



East & Mid Devon Community
Safety Partnership

East & Mid Devon Community Safety Partnership Plan 2017-18

Aim - The Community Safety Partnership (CSP), will work together to make both East and Mid Devon safe places in which to live, work and visit.

Identifying Priorities 2017-18

The CSP uses analytical data gathered within the Devon Strategic Assessment and the Devon and Cornwall Peninsula Crime and Disorder Strategic Assessment to help identify key trends and hotspots of crime and disorder. It was acknowledged within both reports that crime in general is falling year on year but there are different types of crime coming to the fore such as cyber-crime and fraud, and others where recent media exposure has increased public confidence to report, such as domestic and sexual crimes.

In addition to the above analytical reports the CSP has taken into account feedback from members of the public via various forms of consultation such as the Annual Conference and Local Action Group meetings.

As a result of assessment and consultation our priorities for the 12 months will be as follows:

- [Domestic, family and sexual abuse](#)
- [Alcohol and substance misuse](#)
- [Anti-social behaviour](#)
- [On-line safety & scams](#)
- [Child sexual exploitation](#)
- [Modern day slavery](#)
- [Crime prevention, including rural crime and Prevent](#) (anti-extremism and radicalisation)

The CSP will be looking to provide initiatives, interventions, training, and safety messages in order to raise public and professional awareness and thereby the prevention of crimes relating to these priority areas.

The Local Action Groups (LAGs) and the thematic groups will tailor their own action plans to localised activities in these key areas.

All communities across East and Mid Devon will continue to receive a high standard of support from agencies within the CSP, and will be encouraged to contribute in order to achieve these objectives.

An overview of the CSP

Objective

Agencies will work in partnership to reduce incidents of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour whilst improving public confidence to report incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour and knowledge of crime prevention measures to improve resilience.

About the CSP

The structure of the Partnership is similar to that of most others and meets the requirements of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 *“to work together to reduce crime, disorder and fear of crime locally, in order to improve quality of life and to create a safer living and working environment”*.

Members of the partnership steering group includes representatives from:

- [East Devon District Council](#)
- [Mid Devon District Council](#)
- [Devon and Cornwall Police](#)
- [Safer Devon Partnership](#)
- [NHS Northern, Eastern and Western Clinical Commissioning Group](#)
- [Dorset, Devon and Cornwall Community Rehabilitation Company](#)
- [Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service](#)
- [Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Devon and Cornwall](#)

Other agencies and elected members from both councils are also invited to attend in order to forge and maintain good local working relationships.

The Steering Group meets every 3 months to monitor, oversee and support the work of the Action and Thematic Groups.

Local & Thematic Action Groups

Each main town in East & Mid Devon has a geographically based Local Action Group (LAG), which is responsible for the town and its rural communities. In East Devon there are four namely, Axe Valley (Axminster and Seaton), Honiton, Exmouth and finally Sidmouth and Ottery St Mary. In Mid Devon there are three namely Exe (Tiverton), Creedy (Crediton), and Culm, (Cullompton).

LAGs which are unique to East and Mid Devon in the Devon and Cornwall area were established to tackle crime, disorder, anti-social behaviour and community safety issues within those localities. They comprise local officers, some of which are from the statutory organisations mentioned above, but also may include elected members and representatives from the voluntary and business sectors.

In addition there are two thematic groups that look to address issues of domestic and sexual abuse, and keeping safe on-line. Each of the LAGs and thematic groups has objectives and action plans which link directly to the Partnership Plan.

Funding

The CSP receives a small amount of funding from the Safer Devon Partnership and this is distributed to the LAGs and theme groups in order to support local work. Often it is not the large expensive projects that prove to be the most beneficial to local areas but smaller sums can ‘seed fund’ a project or help support a local initiative.

East and Mid Devon Community Safety Partnership Priorities and Action Plan for 2017/18

Priorities	Activity	Aims	Measures and Progress
Anti-Social Behaviour	<p>Early identification, early intervention, targeted activity and Identify persistent and resistant cases</p> <p>Promote and support multi agency working</p> <p>Use of ASB powers/legislation</p> <p>Use of mediation</p> <p>Promote Learn 2 Live and the Honest Truth re anti-social driving</p>	<p>Reduction in Anti-Social Behaviour</p> <p>Number of successful outcomes</p> <p>Reduced fear of crime</p>	<p>Number of cases</p> <p>Number of case conferences held and attended</p> <p>Number of times powers used</p> <p>Number of times mediation used</p> <p>Number of events held and number of pupils in attendance at Learn 2 Live</p>
Alcohol and Substance Misuse	<p>Promote 'Last Orders' productions in schools</p> <p>Share ARID data and review as appropriate</p> <p>Reprint and distribute 'Be Safe' Cards</p> <p>Attendance at SDP Drug and Alcohol Group</p> <p>Support harm reduction messages</p> <p>Deliver 'Bite Size, workshops for practitioners</p> <p>Provide secure sharps boxes where required and train staff re the emptying procedures</p> <p>Support Street Pastors in Mid Devon and Nightshift at Exmouth</p>	<p>Reduction in alcohol and drug related incidents</p>	<p>Number of plays performed and number of pupils in attendance</p> <p>Where distributed</p> <p>Number of meetings attended</p> <p>Messages sent</p> <p>Number of workshops held and number of attendees</p> <p>Number and location of boxes and number of staff trained</p> <p>numbers of persons assisted.</p> <p>Numbers of staff trained re various issues</p>

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Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence	<p>Attendance/support for DSVA forum and support DSVA forum priorities</p> <p>Support national campaigns and local activity e.g. November awareness Week and 16 days of action</p> <p>Use till receipts to advertise SPLITZ services</p> <p>Deliver 'Bite Size, workshops for practitioners</p>	<p>Increased reporting of domestic and sexual abuse offences</p> <p>Increased awareness of the issues</p>	<p>Number of meetings attended</p> <p>Link to priorities</p> <p>Number of campaigns supported and detail local inputs.</p> <p>Number of till receipts issued at Argos shops in Tiverton and Honiton</p> <p>Number of workshops held and number of attendees</p>
Child Sexual Exploitation	<p>Promote 'Chelsea's Choice' production in local schools</p> <p>Awareness raising</p> <p>Social media and Internet Safety group</p> <p>Promote and instigate training for Taxi drivers and similar workers</p> <p>Joint agency working and initiatives</p> <p>Promote the 'Be Curious' campaign</p>	<p>Increased reporting of child sexual exploitation</p>	<p>Number of plays performed and number of pupils in attendance</p> <p>Detail inputs</p> <p>Detail work carried out</p> <p>Number of taxi staff attending training</p> <p>Detail inputs</p> <p>Where promoted</p>
Modern Day Slavery	<p>Raising awareness of modern slavery</p> <p>Promote and instigate training for key staff</p> <p>Promote the 'Be Curious' campaign</p>	<p>Increased reporting of modern day slavery</p>	<p>Detail work carried out</p> <p>Number of staff attending training</p> <p>Where promoted</p>
Crime Prevention	<p>Purchase of crime prevention equipment e.g. rape alarms, padlock alarms.</p> <p>Multi Agency working</p> <p>Use of Community messaging</p>	<p>Early identification of crime trends</p> <p>Reduction in crime</p> <p>Reduced fear of crime</p>	<p>Detail equipment purchased</p> <p>Detail work carried out</p> <p>Number of messages sent</p>

Priorities	Activity	Aims	Measures and Progress
Scams and Online Safety	Continue with INFORM meetings Inputs into schools re internet safety Inputs on scams awareness to various groups Link with national campaigns	Reduce number of scams offences Reduce number of offences re internet Raise Awareness of the issues	Number of INFORM meetings held Number of school inputs and number of pupils attending Number of inputs to various groups Details of local work undertaken re national campaigns
Hate crime and Extremism	Reporting mechanisms in place Support national and local awareness campaigns Promote the 'Be Curious' campaign	Increased reporting Training delivered Number of staff attending training	Detail the mechanisms Detail campaigns supported Where promoted
Communication Strategy	Raise on-line and social media profile of CSP Celebrate partnership working and our successes Increase awareness raising Use the Pin Point system where appropriate	Increased use of social media	Detail work carried out Detail work carried out Detail where and how raised Number of times Pin Point used
Local Priorities	Continue to manage Local Action Groups (LAGS) across both districts and through these tackle local issues	Positively impact on local issues	Number of LAGs held in each district and detail local issues tackled

- **ASB** – has a direct impact on the quality of life, can adversely affect communities, increases people’s fear of crime. The impact can be disproportionate to the offending act (e.g. graffiti, criminal damage, drinking, fly posters, harassment)
- **Alcohol and Substance Abuse** – can have long lasting consequences on people’s lives; can lead to increases in other areas such as ASB and domestic violence and sexual offences
- **Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence** – under reported and ruins lives.
- **Hate and extremism** – increases community tensions, adversely affects individuals and communities. Can lead to violent crime and in extreme cases acts of terrorism.
- **Communication Strategy** – Increase awareness through effective on-line and social media use. Maximum effect for minimum outlay and effort.