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Safer New Forest Partnership Plan 2021/2022

The New Forest is one of the safest places in the UK to live in, work in and visit. The Safer New Forest Partnership is working to make it even safer.



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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1** The Safer New Forest Partnership ('the Partnership') is required by law to make an annual Partnership Plan to set out a strategy for the reduction of re-offending and crime and disorder and combating substance misuse for the New Forest area.
- 1.2** This strategy will be implemented through an action plan (Appendix 1) devised by the Partnership to address key crime and disorder priorities for the area.
- 1.3** The Partnership Plan draws upon evidence contained within and is informed by the Safer New Forest Strategic Assessment 2020, which was approved in January 2021. That document provides a detailed analysis of crime in the New Forest area. The priorities included in this Plan have been identified following an examination of the Strategic Assessment.
- 1.4** The Partnership Plan (and associated action plan) will run from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 and will be reviewed regularly by the Partnership during this time.

2. PRIORITIES

- 2.1** The Partnership has identified to continue with the following priorities:
- 2.2**
 - 1. Children at risk
 - 2. Drug and alcohol related harm
 - 3. Domestic abuse
 - 4. Prevention of risk and exploitation of vulnerable people
- 2.3** For each priority a lead Partner(s) will continue to address their relevant priority, how the success of those actions will be measured and what resources will be required. This is set out in the Partnership's action plan.
- 2.4** Each lead partner will be responsible for developing more detailed targets and a strategy for the delivery of the actions throughout the year.
- 2.5** The progress that each lead partner is making on the action plan will be monitored by the Partnership throughout the year.
- 2.6** This Partnership Plan (including the action plan) is a living document and may be amended over the course of the year to reflect the ongoing work addressing the priorities.

3. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 3.1** The Partnership is required to make arrangements for engagement with the local community.
- 3.2** The Partnership considers that the views of people and organisations living and working in the New Forest area are a vital source of information to assist with the delivery of its Partnership Plan. In particular, the Partnership has sought, and will continue to seek, to obtain views on the levels and patterns of re-offending, crime and disorder and substance misuse in the area and on the priorities for the Partnership in the future.
- 3.3** In order to achieve improved community engagement, the Partnership continues with links with the New Forest District Association of Local Councils. The Association meets regularly throughout the year and representatives of the Partnership are invited to attend to ascertain the views of local representatives on crime and disorder concerns and priorities in their areas. The Partnership also invited the Town and Parish Councils to complete an online survey to ensure all parishes views and suggestions were obtained.
- 3.4** Alongside this, the partnership continue with engagement days in Ringwood, New Milton, Hythe, Lymington and Totton to seek the views of the public and also facilitated an online survey for the young people (aged 11-19) living in the New Forest. This was to ensure all opinions were captured and that data provided was an accurate reflection of crime and disorder in the District. These surveys were also an opportunity to understand how safe residents feel living in their local area and gain any ideas from the public to reduce crime and disorder. Due to the success, these actions will become yearly events.
- 3.5** The Partnership also has a website which can be accessed by members of the public. <http://communitysafety.newforest.gov.uk/article/17293/> .
- 3.6** Members of the public who wish to provide comments on the Partnership Plan generally, wish the Partnership to consider their views on patterns and levels of reoffending, crime and disorder and substance misuse in the New Forest area, or consider that they may be able to assist with the delivery of this Partnership Plan, may contact the Partnership in the following ways:

By emailing: safernewforest@nfdc.gov.uk

By telephoning: 02380 285438

Or writing to: Safer New Forest, New Forest District Council, Appletree Court, Beaulieu Road, Lyndhurst, SO43 7PA.

4. PUBLISHING

- 4.1** Both the Safer New Forest Strategic Assessment 2020 and this Safer New Forest Partnership Plan 2021/2022 will be published on the Safer New Forest website.

Safer New Forest Partnership Plan 2021/2022 – Action Plan

	Priority area	Lead Forum	Action		Measurement of Action	Resource Allocation
1	Children at Risk	Early Help Hub Forum Carol Beddow, Family Support Service	1.1	<p>Enhance public awareness and understanding of the increased risk of harm and exploitation of children:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlight and develop the important role of the community in enabling them to identify and report concerns to appropriate services to keep children safe. • Targeted campaigns including how to spot signs of exploitation and how to access support services. • Highlight existing pathways for the community to raise concerns. 	<p>Increase in referrals to support services</p> <p>Reporting and recording through reported offences</p> <p>Increase in access to support services</p> <p>Earlier identification of children and families in need of support and assistance</p>	<p>Town & Parish Councils</p> <p>Education – Headteachers Forum</p> <p>School nursing team</p> <p>Willow Team</p> <p>Safe4me Schools website for parents and professionals</p> <p>Faith and non-faith led community groups.</p> <p>Youth services i.e. The Handy Trust, ASBOC</p> <p>Community</p>

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						Community led groups and forums Third sector and voluntary organisations
			1.2	<p>Increase awareness to service providers (inclusive of third-party organisations) of the impact social isolation, Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) & social deprivation on young people as a result of the 2020 Covid-19 pandemic.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop and deliver webinar and bite size support sessions for service providers. • Utilise partner participation and presence within early Help Hub to increase awareness. 	<p>Reported increase in Community Partnership Information (CPI)</p> <p>Access to targeted support services</p> <p>Re-engagement with targeted youth support services</p> <p>Attendance and participation in training opportunities</p>	<p>Early Help Hub</p> <p>Safer New Forest Webinar</p> <p>Hampshire Safeguarding Children’s Partnership</p> <p>Willow Team</p> <p>youth & play forum</p> <p>Youth services i.e. The Handy Trust, ASBOC</p> <p>Education</p>
2	Drug & Alcohol Related Harm	Tactical Planning Meeting (TPM) chaired by	2.1	Develop the Drug Related Harm Forum working alongside the Missing, Exploited & Trafficked (MET) Forum.	Collaborative and actionable multi-agency partnership working	<p>County Lines intensification week</p> <p>DRH forum</p> <p>Housing Services</p>

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		Helen Andrews, Acting Chief Inspector, New Forest Area, Hampshire Constabulary		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Share developmental and actionable intelligence with the aim of reducing harm caused by drugs and alcohol. Identify persons vulnerable of exploitation and criminalisation through drug misuse and create preventative & diversionary pathways with key partner agencies. Interrupt and prevent opportunities for the channel of drug supply within the New Forest 	<p>Referrals to diversionary services of dependant and vulnerable persons i.e. drug & alcohol services</p> <p>Increase in executed warrants</p> <p>Reduction in community tensions and increase in community confidence due to proactive action against the supply of illicit substances and its effects</p> <p>Reduction in first time offenders</p>	<p>MET Forum</p> <p>Hampshire Constabulary Licensing Team</p> <p>NFDC Licensing Team</p> <p>Inclusion/Catch 22</p> <p>Safe4me</p> <p>Youth Offending Service</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Youth services</p> <p>Faith and non-faith led community groups.</p>
3	Domestic Abuse	Domestic Abuse Forum Nikki Swift, New Forest District Council	3.1	New Forest Domestic Abuse Forum to develop and disseminate practical guidance, advice and protocols with identifying and responding to employees experiencing domestic abuse.	<p>Creation and production of domestic abuse awareness literature and resource pack</p> <p>Increase in awareness and access of domestic abuse support services</p>	<p>Hampshire Domestic Abuse Partnership</p> <p>Domestic Abuse Forum</p> <p>Environmental Health, NFDC</p>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DA forum members to develop literature and support material for business sector. • Targeted campaigns highlighting the harm of domestic abuse, signs and indicators and effects on employee wellbeing, absenteeism etc. • Creation and publication of accessible support material and commissioned or voluntary services available to all residents or employees within the New Forest. • Partner agencies to embed and publish domestic abuse statements for employees. 	Partner agencies to embed and publish domestic abuse statements for employees	Safer New Forest Strategic Partners Business sector

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			<p>3.2 Collate, analyse, and utilise published data from within domestic abuse forum members to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish and identify trends • Identify potential gaps or unmet needs in service delivery • Identify commissioning opportunities for targeted and localised services • Access funding support opportunities through identified channels. 	<p>Domestic Abuse Forum members</p> <p>Increase in referrals to support services from targeted agencies who have previously not referred</p> <p>Identification of unmet need in service provision</p> <p>Localised bids for commissioned and targeted services</p> <p>Improved delivery of support services based on localised need</p>	<p>Stop Domestic Abuse</p> <p>The Hampton Trust</p> <p>Housing Services</p> <p>Hampshire Domestic Abuse Partnership</p> <p>OPCC Grants Housing</p> <p>Yellow Door</p> <p>Safer New Forest Delivery Group</p>
			<p>3.3 Increase awareness on the hidden harm caused by domestic abuse and impact by the 2020 Covid-19 pandemic in accessing support.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilise partner agency forums, publications and web presence. 	<p>Improve awareness and access opportunities to support services.</p> <p>Increase in nominations to supportive and protective forums:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Early Help Hub, 	<p>Safer New Forest Webinar</p> <p>Stop Domestic Abuse</p> <p>The Hampton Trust</p> <p>Breakout Youth</p> <p>Gypsy & Traveller Liaison officers</p>

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop opportunities of awareness raising and signposting • Identify and create pathways for hard to reach or 'yet to reach' individuals and communities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Supporting Families ○ Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) 	<p>Education services</p> <p>Yellow Door</p> <p>Housing Services</p>
4	Prevention of risk and exploitation of vulnerable people	<p>Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service</p> <p>Ben Allen, Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service</p>	4.1	<p>Develop and enhance awareness of the term 'vulnerable to exploitation' and the impact it can have on individuals, families and communities by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating consistent communications and publications across all services • Standardised and consistent response to all at risk of exploitation • Signposting individuals to effective support services. 	<p>Earlier identification of exploited persons and improved intelligence sharing between services</p> <p>Increase in referrals to support services</p> <p>Increase in reported concerns or incidents to protective services</p> <p>Referrals to HFRS Safe & Well visits</p>	<p>Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service</p> <p>Combined communications departments and resources of strategic partners.</p> <p>Community Engagement Events</p> <p>Connect to Support Hampshire</p> <p>Community First</p> <p>Hampshire Trading Standards</p> <p>Friends against Scams</p> <p>Town & Parish Councils</p>

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			<p>4.2 Increase awareness for service providers of the risk and exploitation of vulnerable people further impacted by the 2020 Covid-19 pandemic, by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifying, sourcing and facilitating training opportunities for services working with vulnerable clients Raising awareness and understanding of support services and resources available to both professionals and the community. 	<p>Improved and increased access to support services</p> <p>Increase in knowledge, resilience and confidence in identifying and responding to incidents of exploitation</p> <p>Attendance records from training opportunities</p>	<p>Hampshire Safeguarding Adults Board resources</p> <p>Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service</p> <p>Connect to Support Hampshire</p> <p>Hampshire Trading Standards</p> <p>Friends against Scams</p>