COMMUNITY OUTCOMES MEETING

10 October 2023

SUBJECT: Neighbourhood Policing and ASB

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT PRODUCED BY WEST YORKSHIRE POLICE

1. The attached report outlines work undertaken by West Yorkshire Police in respect of Neighbourhood Policing and ASB

RECOMMENDATION

2. That the Mayor/DMPC uses the report to scrutinise Force performance in respect of Neighbourhood Policing and ASB.

POLICE AND CRIME PLAN 21-24

- 3. The Police and Crime Plan was developed after extensive public and partner consultation culminating in the creation of 'The Voice of West Yorkshire'. Face to face and online consultation and engagement ran from 1 September 2021-30 November 2021; The Voice of West Yorkshire is one of two key documents which supports the Police and Crime Plan 2021 -24. The document includes the notes of key events held where road safety was raised as area of concern: police-and-crime-plan-voice-of-west-yorkshire-public-consultation.pdf (westyorks-ca.gov.uk)
- 4. The strategic priority of Safer Places and Thriving Communities focuses on the harmful and unacceptable behaviour that targets the different communities of West Yorkshire, through an ongoing commitment to Neighbourhood Policing and partnership working in localities. It will tackle the place-based crime that damages People's everyday lives, including serious violence, anti-social behaviour, and dangerous driving and speeding.
- The cross-cutting theme of Early Intervention and Prevention received support from both partners and communities, especially in tackling the social issues which communities felt could fuel offending including Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB).

KEY INFORMATION

- Mayoral/DMPC activity to date includes:
- The Mayor pledged to maintain a focus on Neighbourhood Policing through increase of 750 frontline police officers and police staff by May 2024.

- Updates on both of these areas (ASB and the Mayors pledge) are included in the quarterly report to the West Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel.
- At the end of March 2023 the Mayor has helped increase the number of frontline police officers and staff by 967, over and above the target of 750 officers by May 2024.
- The Mayor/ Deputy Mayor annually visit all Neighbourhood Policing Teams across West Yorkshire, speaking to staff, communities and members of the public.
- The Mayor and DMPC feed into consultation which support the reduction of ASB through Public Space Protection orders.
- The Mayor secured £1m funding via the Home office for a new pilot to tackle ASB across the region through an Immediate Justice Pilot. This pilot is trialling a range of tailored interventions and services including:
 - For Adults up to 2 days of unpaid work and ASB Awareness training that can be mandated by Police Officers for ASB type offences to repair the damage caused and educate offenders about the impact ASB has on communities.
 - For Children Reparative and restorative interventions involving them in positive activities to reduce the likelihood of repeating the same behaviours, to make amends and be a positive citizen.
 - For Victims specific support to have their say and seek further support about the impact to them and their community due to ASB and partake in Restorative Justice giving an opportunity to communicate with the person responsible.
 - Those that live, work or visit West Yorkshire can have their say via this public survey: https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/ASBIMMEDIATEJUSTICE2/
 - The West Yorkshire Mayor has funded 15 PCSOs and one Police Sergeant to form the West Yorkshire Safer Travel Team that is now operational. This team will work with local authorities, bus companies, West Yorkshire Police Neighbourhood Policing, and the British Transport Police to provide greater visibility on the West Yorkshire Public Transport network. The team are mobile, and able to move around the county in response to local intelligence, calls for service or identified problems. Working with territorial neighbourhood policing teams within local authority Community Safety Partnerships, the team can look to longer-term solutions.

Mayor's Safer Communities Fund

The Mayors Safer Communities Fund continues to deliver projects to tackle crime and ASB. Grant Rounds 1-4 have awarded 221 projects a total of £1,369,402.75. There are currently 93 projects focussing on Neighbourhood Crime and ASB totalling £578,140.71 and impacting 28,173 people.

PARTNERSHIP CONTRIBUTION

Both statutory and non-statutory partners work at a local level to support Neighbourhood Policing, this may also include PCSO partnership funding arrangements.

EQUALITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION

There are significant equality, diversity, and inclusion aspects to the Neighbourhood Policing and ASB agenda. Some communities, including those impacted by multiple deprivation, may be much more affected than others.

ATTACHMENT

Chief Constables report – Neighbourhood Policing and ASB