

## Epsom and Ewell Community Safety Partnership

### Community Safety Action Plan

2022-2024

#### **What is the Epsom and Ewell Community Safety Partnership?**

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998, as amended by the Police Reform Act 2002 and the Police and Justice Act 2006, requires responsible authorities to work together alongside the community and voluntary sector to develop and implement strategies for reducing crime and disorder in their area. The responsible authorities are:

- District and Borough Councils
- County Councils
- Police
- Fire & Rescue Service
- National Probation Service
- Clinical Commissioning Groups

The Epsom and Ewell Community Safety Partnership meets quarterly to discuss community issues affecting the borough and to create a vision for the future. The partnership includes the responsible authorities as well as non-statutory partners including the local social housing provider, the Business Improvement District and the Office of the Surrey Police and Crime Commissioner.

#### **Surrey Community Safety Agreement**

Two tier authorities such as Surrey are required, under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (as amended by the Police and Justice Act 2006), to have a County Community Safety Agreement (CSA). It sets out how responsible authorities will work together to identify and address shared priorities to reduce crime and disorder. More information can be found at [Surrey County Council Community Safety](#).

#### **Surrey Police and Crime Commissioner**

Lisa Townsend is the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Surrey. The PCC is responsible for overseeing the work of Surrey Police, holding the Chief Constable to account, and helping to tackle crime issues in Surrey in accordance with the [Police and Crime Plan](#).

How do we address Community Safety in the borough of Epsom and Ewell?

## Community Harm and Risk Management Meeting (CHaRMM)

Community Harm and Risk Management Meetings (CHaRMMs) will discuss and agree action to reduce the negative impact that problem individuals and families have on Surrey's communities through their anti-social behaviour. Using the expertise that exists on this multi-agency group, members will share information on high-risk cases and incidents and put in place appropriate risk management plans to address the behaviour of the perpetrator and reduce the negative impact on victims.

CHaRMMs are accountable to local Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) and the overarching, Surrey Community Safety Board, and should contribute to the delivery of local community safety partnerships plans and the overarching strategies of the county Community Safety Board.

## Joint Action Groups (JAGs)

Joint Action Groups (JAGs) will address crime and disorder issues that have been identified through the analysis of intelligence and statistics provided by all community safety partner agencies. Utilising the expertise that exists on the group it will identify desirable outcomes and determine the actions and interventions to be used to achieve these outcomes.

JAGs decide priorities, agree action plans, allocate resources, and ensure there is a co-ordinated response to issues highlighted at the JAG and contained within Community Safety Partnership Plans. They play a key role in developing effective partnership responses to crime and disorder and anti-social behaviour reduction.

## Community Safety Partnership Priorities 2022-2024

Priority 1	Focus on the most vulnerable or those at risk of harm
Priority 2	Serious Organised Crime and PREVENT
Priority 3	Identify and tackling crime and antisocial behaviour
Priority 4	Improve Community Engagement

## RAG Ratings

	0-49% Complete / Occurs on a minimal basis
	50-69% Complete / Occurs regularly
	70-100% Complete / Occurs majority of the time

**Priority 1 - Focus on the most vulnerable or those at risk of harm**

The Community Safety Partnership will focus on those who are vulnerable or at risk of harm. We will work together as partner agencies to provide appropriate levels of support to victims of crime or antisocial behaviour.

What will we do to achieve this?

1. Improve our response to Domestic Abuse by ensuring legislation and recommendations are implemented.
2. Ensure processes and referral systems are in place to support the most vulnerable
3. Identify emerging issues and work together to address the issues

**Key objectives to measure**

Lead Agency	Objective	Measure	Timescale	RAG Status
Police / EEBC	CHARMM meetings to occur monthly	Reduces the risk to vulnerable residents through partner agency working	Monthly review of agency attendance	Green
ALL	Ensure Domestic Abuse awareness training for staff reflects changes in legislation	Up to date training for all staff will reduce risk to victims	Annual report from agencies	Yellow
SCC/EEBC	Deliver the Ask Us DA project	Delivery of the project Promote 'Ask Us' on social media	Delivered quarterly	Green
EEBC / DHR oversight Group	Ensure DHR's are implemented, and recommendations are enforced. DHR Oversight Group reviewing a centralised process for Surrey	Review DHR's ensure actions are referred to agencies and outcomes monitored Ensure local CSP are aware of the findings of the DHR oversight Group	Review actions and follow up where necessary	Yellow
EEBC	Community trigger ASB reviews delivered in line with Surrey Policy	Applications received and processed in a timely manner	Reviewed quarterly by CSP	Green
EEBC	Joint Action Groups to occur for identified areas of concern	Monitor data and area referrals from partner agencies	Reviewed quarterly by CSP	Green
Police / EEBC	Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) – Identify areas of concern	Monitor the Street Safe information submitted and crime figures	Review 6 monthly	Yellow
EEBC	EEBC to sign up to the ASB Help Pledge	Uniformed approach across partner agencies to responding to Antisocial behaviour	Review in 6 months	Green

### Priority 1 – Further work to assist the most vulnerable or those at risk of harm

#### **Epsom and Ewell Borough Council (EEBC)**

An outreach service engages with rough sleepers and assists with getting accommodation and a referral pathway to other services such as assistance with mental health, drug alcohol addiction services. The service has been successful in reducing rough sleepers across the borough.

Collaborative working with the department of Work and Pensions (DWP) has taken place to set up a youth hub. This is to engage and work with young persons on universal credit and support them into training and employment.

#### **Surrey Downs Health and Care partnership (SDHCP)**

SDHCP been working collaboratively with public health to ensure A&E and wards use the Homelessness duty to refer when people present as homeless in hospitals.

#### **Surrey Police**

Police have used their local policing team to focus on identifying properties that have been cuckooed or involved in county lines. When properties are identified several agencies work together to conduct a joint intervention.

Domestic abuse is the top divisional priority for Police in East Surrey. Training is being delivered to ensure up to date knowledge on the new Domestic Abuse legislation.

#### **Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC)**

Health funding has been agreed to continue the Catalyst service and increase the support available to those who are vulnerable and at risk.

The Music to my Ears service has been commissioned to support young persons at risk of exploitation.

#### **Surrey County Council (SCC)**

Project work is being completed to address the issue of serious youth violence and provide interventions.

There is a public health rapid review to identify the risk factors to those involved or committing violent crimes.

#### **Probation**

Probation is working together with partner agencies to support women that enter the criminal justice system. This includes working with children's services and Domestic Abuse outreach programs.

**Priority 2 - Serious Organised Crime and PREVENT**

The Community Safety Partnership want to have a monitored, targeted, and sustained approach to Serious Organised Crime. We hold Serious Organised Crime Joint Action Group (SOCJAG) for information sharing and disruption. This includes the following areas:

Exploitation - Child/Criminal/Sexual

Human Trafficking

Modern Day Slavery

Organised Immigration

Serious Violent Crime

County Lines

Cuckooing

Online Fraud

PREVENT (The government PREVENT strategy on terrorism and extremism)

**What will we do to achieve this?**

1. Partner agency working to prevent and tackle serious organised crime
2. Disrupt serious organised crime groups within the borough
3. Reduce the risk of radicalisation by promoting positive relations between different communities and show a united position against all types of hate crime that target specific communities

**Key Objectives to measure**

Lead Agency	Objective	Measure	Timescale	RAG Status
Police	SOCJAG to discuss emerging issues, intelligence, and disruption between agencies	Meeting takes place every 8 weeks	Review of attendance each meeting	
Police / EEBC	Intelligence package is shared and disseminated appropriately	To ensure intelligence and information is acted upon	Review intelligence package for each meeting	
Police	Surrey Police discussed cuckooed addresses and closure orders with agencies via partner agency forums	To ensure vulnerable people are identified and agencies are aware of all concerns	Review all closure orders with ASB case builder in Surrey Police	
ALL	Ensure agencies and relevant staff are aware of the Protect duty and PREVENT training is up to date	Staff are fully aware of their responsibilities including ACT awareness training / Run, Hide, Tell where appropriate	Annual review of training	

**Priority 2 – Further work regarding Serious Organised Crime and PREVENT**

**Epsom and Ewell Borough Council (EEBC)**

The serious organised crime joint action group (SOCJAG) takes place every 6-8 weeks. A police intelligence package is shared prior to the meeting and any intelligence is requested and made available regarding the subject matters from across the council.

Vulnerable properties are identified via contact with agencies, Community Harm and Risk Management Meeting (CHARMM) and Environmental Visual Audits. Partner agencies work together to support vulnerable residents / prevent them from being cuckooed.

During ASB awareness week partner agencies of EEBC, Police and Rosebery worked together to complete Environmental Visual Audits and identify any further properties of concern. These took place on Longmead and Watersedge Estates.

**Police**

The Borough Commander chairs the SOCJAG and confirms there has been good engagement from partner agencies.

The intel briefings are designed to keep partners involved but also request that they assist in progressing that intelligence. This has resulted in an increase in partnership intelligence forms being submitted.

The police have several weeks of positive action including ASB awareness week and targeted work for business areas often concerned in modern slavery / human trafficking. These include nail bars and car washes.

Police also have county lines awareness week and the most recent in Epsom resulted in several closure orders at properties to protect the vulnerable and arrests were made resulting in seizures of drugs and cash.

The Borough Commander is the local single point of contact for PREVENT referrals and they have received several which have been reviewed. There has been an increase in referrals from other agencies, particularly schools.

**Priority 3 - Identify and tackling crime and antisocial behaviour**

The Community Safety Partnership want to ensure crime and antisocial behaviour is dealt with appropriately.

What will we do to achieve this?

1. Address antisocial behaviour (ASB) and the wider effect it has on the community
2. Review issues using a multi-agency approach
3. Understand that collaborative working results in a more successful outcome
4. Use appropriate enforcement and intervention methods
5. Focus on Town centre safety including alcohol related crime
6. Tackle emerging patterns of crime and antisocial behaviour

**Key Objectives to measure**

Lead Agency	Objective	Measure	Timescale	RAG Status
Police / EEBC	Community Harm and Risk Management Meetings (CHARMM) attended monthly by all statutory partners	To ensure collaborative working for a more successful outcome	Review attendance at the CHARMM monthly	
EEBC	Joint Action Groups (JAGs) arranged according to issues raised via all parties and based on collated data.	JAGs identify issues and partner agency response to improving the area	JAGs are reviewed quarterly by CSP	
EEBC	Review town centre crime data regularly to identify emerging patterns	Identify areas of concerns and address via relevant partner agency meetings - JAG	Data check every 6 months using Police Intel & D10	
Police / EEBC	Police and EEBC to identify licensed premise where incidents occur and consider licensing conditions	Reduce risk of incidents occurring in licensed premise	Incident specific. Addressed at 6 weekly enforcement meeting	
EEBC / Police	Review of crime data and areas of concern identified	Early intervention to prevent escalation of incidents	Emerging issues identified in 6 weekly enforcement meeting	

**Priority 4 - Improve Community Engagement**

The Community Safety Partnership want to improve engagement with the community to address issues and ensure members feel heard.

What will we do to achieve this?

1. Use engagement opportunities to promote and support local and national awareness campaigns
2. Provide crime prevention and community safety advice e.g. relating to domestic abuse, antisocial behaviour, scams and burglaries.
3. Increase reporting of actions being taken by statutory organisations to tackle crime including successful outcomes
4. Work with schools to promote key community safety messages to young people

**Key Objectives to measure**

Lead Agency	Objective	Measure	Timescale	RAG Status
Police / EEBC	Joint initiatives to engage with the community – inc. meet the beat, ASB events, Facebook lives	Improve relationship with community and raise awareness	Annual review of events attended	Green
Police / EEBC	Joint action days – Traffic events including waste licensing and VOSA	To reduce criminal activity in the borough and take enforcement action	Annual review of events attended	Yellow
EEBC/ Police	Social media awareness – unified messaging	Social Media strategy to include unified messaging	Reviewed at enforcement meeting 6 weekly	Yellow
Police	Youth engagement officers to engage with schools and Fearless campaign	Promote key community safety messages to young people	6 monthly review of school engagement	Green
ALL	Ensure staff training is up to date reflecting community safety issues and awareness	Staff being aware of community safety issues reduces risk to public	Annual review of staff training	Yellow



## COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP - EPSOM & EWELL

### Glossary of Acronyms

ACT	Action Counters Terrorism
ASB	Antisocial Behaviour
CHaRMM	Community Harm and Risk Management Meeting
CSA	Community Safety Agreement
CSP	Community Safety Partnership
DA	Domestic Abuse
DHR	Domestic Homicide Review
EEBC	Epsom and Ewell Borough Council
JAG	Joint Action Group
PCC	Police and Crime Commissioner
SCC	Surrey County Council
SOCJAG	Serious Organised Crime Joint Action Group
VAWG	Violence Against Women and Girls
VOSA	Vehicle and Operator Services Agency