

**DARLINGTON PARTNERSHIP
SAFER DARLINGTON GROUP**

ITEM NO.

**SAFER DARLINGTON PERFORMANCE MONITORING REPORT
QUARTER 3 APRIL – DECEMBER 2008**

Purpose of Report

1. To detail overall performance against targets and actions contained within the Safer Darlington Delivery Plan

Information and Analysis

2. In November 2008 the CDRP published its Joint Strategic Intelligence Assessment (JSIA) which it is required to produce on an annual basis to inform the Borough's three year Community Safety Plan. The priorities identified within the current JSIA remain unchanged from the previous year, these being:
 - (a) Anti Social Behaviour
 - (b) Reducing Offending
 - (c) Violent Crime and Disorder in the Night Time Economy
 - (d) Domestic Abuse
 - (e) Public Reassurance
3. This report gives a high level overview of performance against indicators and actions. More detailed analysis is available.

Performance Information and Analysis

4. One Darlington: Perfectly Placed incorporates 15 performance indicators (three for each of the five delivery themes).

Sustainable Community Strategy Performance Indicator	Target 08/09	Current Performance	Status
NI17 Perceptions of Anti-Social Behaviour	22%	17.1%	★
NI30 Reoffending Rate of Prolific and Other Priority Offenders	94	29 (Apr-Dec)	★
NI32 Repeat Incidents of Domestic Violence			

5. NI17 – The Place Survey 2008 showed an improvement on previous general survey results, and based on this, the CDRP has agreed a new target of 14.1% to 2011.
6. NI30 - A new PPO cohort has been selected for 2009/10, with a reduction target of 23% against a baseline of 121 convictions.

7. NI32 is a new indicator which comes into place in 2009/10 and relates to the repeat victimisation rate of those individuals supported through the Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC). The MARAC went 'live' in December 2008.
8. Four additional targets which are part of the Safer Darlington strand are included within the Local Area Agreement.

Local Area Agreement Performance Indicator Safer Darlington Targets	Target 08/09	Current Performance	Status
NI16 Serious Acquisitive Crime	1888	1703*	★
NI20 Assault with Injury Crime Rate	746	607*	★
NI39 Alcohol-Harm Related Hospital Admission Rates	1886		
NI40 Drug Users in Effective Treatment	416	432**	★
Overall status – Safer Darlington contribution to LAA			★

- *12 months to December 2008
- **October 2007-September 2008

9. NI16 - Although performance against Serious Acquisitive Crime is within target there are some underlying issues around Burglary Dwelling which the CDRP is working to address.

Burglary Dwelling	Base	Monthly			Quarterly				6 month	9 month
		Oct	Nov	Dec	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
07/08 Fig	469	43	39	34	122	95	116	136	217	333
Target	455	42	38	33	117	92	113	133	209	322
Actual		21	37	50	129	155	108		284	392
+/- %		-50%	-3%	52%	10%	68%	-4%		36%	22%

10. NI39 - Locally, the PCT has been working on extracting a close proxy of NI39 data from their acute admissions data so that the CDRP can have the information in a more granular and timely form for planning etc. It is anticipated that the PCT data sets will start to become available from April 2009. However, the PCT is using, and can only use, data based on PCT of GP registration, whereas DoH data is based on PCT of residence (ie if someone is registered with a Sunderland GP but lives in Darlington, the activity would go to the PCT where that GP is based). The PCT has suggested that their data will closely match DoH data, but will be available in a much more timely fashion (last quarter, rather than 1-2 years old).
11. Of the remaining national indicators which are linked to the Safer Darlington Theme group for which data is available, analysis shows that at the end of December 2008, the following were below target:
 - (a) NI15 – Most Serious Violent Crime. In the nine months to December 2008, 42 offences were recorded, against a baseline figure for 2007/08 of 35. However, there have been changes to the counting rules this year, with some crimes which would previously have been recorded as (for example) ABH or Common

Assault, now being recorded as Most Serious Violent Crimes where there is evidence of intent to commit the more serious offence. Improved recording on force systems (IMS) is another contributory factor.

- (b) NI28 – Serious Knife Crime Rate. By the end of Q3, 26 offences had been recorded, compared with 10 the previous year (an increase of 160%).
- (c) NI43 – Young People in Youth Justice Service Sentenced to Custody. The figure at the end of Q2 stood at 8.7% against a target of 5%.

12. Across the five delivery plans linked to Safer Darlington, 80 actions are highlighted:

Number of Safer Darlington actions	80
Number (%) Safer Darlington improvement actions on or above target	62 (78%)
Overall Status of Safer Darlington Theme Delivery	●

13. From the Anti-Social Behaviour delivery plan, the following actions were identified as below target at December 2008:

Action	Explanation & what corrective action is to be taken	Revised Target Date
To identify the vendors of under age alcohol sale and develop a tactical approach to enforcement of premises	Underage alcohol sales are not tackled in isolation but are dealt with as part of a wider reaching approach to problem solving therefore this action is not valid	March 09
Recruit to Drug and Alcohol education worker post	Worker not yet appointed although Children's Services are collaborating with DAAT to agree job description. Post to be recruited to and in post by March 09	March 09
Integrate Neighbourhood Policing Teams into local schools adopting the key principles of Safer Schools Partnerships	Framework Agreed and Consultation undertaken with Head teachers. Action running slightly behind schedule but is anticipated to be completed on target at year end	March 09
Develop a Young Fire fighters scheme to engage young people across the community and to provide a continuation for graduates from Archon and firebreak courses	Talks ongoing re staffing arrangements for course and it is hoped that an agreement can be reached for implementation in January. Although this is behind schedule it is anticipated that the action should be on target for year end.	March 09
Ensure full use of hot spot analysis within CDRP Groups to address ASB	ICT facility developed but analytical personal have not been recruited to fully utilise system. Documentation review is complete	March 09
Develop ASB Case Management Module	Schedule delayed. Implementation of phase one complete by March 2009	March 09

14. From the Reducing Offending delivery plan, the following actions were identified as below target at December 2008:

Action	Explanation & what corrective action is to be taken	Revised Target Date
Improve intervention and support with offenders to prevent and address harm caused by substance misuse	Post in place – behind target, but now completed. Can be discharged for 09/10. Pathways behind as above, but on track to complete within 08/09.	March 2009
Improve intervention and support with offenders to prevent and address harm caused by substance misuse	Dropped out at second round of GONE bid for YP Alcohol Arrest Referral due to excessive conditions – YPS included in PCT AOP bid for generic post. Some risk of capital PCT not approving bid, but unlikely, as alcohol is one of ten-world class commissioning outcomes. Evaluation secured via NEAO early implementation funding.	Put forward to Reducing Offending Delivery Plan 2009/10.

15. From the Violent Crime and Disorder in the Night-Time Economy delivery plan, the following actions were identified as below target at December 2008:

Action	Explanation & what corrective action is to be taken	Revised Target Date
Ensure Violent Crime is reduced in Darlington Town Centre and adjoining wards	Although there is anecdotal evidence that Operation Emporia was successful in most areas there was no evaluation mechanisms put in place to record performance. In order to complete this it would require allocation of resources to gather and analyze the information. There needs a decision to be made if this would be required.	
Develop a problem profile for violence which provides a clear picture of the local priorities	Operation Cheviot Hill – a problem profile for the Northgate area in relation to violent crime has been requested from the South Area Intelligence Unit.	January 2009
Improve the way local agencies work together to identify those individuals in their communities who are involved or at risk of involvement in violence.	This work is still to be undertaken	March 2009
Deliver a poster campaign to address knife possession among young people, particularly those who carry them for fear of being a victim of crime.	Although there have been publicity campaigns and schools visited as part of the development of this action there is a requirement to explore the possibility of a knife amnesty.	March 2009
To develop the response to violence related hate crime in accordance with the new comprehensive, cross-government hate crime strategy	New processes developed at Darlington to improve response. Review of HQ Diversity Unit. Engagement processes enhanced with local communities. Requirement to evaluate impact of process development. Processes to monitor community confidence	

16. From the Public Reassurance delivery plan, the following actions were identified as below target at December 2008:

Action	Explanation & what corrective action is to be taken	Revised Target Date
Ensure victims of crime receive appropriate support. Improve and build the capacity of Victim Support within the Borough and develop stronger links between the CDRP and Victim Support.	Although relationships exist with Victim Support and processes are in place to support the Victim's Charter there is still work to be done to strengthen these relationships further. Capacity is needed to monitor performance in relation to victim support in general and this will require infrastructure development. The change-over of Police Service information systems has had a disruptive effect and the introduction of new performance management systems is work in progress.	March 2009 Recommendation – that this target date be carried on into the period following the review of the community safety plan and set at March 2010.
Review and develop partnership web-site	To be progressed with the development of the Safer Neighbourhoods Unit and in conjunction with marketing confidence, Mosaic and neighbourhood profiles.	To be carried over following the review of the community safety plan.
To develop a partnership induction pack for all members of the CDRP	To be progressed when partnership staffing levels are back up to strength.	To be carried over following the review of the community safety plan.
Improve coordination of Intelligence and information sharing through Key Individual Networks – linking Police and Local Authority KINS and develop system for capturing community intelligence to feed the Tactical Assessment and organisational memory	New Partnership Liaison Officer has now been recruited and the new partnership intelligence analyst is currently in the process of being selected. This objective should be seen in conjunction with associated infrastructure development	March 2009 Recommendation – that this target date be carried on into the period following the review of the community safety plan and set at March 2010.
Explore the opportunity for improving feedback to victims of crime and anti social behaviour.	Plans have been made to build capacity to support the administration of community engagement processes including giving feedback to members of the public. The project is currently known as the Safer Neighbourhood Unit and negotiation is currently taking place about accommodation and members of staff. It's anticipated that this is an environment which can provide a framework for volunteering. The purpose of this project is to provide back office support aligned to intelligence, engagement, and communications, reassurance and quality	March 2009 Recommendation – that this target date be carried on into the period following the review of the community safety plan and set at March 2010.

	assurance processes. Feedback to victims and communities in general forms a significant part of the business case for this project. A proposal to take this forward has been discussed at the CDRP Executive Board and agreed in principal.	
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Recommendation(s)

- 17. It is recommended that members of the Safer Darlington Group note the contents of this report.

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