

Cyngor Sir CEREDIGION County Council

REPORT TO:	Overview and Scrutiny Coordinating Committee.
DATE:	11 th September 2023.
LOCATION:	Council Chamber, Penmorfa, Aberaeron.
TITLE:	Ceredigion Community Safety Partnership Crime and Disorder Strategic Assessment.
PURPOSE OF REPORT:	To provide an opportunity for the Overview and Scrutiny Coordinating Committee to view the CSP crime and Disorder Strategic Assessment.
REASON SCRUTINY HAVE REQUESTED THE INFORMATION:	As the designated Scrutiny Committee for taking an overview of the overall effectiveness of the CSP.

BACKGROUND:

The Community Safety Partnership is responsible for completing a Crime and Disorder Strategic Assessment (SA) and implementing a **Community Safety Strategy** for the County. Home Office guidance suggests that the SA should include data and commentary from the public and all partner agencies to go towards setting the Community Safety Strategy.

STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT - METHOD

The Strategic Assessment referenced data from 1 Dec 2021 up to and including 31st December 2022 providing a full 12 month's data for analysis.

The Strategic Assessment can be viewed at **Appendix 1**

A comprehensive, bilingual paper questionnaire was prepared and widely distributed to the community. In addition to this an electronic response form was made available on the CCC website with accompanying comms messaging and media signposting to the engagement exercise to encourage public participation. **Appendix 2**

Data from the public engagement was used to produce a **Feedback Report Appendix 3**

To provide a wider evidence base and support the public questionnaire, data was also gathered from a number of relevant sources. In the Strategic Assessment report **Appendix 1** the additional data was considered alongside the questionnaire responses and provided an opportunity for comparison between public perceptions and fear of crime with empirical crime data and service engagement figures.

The full report also offers some locality context and indication of crime trends. It also enabled consideration of how accurately public opinion of crime threats aligned with actual changes in the number of reported incidents.

CRIME & FEELING SAFE PRIORITIES:

At a meeting of the Ceredigion CSP held on the **19th of June 2023**, a set of priorities were agreed based on a review of the evidence gathered. It was agreed that the priorities should be sub-divided into two categories: **Crime Priorities** and **Feeling Safe Priorities**.

Crime and Disorder Priorities for Community Safety Partnership

- Sexual offences.
- Violence against Women and girls.
- Illegal supply of drugs & substance misuse.
- Domestic Abuse inc. Stalking & harassment.

Feeling Safe Priorities for Community Safety Partnership

- Burglary.
- Online Cyber Crime / Fraud & Cold calling.
- Criminal damage.
- Drug and alcohol abuse.
- Visible Police Presence.

A revised **Community Safety Strategy** will be produced following the next CSP meeting on **18th September** where specific objectives will be defined by CSP partners to address the agreed priorities. An effective delivery structure will be defined to allow monitoring of progress.

These priorities align closely with the latest Dyfed-Powys Police Control Strategy which targets the supply and use of illicit drugs, rape & sexual offences, and the prevention and tackling of domestic abuse. Furthermore, these issues are reflected in national and regional priorities as outlined in the Dyfed-Powys Police Strategic Assessment 2023-24.

WELLBEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS:	Has an Integrated Impact Assessment been completed? If not, please state why		Not completed as the report is not a Policy or Service change.
	Summary:		
	Long term:		
	Integration:		
	Collaboration:		
	Involvement:		

	Prevention:	
RECOMMENDATION (S):		
i. To note the findings of the Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment. ii. To note the Crime and Feeling Safe Priorities that will form CSP Strategy 2023-2024		
REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION (S):		
In order for the Overview and Scrutiny Coordinating Committee to carry out their role of taking an overview of the overall effectiveness of the CSP		
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Date of Report:	4 th September 2023	
Acronyms:	Community safety partnership (CSP) Strategic Assessment (SA)	