Annexe 5

Safer Waverley Partnership and Fear of crime

All of the activities of the Safer Waverley Partnership will should contribute to reducing fear of crime by reducing crime levels or by reducing the impact on those who suffer from criminal activity.

Specific examples of activity include that should increase a feeling of safety:

- A Home Fire Risk Assessment event in Sandy Hill with more planned for other areas
- Maintaining support to the Ockford Ridge/Aarons Hill Neighbourhood
 Panel/Residents Action Team
- Promoting the take-up of Neighbourhood watches that empower residents.
- Using evidence gathered by several partner agencies to seek closure of licensed premises associated with disorder, anti-social behaviour and drug dealing.
- Provide advice and an interactive play on Distraction Burglary
- Providing Substance-misuse education in schools in the Waverley area and continuing to do so.
- Organising and funding an annual Junior Citizen event that educates over 1100 year 6 pupils from up to 35 Waverley schools about different aspects of keeping safe.
- Providing teaching packs & publicity and training days on reducing roan and traffic casualties on Waverley's roads.
- Raising the awareness of domestic violence and who can help
- Providing information via Police and Fire & Rescue websites on how to keep safe.
- Providing regular updates on the Waverley Borough Council website on the latest community safety activity.
- Raising awareness of the dangers of Alcohol to health through the Big Drink Debate

All of the following activity have been shown to reduce fear of crime and are provided via **Waverley Borough Council** officers or contracts

- Provides a clean environment
 - o Collects Rubbish, removes Graffiti and fly tipping
- Addressing noise complaints.
- Provides an Anti-social behaviour caseworker for those in borough housing
- Removes abandon vehicles
- Dogs stray dogs and dog fouling (issuing of Fixed penalty notices)
- Investigate complaints on licensed premises
- Provision of Youth Activities and facilities
- Provision of support to vulnerable groups especially around housing needs
- Communicating with the public how they can access WBC services

Future Work:

The SWP realises that making people aware of its activity is key to reducing fear of crime. To this end the Partnership is reviewing its communications and looking to improve this process internally and with partners. It is also reviewing current external communications channels and activity to capitalise on positive news and providing a more balanced reporting of crime and disorder across Waverley.

The SWP is also looking to develop access to information that will help individuals, families, communities and business to reduce their opportunities for becoming victims of crime and increase their knowledge of how to stay safe.

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