

Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday 22 September 2021

Time: **2 pm**

Venue: Council Chamber, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich NR1 2DH

Supplementary Agenda

9 Update from the Chair of the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Page A2 Partnership (NCCSP) Scrutiny Sub Panel

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Item No: 9

Report title: Update from the Chair of the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership (NCCSP) Scrutiny Sub Panel

Date of meeting: 22 September 2021

Responsible Cabinet Member: N/A

Responsible Director: Tom McCabe (Executive Director of Community & Environmental Services)

Executive Summary

The Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider an update from the Chair of the NCCSP Scrutiny Sub Panel, Cllr Mark Kiddle-Morris.

Recommendations:

To consider the progress being made by the Scrutiny Sub Panel and what recommendations (if any) it might make for its future work.

1. Background and Purpose

- 1.1. In June 2011 the Home Secretary gave permission for the seven Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) in Norfolk to formally merge into one CSP for the whole of the county. Responsibility for scrutiny of the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership (NCCSP or "the Partnership") lies with the County Council and this statutory scrutiny function is set out at paragraph 4 of Appendix 2A of the County Council's Constitution, which can be viewed <u>here</u>. Since the change of governance arrangements at the County Council in May 2019 this role has been undertaken by the Scrutiny Committee, through a dedicated Scrutiny Sub Panel.
- 1.2 The NCCSP Scrutiny Sub Panel (the "Sub Panel") met on 20 July 2021 and 16 September 2021. The agenda and minutes for those Sub Panel meetings can be viewed <u>here</u> (please note the minutes from the 16 September meeting will be available in due course).

2. Safer Norfolk Plan 2021-24

2.1. The Scrutiny Sub Panel has focussed on the Partnership's development of a new three-year Community Safety Plan, called the Safer Norfolk Plan 2021-24. This aims to address county-wide priorities as well as those significant risks and threats that exist at a local level.

- 2.2 When it met on 20 July 2021, Members reviewed a draft version of the document, an overview of the feedback received through consultation and progress with achieving local agreement.
- 2.3 When it met on 16 September 2021, Members reviewed the final analysis of the consultation findings and a final version of the Safer Norfolk Plan 2021-24. Approximately 50 further responses had been received, which followed a similar pattern to those already analysed, and no substantial changes had been made to the Plan. The Sub Panel raised concerns about the lack of response from Asian communities in Norfolk and challenged the Partnership to learn lessons for future consultation exercises to improve its connection with ethnic minority communities. The Sub Panel also raised concerns about the resilience of the Community Safety Team and suggested this was something the Partnership may wish to keep under review.
- 2.4 Members also reviewed an early draft of the Partnership's Delivery Plan, which set out further details of the delivery structure and strategic links that will enable the Partnership to effectively target each priority. Acknowledging that this was work in progress, the Sub Panel requested to review the final version at its next meeting. It also **agreed to recommend to the Partnership** that it consider extending the Delivery Plan period beyond 2024, to provide direction and certainty for partners while the next Community Safety Plan is being developed.
- 2.5 In addition to the final Delivery Plan, the Sub Panel agreed that at its next meeting it should consider a performance update and in-depth review of the following Partnership priorities:
 - Serious Violence, in particular domestic abuse and sexual violence;
 - Prevent.
- 2.6 The Sub Panel also requested that an update on Project ADDER (Addiction, Diversion, Disruption, Enforcement, Recovery) be included at a future meeting.

3. Proposal

3.1 To consider the progress being made by the Scrutiny Sub Panel and what recommendations (if any) the Scrutiny Committee might make for its future work.

4. Impact of the Proposal

4.1 Regular review by the Scrutiny Committee will strengthen the governance of the Partnership's activity and support effective scrutiny.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 None.

6. Resource Implications

- 6.1 Staff: None.
- 6.2 Property: None.

6.3 IT: None.

7. Other Implications

- 7.1 Legal Implications: None.
- 7.2 Human Rights implications: None.
- 7.3 Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) (this must be included): None.
- 7.4 Data Protection Impact Assessments (DPIA): None.
- 7.5. Health and Safety implications (where appropriate): None.
- 7.6 Sustainability implications (where appropriate): None.
- 7.7 Any other implications: None.

8. Risk Implications/Assessment

8.1 N/A.

9. Select Committee comments

9.1 N/A.

10. Recommendations

10.1 To consider the progress being made by the Scrutiny Sub Panel and what recommendations (if any) it might make for its future work.

11. Background Papers

11.1 None.

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