

# A Safe Place

## Working to reduce crime – and the fear of crime

**Our Vision:** Ensure a safe and socially included community

We are committed to making Bassetlaw a safe place. By reducing levels of crime and fear of crime we will improve our quality of life and attract businesses and tourists. The Community Safety Partnership is taking this agenda forward.

### Our Goals:

- ▶ 25% reduction in domestic burglary by 2005
- ▶ 15% reduction in violent crime by 2005
- ▶ 22% reduction in vehicle crime by 2005
- ▶ 15% reduction in public disorder offences by 2005
- ▶ 5% in offences by young people by 2005
- ▶ 80% of cases referred to the Youth Offending Team to include work with victims and the wider community

### Our Progress: Key Achievements 2005

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.

**For more information contact Jonathan Tonks on 01909 533253.**

#### M.A.C.S – Making all children safe

The M.A.C.S scheme started in 1999. During July 2005 over 582 year six pupils (from 28 schools) attended M.A.C.S week at Retford Fire Station. The event brought together seven different agencies that each provided an interactive message for the young people with the overall aim of promoting positive citizen ship and safety, including:

- ▶ Nottinghamshire Police,
- ▶ Severn Trent,
- ▶ Trading Standards,
- ▶ NCC,
- ▶ Health and Safety Executive,
- ▶ Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service

**For more information contact Retford Fire Station on 01777 706607.**





**A local PCSO survey's graffiti found at a skate park.**

## Anti-Social Behaviour

Bassetlaw District Council, in conjunction with Bassetlaw Community Safety Partnership have provided resources for an Anti-Social Behaviour Team. A team has now been established to enable a co-ordinated multi-agency response across the district in responding to reported cases of anti-social behaviour

Current work in reducing and preventing reported incidents of anti-social behaviour include:

- ▶ A total of 17 Anti-social behaviour orders in place
- ▶ Preventative work in partnership with local schools using Acceptable Behaviour Contracts (ABC'S)
- ▶ Use of surveillance equipment to assist in evidence gathering to supporting enforcement measures
- ▶ The team currently have 27 reported cases receiving a multi-agency response
- ▶ A computerised system has been established to recorded, and monitor reported incidents of anti-social behaviour

**For more information contact John Newton, Anti-Social Behaviour Co-ordinator, on 01909 533140.**

## Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention

The Police and District Council developed a joint initiative targeting motor vehicles parked in Bassetlaw District Council owned Car Parks. The initiative involved car park attendants identifying vulnerable vehicles that had left goods on display and passing the information to the Police, who then wrote to the owners highlighting that they could have been a victim of car crime.

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## Key Targets

The table below outlines the seven key targets agreed by the Sub-Group, as outlined in the Community Strategy Summary, that will be used to measure outcomes of the projects supported by the group. These are monitored closely throughout the year and reported on annually.




Our long-term goal... to achieve an overall reduction in the number of reported crimes

BLSP Indicator	Definition	Method of Measurement	2002/2003 Target	2002/2003 Performance	2003/2004 Target	2003/2004 Performance	2004/2005 Target	2004/2005 Performance
CS 1	To achieve an overall reduction in the number of reported crimes	(1) Jupiter in Nottinghamshire <sup>49</sup> – Total recorded crimes per 1000 population  <b>Baseline</b> (2001/2002) Bassetlaw = 13811 (139 per 1000 population)  Notts = 154.3 per 1000 population (13.8% increase on 2001/2002)	Bassetlaw = Not in current CSP Strategy  Notts = To return crime to 2000/2001 levels – 135.5 per 1000 population	Bassetlaw = 13,473 total reported crimes (136 per 1,000 population) – 2.45% reduction on baseline  Notts = 158.9 per 1000 population (1.4% increase on 2001/2002)	Bassetlaw = Not in current CSP Strategy  Notts = 3% reduction on 2002/2003	Bassetlaw = 13,342 total reported crimes (135 per 1,000 population) – 3.40% reduction on baseline  Notts = 156.4 per 1000 population (1.3% reduction on 2002/2003)	Bassetlaw = Not in current CSP Strategy  Maintain 03/04 outturn (156.4 per 1000 population)	Bassetlaw = 11,171 total reported crimes (103 per 1,000 population) – 19.12% reduction baseline  Notts = 137.6 per 1000 population
CS 2	25% reduction in domestic burglary by 2005	(1) Jupiter in Nottinghamshire <sup>49</sup>  <b>Baseline</b> (2001/2002) = 1084	2% reduction on baseline (1035 instances)	1205 (11.6% increase on baseline – +121)	10% reduction on baseline (929 instances)	1072 (1.11% decrease on baseline – -12)	13% reduction on baseline (792 instances)	503 (54% reduction on baseline)
CS 3	15% reduction in violent crime by 2005	(1) Jupiter in Nottinghamshire <sup>49</sup>  <b>Baseline</b> (2001/2002) = 1545	2% reduction on baseline (1643 instances)	1514 (2.01% decrease on baseline – -31)	6% reduction on baseline (1543 instances)	1848 (19.61% increase on baseline – +303)	7% reduction on baseline (1425 instances)	1822 (18% increase on baseline)
CS 4	22% reduction in vehicle crime by 2005	(1) Jupiter in Nottinghamshire <sup>49</sup>  <b>Baseline</b> (2001/2002) = 2899	2% reduction on baseline (2815 instances)	2347 (19.04% decrease on baseline – -552)	10% reduction on baseline (2527 instances)	2462 (15.07% decrease on baseline – -437)	10% reduction on baseline (2,240 instances)	1999 (31% reduction on baseline)
CS 5	15% reduction in public disorder offences by 2005	(1) Police Crime Data  <b>Baseline</b> (2001/2002) =	Not available <sup>50</sup>	Not available <sup>50</sup>	Not available <sup>50</sup>	Not available <sup>50</sup>	Not available <sup>50</sup>	Not available <sup>50</sup>

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		Not available <sup>50</sup>						
CS 6	5% reduction in offences by young people by 2005	(1) YOT	N/A <sup>51</sup>	N/A <sup>51</sup>	N/A <sup>51</sup>	N/A <sup>51</sup>	N/A <sup>51</sup>	N/A <sup>51</sup>
CS 7	80% of cases referred to the Youth Offending Team to include work with victims and the wider community	(1) YOT target of 80% of all cases supervised to use restorative justice principles by March 2004	No targets set – overall target March 2004	Not available due to change in reporting system	No targets set – overall target March 2004	91.2%	TBC – information not available as at December 2005	TBC – information not available as at December 2005

## Community Safety Action Plan – Our Performance

The charts below indicate how the Community Safety Partnership is performing against the 'Actions' within their Action Plan. The key for the charts is as follows:

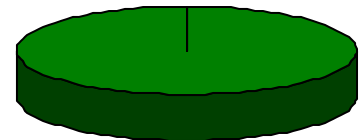
-  Red (R) = Not progressing to timetable
-  Amber (A) = Some work underway but underlying issues e.g. slippage on timetable, or funding concerns
-  Green (G) = Work underway to timetable

This 'traffic light' system was piloted by the Health Sub-Group in October 2003 and January 2004. This was then rolled out to all the Sub-Groups for April 2004, and included in the Interim Report May 2004.

In October 2005, a new reporting mechanism was introduced for reporting Sub-Group progress at Board meetings. One element included was the introduction of the table shown below for October's performance, which provides additional information as to how the Action Plan has been progressed.

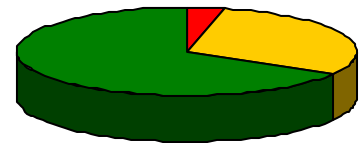
### January 2005

R = 0 (0%)  
A = 0 (0%)  
G = 16 (100%)



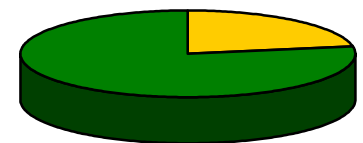
### April 2005

R = 1 (3.70%)  
A = 8 (29.63%)  
G = 18 (66.67%)



### July 2005

R = 0 (0%)  
A = 6 (22.22%)  
G = 21 (77.78%)



### October 2005

The Community Safety Partnership is in the process of finalising the Action Plan performance for October 2005.

Total Number of Actions	Number of Actions completed and removed	Number of Actions amended	Number of new Actions added
27 (as at October 05)	N/A – projects for duration of financial year from April 05 to end of March 06	N/A	N/A