



REPORT TO:	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY
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REPORT OF THE:	CUSTOMER SERVICE LEAD ANGELA JONES
TITLE OF REPORT:	SAFER RYEDALE PROGRESS WITH DELIVERING THE COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN
WARDS AFFECTED:	ALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To inform Members of the draft 2019/20 Ryedale Community Safety Hub Action Plan.
- 1.2 To inform Members of the current Police and Crime Commissioners Target Hardening Funding Projects in Ryedale.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

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

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 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 Ryedale Community Safety Hub. (Minute 42(b) refers.)

4.0 SIGNIFICANT RISKS

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

5.0 POLICY CONTEXT AND CONSULTATION

- 5.1 Council Priority: Customers and Communities - Helping our partners to keep our communities safe and healthy.
- 5.2 Council Priority: Customers and Communities - making the best use of resources to ensure maximum benefit for all customers and communities across the district, particularly the most vulnerable
- 5.3 Consultation with Ryedale Community Safety Hub partners including Neighbourhood Watch and Community and Police groups has been undertaken.

REPORT

6.0 REPORT DETAILS

6.1 North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership

In the interests of efficiency and economy, the responsible authorities in the county of North Yorkshire agreed to establish a single Community Safety Partnership (CSP) for North Yorkshire (to be known as the North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership).

The purpose of the CSP is to bring together the responsible authorities, supported by other relevant organisations, to fulfil their statutory responsibilities to work together.

North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnerships are under a statutory duty to work together to:

- Reduce reoffending
- Tackle crime and disorder
- Tackle anti-social behaviour
- Tackle alcohol and substance misuse
- Tackle any other behaviour, which has a negative effect on the local environment.

This plan takes into consideration the following influencing factors and plans:

- The Police and Crime Plan
- Youth Commission
- The North Yorkshire Police Control Strategy

6.2 Police and Crime Plan

In Ryedale the priority is to ask the police to consider how its whole workforce is best deployed to respond to traditional policing demand which concerns the public most, including burglary and anti-social behaviour. This should include the implementation of mobile working to help officers spend more time in communities, and effective collaboration to improve community and road safety

6.3 The Youth Commission

The Police and Crime Commissioner supported Youth Commission had as a key part of its role to run a “Big Conversation” through which were gathered the views and opinions of around 1500 young people. The views gathered then formed a series of recommendations presented to the Commissioner, North Yorkshire Police and Partner Agencies.

The six current chosen priority areas are:

1. Mental Health and Vulnerable Young People
2. Abusive Relationships
3. Hate Crime
4. The Relationship between Young People, Police and Authorities
5. Drug and Alcohol Abuse
6. Missing Young People and Exploitation

6.4 The North Yorkshire Police Control Strategy

The North Yorkshire Police Control Strategy Priorities are currently:

Reduce Victim Harm; Safeguarding vulnerable and / or exploited people

Reduce Community Harm: Road Traffic Collisions; Border Vulnerabilities; Serious Organised Crime

The CSP is supported by district based Community Safety Hubs which Ryedale has one.

6.5 Ryedale Community Safety Hub

Ryedale District Council has 3 heads of service, two of whom have responsibility for Community Safety:

- The Customer Service lead has responsibility for Community Safety
- The Front line & Delivery lead has responsibility for Safeguarding

Under these leads sit teams of staff focussed on tackling many issues of community safety including environmental issues, noise nuisance, ASB and fly-tipping and matters pertaining to housing and safeguarding.

Safer Ryedale agreed during 18/19 to change the name from Safer Ryedale to Ryedale Community Safety Hub in line with other districts in the North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership.

(Currently Under Review)

6.6 Ryedale Community Safety Hub

The Ryedale Community Safety Hub consists of:

Ryedale District Council Head Customer Service
Ryedale District Council Housing Manager (Safeguarding)
Ryedale District Council Community Officer

Ryedale District Council members
North Yorkshire Police Safer neighbourhood Team
Ryedale Neighbourhood Watch
North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue
North Yorkshire Police Domestic Abuse coordinator
North Yorkshire County Council Trading standards

The purpose of the Ryedale District Community Safety hub is to bring together the operational managers of the responsible authorities, supported by other relevant organisations, to co-ordinate and ensure the delivery of the North Yorkshire Community Safety Partnership Plan, in each district.

Community Safety hubs work together to:

- Protect their local communities from crime and disorder, and help people feel safer;
- Deal with local issues like antisocial behavior, drug or alcohol misuse, re-offending and crime prevention; and
- Assess local crime and disorder priorities and consult partners and the local community about how to deal with them.

Roles and Responsibilities undertaken in 2018 / 2019:

- Organisation and management of Pubwatch
- Attending Rural shows
- Establishing Road shows
- Monitoring anti-social motor-vehicle use
- Co-ordinating seat belt & speed checks
- Multi-Agency Problem Solving fortnightly meetings
- Weekly intelligence and information sharing meetings
- Joint visits to residents
- Presence at VEMT meetings
- Presence at School meetings
- Joint training on Prevent, Notice check & share, Immigration, Modern slavery & trafficking and Safeguarding
- Promoting and supporting Community events
- Promoting community messaging
- Litter & Fly Tipping, dog fouling campaigns "Don't be a waster"

The three subgroups of Ryedale Community Safety Hub: Domestic Abuse, Safer Roads and Crime, Alcohol and Substance Misuse have reviewed their actions for 2018/19 and refreshed these in the context of the revised information outlined above

7.0 Partnership Priorities and the Control Strategy

7.1 Local Issues

It is accepted that crime and anti-social behaviour issues within the Ryedale area may share commonality with other more urban areas and yet there are differences in the priorities and focus locally with particular emphasis on traditional crime groupings and ASB

Overall Crime and ASB volumes for Ryedale are shown below

	15/16 (April – Feb)	16/17 (April – Feb)	17/18 (April – Feb)	18/19 (April – Feb)
Crime	1579	1460	1587	1609
ASB	1083	1110	1094	829
PSW	3449	3679	3735	2320
Rural Crime				

PSW includes Missing persons, hoax calls, disputes, industrial accidents etc.

7.2 Partnership Priorities 2018/19

Our Priorities for the Ryedale Community Safety Hub are to:

- Reduce crime, alcohol and substance misuse
- Reduce Domestic Abuse
- Safer Roads

Our additional priorities are linked to Safeguarding

- Ensuring the Safeguarding of the vulnerable in Ryedale
- Tackling Hate and Mate Crime
- Tackling ASB

Our approach is underpinned by strong partnership working and aims to take a multi-agency approach to often complex issues, focusing on both support and enforcement measures.

We aim to achieve our 3 key priorities through partnership working and delivery of our action plan. Collectively we will:

- Be proactive and visible in the community, to build the trust and confidence of communities, encourage reporting and seeing at first hand the issues experienced.
- Co-ordinate and deliver multi-agency operations aimed at identifying and supporting young people and vulnerable adults and identifying, targeting and disrupting those that are exploiting them. Attending locations that are being used to exploit or commit crime and ASB and we will use appropriate enforcement powers to disrupt and deal with issues identified.
- Facilitate and coordinate wider partnership support at twice weekly tasking meetings.
- Use the partnership decision making model to determine priorities and the development and delivery of specific, shared action plans.
- Use of Anti-Social Behaviour legislation to deal with those causing anti-social behaviour.

Specifically we will:

- **Be proactive in our approach to reducing harm and offending associated with drugs and alcohol**
- Identify offenders and use the Decision Making Model to support the disruption of illegal drug supply across the District.
- Share information and intelligence gained through multi agency tasking and operations and use appropriate enforcement powers
- Disrupt the supply of NPS through targeting premises that are known to be selling NPS using appropriate tools and powers including the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.
- Disrupt and take enforcement action with those individuals causing Anti-Social Behaviour who are under the influence of NPS.

7.3 Work in support of our multi-agency partners in raising awareness of and preventing harm associated with Domestic Violence

- Work with commissioners to ensure the sustainability of the Making Safe Scheme domestic abuse offender accommodation and target hardening for victims.
- Continued attendance at and referrals to Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARAC) for high risk victims of domestic abuse.
- Work in partnership to deliver Scarborough/Ryedale's Domestic abuse strategy

Incident numbers

Domestic Violence	15/16	16/17	17/18 (April – Feb)	18/19 (April – Feb)
	86	104	140	155

Domestic Abuse continues to be a Ryedale Community Safety hub priority. The table above shows overall volumes of incidents

7.4 Work with multi-agency partners in improving Road Safety in the District

To work in partnership to undertake specific campaigns to raise awareness and promote road safety.

Promote community involvement in the speed management protocols.

7.5 Work in support and promotion of Safeguarding

- The Council has a duty to safeguard adults at risk and children. Council staff receive specific safeguarding training and work according to the Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy and Procedures
- Coordination and delivery of a safeguarding event in partnership with NYCC for all sports and recreational clubs in the District. This will support clubs to have the correct safeguarding policies and procedures in place for children and adults at risk.
- Continue to provide basic awareness safeguarding children and adults sessions where the need is identified.

- Continued attendance at Children and Adult Safeguarding Meetings and identified working groups where appropriate.
- The Ryedale Safeguarding Panel meets quarterly to review this policy, arrange training, monitor referrals and ensure compliance with the Policy. Panel meetings are chaired by the Deputy Chief Executive and members of the panel include the Designated Safeguarding Officer, Ryedale Community Safety hub, district councillors and representatives from various council departments
- The Council is a reporting agency and has a duty to report any safeguarding concerns to North Yorkshire County Council who review the facts and respond as appropriate
- The council works in partnership with other agencies to safeguard children through the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Board and vulnerable adults through the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Adults Board

7.6 Work towards tackling a rise in Hate and Mate Crime

- Ensure links are developed and maintained with late night refreshment houses.
- Continue to raise awareness of Hate and Mate crime with those living and working in the community through the delivery of briefing sessions
- Continue to promote the Hate crime reporting centres across the District and further develop where the need is identified.
- Continue to Identify and build links with our BME communities across the District

7.7 Work with Multi-agency partners in addressing ASB and the Causes of ASB

Be proactive and visible in the community, to build the trust and confidence of communities, encourage reporting and seeing at first hand the issues experienced

Facilitate and coordinate wider partnership support at fortnightly MAPS (Multi Agency Problem Solving) meetings

Use the partnership decision making model to determine priorities and the development and delivery of specific, shared action plans

Use of Anti-Social Behaviour legislation to deal with those causing anti-social behaviour

7.8 Night time economy

Organisation of pubwatch to raise awareness ensure licence conditions are checked and administration of banned list and reduce drug and alcohol related ASB

Work in support of the Street Angels - A voluntary sector organisation who work in the Night Time Economy in Malton and Norton providing a presence on the streets engaging with those who are out and about, identifying any vulnerabilities including those that have had too much alcohol and are not able to take care of themselves. This reduces the demand on the emergency services.

7.9 Fly tipping

Raise awareness, removal of rubbish and identification of offenders and appropriate enforcement action including participation in multi agency cross boundary group working on fly tipping “Operation Eyeball”

8.0 Control Strategy: Reducing Victim Harm

Working with North Yorkshire Police and multi-agency partners we will work toward the completion of the aims outlined within the North Yorkshire Police Control Strategy in Reducing harm to the victim.

8.1 Cyber-enabled Sexual Crime

- The Community team will support and contribute towards educational input delivered in schools by the Safer Neighbourhood Police Team.
- Issues pertaining to grooming will be raised and discussed within the fortnightly Multi-agency Problem Solving Meetings.

8.2 Fraud (Personal)

- Victims and vulnerable people exposed to the threat of fraud will be referred to and addressed through the fortnightly MAPS meetings. These will enable a cross-departmental collaborative approach in addressing this issue.
- Joint training is to be sought for the Community Team representatives replicating that given to NYP PCSOs enabling Community Team members to be Fraud Ambassadors. This will enable RDC officers to conduct joint visits to those most at risk of financial exploitation.

8.3 PREVENT

- Prevent is part of the government’s counter terrorism strategy, which aims to reduce the threat to the UK from terrorism by stopping people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism. In the Act this has simply been expressed as the need to “prevent people from being drawn into terrorism”. Prevent work depends on effective partnership.
- To demonstrate effective compliance with the duty, specified authorities must demonstrate evidence of productive co-operation, in particular with the police and local authorities, and co-ordination through existing multi-agency forums, for example Community Safety Partnerships.

Specifically, we will:

- Continue to chair the Bronze Group and implement the Bronze Action Plan
- Coordinate a multi-agency event to ensure that everyone is aware of the “notice, check and share” procedures at both a local and county level.
- Continue to deliver the WRAP sessions when and where the need is identified with partner agencies.

8.4 Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking

- Continued attendance at and referrals to Vulnerable, Exploited, Missing and Trafficked meetings (VEMT) for young people.
- Continue to work in partnership to implement the Referral procedure across North Yorkshire with agreement to house cases in an emergency situations for 5 days
- Work in support of the local Police Team on joint visits at Car Washes in the district and those local factories employing large numbers of migrant workers to ensure compliance with Immigration legislation and investigate possible exploitation of labour.

8.5 Child Abuse, Neglect and Child Sexual Exploitation

- Continue to deliver the “See Something, Say Something” campaign to encourage anyone who is worried about someone being exploited to tell someone who can help. This will be aimed at hotels, guest houses, licensed premises, holiday parks, taxi drivers , bus companies and other forms of public transport
- Continued attendance at and referrals to Vulnerable, Exploited, and Missing and trafficked meetings (VEMT) for young people.

8.6 Domestic Abuse

- Work with commissioners to ensure the sustainability of the Making Safe Scheme domestic abuse offender accommodation and target hardening for victims.
- Continued attendance at and referrals to Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARAC) for high risk victims of domestic abuse.
- Work in partnership to deliver Scarborough/Ryedale’s Domestic abuse strategy

8.7 Missing People

- Victims and vulnerable people who are regularly reported as missing from home will be referred to and addressed through the fortnightly MAPS meetings. These will enable a cross-departmental collaborative approach in addressing this issue.
- Use of RDC social media as a platform to share details of people missing from home.

8.8 Stalking and Harassment

- Victims and vulnerable people exposed to the threat of Stalking and Harassment will be referred to and addressed through the fortnightly MAPS meetings. These will enable a cross-departmental collaborative approach in addressing this issue.
- Ryedale House is an established “Place of Safety” enabling the reporting of offences at that location.

8.9 Control Strategy: Reduce Community Harm

Road Traffic Collisions

To work in partnership to undertake specific campaigns to raise awareness and promote road safety.

Promote community involvement in the speed management protocols.

9.0 Border vulnerabilities

- Work collaboratively to disrupt cross border activity by analysing intelligence gathered through the partnership and undertaking a decision making process to develop appropriate partnership action plan.
- Use partnership meetings and activity to proactively gather intelligence and fill gaps.
- Contribute towards North Yorkshire Police Crime prevention Roadshows
- Communicate Crime Prevention advice positively including erecting appropriate warning signage in RDC Carparks.
- To support North Yorkshire Police “Border Vulnerabilities Tactical plan”

9.1 Serious Organised crime

9.2 Organised acquisitive crime

- Members of the Community Team have received input into the activities of Organised Crime groups.
- Specifically this has recently involved the activity of doorstep sellers in the Ryedale area who are believed to act within a wider organised crime team identifying those potential properties or victims for future offences.
- The Community Team work in educating and informing parish councils and other community groups in raising the profile of such Organised Crime Groups.
- The RDC Community Team have financially contributed to the purchase of a Dotpeen marking machine for the use of the Ryedale Policing Team. The use of this marking machine is intended to deter criminal activity and identify and recover those goods stolen.
- Attendance and support at Crime Prevention Roadshows run by NYP volunteers.

9.3 Drugs Production and Supply

- The Community Team contribute to the sharing of information pertaining to the production and supply of controlled drugs.
- Offenders, Victims and vulnerable people exposed through the production and supply of controlled drugs will be referred to and addressed through the fortnightly MAPS meetings. These will enable a cross-departmental collaborative approach in addressing this issue.
- RDC will use appropriate powers and legislation to combat the supply and production of controlled drugs from addresses through working with Housing associations and implementing closure orders.

9.4 Organised Immigration Crime

- The Community Team conduct visits of houses of multi occupancy within the Ryedale area and have the opportunity to gather intelligence and report possible offences of organised Human Trafficking and immigration offences.
- Continued attendance at and referrals to Vulnerable, Exploited, Missing and Trafficked meetings (VEMT) for young people.
- Continue to work in partnership to implement the Referral procedure across North Yorkshire with agreement to house cases in an emergency situations for 5 days
- Work in support of the local Police Team on joint visits at Car Washes in the district and those local factories employing large numbers of migrant workers to ensure compliance with Immigration legislation and investigate possible exploitation of labour.
- The Community Team have undertaken training in how to spot and report incidences of suspected immigration offences.

9.5 Measuring Progress

We will use a number of measures to assess the effectiveness of our work and to demonstrate outcomes.

This includes:

a) A key measure of success is the **reduction of risk** in relation to individual cases referred. We will use a standard matrix form for all cases referred to the MAPS. All cases will have an opening risk score completed at the time of referral, this shows the level of concern about the individual or location. The aim of the multi-agency work is to reduce the level of risk (score) through the undertaking of appropriate actions and interventions. Cases are reassessed and the comparison between opening and closing scores measures progress in relation to the effectiveness of the team.

b) We will listen to and record **resident feedback** at CAP (Community and Police) meetings, Parish & Town Council Meetings and Community events and roads shows

c) Analyse the **Crime and ASB data** to monitor trends and hotspots (although it should be noted that crime and ASB can initially increase in areas where work is being undertaken)

d) Collect data relating to **actions and interventions**, e.g. operations undertaken, safeguarding referrals, enforcement actions, fire safety initiatives

e) Evidence of an improved **physical environment** through work undertaken by the team

f) Provide a yearly report to the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Board

9.6 Funding

The biggest resource to support the delivery of this plan is through the collective resources of the partner organisations, working through the Community Safety Hubs.

Small amounts of funding are available to support the delivery of specific aspects of the plan. This includes funding secured from Police and Crime Commissioners Office (OPCC) specifically for targeting of properties and locations where vulnerability has been identified. Communications funding is also provided to raise awareness of emerging issues or priorities. This funding is only allocated year on year and is not a guaranteed source of income for the team.

The OPCC has developed a new commissioning process for 17/18 through which agencies and organisations can bid direct to the OPCC for funding to deliver the NYCC Partnership Plan and local delivery plans.

The PCC Target Hardening funding Ryedale in 18/19 was £1,815.51 which was spent on noise monitoring equipment

The PCC Target Hardening funding for Ryedale in 19/20 is £1,923.63 part of which will pay for the licences for the Community Officers to access the new Police System "Orcuma"

9.7 The 18/19 Ryedale Community Safety Hub Action Plan progress report is appended in Annex B

9.8 The draft 2019/20 Ryedale Community Safety Hub Action Plan is appended in Annex C

9.9 IMPLICATIONS

The report is for information only.

10.0 NEXT STEPS

10.1 Views of Members will be given to the Ryedale Community Safety Hub, at their next meeting when the Action Plan will be adopted

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Background Papers:
None

Background Papers are available for inspection at:
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