

Launch of the new Community Safety Strategy April 2005

Working together for a safer Bassetlaw

Since the launch of the previous three-year strategy in 2002 the partnership has reduced overall crime in Bassetlaw by 3%. Whilst this reduction is a positive outcome, the partnership is determined to build upon this achievement and further reduce crime, fear of crime and improve community safety.

Since April 2004, the Partnership has carried out a comprehensive study of crime, disorder and drug misuse levels throughout Bassetlaw and in January 2005 published its findings and proposals. A consultation period took place during January 2005 and February 2005 to gain the views of residents, community groups and organisations on the draft priorities for the Community Safety Strategy 2005-2008.

Following the consultation period, the priorities within the 2005-2008 Strategy are as follows:

- ▶ Priority 1: To reduce levels of Anti Social Behaviour across the Partnership area
- ▶ Priority 2: To reduce the rate of burglary across the Partnership area
- ▶ Priority 3: To reduce the rate of violent crime across the Partnership area
- ▶ Priority 4: To reduce the rate of vehicle crime across the Partnership area
- ▶ Priority 5: To reduce levels of arson across the Partnership area
- ▶ Priority 6: To reduce and prevent avoidable injuries on the road and within the home
- ▶ Priority 7: To reduce the use of drugs and alcohol and protect local communities from anti social behaviour and crime resulting from drug and alcohol use
- ▶ Cross-cutting Objective: To improve the effectiveness of the Community Safety Partnership

During 2004 and early 2005 the partnership has been restructured which has resulted with changes to the delivery mechanisms for the new strategy. These changes, alongside a new performance management framework will ensure partner accountability in delivering the new priorities within this strategy. Progress will be regularly reviewed and we will ensure that local communities are fully involved with all parts of this review and the implementation of any projects.

The new key targets for 2005-2008 are:

BLSP Indicator	Definition	Lead Contact	Reporting Frequency
CS 1	To reduce overall crime by 22.5% between 2005 and 2008	Strategy Group	Annual – next due April 2006
CS 2	To reduce levels of Anti Social Behaviour by 14% reduction in criminal damage	Crime Management Group	Annual – next due April 2006
CS 3	To reduce the rate of domestic burglary by 36%	Crime Management Group	Annual – next due April 2006
CS 4	To reduce the rate of burglary (other) by 18%	Crime Management Group	Annual – next due April 2006

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CS 5	To reduce the rate of violent crime by 11%	Crime Management Group	Annual – next due April 2006
CS 6	To reduce the rate of vehicle crime by 25%	Crime Management Group	Annual – next due April 2006
CS 7	To reduce levels of arson for deliberate primary fires by 15% and deliberate secondary fires by 20%	Community Safety Group	Annual – next due April 2006
CS 8	To reduce and prevent avoidable injuries on the road and within the home – 20% reduction in fatal and serious RTC's	Community Safety Group	Annual – next due April 2006
CS 9	To reduce the use of drugs and alcohol and protect local communities from anti social behaviour and crime resulting from drug and alcohol use – 50% reduction in acquisitive crime	Drug and Alcohol Reference Group	Annual – next due April 2006

The document sets out our broad objectives for the next three years. There is still a great deal of detailed work to be done on the planning of individual projects and we would encourage you to get involved where possible. If we are to improve the quality of life for people living, working and visiting Bassetlaw, we have to work together with our partners in addressing community Safety.

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