



REPORT TO: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

DATE: 20 FEBRUARY 2014

**REPORT OF THE: HEAD OF ECONOMY AND INFRASTRUCTURE
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TITLE OF REPORT: SAFER RYEDALE PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To inform Members of the progress towards delivery of the 2013/14 Safer Ryedale Action Plan.
- 1.2 To present the Ryedale Chapter of the Joint Strategic Intelligence Assessment (JSIA) (EXEMPT) to Members and to seek Member views.
- 1.3 To present the options for Local Authority Crime and Disorder committee and to seek Member views.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that Members note the report and appendices and provide feedback to Officers.

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The Police and Justice Act 2006 placed a statutory duty on local authorities to put in place arrangements for crime and disorder scrutiny committees, the statutory function of the committee being to review, scrutinise and report on the decisions made and action taken by responsible authorities relating to crime and disorder issues under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.
- 3.2 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee was designated as the Ryedale District Council's crime and disorder overview and scrutiny committee in July 2009. To undertake this function, it was resolved to receive reports from the Safer Ryedale Partnership. (Minute 42(b) refers.)

4.0 SIGNIFICANT RISKS

- 4.1 Risks are outlined in the Risk Matrix in appendix A.

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5.0 BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

- 5.1 The Safer Ryedale Delivery Team meet approximately 4 times per annum to review progress towards delivery of the Safer Ryedale Partnership Plan. The performance Monitoring Report is updated quarterly, identifying progress with each of the four priorities, through identifying progress towards meeting the objectives and actions. A traffic light system is used to assess progress.
- 5.2 The JSIA 2013 has not yet been published (as at 30th January 2014).
- 5.3 The JSIA is an exempt document. The audience for the JSIA 2013 is intended to be as wide as possible, whilst noting the sensitive nature of the contents. This document is classified as 'Restricted' and therefore may be circulated freely within law enforcement and also to partners and partnerships where Information Sharing Agreements are in place and registered with the Force Information Manager, Legal and Compliance Directorate. This is not a public document and is exempt from the Freedom of Information Act 2000 under Section 31.
- 5.4 Safer Ryedale's and the Police and Crime Commissioner's Priorities for 2014/15 will be based on the data published in the JSIA.
- 5.5 A report on the changing community safety structures will be presented to Commissioning Board (20 March 2014). This will reference the establishment of a York and North Yorkshire Safer Communities Board, the North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership and the establishment of Local Delivery Groups to replace Safer Ryedale.

6.0 POLICY CONTEXT

- 6.1 Council Priorities 2009 – 2013 Aim 4: To have active communities where everyone feels welcome and safe.

7.0 CONSULTATION

- 7.1 A variety of approaches are used to engage with communities, both face to face and through consultation exercises. These include:
- Website www.ryesafe.org
 - Media opportunities – Safer Ryedale has a target of 12 press releases per annum
 - A 'media diary of events' has been drawn up to highlight the community based events for the Partnership throughout the year
 - CAP (Community & Police) meetings
 - Parish Liaison Forum
 - Voluntary Sector Forums
 - Bi-annual street surveys in all four of Ryedale's market towns
 - Valued network of Watch Groups.

8.0 REPORT DETAILS

2013/14 Partnership Plan

- 8.1 The Partnership Plan was published on line in June 2013 on the Safer Ryedale website. www.ryesafe.org. The Performance Monitoring Report for Quarter 3 of 2013/14 is in appendix B.

- 8.2 It is intended that Safer Ryedale (acting as a Local Delivery Group), will continue to develop an Action Plan for 2014. This will be presented to a future meeting of this committee.

Introduction to the JSIA 2013

- 8.3 The Strategic Service Assessment (JSIA) has been produced by North Yorkshire Police. The resultant document is therefore GPMS 'Restricted' and is an internal document for use by the partnership and constituent member agencies, as well as providing North Yorkshire Police with the required level of strategic analysis across a number of areas of law enforcement. There is a chapter for each District. The Ryedale chapter is attached to this report at Appendix C.
- 8.4 The document will be used by the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) to determine commissioning priorities from September 2014.
- 8.5 The PCC will commission organisations or agencies to deliver on the priorities. It is anticipated that this will include the North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership and this will be the only form of financial assistance that Local Authorities will receive to deliver community safety services. (The grant assistance for Safer Ryedale will end in September 2014.)
- 8.6 It is important therefore, that Ryedale's priorities are included in the JSIA.
- 8.7 Safer Ryedale raised some comments about the content which, it was felt, did not quite reflect the emphasis that the group would wish to see. These are highlighted in Appendix C. At this stage, it has not been possible to include Safer Ryedale's comments into the JSIA.
- 8.8 Member views are sought.

Local Authority Crime and Disorder Committee

- 8.9 As part of the restructuring of community safety, an options paper has been developed to identify how crime and disorder will be scrutinised, once the North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership has been formally adopted. This options paper is attached at annex D.
- 8.10 Member views are sought on the preferred option.

9.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 The report is for information only

10.0 NEXT STEPS

- 10.1 Feedback will be taken to the shadow North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership meeting, scheduled for the end of February.

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Background Papers:

None.