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP)

Action Plan 2024/25 v1

Introduction

In October 2023 Newry, Mourne & Down PCSP undertook an Assessment of Policing and Community Safety in the Newry, Mourne & Down District Council Area.

This exercise was undertaken to ensure that the priorities identified continue to reflect priority policing and community safety issues in the area and was informed by analysis of information provided by Elected & Independent Members and statutory partners, as well as the results of ongoing District-Wide engagement and consultation on policing and community safety across the Council area.

Consideration was also given to:

- The Community Safety Framework
- The Northern Ireland Policing Plan and current Annual Performance Plan
- Public Satisfaction Surveys
- Together: Building a United Community – Good Relations Strategy
- Fresh Start – the Stormont Agreement and Implementation Plan
- Executive Action Plan for Tackling Paramilitary Activity, Criminality and Organised Crime
- Newry, Mourne & Down District Council's Good Relations Action Plan 2023/24
- Newry, Mourne & Down District Council Community Plan

A Turning the Curve Exercise was undertaken in relation to the current PCSP Action Plan Indicators/themes to formulate the Partnership's best thinking on projects and initiatives to contribute towards the overall outcome

As a result of the Turning the Curve Exercise the following Indicators/themes have been identified as local priority -

- Anti-Social Behaviour
- PCSP Small Grants
- Drugs & Alcohol Abuse
- Domestic Crime / Abuse and Sexual Violence
- Community Safety & Vulnerability (including hate crime)
- Road Safety
- Fear of Crime, Burglary & Crime Prevention (including cyber-crime)
- Vulnerabilities from Organised Crime

Strategic Priority 1: To ensure effective delivery in response to local need, and improve the visibility and recognition of the work of the PCSP through effective communication and engagement							
Indicators		% public awareness of the PCSP (measured at PCSP events – in lieu of Omnibus Survey)					
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
PCSP Consultation & Engagement	To ensure engagement with the community, relevant statutory partners / agencies and the community & voluntary sector to identify effective solutions to local issues	Hold one community engagement / consultation event per DEA per annum to identify local priorities Hold at least 2 community meetings in public per annum on specific policing issues including police performance	4/24	3/25	£4,030.00	How much did we do? # PCSP community engagement / consultation events / public meetings held How well did we do it? # members of the public at community engagement / consultation events / public meetings # local stakeholders at community engagement / consultation events / public meetings # and % attendees satisfied with community engagement /	1, 2, 3 & 4

						<p>consultation events / public meetings</p> <p>Is anyone better off? # / % of attendees at consultation/engagement events / public meetings with an increased knowledge of the work of the PCSP % of participants more likely to report a crime following the events #/% of participants with increased confidence in policing</p>	
<p>Raise awareness of the PCSP</p>	<p>To evidence impact through increased awareness of the PCSP</p>	<p>Develop & implement a Communications Strategy for the PCSP across a variety of platforms including social media, print based publications and public events</p>	<p>4/24</p>	<p>3/25</p>	<p>£4,030.00</p>	<p>How much did we do? # of PCSP awareness raising initiatives delivered # social media posts</p> <p>How well did we do it? # / % increase in PCSP Facebook page likes</p> <p>Is anyone better off? # & % of people with an increased awareness of the PCSP and its work to address policing and community safety issues (reporting not required until Q4)</p>	<p>1, 2, 3 & 4</p>

Strategic Priority 2: To improve community safety by addressing local community safety issues, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

Indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recorded crime (PSNI) - Domestic abuse incidents (PSNI) - Anti-Social Behaviour incidents (PSNI) - Road traffic casualties (PSNI) - Fear of Crime (NI Crime Survey / NI Life & Times Survey) - % residents feeling very safe or fairly safe in their local area during the day/night (Newry, Mourne & Down District Council Residents Survey)
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Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
ASB	<p>Develop a range of youth diversionary & community engagement projects</p> <p>Work with partners to identify and respond to significant</p>	Development of a range of locality-based initiatives and programmes across the District (including seasonal programmes and other focused interventions)	4/24	3/25	£32,120.00	<p>How much did we do?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # programmes delivered # participants in each programme # partners involved <p>How well did we do it?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # and % of participants feeling satisfied with activities and interventions <p>Is anyone better off?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # and % of participants with changed attitudes / beliefs / opinions 	2, 3 & 4

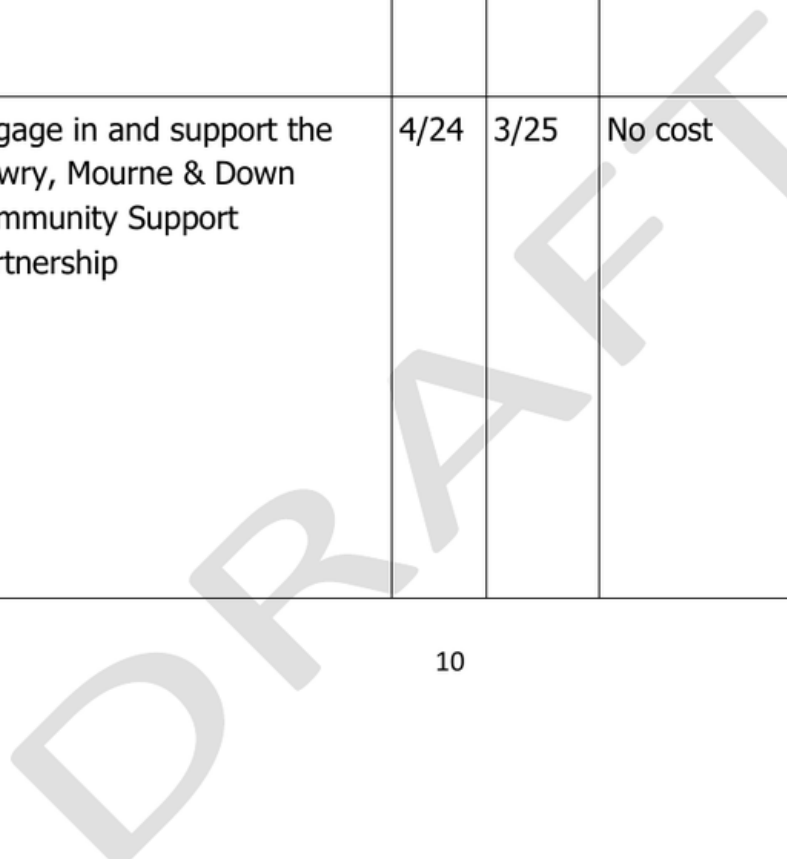
	emerging ASB concerns					<p>% of number of participants reporting increased awareness & understanding of risk and ASB behaviours</p> <p>% participants with increased confidence in PSNI following relevant projects / activities</p> <p>% participants more likely to engage with PSNI following relevant projects / activities</p>	
	Provision of a District-wide Community Safety Warden Scheme	Work in partnership with the PSNI and other relevant agencies to provide a high visibility foot patrol to act as a deterrent to anti-social behaviour,	4/24	3/25	£53,000.00	<p>How much did we do?</p> <p># Community Safety Warden patrols / hours provided</p> <p># incidents attended by the Community Safety Wardens & reported to the PSNI</p> <p>How well did we do it?</p> <p># of partners satisfied with the service and level of engagement</p> <p>Is anyone better off?</p> <p>% community feel safer as a result of the Scheme (reported Q4)</p>	1, 2, 3 & 4

Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
PCSP Small Grants	Provision of a small grants programme to increase the capacity of the community to address community safety issues	Groups and organisations apply for funding to support locally based activities which are linked to the PCSP Action Plan, add value to existing activities and have a prevention-based focus	4/24	3/25	£83,930.00	<p>How much did we do? # applications received # of grants successfully awarded</p> <p>How well did we do it? % number of applicants who were satisfied with the application process</p> <p>Is anyone better off? # and % of applicants reporting they believe the community is a safer place as a result of their project</p>	3 & 4
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
Drugs and Alcohol	To support the delivery of a range of programmes aimed at raising awareness of drug & alcohol misuse	Work in Partnership with a range of agencies (including the PHA, SDACT & SEDACT) to support the delivery of a range of programmes (including a specific focus on addiction) and to raise	4/24	3/25	£15,060.00	<p>How much did we do? # programmes delivered # participants in each programme # partners involved # RAPID Bins in use # items removed from RAPID bins</p> <p>How well did we do it?</p>	2, 3, 4

		awareness of the RAPID initiative				<p># and % of participants reporting satisfaction with activities % partners engaged in activity and reporting improved partnership working</p> <p>Is anyone better off? # and % of participants with changed behaviours as a result of activities # and % of participants with increased knowledge and awareness as a result of activities</p>	
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
Domestic Crime / Abuse and Sexual Violence	To support the delivery of a range of programmes and raise awareness of domestic abuse	Work collaboratively with other agencies (including local Domestic & Sexual Violence Partnerships) to support the delivery of programmes and initiatives which educate and raise awareness of domestic abuse (including elder abuse) and sexual violence	4/24	3/25	£15,060.00	<p>How much did we do? # programmes delivered # participants involved in each programme # partnership meetings attended</p> <p>How well did we do it? # and % of participants reporting satisfaction with activities</p>	2, 3 & 4

						<p>% partners engaged in activity and reporting improved partnership working</p> <p>Is anyone better off? # and % of participants with changed behaviours as a result of activities # and % of participants with improved/awareness /understanding of domestic abuse & sexual violence % participants with increased confidence in PSNI following activities / events % participants more likely to report crime following activities / events (as appropriate)</p>	
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
Community Safety & Vulnerability	To develop and implement a range of community safety initiatives for vulnerable persons	Develop activities aimed at increasing community safety amongst vulnerable persons including (but not limited to) adults at risk, older people, Travellers and minority communities	4/24	3/25	£14,060.00	<p>How much did we do? # events / programmes delivered # participants attending events / programmes # partners involved</p> <p>How well did we do it?</p>	1, 2, 3 & 4

		Develop and implement a range of programmes / activities aimed at addressing hate crime across the Council District				<p># and % of participants feeling satisfied with activities</p> <p>Is anyone better off? % participants who feel safer as a result of each initiative % participants with increased confidence in PSNI following relevant events / programmes % participants more likely to engage with PSNI following relevant events / programmes % participants more likely to report crime following relevant events / programmes</p>	
	Newry, Mourne & Down Community Support Partnership	Engage in and support the Newry, Mourne & Down Community Support Partnership	4/24	3/25	No cost	<p>How much did we do? # of Support Partnership Meetings # individuals referred to the Support Partnership</p> <p>How well did we do it? # and % of actions successfully completed by partner organisations % of partner organisations attending Support Hub meetings</p>	1, 2, 3 & 4



Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
Road Safety	To support and promote Road Safety initiatives	Work in partnership with the PSNI, Road Safe NI Newry, Mourne & Down Committee and other agencies to develop and implement a range of Road Safety initiatives	4/24	3/25	£20,060.00	<p>Is anyone better off? # and % of people being helped by the Support Partnership and who are discharged from the Partnership because their needs have been met # and % of individuals who leave the Support Partnership of their own volition or are removed from the Partnership because of a lack of engagement</p> <p>How much did we do? # road safety events / programmes delivered # participants attending events / programmes # road safety signs installed at local schools # Speed Indicator Device signs operational across the District</p> <p>How well did we do it?</p>	2, 3 & 4

Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
<p>Fear of Crime, Burglary & Crime Prevention</p>	<p>To support communities to protect themselves and their property to reduce the fear of crime</p>	<p>Procure and deliver the following services -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Home Secure Scheme - Social Alarm Scheme 	<p>4/24</p>	<p>3/25</p>	<p>£55,000.00</p>	<p>How much did we do?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Home Secure referrals # Social Alarm Scheme referrals # items of home security equipment provided <p>How well did we do it?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> % and # beneficiaries reporting satisfaction with the Schemes 	<p>2, 3 & 4</p>

						<p>Is anyone better off? % and # participants reporting feeling safer in homes</p>	
	<p>To develop a range of crime prevention interventions (including cyber crime)</p>	<p>To develop a range of crime prevention interventions in response to community need and emerging trends (including general crime prevention events e.g.- property marking & scam awareness and targeted initiatives – e.g. – supporting local businesses to address acquisitive crime)</p> <p>Develop and implement a range of programmes / activities aimed at addressing cyber crime across the Council District</p>	4/24	3/25	£20,060.00	<p>How much did we do? # crime prevention events / programmes # items marked at property marking events # Business Engagement events # participants attending events / programmes</p> <p>How well did we do it? # and % of participants feeling satisfied with activities</p> <p>Is anyone better off? # & % participants reporting improved knowledge of crime prevention awareness % feeling safer as a result of each activity % participants with increased confidence in PSNI following events / activities % participants more likely to engage with PSNI following events / activities</p>	2, 3 & 4

						% participants more likely to report crime following events / activities	
	To promote and develop the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme	Support current NHW Schemes and promote & establish new Schemes	4/24	3/25	Included in budget above	<p>How much did we do? # of NHW schemes in operation # of NHW Co-Ordinators involved # of households covered by all schemes # NHW network meetings</p> <p>How well did we do it? % NHW Co-Ordinators reporting satisfaction with activities (including network meetings)</p> <p>Is anyone better off? % Co-Ordinators more likely to engage with the PSNI # and % of NHW Co-Ordinators who believe their area is safer as a result of the Scheme % Co-Ordinators more likely to report crime</p>	1, 2, 3 & 4

Strategic Priority 3: To increase confidence in policing through collaborative problem solving with communities.							
Indicator		% of crime reported to the police (NI Safe Community Survey) % who agree that the PSNI keeps their area safe (NI Life & Times Survey) % improved confidence in police (measured at local PCSP events) % overall confidence in police (NI Safe Community Survey)					
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
Improve community confidence in policing	Advocate for policing and effectively monitor local police performance and progress of the local Policing Plan	Facilitate Policing Committee meetings and ensure local accountability through the Policing Committee’s role in monitoring police performance	4/24	3/25	£2,000.00	How much did we do? # Policing Committee meetings # members attending Policing Committee meetings How well did we do it? # and % Members reporting satisfaction with Policing Committee meetings Is anyone better off? % of Members with increased knowledge of local policing priorities #/% of Members reporting increased confidence in the PSNI to deliver the Local Policing Plan	2, 3 & 4

	<p>Support the engagement of the local community with the PSNI</p>	<p>Hold community engagement events (including engagement events with the Mobile Police Unit) and PSNI/PCSP community clinics to identify and address local issues</p> <p>Deliver two diversionary programmes per annum to reduce community disorder and promote engagement between NPTs and harder to reach communities</p> <p>Work in partnership with the PSNI to consider and address local community vulnerabilities from organised crime</p>	<p>4/24</p>	<p>3/25</p>	<p>£8,000.00</p>	<p>How much did we do? # engagement events # PSNI/PCSP community clinics # members of the public attending engagement events # projects/initiatives delivered which target tackling paramilitarism or organised crime # diversionary programmes delivered # participants in each programme</p> <p>How well did we do it? # & % participants reporting satisfaction with activities</p> <p>Is anyone better off? % increase more likely to report crime following local engagement events % increase in confidence in policing following local engagement events / programmes % more likely to engage with police following local engagement events / programmes</p>	<p>2, 3 & 4</p>
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Turning The Curve Summary – Newry, Mourne & Down PCSP

During local planning sessions in October 2023, Newry, Mourne & Down PCSP Members undertook a review of projects undertaken during 2023/24 (this was aided by utilising relevant statistics for each theme / area and technical / local knowledge from all Members). The following actions and recommendations were agreed based on the review of the Thematic Areas within the 2023/24 Action Plan -

Strategic Priority 1: To form & successfully deliver the functions of the Policing & Community Safety Partnership for the area			
Indicator / Theme	Project Name & Short description	Short Impact Synopsis	Decision
PCSP Delivery	Organising the work of the PCSP through appropriate structures and mechanisms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consistently good attendance from Members at PCSP meetings and Sub Group meetings. Note that there are now only 5 Independent PCSP Members which can affect representation on Sub Groups. - Separate group meetings with statutory partners / designated organisations have proved extremely valuable and complementary to key objectives within the CJINI Report. Agreement that these should continue on a regular basis. - The inclusion of Policing Committee business on the PCSP Agenda has meant that there has been a clear flow of information through meetings; also increased attendance from statutory partners at meetings. Retaining this position is recommended. - PCSP/PSNI community engagement meetings in public need to take place in Q3/Q4 – as agreed during planning sessions last year these should take place in community venues. These are to focus on specific policing issues including police performance. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. 	Continue

		<p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	
<p>Raise awareness of PCSP</p>	<p>To ensure engagement with the community and relevant statutory partners / agencies</p> <p>and</p> <p>To evidence impact through increased awareness of the PCSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Significant increased public awareness of the PCSP evident through increased social media reach and engagement. The number of likes on the PCSP Facebook page and the associated engagement has increased by over 100% in the last year. - PCSP press profiling and public events have also assisted in raising local awareness. Further awareness raising will take place after the reconstitution of the PCSP in June 2024. - The number of events and activities has increased significantly in 2023 - over 50 events have taken place across the District since April 2023, with more than 5,000 unique attendees (100% increase on 2022/23). - Community Safety Expo event planned for Q4 (March 2024). - Local community events have helped to support ongoing two-way engagement with the community, relevant statutory partners / agencies and the community & voluntary sector to identify effective solutions to local issues, ensuring sufficient flexibility to address issues as they emerge. <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	<p>Continue</p>
<p>Strategic Priority 2: To improve Community Safety by tackling crime and anti-social behaviour</p>			
<p>Indicator / Theme</p>	<p>Project Name & Short description</p>	<p>Short Impact Synopsis</p>	<p>Decision</p>
<p>ASB</p>	<p>Development of range of youth &</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provides the opportunity for the PCSP to work in partnership with local communities to deliver small scale projects – promotes local empowerment and decision making. 	<p>Continue</p>

<p>community engagement projects</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provides the opportunity for local issues to be addressed in partnership with appropriate delivery agents. - Allows the PCSP to react to local needs as they arise, be sensitive in approach and encourage development of flexible solutions to local issues. - Facilitates a universal yet targeted approach to some intervention-based programmes. - Individuals / groups / communities feel included in a local process, therefore more likely to engage and remain engaged. - Over 1,500 young people have participated in 10 dedicated programmes since April 2023. 100% of these participants report increased awareness of risk and ASB behaviours following the activities; 80% of these participants report changed attitudes following the activities. - There continues to be excellent partnership working with partners including the Education Authority, Youth Justice Agency, NIHE, NIFRS and a range of voluntary sector providers. This continued partnership working remains key to addressing ASB across the District. The development of local Action Plans for the PCSP ASB Sub Groups has also assisted with this. - Continue to include ASB as a priority within Financial Assistance so that projects continue to focus on the provision of diversionary / intervention programmes which incorporate developmental opportunities, early intervention and encourage behaviour / attitudinal change. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	<p>Continue</p>
<p>Provision of a District-wide</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community Safety Wardens continue to be a very valuable and useful resource in local communities across the District. 	

	<p>Community Safety Warden Scheme</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1,320 hours of Warden patrols were provided from 1 April – 30 September 2023. - Feedback from local businesses has been very positive, and the deployment of the Wardens in town centre areas has further strengthened relationships with the local business sector. - Detailed reports are now provided at PCSP meetings so that Members have further detail on Warden patrols across the Council District. - Consistently noted at PCSP meetings that the Newry, Mourne & Down District is a very large geographical area, meaning that it is not always possible to meet the resource demands placed on the Warden service – nor will it always be possible to maintain the level of explicit visibility which some Members consider possible. The SC & GR Manager is responsible for the management of the contract and is content with the service provided (including the detailed weekly reports which are submitted). - The current contract ends on 31 March 2024 – approval to continue delivery and procure the service for the 2024/25 financial year is required. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	
<p>PCSP Small Grants</p>	<p>Provision of a Small Grants programme to increase the capacity of the community to address</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provides a process to support groups to successfully apply, implement and evaluate projects. - Empowers local communities with the capacity to design and develop projects which are sensitive to the needs of the local population. - Encourages and promotes a culture of good governance. 	<p>Continue</p>

	<p>raising campaigns</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We are planning an awareness raising campaign with Davina’s Ark which will focus on profiling the lived experiences of local people affected by drug problems / addictions (video to be completed late December 2023). This complements the requirement in the 2024/25 PCSP Planning Guidance for PCSPs to highlight issues of addiction within our society. - PCSP social media awareness raising activity in the pre-Christmas period will focus on the safe consumption of alcohol in domestic settings. - High lifts from the RAPID Bins might suggest over-prescription issues, remains potential for the PCSP to work with the Southern HSCT to share resources and consider initiatives which could address this issue. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	
	<p>To support the development of the RAPID Bin initiative across the NMDDC area</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Considerable success with the RAPID initiative in the last year – now 21 sites across the District. Almost 200,000 items have now been removed from the RAPID Bins in our District – and some of our Bins have the highest usage levels in Northern Ireland (including the Bin at North St Car Park in Newry). - Newry North Street is the highest performing RAPID Bin in the Southern Trust area; NISA Hughes complex at Camlough is the second highest performing Bin the area. - Awareness raising of the RAPID initiative via the production of the animated piece – this is now being used by other PCSPs across NI to raise awareness (adapted locally with local sites & statistics). Information flyers on the RAPID Bins are also being printed. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	<p>Continue</p>

<p>Domestic Crime/ Abuse & Sexual Violence</p>	<p>To support the delivery of a range of programmes, and develop a range of awareness raising campaigns</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rates of reported incidents of domestic abuse and domestic abuse crimes have increased over the last year (increased by 91 and 70 respectively, July 2022 – June 2023). - The PCSP recognises that there are specialist agencies across the District who have a specific remit, and the specialist expertise, to support victims of domestic & sexual violence and abuse. It has been agreed that the work of the PCSP should therefore add value to these services and not duplicate their work. - Involvement in Southern and South Eastern Domestic and Sexual Violence Partnerships has assisted with the progression of collaborative working across sectors. The PCSP is involved in / supporting upcoming conferences on domestic abuse and other ongoing initiatives with Women’s Aid ArmaghDown. - Under-reporting of incidents / crimes should continue to be a focus for the PCSP – as per the 2024/25 PCSP Planning Guidance. - Agreed at PCSP planning sessions in October 2023 that elder abuse should be given additional focus and consideration in 2024/25. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	<p>Continue</p>
<p>Community Safety & Vulnerability</p>	<p>To develop and implement a range of community safety initiatives for</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Covid increased the vulnerability and isolation experienced by some individuals / population groups, demonstrated the undeniable connection between community safety and individual & personal wellbeing, and the need to support a multi-agency approach to dealing with those most vulnerable in our community. - A number of projects supported by the PCSP Small Grants Programme have a focus on supporting vulnerable people within local communities across the Council District. 	<p>Continue</p>

	<p>vulnerable persons</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Programme delivery increased in 2023 with programmes for newcomer families, vulnerable adults (including adults with disabilities) and older people. The PSNI Crime Prevention Officer has assisted with a number of these events. - A high proportion of referrals to the PCSP Home Secure and Social Alarm Schemes are for vulnerable persons (including from Traveller and BME communities). - PCSP Officers attend Newcomer Stakeholder Group meetings in Newry and Newcastle and will continue to do so in 2024/25. - Social media / PR campaign planned for Hate Crime Awareness (October 2023). - As per the 2024/25 Planning Guidance for PCSPs we are encouraged to further develop initiatives that enable refugees, asylum seekers, minority ethnic people, or any member of the community to report hate crime. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	
	<p>Engage in and support the Newry, Mourne & Down Community Support Partnership</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Newry, Mourne & Down Community Support Partnership continues to meet on a regular basis. 32 individuals have now been referred to the Partnership and have benefitted from intensive support from partner agencies. The majority of these have now been discharged – most often due to an improvement in personal circumstances as a result of support provided from the CSP. The Support Partnership is chaired by Council’s Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager – there is no associated cost to the PCSP. - The Support Partnership remains the only Hub/Partnership in NI to have substantive voluntary sector representation – this model has proven to be extremely effective and has provided an extensive range of support opportunities for vulnerable people. Partner agencies report a high level of satisfaction with the Support Partnership. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. 	<p>Continue</p>

		<p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	
<p>Road Safety</p>	<p>To support and promote road safety initiatives</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Significant successful delivery including installation of a further Speed Indicator Signs across the Council District, the distribution of No Parking Signs at schools, the continued promotion of The Paulie Project documentary and support to the development of the Road Ahead Support Group (for individuals and families affected by Road Traffic Collisions) and Road Safe NI (NMD Committee). These activities have significantly increased awareness of the PCSP. - There is a significant amount of data available from the Speed Indicator Signs – this is now used by the PSNI to inform local road safety operations and enforcement activities. The focus has now moved from installation of the Signs to maintenance and monitoring (as directed by the Department of Justice / Policing Board). Longer-term Members may also need to consider – and agree – the future direction of the broader SIDs initiative. - Demand from schools remains high for the Kiddie No Parking signs which have been used to highlight parking issues at school sites. - Kids Court events have continued in 2023/24 – these have been hugely impactful for both the school children taking part and the motorists apprehended for speeding. - The capacity of the Road Safe NI – Newry, Mourne & Down Committee has significantly improved as a result of the support from the PCSP. - In 2021/22 there were 5 fatalities as a result of RTCs in the Newry, Mourne & Down District Council, this increased to 7 in 2022/23. There has also been a significant increase in the number of people seriously injured / slightly injured as a result of RTCs. Road Safety activities will therefore remain a high priority for the PCSP. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. 	<p>Continue</p>

		<p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25 	
<p>Fear of Crime, Burglary & Crime Prevention</p>	<p>To support communities to protect themselves and their property to reduce the fear of crime</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There has been a recent increase in the number of burglaries across the District; burglaries typically increase in the Winter months (dark mornings/evenings may be a factor) and in the run-up to Christmas. - An extensive programme of crime prevention events has taken place since April 2023. These have been very successful – over 20 events have taken place (including general crime prevention events, trailer marking and bike marking) and almost 1,500 people have attended. - The Social Alarm Scheme continues to have a huge impact - this Scheme is managed in partnership with the PSNI’s Crime Prevention Officer and Police are the sole referring agency. Since April 2023 12 referrals have been made and alarms fitted within residential properties – beneficiaries are high-risk individuals who are considered very vulnerable and in need of enhanced support. The Scheme has had a hugely significant impact on beneficiaries and the PSNI confirm that it is extremely effective. The current contract ends on 31 March 2024 – approval to continue delivery and procure the service for the 2024/25 financial year is required. - The Home Secure Scheme continues to be very popular. 100% of beneficiaries report satisfaction with the Scheme and 100% of beneficiaries also report feeling safer in their homes as a result of the interventions. 111 referrals have been made from 1 April – 30 September 2023 - Newry, The Mournes and the Rowallane DEAs have the highest number of referrals, while the Crotlieve and Slieve Gullion DEAs have the lowest (Crotlieve – only 3 referrals YTD). There will be increased targeted awareness raising of the Home Secure Scheme in those areas with low referral rates during the remainder of 2023/24. The 	<p>Continue</p>

		<p>current contract ends on 31 March 2024 – approval to continue delivery and procure the service for the 2024/25 financial year is required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	
	<p>To develop a range of crime prevention interventions (including rural cyber crime)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rural crime activities have included trailer marking events – these remain a crucial way of engaging with rural communities, particularly in South Armagh and South Down. Many of the messages delivered to rural communities around isolation and crime prevention are no different to those delivered to those in more urban areas. - Agricultural crime has increased by 48% on last year across Northern Ireland – there were 237 crimes recorded in NI from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023, 48 more than in the previous year. However, the second highest level of agricultural crime continues to be in the Newry, Mourne & Down area where there were 39 incidents (an increase of seven on the previous period). Rural crime will therefore need a consistent focus from the PCSP. - Feedback from community engagement events in some rural areas confirms that there needs to be an increased focus in these areas on improving confidence in policing / police visibility. - The development and implementation of a range of programmes / activities aimed at addressing cyber crime across the Council District needs increased focus in Q3 & Q4 – and will be a key priority for 2024/25 (as per the PCSP Planning Guidance). - Work will continue with local businesses in 2024/25, with a focus on acquisitive crime (as per the PCSP Planning Guidance). - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. 	<p>Continue</p>

		<p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	
	To promote and develop the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We currently have 114 accredited Neighbourhood Watch Schemes across the Council District. - UK research has found that Neighbourhood Watch areas were associated with a 10% decrease in property crime compared to similar areas (using British Crime Survey data). - Neighbourhood Watch information sharing and engagement continues via e-mail, social media and local network meetings. - Neighbourhood Watch continues to be an effective way to engage with local communities and partnership working with the PSNI remains key to the success of this initiative. However, we are currently working on the reaccreditation of all NHW Schemes across the District and almost 50% of Co-Ordinators are advising that they now wish to step down. This may result in a marked decrease in the number of local Schemes if other Co-Ordinators cannot be found. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	Continue
Strategic Priority 3: To improve Confidence in Policing			
Improve community confidence in policing	Advocate for policing and effectively monitor local police performance and progress of the local Policing Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consistently good attendance from Members at Policing Committee meetings. - Consultation event held with PCSP Members on the PSNI Local Policing Plan. - High level of community engagement with the PSNI at of PCSP organised events and activities (trailer marking etc.) – noted elsewhere in this document. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. <p>Recommendation:</p>	Continue

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	
	<p>Support the engagement of the local community with the PSNI</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PCSP/PSNI Mobile Engagement Unit is being deployed widely and has been made possible as result of NIHE/PSNI/PCSP partnership working – first Unit of its kind in the UK. This vehicle has created significant opportunities for local engagement, with a specific focus on areas across the District where communities (both of geography and of interest) are disengaged from the PSNI. - There has been significant progress in holding public events which help to improve local confidence in policing through community engagement. 50 public events took place during the period April-September 2023 with over 5,000 people attending. The feedback from these events has been very positive and the NPTs have been very well received in communities right across the Council District. Public engagement therefore remains a key priority within this thematic area. - Q3 and Q4 will see an increased focus on working in partnership with the PSNI to consider and address local community vulnerabilities from organised crime (this is also a key priority for 2024/25 as per the PCSP Planning Guidance). This will include the continued provision of diversionary programmes aimed at reducing community / public disorder (specifically over the Summer months). - Challenges for the PSNI regards budget and workforce may affect the availability of NPT Officers to attend engagement events / activities. - The Turning the Curve exercise showed clear purpose. <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to deliver in 2024/25. 	<p>Continue</p>

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	28 November 2023
Subject:	PCSP Officer Report – September 2023
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either:-

For decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	For noting only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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1.0	Purpose and Background
1.1	Purpose To note the report. To note the attached PCSP Officer Report.
1.2	Background The attached report provides Members with an update on the progress of the PCSP Action Plan since the previous PCSP meeting on 26 September 2023.
2.0	Key issues
2.1	None.
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	That the Committee:- Note the report. Note the attached PCSP Officer Report.
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	Revenue All actions are budgeted for in the PCSP 2023/24 Action Plan Capital N/A
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)
5.1	<i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i> It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5.2	<i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, please complete the following:

	The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened	<input type="checkbox"/>
	The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.3	Proposal initiating consultation Consultation will seek the views of those directly affected by the proposal, address barriers for particular Section 75 equality categories to participate and allow adequate time for groups to consult amongst themselves	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Consultation period will be 12 weeks	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>Rationale:</i>	
6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)	
6.1	Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, please complete the following: Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.0	Appendices	
7.1	Appendix I: PCSP Officer Report – November 2023	
8.0	Background Documents	
8.1	None.	

Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP Officer Report – November 2023

The purpose of this Report is to provide an update on key activities and progress since the last PCSP meeting on 28 September 2023.

An update will also be provided on key areas which have been discussed by Members and where a more detailed update may be considered useful. During this reporting period Members should note progress in the specific areas below –

- **Staffing update** – Amy McKeown has taken up post as Monitoring & Evaluation Officer (PCSP & Good Relations). Judith Thompson, PCSP Officer, is currently on long-term sick leave.

- **PCSP Reconstitution** – The Policing Board have extended the term of the current PCSP Independent Members to 31 May 2024 (had been 31 March 2024). The recruitment campaign for new PCSP Independent Members re-opened on 15 November and will close on 15 December – 14 applications had been received by the initial closing date. Cllrs Hanlon, Mathers, Reilly and Andrews have agreed to sit on the shortlisting / recruitment panel for Independent Members – interviews will be held in February 2024 (subject to change).

Overview of progress against PCSP Action Plan 2023/24

Strategic Priority 1: To ensure effective delivery in response to local need, and improve the visibility and recognition of the work of the PCSP through effective communication and engagement

Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (October – November 2023)
PCSP Delivery	Organising the work of the PCSP through appropriate structures and mechanisms	<p>PCSP Sub Groups (ASB & Bonfire Sub Groups) have now been reconstituted following the nomination of new Elected Members to the PCSP.</p> <p>ASB Sub Group 1 met in Newry on 25 October 2023; ASB Sub Group 2 met in Newcastle on 24 October 2023.</p> <p>Planning Sessions with PCSP Members took place on 17 October (Newcastle) and 19 October (Newry).</p>

<p>Raise awareness of PCSP</p>	<p>To evidence impact through increased awareness of the PCSP</p>	<p>Continued development of PCSP social media channels (including Facebook and Twitter). PCSP staff are now responsible for managing all social media channels. Social media continues to be key to communication with local communities and the general public.</p> <p>We are planning a Community Safety & Wellbeing Expo event for March 2024 in Newry Leisure Centre (date TBC).</p> <p>The Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager presented at the Scottish Community Safety Network conference on 1 November (moved online due to adverse weather conditions). This was an excellent opportunity to further profile the work of the PCSP.</p> <p>PCSP staff have continued to work with cross-border partners and recently joined with Longford County Council and Drogheda Implementation Board to submit an application to the Department of Justice (Republic Of Ireland) Community Safety Innovation Fund – €30,000 has subsequently been awarded to establish an All Island Community Safety Network (including a Community Safety Practitioner Network).</p> <p>This Network will create opportunities to share ideas, good practice and develop projects around community safety, community / police engagement and also provide networking opportunities across all bodies, North & South. The Network will build on the success of the 2022 Beyond Borders Conference and will create further opportunities for the development of practitioner relationships and shared learning opportunities. Funding has been awarded to support a series of cross-border community safety events over the next two years. Each event will have a different theme (e.g., Domestic Violence, Road Safety) with guest speakers, workshops and opportunities for best practice / resource sharing. The first event is planned for March 2024.</p>
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Strategic Priority 2: To improve community safety by addressing local community safety issues, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (October – November 2023)
ASB	Develop a range of diversionary youth & community engagement projects	<p>Both ASB Sub Groups continue to work to the Action Plans for their respective areas.</p> <p>We continue to work in partnership with the Education Authority and other partners to support and develop locally sensitive diversionary programmes / interventions. We are also working with St. Oliver Plunkett Youth Club, Crossmaglen on the delivery of the IFA Stay Onside Programme (commenced mid-October). This is the first time this programme has been delivered in our District; 30 young people are attending on a weekly basis and participating in workshops on topics including resilience, diversity & inclusion and good relations. The PSNI will also be delivering a session on Cyber Safety; the group also visited Windsor Park on 13 November and had a guided tour of the stadium from IFA (Irish Football Association) staff. Feedback from the programme has been extremely positive.</p> <p>A number of diversionary projects and programmes also took place over Hallowe'en; the PCSP provided additional support to activities in Newry, Newcastle, Newtownhamilton, Bessbrook and Camlough.</p>
	Provision of a District-wide Community	The Community Safety Warden Scheme remains operational across the District. Areas of focus for the CSWs continue to be Newry, Downpatrick, Newcastle and Warrenpoint. Service hours remain under ongoing review

	<p>Safety Warden Scheme</p>	<p>and further increased deployment will take place in other areas as required and in response to local need. The Wardens undertook additional patrols in Newry and Downpatrick following the recent floods in the District.</p> <p>Extra patrols also took place in Newry, Newcastle, Downpatrick and Warrenpoint on 31 October (Hallowe'en).</p> <p>562 hours of Community Safety Warden patrols were provided between October 2023 and November 2023. A detailed report is included at Appendix 1.</p>
<p>PCSP Small Grants</p>	<p>Provision of a small grants programme to increase the capacity of the community to address community safety issues</p>	<p>The PCSP Small Grants Scheme for 2023/24 opened on 13 March 2023 and closed on 17 April 2023. 47 applications were received – 45 applications were approved for funding (total value = £85,626). Information on successful projects has been issued to Members separately.</p> <p>The Small Grants Scheme for 2024/25 will open in late January 2024 (subject to change).</p>
<p>Theme</p>	<p>Aims & description</p>	<p>Key Activities in this Period (October – November 2023)</p>

Drugs and Alcohol	To support the delivery of a range of programmes, and develop a range of awareness raising campaigns	<p>Officer attendance at SEDACT and SDACT meetings in this Period.</p> <p>We are currently working with Davina's Ark on a media project focusing on the issue of increased cannabis use in our local communities (completion date – Autumn 2023).</p> <p>2,500 young people recently attended 15 drugs awareness talks in local schools and youth / community settings (led by Theresa Burke). Feedback from these talks has again been excellent, with requests for talks in Autumn 2024 already received from several schools and community groups.</p>
	To support the development of the RAPID Bin initiative across the NMDDC area	<p>A total of 21 RAPID Bins have now been installed across the District.</p> <p>An update on the most recent collections from the RAPID Bins will be provided at the Partnership meeting on 28 November. Almost 50,000 items of prescription medication were recovered from local Bins in 2022/23.</p>
Domestic Crime / Abuse and Sexual Violence	To support the delivery of a range of programmes, and develop a range of awareness raising campaigns	<p>Inter-agency work progressed in this period – Officer attendance at the Down Subgroup of the South Eastern Domestic & Sexual Violence Partnership and the Southern Area Domestic Violence Partnership.</p> <p>A Domestic Violence conference is being planned by the SEHCST and SHSCT for 24 November 2023 in the Burrendale Hotel, Newcastle (local Domestic Violence Fora are also involved in this event). The PCSP is contributing towards event costs.</p> <p>The PCSP is also contributing towards the cost of a conference being organised by Women's Aid ArmaghDown to mark their 40th anniversary – this will take place in Newry on 28 February 2024. The keynote speakers are Jackson Katz and the Lady Chief Justice for NI, Dame Siobhan Keegan.</p>

		<p>An online awareness session for employees in close contact / wellbeing services is taking place on 21 November – this will be delivered by Women’s Aid ArmaghDown.</p>
Community Safety & Vulnerability	To develop and implement a range of community safety initiatives for vulnerable persons	<p>Continued attendance at local multi-agency partnership meetings including and Newry, Mourne & Down Intercultural Forum, Locality Planning Groups (Newry & South Armagh) and local Inter-Agency Forums.</p> <p>PCSP Officers are attending Newcomer Stakeholder Forum meetings in Newry and Newcastle. Personal safety / crime prevention talks were delivered to groups including Killeavy Men’s Shed, the Clanrye Group (Newry), students in the Southern Regional College (SRC) and vulnerable adults in residential accommodation (Newry) in this period.</p> <p>The PCSP also supported a ‘Silent Disco’ event organised by Bolster Community and held in The Bank Nightclub in Newry on 25 October. This was an inclusive social event for young adults with learning disabilities and neurodiverse conditions, 100 young people attended. Feedback has been excellent and further events are planned.</p> <p>A Hate Crime Information event took place with the PSNI in the Quays Shopping Centre on 19 October.</p> <p>Continued attendance at DEA Fora to provide updates on PCSP work and linkages.</p>
	Newry, Mourne & Down Community Support Partnership	<p>The Community Support Partnership continues to engage with a number of vulnerable adults; the next meeting will take place on 21 September 2023. Since its formation in late 2019 the Partnership has provided dedicated support to 32 individuals. This support has included help to access a range of services (including mental health, addiction and general health services), assistance with housing issues and return to education, employment and volunteering opportunities.</p>

Road Safety	To support and promote road safety initiatives	<p>Continued support to Road Safe NI (Newry, Mourne and Down Committee). The Road Ahead Support Group continues to meet and offer support to families and individuals impacted by Road Traffic Collisions.</p> <p>28 SIDs are now installed across the District. Data has been downloaded from SIDs across the District and a detailed report prepared for Members (see Appendix 2). There has been a further decrease in speed and the number of speed limit violations in the vicinity of the Signs.</p> <p>We are moving to a remote data monitoring model for 15 of the Signs – this will result in a much more efficient information management system and allow for savings in both staff time and travel costs.</p> <p>‘Your Choice’ Road Safety presentations were recently held in local schools in partnership with the PSNI and the NIFRS – participating schools were St. Paul’s High School (Bessbrook), St. Joseph’s High School (Newry) and Newry High School. The presentation at St. Joseph’s also included a car crash demonstration with PSNI and NIFRS colleagues outlining what happens at the scene of an RTC and the role of their respective agencies. Feedback from all schools has been excellent.</p>
Fear of Crime, Burglary & Crime Prevention	To support communities to protect themselves and their property to reduce the fear of crime	<p>The Home Secure Service remains open to referrals (46 referrals were received in September & October 2023); 100% of beneficiaries report feeling safer as a result of the interventions.</p> <p>The Social Alarm Scheme also remains operational. We are continuing to liaise with the PSNI to identify further beneficiaries for the Scheme (this is a targeted Scheme, aimed at high-risk individuals referred by the PSNI). Over 40 referrals (16 so far in 2023/24) have now been made to this Scheme and a number of arrests have been made at the homes of victims after alarms were triggered due to perpetrators arriving at the premises</p>
	To develop a range of crime prevention	<p>A number of Crime Prevention events have taken place across the District in partnership with NPTs and the PSNI Crime Prevention Officer. These have included events in Crossmaglen, Newcastle and Newry.</p>

	interventions (including rural crime)	<p>PCSP Officers and PSNI NPTs also attended local events including Bolster Community Discover & Connect events for older people in Warrenpoint and Silverbridge. These are a very useful way to raise awareness of the PCSP and engage with local residents.</p> <p>The SC & GR Manager continues to meet with local businesses in the Newry area to review the effectiveness of the PSNI City Beat initiative (most recent meeting took place on 7 November 2023).</p>
	To promote and develop the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme	<p>There are currently 117 active and fully accredited NHW Schemes across the District, accounting for 138 NHW Co-Ordinators (some schemes are large and require 2 Co-Ordinators). PCSP Staff are currently working on the reaccreditation of all NHW Schemes (this happens every 4 years) – several Co-Ordinators have advised that they intend to step down from their role while no response has been received from approx. 30% of Co-Ordinators. We expect to see the number of NHW Schemes reduce by up to 40% across the District by the end of the reaccreditation process.</p>

Strategic Priority 3: To improve Confidence in Policing through collaborative problem solving with communities.

Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (October – November 2023)
Improve community	Advocate for policing and effectively monitor local	No public meetings in this period.

confidence in policing	police performance and progress of the local Policing Plan	We are aware of current challenges facing the PSNI (including budget / workforce) and the local impact on availability of NPT Officers to support some events etc.
	Support the engagement of the local community with the PSNI	<p>Community/police engagement is progressing well via planned events and other activities (as outlined above).</p> <p>We are working with the Newry City NPT on the development of an Engagement Booklet for Primary School children, and with the Slieve Gullion South NPT on a 4-week Stay Safe programme for local Primary Schools. This will include Home Safety, Online Safety, Outdoor Safety & Road & Bike Safety.</p> <p>The PSNI/PCSP Mobile Unit is proving very popular and plans are in place to ensure that it continues to be widely deployed across the District.</p>

Appendix 1**Summary of
Safety Wardens
September – 11**

	No. Incidents attended	No. Incidents reported to PSNI	Total Hours Patrolled
Downpatrick	42	0	148
Newcastle	41	1	138
Newry	33	0	138
Warrenpoint	37	0	138
Total	153	1	562

**Community
Reports: 15
November 2023****Notes:**

This reporting period covers the schools Halloween Mid-Term Break.

Examples of Incidents Attended by Wardens:

Downpatrick 29.09.2023 – Wardens patrolling around by New Model Farm come across two teenagers messing around on electric scooters near the road. Wardens approach the young teens and explain the dangers of this, before asking them to move away from the road.

Downpatrick 07.10.2023 – Wardens passing the Grove area come across a group of teenagers drinking alcohol and smoking. Wardens asked the group to dispose of their alcohol and move on from the area, which the group did.

Downpatrick 21.10.2023 – Wardens at the Meadowlands Estate see a group of young teenagers drinking alcohol. Wardens approach the group and ask them to dispose of the alcohol, which they did.

Downpatrick 31.10.2023 – Wardens patrolling the St. Patrick’s Centre see crowds gathered to celebrate a Halloween event. Wardens witness groups of young teenagers drinking alcohol and giving people hassle within the crowd. Wardens approach the group and ask them to dispose of their alcohol and stop annoying other bystanders. Noted that Police Officers are also patrolling the area.

Newcastle 29.09.2023 – Wardens at Donard Car park see drivers parked up revving their engines and playing loud music from their car. Wardens approach the drivers and ask them to keep the noise down in respect of those who live nearby.

Newcastle 28.10.2023 – Wardens patrolling the beach see a group of young people lighting fireworks and aiming them towards houses. Wardens approach the group and explain to them the dangers of lighting fireworks, before asking them to move on from the area.

Newcastle 31.10.2023 – Wardens driving past the EuroSpar see young teenagers throwing eggs at passing cars. Wardens stop the car and approach the teenagers to explain the dangers of doing this to passing traffic. Wardens make the teenagers throw the eggs in the bin and move away from the area.

Newcastle 31.10.2023 – Wardens walking at Island Park see a group of teenagers drinking alcohol. Wardens notice one of the young females is unable to walk due to being intoxicated. Wardens attempt to speak with the girl to ensure she is okay, before using her phone to contact her mother to collect her. Wardens stay with the young female until her parents arrive to take her home safely.

Newry 29.09.2023 – Wardens patrolling near Cobbles Bar see a couple who are arguing and shouting at each other. Wardens approach the couple and calm the situation down, before ensuring the female gets home safely in a taxi.

Newry 28.10.2023 – Wardens patrolling near the Leisure Centre see a group of around 10 young people sitting on the benches. Wardens approach the group to see what they are up to and notice some of the group are intoxicated and one of the young males looks very unwell. A few moments later, the young male is sick and begins to choke. Wardens place him in the recovery position before using his phone to call his parents. To ensure he gets home safely the Wardens carry the male to his parents’ car when he begins to come round.

Warrenpoint 21.10.2023 – Wardens at Bridle Loanan come across a group of teenagers drinking alcohol and playing loud music. Wardens approach the group and ask them to dispose of their alcohol and turn the music off, which they did.

Warrenpoint 11.11.2023 – Wardens come across a group of youths messing about at the Car Park in The Square, running around parked cars and pushing one another. We asked them to move on as cars were coming in and out of the Car Park and we were concerned for their safety.

Appendix 2

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Table Showing Data collected from SIDs 18 September 2023 – 20 November 2023

Location of SID	85% of vehicles were travelling at this speed (MPH)	% Speed violations over 30mph (*40mph)	% Speed violations over 35mph (*45mph)	No. speed violations over 70mph	Average % reduction in speed caused by SID	Time of highest number of Speeding Offences (>30MPH*)
Annalong	36MPH	59.6%	19.1%	0	4.37%	7:00AM
Ardglass	35MPH	39.9%	14.8%	12	5.66%	5:00PM
Ballynahinch	33MPH	26.3%	5.5%	0	5.92%	6:00AM
Burren	40MPH	68.0%	35.6%	12	No Reduction	7:00AM
Camlough	44MPH	76.1%	49.9%	344	15.27%	6:00AM
Castlewellan	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clough	35MPH	45.1%	14.3%	14	4.66%	5:00AM
Crossmaglen	41MPH	57.3%	34.4%	2	6.33%	10:00AM
Culloville*	44MPH	30.7%	9.3%	0	3.24%	5:00AM
Darragh Cross*	41MPH	17.6%	4.8%	7	4.16%	5:00PM

Downpatrick*	41MPH	15.1%	3.7%	23	7.71%	6:00AM
Dundrum	38MPH	56.0%	23.9%	92	4.68%	8:00AM
Kilcoo*	43MPH	23.4%	7.6%	44	3.51%	5:00AM
Killeavy*	37MPH	4.5%	0.8%	0	6.12%	5:00AM
Kilkeel	34MPH	38.5%	10.3%	36	No Reduction	9:00AM
Killough	34MPH	40.9%	7.3%	0	4.48%	5:00PM
Killyleagh	38MPH	61.7%	28.6%	10	5.62%	4:00PM
Leitrim	34MPH	36.3%	7.3%	0	17.58%	4:00PM
Mayobridge	38MPH	65.4%	26.1%	0	3.33%	6:00AM
Meigh	40MPH	57.2%	30.8%	15	13.75%	6:00AM
Newcastle	32MPH	21.3%	5.8%	1	5.38%	5:00AM
Newry (Camlough Road)	35MPH	42.0%	13.9%	60	3.33%	9:00AM
Newry (Chancellors Road)*	38MPH	8.5%	1.9%	1	No Reduction	7:00PM

Newtownhamilton	41MPH	71.7%	40.6%	14	5.88%	11:00AM
Rostrevor	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saintfield	38MPH	44.3%	21.4%	15	7.33%	6:00AM
Strangford	38MPH	65.4%	30.7%	295	4.54%	11:00AM
Warrenpoint	38MPH	48.6%	16.2%	10	1.66%	9:00AM

Notes:

Downpatrick, Newry (Chancellors Road), Darragh Cross, Kilcoo, Killeavy and Culloville SID are placed in a 40mph zone and therefore the table has been amended to reflect speed trends for this area by an Asterix.

7 new SIDs have now been installed across the District. The new SID locations are in Annalong, Ballynahinch, Culloville, Killeavy, Killough, Leitrim, and Mayobridge. These signs have been active since the August 2023.

We were unable to download the data from the Castlewella SID and Rostrevor SID – these issues have been reported to PWS Signs.

Key trends from data

- The overall average percentile reduction in speed caused by SIDs was 5.56%
- On average 17.87% of vehicles going past the SIDs were traveling over 35mph (*45mph).
- The SID which caused the highest reduction in speeding was Leitrim SID at 17.58%

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	28 November 2023
Subject:	ASB Sub Group Report
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either:-

For decision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	For noting only	<input type="checkbox"/>
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1.0	Purpose and Background
1.1	Purpose To consider and agree the Draft Action Sheets of the ASB Sub Group 1 meeting held on 25 October 2023 and the ASB Sub Group 2 meeting held on 24 October 2023.
1.2	Background The attached Draft Action Sheets provide Members with an update on the work of the ASB Sub Groups since the last PCSP Committee meeting on 26 September 2023.
2.0	Key issues
2.1	None.
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	That the Committee:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note the report. Agree the attached Draft Action Sheets of ASB Sub Group 1 held on 25 October 2023 and ASB Sub Group 2 held on 24 October 2023.
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	Revenue All actions are budgeted for in the PCSP 2023/24 Action Plan Capital N/A
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)
5.1	<i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i> It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5.2	<i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

	<p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation <input type="checkbox"/></p>
5.3	<p>Proposal initiating consultation</p> <p>Consultation will seek the views of those directly affected by the proposal, address barriers for particular Section 75 equality categories to participate and allow adequate time for groups to consult amongst themselves <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be 12 weeks <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Rationale:</i></p>
6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)
6.1	<p>Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>
7.0	Appendices
7.1	<p>Appendix I: Draft Action Sheet of ASB Sub Group 1 held on 25 October 2023.</p> <p>Appendix II: Draft Action Sheet of ASB Sub Group 2 held on 24 October 2023.</p>
8.0	Background Documents
8.1	None.

Newry, Mourne and Down Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP)

Action Sheet of PCSP ASB Sub Group 1 Meeting held on Wednesday 25 October 2023 at 6PM in CCG Ballybot House, Newry.

Present:

Chairperson: Cllr Aidan Mathers

Elected Members: Cllr Aidan Mathers, Cllr David Taylor

Independent Members: Michelle Osborne

Statutory Partners: Sgt Warren Roberts (PSNI), Sgt Veronica Bailie (PSNI), Constable Colin McClenaghan (PSNI), Constable Matthew Graham (PSNI), Niall Fitzpatrick (NIHE), Maureen O’Gorman (EA).

Council Officials: Martina Flynn, Shannon Creaney

Apologies: Chris McLoughlin (NIFRS), Donna Weir (EA), Insp Adam Corner (PSNI).

ITEM	SUBJECT	SUMMARY	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
ASB/001	Welcome and Apologies	All were welcomed to the meeting and apologies were recorded as above.	

	Matters arising from Action Sheet from meeting held on 6 September 2023.	All actions from the previous meeting have been completed.	
ASB/002	ASB Sub Group Action Plan	Members were updated on any additions made to the ASB Sub Group Action Plan.	S Creaney to update Sub Group 1 Action Plan to include information provided at meeting from PSNI and EA.
ASB/003	Update from Agencies	<p>Update received from PSNI.</p> <p>Update received from PCSP.</p> <p>Update received from EA.</p> <p>Update received from NIHE.</p>	<p>Cllr Mathers proposed that the PCSP ASB Sub Groups invite Housing Associations to a one-off meeting in the New Year to discuss their protocols around their tenants engaging in ASB.</p> <p>Cllr Mathers requested that NIFRS link with St. Josephs High School in Newry to deliver the "Your Choice" programme in the New Year.</p>

<p>ASB/004</p>	<p>Current / Emerging Issues</p>	<p>Cllr Mathers discussed an increase in abandoned vehicles in the John F Kennedy Park area of Newry (Cloughreagh).</p> <p>Cllr Taylor discussed some of the ASB issues in the Newtownhamilton area. PCSP are providing support to Hallowe'en initiatives in the area.</p> <p>M Flynn informed the group that the Community Safety Wardens will be on patrol on Hallowe'en night in Newry and Warrenpoint.</p>	<p>PSNI to conduct a patrol of the area.</p> <p>PSNI to link with M Flynn to discuss appropriate cover.</p>
<p>ASB/005</p>	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p>	<p>Wednesday 13 December 2023 at 6PM.</p>	<p>Venue TBC.</p>

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Action Sheet of PCSP ASB Sub Group 2 Meeting held on 24 October 2023 at the Newcastle Centre, Newcastle at 7pm

Present:

Chairperson: Cllr Conor Galbraith

Statutory Partners: Insp Darren Hardy (PSNI), Sgt Kim Dunn (PSNI),
Donna Weir (EA), Bernadette McDowell (YJA)

Elected Members: Cllr Oonagh Hanlon, Cllr Conor Galbraith, Cllr Henry Reilly,
Cllr Jill Truesdale

Independent Members: Audrey Byrne

Council Officials: Jacqueline Urey (NMDDC)

Apologies: Damien Brannigan (NMDDC), Martin Healy (NIFRS),
Bronagh Magorrian (NIHE), Dan McEvoy (Independent
Member), Tara Campbell (Independent Member), Martina Flynn
(NMDDC), Sgt Kenneth Gracey (PSNI), Insp Sheila Loughran
(PSNI)

ITEM	SUBJECT	SUMMARY	ACTIONS FOR COMPLETION
ASB/001	Welcome and Apologies	All were welcomed to the meeting. Introductions and apologies are recorded as above.	
ASB/002	Adoption of previous Action sheet	Action Sheet agreed and proposed by Cllr Hanlon and seconded by Cllr Reilly.	
ASB/003	ASB Sub Group Action Plan	Members agreed on Action Plan provided; PCSP to further populate Action Plan with issues discussed and identified interventions.	PCSP / J Urey

<p>ASB/004</p>	<p>Current and emerging issues</p>	<p><u>General Discussions</u></p> <p>Drugs – young children being used as runners to move drugs within communities. PSNI advise the use of Crimestoppers and NPT to pass on relevant information.</p> <p>Drugs – Primary School age school children and their exposure to drugs. PCSP Primary School intervention added in Action Plan.</p> <p>Drugs – used needles discarded within the Dunwellan area (Newcastle). PCSP sharps intervention added in Action Plan.</p> <p>Vapes – sale of vapes to underage children. PSNI have undertaken visits to shop and advise information to be passed on to NPT.</p> <p>Vapes/drugs/ASB after school in Downpatrick – St Patrick’s Square and behind the Bus Station.</p> <p>Damage to property – Marine Park, Annalong. Damage to public toilet facilities and walls. NMDDC has been notified.</p> <p>Donard Car Park and general Newcastle main street – noise of cars. Date and time of Donard Car Park Multi Agency meeting agreed (2 November at 6pm).</p>	<p>PCSP / J Urey</p> <p>PCSP / J Urey</p> <p>PSNI – continued patrolling, monitoring an engaging of these areas at key times</p> <p>PCSP / J Urey to send meeting invites</p>
<p>ASB/005</p>	<p>Updates from Agencies</p>	<p>PSNI – ASB statistics, current levels of response/staffing, fireworks and the upcoming Halloween period. There is a noted decrease to date this year in ASB firework reporting – PSNI continue to monitor and action accordingly. Reduced ASB noted in Newcastle and Kilkeel areas and PSNI continue to monitor and engage. Insp Hardy explained the changes in the way the PSNI ASB statistics are now reported.</p>	

		<p>PCSP – Financial Assistance projects update. Wardens will be on duty within Newcastle and Downpatrick on Halloween evening from 6pm – 11pm. PCSP supporting YMCA Newcastle Halloween activities on 24 October. PCSP supporting Schomberg Halloween activity on 4th November at the Lower Square, Kilkeel. PCSP has not yet received information sheet from Wheelworks to share with the Sub-Group.</p> <p>NIHE – no update</p> <p>EA – New staff recruitment/induction is ongoing and the team is growing. Successful Summer Scheme pop up events. Exploring options for drop in places for safe gatherings. Engaging with as many young people as possible particularly in hard-to-reach areas. Continued engagement in partnership working. Ongoing budgetary constraints.</p> <p>YJA – Working in key areas promoting firework safety. Continuing to engage with individuals with offending behaviour and those on the cusp of offending and continuing promotion of healthy behaviours.</p> <p>NIFRS – no update</p>	<p>PCSP / M Flynn to follow up – provision of a Wheelworks project summary. Members to consider inviting Wheelworks to a Sub Group 2 meeting for further information.</p>
<p>ASB/006</p>	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p>	<p>Tuesday 12 December 2023 – 7pm Location: Newcastle Centre, Newcastle Promenade.</p> <p>All members agreed that food was not required at future meetings. Tea/coffee facilities are sufficient.</p>	<p>PCSP / J Urey to send invites and papers in due course.</p>

The meeting concluded at: 8.00pm