

**PROGRESS ON THE FOUR PRIORITIES OF THE SAFER RYEDALE
PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2011-12**

- 1.0** This annex highlights some of the actions undertaken by Safer Ryedale Priority groups to deliver the 2011-12 Partnership Plan.
- 2.0 Domestic Abuse – to protect and support people experiencing domestic abuse in Ryedale**
- 2.1 In order to deliver this priority, Safer Ryedale works closely with the Domestic Violence support structure, including the Making Safe Scheme which covers Ryedale and Scarborough, which works with victims and perpetrators of domestic abuse. In Quarter 3 in Ryedale, 26 adults and 35 children were referred to the scheme, and received various forms of support. At the end of the quarter cases remained open with 11 adults and 9 children.
- 2.2 Preventive work is also carried out in schools, and in Quarter 2 Domestic Violence packs, containing cards (with contact details and a safety planning message on the rear) and leaflets were distributed to all Doctors' Surgeries, Health Clinics and Malton Hospital. The intention is twofold; to raise awareness of all staff within the units and for the information to be passed to patients who display symptoms of domestic abuse. This is in line with the Violence Against Women and Girls strategy and policy being developed within Health Services.
- 3.0 Safer Roads – to minimise the numbers of killed and seriously injured on the roads of Ryedale**
- 3.1 Actions under this priority relate to information and education, or enforcement. Primary school pupils benefit from Bikeability training, while their parents may receive a letter informing them that checks will be carried out on use of seatbelts, and of mobile phones while driving. From April to June 2011 NY Police positioned near primary schools issued 55 fixed penalty notices (FPNs) for seatbelt offences and 17 FPNs for using a mobile phone while driving
- 3.2 The Drive Alive sessions for younger drivers (and learners) continue, although there have been fewer in the last year as all partner organisations have greater constraints on their resources than formerly.
- 4.0 Community Priorities - To minimise the effects of crime and anti-social behaviour on the communities within Ryedale thereby contributing to a positive view of the District.**
- 4.1 Dog fouling has figured as the number one complaint in Safer Ryedale's community consultations for at least the last four years. In 2010 an education campaign was launched – 'Take the Lead, Take the Bag' – with advertising on refuse lorries and several leafleting campaigns.

- 4.2 In 2011, the campaign moved on to the enforcement phase, with RDC Street Scene, NY Police and Safer Ryedale working closely to establish a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) scheme, training car park wardens and PCSOs trained to deliver them, and pavement stencils sprayed on the ground in dog fouling hot spots to remind dog owners to pick up after their dog.
- 4.3 To date two FPNs have been handed out, each incurring a £50 fine. The next community consultation will take place in February 2012 and it is hoped that dog fouling will no longer occupy the top spot in residents responses.
- 4.4 Ryedale benefits from an extensive network of Watch schemes, including Rural Watch, Pub Watch and Neighbourhood Watch (NHW). NHW co-ordinators have been involved in Safer Ryedale's Nominated Neighbour scheme; vulnerable members of the community are encouraged to nominate someone they know and trust (such as a neighbour, family member or NHW co-ordinator) who can act as a contact for genuine callers who may be unknown to the vulnerable person. Rogue traders and distraction burglars are denied the opportunity to 'get a foot in the door' as the vulnerable person is instructed not to open the door but to hold up a card at the window with their Nominated Neighbour's details on it.
- 4.5 In 2011 for the first time Ryedale NHW made an award to the NHW Co-ordinator of the Year (sponsored by Safer Ryedale). The winner was Chris Miles from Sherburn, a self-employed window cleaner who worked with PCSOs to set Cocoon Watch, to keep an eye on elderly people during harsh weather, instigated the Nominated Neighbour scheme in his area and is also helping to set up a Youth Parish Council.
- 4.6 He received his award at Ryedale NHW's AGM in November 2011, from Assistant Chief Constable Sue Cross. There is evidence that crime levels reduce when there is an active Watch scheme in place; fear of crime also reduces when people know how to seek help and support. Ryedale's network of over 300 NHW groups contributes substantially to making Ryedale such a safe place to live and work.
- 5.0 Alcohol Harm Reduction - To deliver the Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy for the district of Ryedale.**
- 5.1 A new Pub Watch scheme has been established in Malton in the summer of 2011; there has been an effective Pub Watch in Pickering for some time. This was covered in the local media alerting members of the public to the scheme, which allows for a banning order to be placed on individuals who engage in anti-social behaviour in any licensed premises.
- 5.2 A worker has been employed to monitor the number of alcohol related hospital admissions at Scarborough A&E. Funded by the NY performance reward grant, this two year post will allow for more data to be captured than the nursing staff have time for, and will also offer brief interventions which can help individuals to consider their own alcohol use and abuse. Data for individuals from Ryedale accessing this service will be available shortly.