

Sevenoaks District Community Safety Partnership



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## Introduction

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### Background

Community Safety Partnerships were set up under the 1998 Crime & Disorder Act. Their purpose is to bring together all of the agencies in an area who can have an impact on crime, anti-social behaviour and the fear of crime. In Sevenoaks District, the Sevenoaks District Community Safety Partnership undertakes this role. Co-ordinated by the Council, its membership includes the Police, Kent Fire & Rescue Service, Kent County Council, the Probation Service, Housing Associations and others. A full list of partners is given on page 18 of this report. One of the Partnership's functions is to undertake an annual strategic assessment which identifies current and future community safety issues using evidence, consultation and analysis. It then puts in place a multi-agency action plan aimed at tackling the identified priority issues.

### Annual Report

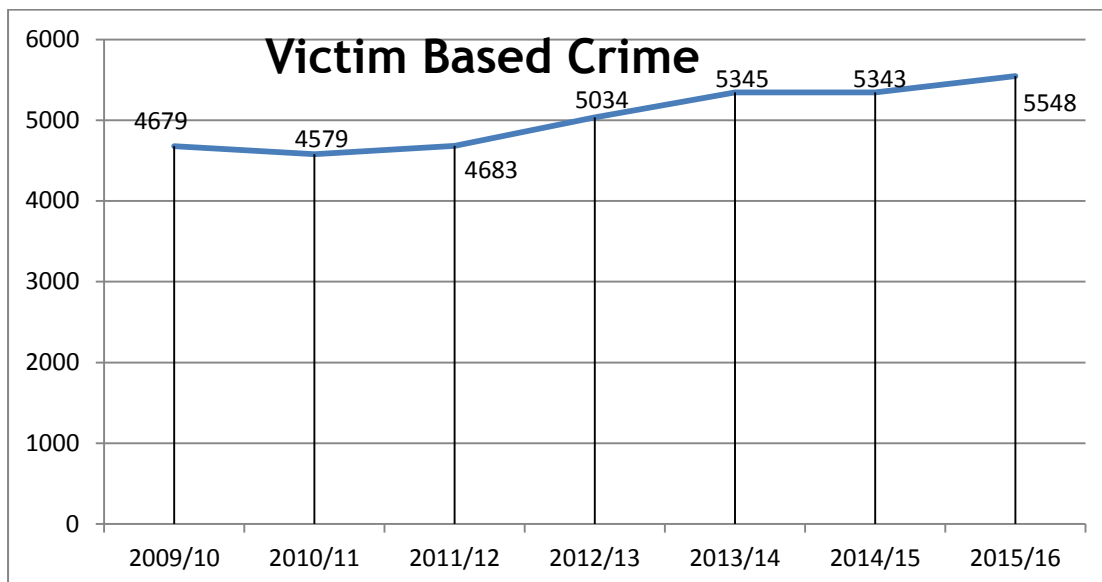
This Annual Report looks at what the Partnership and the Community Safety Unit (CSU) achieved over the last financial year (1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016). The Partnership has 3 key aims. They are to:

- Reduce and detect crime
- Reduce anti-social behaviour and the fear of crime
- Strengthen community involvement

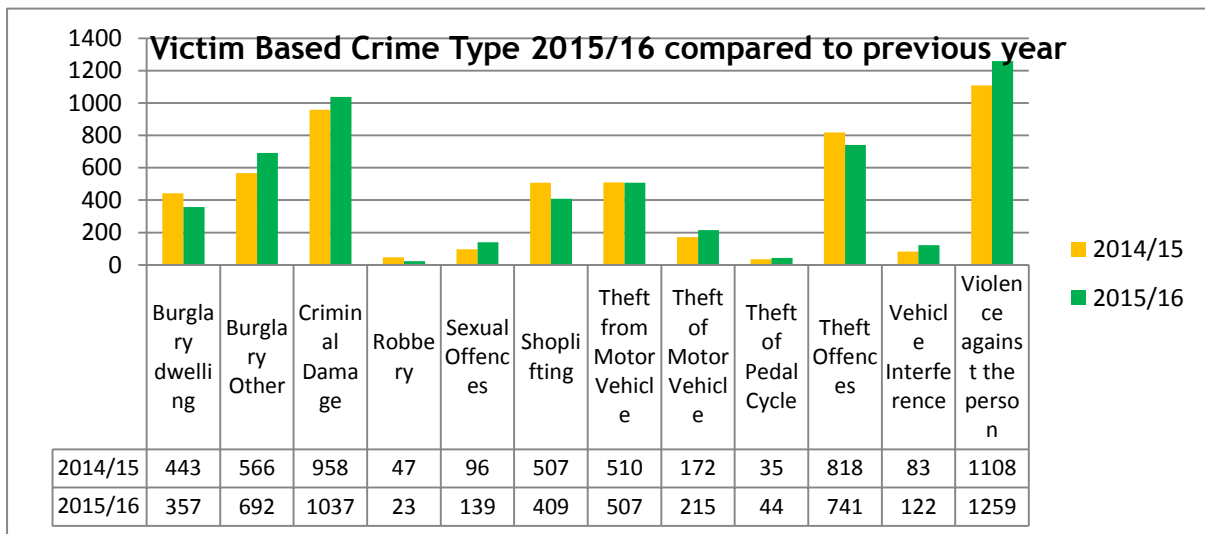
## Progress Against Crime Targets

In April 2013, the police changed the way they monitored crimes to focus on victim-based crime. This meant that the number of monitored crime types reduced from 15 to 12. The crimes no longer monitored were Fraud and Forgery, Drug Offences and Other Offences. During 2015-16 Sevenoaks District had the 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest number of recorded victim based crimes in the County. The graph below details victim-based crime statistics for the District over the last seven years.

**Chart 1 - Victim based crime figures for the Sevenoaks District over a 7 year period. (drug offences, fraud and forgery and other offences are not included)**

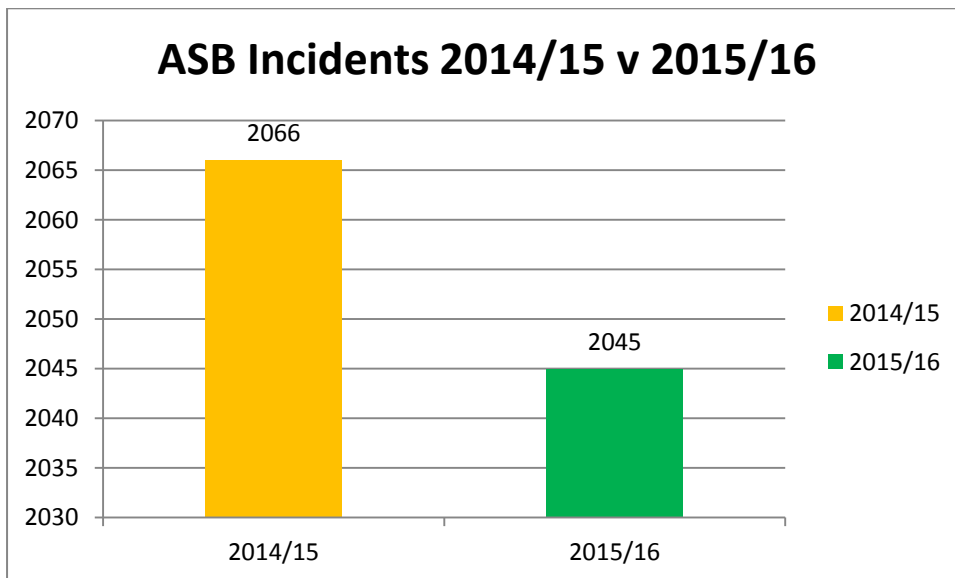


**Chart 2 -breakdown of victim based crime types 2015/16 compared to previous year.**

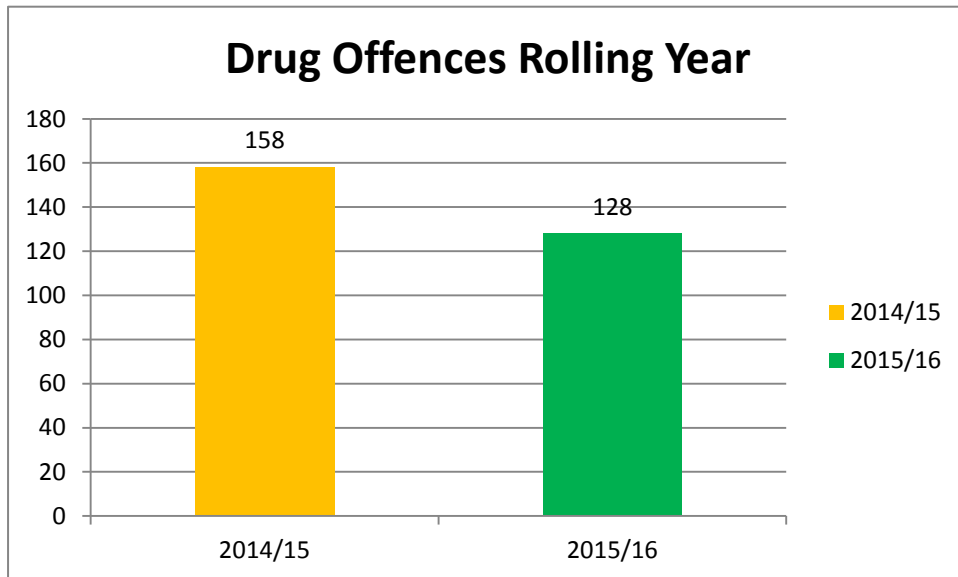


Victim based crime increased in 2015/16 by 205 crimes (3.8%).

**Chart 3 - Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents 2015/16 compared to 2014/15**



**Chart 4 - Drug Offence Rolling Year 2015/16 compared to 2014/15**



The CSP looks at crime trends on a daily and monthly basis and works together to address specific crime types to help reduce the crime figures.

## The Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014

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The Anti-Social Behaviour Crime & Policing Act 2014 was implemented on 20th October 2014.

The Act replaces nineteen pre-existing measures with six new measures for tackling anti-social behaviour and providing protection for victims and communities.

The community trigger and community remedy will empower victims and communities, giving them a greater say in how agencies respond to complaints of anti-social behaviour and out-of-court sanctions for offenders.

A summary of the new powers are below:-

**Civil Injunctions** - This is a civil order for anyone over the age of 10yrs old. A civil rather than criminal standard of proof is required - it is awarded on balance of probabilities that the person has engaged or is threatening to engage in behaviour capable of causing nuisance and annoyance. Can prohibit individuals from engaging in certain behaviour and can require them to engage in positive interventions.

**Criminal Behaviour Order** - Issued by any criminal court against a person who has been convicted of an offence to tackle the most persistently anti social individuals who are also engaged in criminal activity. The court must be satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that they have engaged in behaviour that has caused or likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress and that the Order will help prevent them from engaging in such behaviour.

**Dispersal Power** - The dispersal power is a flexible power which the police can use in a range of situations to disperse anti-social individuals and provide immediate short-term respite to a local community. The Council is not able to use this power. There is no statutory requirement to consult the local council with the new dispersal power, but the authorising officer may consider doing so in some circumstances.

Must specify the area to which it relates and can determine the time and the route to leave the area by.

**Community Protection Notice** - To stop a person, business or organisation committing anti-social behaviour which spoils the community's quality of life. Behaviour has to have a detrimental effect on the quality of life in the locality, be of a persistent or continuing nature and be unreasonable. It imposes requirements to stop doing specified things, requirements to do specified things and a requirement to take reasonable steps to achieve specified results. A written

warning has to be issued informing the perpetrator of the behaviour, requesting them to stop and the consequences of them continuing.

**Public Spaces Protection Order** - Designed to stop individuals or groups committing anti-social behaviour in a public space.

Behaviour has to have a detrimental effect on the quality of life in the locality, be of a persistent or continuing nature and be unreasonable. Restrictions and requirements set by the council after consultation with Police, PCC and other relevant bodies. Can be blanket restrictions/requirements or targeted against certain behaviours/times.

**Closure Power Notice** - To allow the Police or Council to quickly close premises which are being used, or likely to be used, to commit nuisance or disorder. To be used if the following has occurred or will occur if power not used - nuisance to the public or disorder near premises. Can be served out of court but cannot prevent owner or occupants accessing premises.

**Closure Power Order** - To allow the Police or Council to quickly close premises which are being used, or likely to be used, to commit nuisance or disorder. To be used if the following has occurred or will occur if power not used - disorderly, offensive or criminal behaviour, serious nuisance to the public or disorder near the premises. Needs to be applied for through the courts after Notice has been served. Can close a premise for up to 6 months and can restrict all access.

**Community Remedy** - The Act requires each local policing body (and therefore not the Council) to prepare a community remedy document for its area with a list of actions to be carried out by a person who has:-

Engaged in anti-social behaviour or has committed an offence; and is to be dealt with for that behaviour or offence without court proceedings The community remedy document will be used by the police as part of the existing process for delivering community resolutions.

It is proposed that this will give victims of low-level crime and anti-social behaviour a say in the punishment of perpetrators out of court.

**Community Trigger** - The trigger can only be progressed if at least three incidents of anti-social behaviour are reported to the relevant bodies within the previous six months.

The anti-social behaviour **must be a repeat of the same or similar incident**. The incidents **must have been reported within one month** of taking place.



In Kent, it has been adopted as one policy, but with adaption to local needs. The application for the trigger will be considered by the Community Safety Unit at its daily tasking meeting to decide whether or not the trigger threshold has been met at which point the Community Trigger application will be validated and a review will be initiated.

### April 2015 - March 2016

Since the new Act has been in place there have been no community triggers raised. A Criminal Behaviour Order was served on a 14 year old male from Swanley in April 2015 after a number of court adjournments. This order was achieved by the multi agency approach of Police, Sevenoaks District Council and West Kent Housing. A Community Protection Notice was served on The Former Convent of Mercy site in Swanley

### Community Safety Unit (CSU)

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The CSU is located within the District Council's Communities & Business Team at Argyle Road, Sevenoaks. There has been a reduction of Police based within the CSU and we have 4 Police Officers including a Sergeant. Of the other 3 officers, 2 are part time. The KCC Community Warden Supervisor, Troubled Families Project Manager and the Business Crime Reduction Co-ordinator are also based within the CSU.

The CSU will also have an additional Local Community Policing Team (CPT) which can be deployed to tackle local issues within the District. The CPT are based in Swanley but can be tasked by the CSU.

The CSU works closely with other Council teams - Communities & Business, CCTV, Environmental Health, Licensing, Social Housing, Benefits and Revenues and Contact Centre.

The CSU meets every morning to go through the previous 24hours ASB reports, Concern Calls and community safety issues from Police, SDC, Wardens, Housing Associations and other partners. There have been **938** daily tasking's from 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016. All actions have been taken forward and dealt with and residents/customers have been updated apart from where they have been anonymous or not wanted feedback.

Predictive Policing (Pred Pol) is a Kent Police initiative and continues to be part of the daily meeting process within the CSU. Pred Pol identifies twice a day the locations most likely to be affected by crime and anti-social behaviour during the next few hours. They are small locations where officers and partners can spend up to 20 minutes doing high visibility patrolling to disturb crime patterns. There are 5

locations day and evening and these go to the daily briefing so that Police and partners know where to patrol.

The CSU also arranges Environmental Visual Audits (EVAs) where Police, council, partners and residents look at an area to see what improvements can be made. Issues raised can be graffiti, litter, fly tipping, under aged drinking and the perception of young people gathering and causing anti-social behavior.

## **Sevenoaks Community Safety Partnership Strategy & Action Plan 2015-16**

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The 2015-16 Community Safety Strategy & Action Plan, put in place 48 actions to address the eight priorities identified in the strategic assessment. They were:

- ASB incl Environmental Crime
- Domestic Abuse
- Vehicle Crime
- Burglary Dwelling & Burglary Other than Dwelling
- Young People's Issues
- Road Safety
- Substance Misuse
- Theft including Shop Lifting

Different partners led on each action and key partners provided detailed monitoring information to the SDCSP at the end of each quarter. The Partnership uses a traffic light system to measure progress as follows:

- Green - on target to be achieved
- Amber - in some danger, requires remedial action
- Red - unlikely to be achieved

At the end of 2015-16, 64% of the success measures were green and 89% of the actions were green.

Below is a summary of work the CSP has done to address the 8 priorities.

### **Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) including Environmental Crime**

The SDC ASB Officer has worked on 165 reports of anti social behaviour from residents. This is an increase of 24 calls compared to the same period last year.

The Officer continues to chair the ASB Task Group monitoring and working with individuals identified as causing ASB across the District. This can involve working with approximately 15-20 people to offer support and take enforcement action where necessary. The Troubled Families Project also links into this meeting and there is joint working with the programme manager.

**Recorded incidents of ASB to Kent Police** in Sevenoaks District, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016, is the lowest in the County, at 2045 incidents. This is a 0.9% reduction (19 reports) compared with the previous year.

**Task and Finish Groups** have been established to provide intensive intervention by Partner Agencies for areas or vulnerable people when a number of reports have come in through the CSU Daily Tasking meetings. During 2015-16 there were 20 Task and Finish Groups set up of which 14 were completed and 6 are ongoing.

**PACT (Partners & Communities Together) Panel** meetings are set up in Swanley, Edenbridge and New Ash Green. The Panels consist of Partner Agencies including the District Council, Police, Housing Associations and local Town or Parish Councils as well as businesses and residents. Activities include youth projects, community litter picks, and joint walkabouts with local housing officers and community wardens to tackle environmental issues.

Three **Environmental Visual Audits (EVAs)** were completed this year and action plans put in place as a result. These have taken place in New Ash Green, Edenbridge and South Darenth. The action plans include tasks to deal with the issues that have been raised. The EVA's are attended by Councillors, residents, partner agencies including businesses and various SDC departments.

**Mobile CCTV** has been deployed to target ASB and criminal damage. The CSP have 3 cameras. They were deployed in Bradbourne Vale Road, Sevenoaks, The Mead, New Ash Green, Greatness Lane, Sevenoaks, Azalea Shops, Swanley and Westerham.

**Prevent Strategy-** The Counter Terrorism and Security Act received Royal Assent on 12 February 2015, placing the Prevent Programme on a statutory footing and Part 5 of the Act (Chapter 1 s. 26-35) places a general duty on all specified authorities to, when exercising their functions, have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism.

It came into effect for local authorities in June 2015 as part of the Government's counter-terrorism strategy, Contest. It aims to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting extremism. It addresses all forms of terrorism but continues to prioritise according to the threat posed to national security.

The three specific objectives of Prevent still stand and focus on:

1. Challenging the **ideology** that supports terrorism and those who promote it;
2. Protecting vulnerable **individuals**: to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure that they are given appropriate advice and support;
3. Supporting sectors and **institutions** where there are risks of radicalisation.

The Community Safety Partnership developed an action plan, which was one of the first in Kent and has been seen as good practise by Kent Police. It is monitored at the Strategic Partnership meetings.

Members of the Community Safety Team were trained to deliver Home Office approved Op Wrap 3 Training.

From October 2015 - February 2016 we have delivered training to 318 people (273 SDC staff including SMT, SMG and Members).

We also worked with Building Control to deliver training on what SDC would do in a Counter Terrorism situation, this included the new lanyards.

**CSU Initiatives** - With funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) and other agencies. The CSU works with communities and partners to fund up to 8 projects that will reduce crime; the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour; create cleaner and safer environments or support victims of crime and vulnerable people. Partners can bid for this funding for physical/environmental improvement projects where particular crime or anti-social behaviour issues have been identified. Funding is allocated according to the level of actual crime reduction likely to be achieved. These projects also enhance community involvement with local communities and businesses. This year projects included:

Covert CCTV with WKHA to address ASB	To address the anti-social behaviour coming from tenants of WKHA which is affecting the community
Dog Fouling Initiatives (Dog Bags)	<b>Match Funded</b> - High Concern for local communities - Animal Welfare Officer attending local events with Town and Parish Councils and West Kent Housing giving out information and dog poop bags
Renewal of airtime for Mobile CCTV	Yearly renewal contract for sim card for the Mobile CCTV Cameras
Gym Equipment for Clocktower Gym (young persons project)	Specific project for young people in New Ash Green into a boxing club initiative. Equipment can be used to run projects every 10 weeks throughout the year. Young people can a certified certificate. Police and Fire Service also visit the venue.
Reform, Restore, Respect	Workshops delivered to Year 5/6 primary schools throughout the District to look at gang culture and behaviour and consequences of bullying
Supa Jam	Project helping 16-21 year olds gain employment and education through a music based workshop in Swanley
Display Stands for Children's	Leaflet stands for 3 Children's Centres to

Centres	hold all the leaflets that the Council and Community Safety Partnership to incl domestic abuse, vehicle crime,
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### Burglary Dwelling & Burglary Other Than Dwelling (BOTD)

The Police have continued to run ‘Op Weymouth’ which started in January 2013. The operation involves targeting both Burglary & Vehicle Crime. This involved specific offenders being targeted as well as offering advice and information to local residents and repeat and vulnerable victims.

Street Briefings have worked well around our higher crime types (Burglary/Vehicle Crime). This is a quick turn around of visible policing, engaging with the local community. For example if a burglary occurs in a street, residents are invited to attend a street briefing either that evening or following day (op Cocoon) so that Officers can offer reassurance, crime reduction devices and collate evidence if any is offered by residents. There were 54 Op Cocoon from 1 April 2016 - 31 March 2016.

Articles about protecting your property and out-buildings have also been publicised through InShape, Community Safety Newsletter and Twitter. Neighbourhood Watch & E-Watch provide regular information & home security advice to residents on a weekly basis.

At the year end, Burglary Dwelling had decreased by 19%, a decrease of 86 crimes (357 in total) during the year. However, there has been an increase in Burglary other than Dwelling (eg sheds, outbuildings) offences by 22%, an increase of 126 crimes (692 in total). Burglary remains a priority during under Acquisitive Crime in 2016-17.

### Vehicle Crime

The use of false number plates to commit crime continues to be tackled by the ‘Safe Plate’ schemes. There have been 20 Safer Plates Events delivered by Police Community Support Officers across the District where tamper proof screws have been fitted, free of charge, to prevent the theft of number plates.

A leaflet providing information on Vehicle Crime has been produced and is available on the District Council website. It has also been delivered to areas where there has been a report of Vehicle Crime.

There was an increase in Theft of Motor Vehicles of 25%, or 43 crimes (215 in total) during the year. However there was a decrease in Theft from Motor Vehicles of 0.5% or 3 crimes (507 in total).

## Young People's Issues

**E-safety campaigns** are delivered by SDC to deliver key messages to local schools and parents about keeping safe on the internet.

February 9 2015, was National Internet Safety Day. The District Council looked at an innovative way of getting schools to engage with the Council, something quick and easy for them that also hits their curriculum. This was to hold 2 interactive quizzes on the day, hosted by Cllr Roddy Hogarth, Portfolio Holder for Economic and Community Development (which includes Community Safety)

Both sessions, lasted 40 minutes, 13 schools took part and over 200 students participated

We also gave out wristbands and booklets for schools and parents that were produced free. The day was very successful.

**West Kent Extra has been working** closely with younger people to reduce negative attitudes and behaviour by providing learning activities, crime prevention projects, a Buddy Scheme and Reflection Scheme.

KCC provide the **Duke of Edinburgh** and other accredited programmes to support the transformation and progress of younger people in Sevenoaks District.

**Swanley Youth Centre** is open and runs activities 5 nights a week; **CXK WKE** and **House in the Basement** deliver programmes in other parts of the District.

**Reform Restore Respect (RRR)** is a District based charity which provides anti crime workshops to schools across the district and 1:1 work with individuals who need intensive advice and support. Between 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016, 8 workshops were delivered in schools. RRR have also worked on presentations around bullying and racial diversity.

The **SDC Sports Activation Project 2015-16** took part in 11 community events across the North West parishes of the District including Eynsford, Horton Kirby and South Darenth, Fawkham and Hartley, West Kingsdown and New Ash Green, where various activities were offered including archery, dance, boccia, multi-skill coaching to local young residents.

## Road Safety

4 multi agency **road operations** have been held by the Police, KCC Community Wardens and Kent Fire Rescue Service across the District. Drivers who were caught speeding by the Police were given an educational package at the roadside by KFRS and Community Wardens instead of penalty points. Over 30 drivers per session were stopped and the majority took on the 30 minute educational session, others had penalty notices issued.

We conducted 3 **Speed Watch** volunteer sessions over the year and have 150 trained volunteers. We have 6 speed boards in total which are constantly out on loan with the volunteers raising awareness of road safety. Speed Watch Groups are proactive in: Bayham Road, Sevenoaks; Noah's Ark; Chevening; Brittain's Lane, Sevenoaks; Edenbridge; Crockenhill; Westerham; Bessels Green and White Hart Estate, Sevenoaks.

Seven Safe Plate events were organised by the PCSOs.

The new Kent Fire & Rescue Service Road Safety Experience for young people opened in March and Oasis and West Heath School have attended as well as Swanley & New Ash Green Scouts.

### **Domestic Abuse**

1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 there was 1355 reports of Domestic Abuse to Police an increase of 205 (17.8%). Repeat victims have also seen an increase of 262 to 340 repeat victims (78 crimes 29.7%)

A successful **Domestic Abuse Conference** was held in November 2015. Chaired by the District Council's Community Safety Portfolio Holder, the conference focussed on Honour Based Violence, Forced Marriages and FGM (Female Genital Mutilation). It was then followed by workshops to update the current action plan. It was attended by approx. 40 front line workers. The conference is held annually and will next be held in November 2016. Feedback was extremely positive and new actions are being taking forward from this by the Domestic Abuse Working Group, who meet on a quarterly basis.

**The Domestic Abuse Voluntary Support Service (DAVSS)** was set up in the District in 2010 and supports any victim of Domestic Abuse who seeks help. Volunteers are trained to a high level to deal with all aspects of Domestic Abuse. They support victims including helping them through any court proceedings. The IDVA (Independent Domestic Violence Advisor) service provided by DAVSS looks at high risk cases through the MARAC (Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference). The Partnership works closely with DAVSS and helps to fund the service. DAVSS is one of the projects that receive Police & Crime Commissioner funding through the Partnership. During the year, DAVSS supported 231 victims of domestic abuse (88 more than same period last year) in the Sevenoaks District. There were 201 calls to the helpline, a reduction of 4 calls compared to the same period last year.

**The Community Domestic Abuse Perpetrators Programme (CDAP)** has been operating since July 2007 covering West Kent. The programme is a 29 rolling week programme covering 9 modules to help men and their partners tackle their abuse. The women and children are supported by a Woman's Support Worker. 3 men from Sevenoaks District attended the course in 2014-15. CDAP is one of the projects that receive Police & Crime Commissioner funding through the Partnership.

The Partnership organises a weekly **One Stop Shop** drop in for Domestic Abuse support and advice in Swanley. In November 2014 the shop moved from Swanley to

Sevenoaks Library. April 2015 - 31 March 2016 16 adults have attended, helping 17 children. It has been decided due to staffing capacity and lack of attendees (referrals being more picked up by DAVSS) that this service will stop in May 2016.

**The Freedom Programme** has been designed to help women who have been a victim of or are affected by domestic abuse. It is a 12 week programme which runs for two hours each week in various locations across Sevenoaks District. Programmes were delivered in Swanley, Sevenoaks and Edenbridge. Two evening programmes were also held one in Sevenoaks and the other in Swanley. The programme was attended by 26 women who are suffering/survived domestic abuse. Freedom Programme is one of the projects that receive Police & Crime Commissioner funding through the Partnership.

The Partnership has a **Domestic Abuse Working Group**, made up of key workers who are able to have an impact on Domestic Abuse. It updates its action plan annually following the conference to ensure that it is focussing on the issues that are important.

The ISVA Service (**Independent Sexual Violence Advisor**) -ISVA support is specific to people who have been sexually assaulted or raped, not necessarily related to Domestic Abuse. The service also offers impartial advice from a variety of sources, where they remain independent from their Agency Policies and Guidelines. The ISVA service offers emotional support and practical advice to anyone and any age. There were 16 referrals 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016. ISVA is one of the projects that receive Police & Crime Commissioner funding through the Partnership

### **Substance Misuse**

**The Kenward Trust** provides **sessions within schools** and **detached** work to help young people understand the facts about substance misuse and help those misusing drink or drugs to change their behaviour. They run a number of initiatives using a mobile unit and interactive and visual tools to engage young people about the dangers of substance misuse, so that they will make informed and responsible choices. They are also targeted to attend “hot spot” locations through the CSU daily briefings to work with young people and identify and address substance misuse issues.

With PCC funding through the Partnership, Kenward Trust has worked with over 400 young people this financial year in addition to their work in schools. They have also been tasked to work in over 20 locations that have been highlighted by the CSU in response to community concerns over drugs and alcohol.

**CRI**, commissioned by the Kent Drugs and Alcohol Service, provide **early intervention services**. This includes **breakfast clubs** and **specialist rehabilitation services**. They also undertake home visits to those with children and mobility issues.



**KCA**, is commissioned by the Kent Drugs and Alcohol Service for young peoples services. This includes a lot of work around legal highs and preventative work.

**Kent Community Alcohol Programme** is a joint venture between Police, the Partnership and Trading Standards and works to limit underage sales of alcohol and tobacco. This is currently running in Swanley and Hextable.

A Substance Misuse Conference was held in November as part of Alcohol Awareness week. Approx. 40 front line workers attended. There were two inspirational speakers who spoke about their recovery from alcohol addiction including a young female aged 16. A workshop was held afterwards and the Substance Misuse Action Plan was updated. The Substance Misuse Task Group meets twice a year.

### **Theft including Shoplifting**

The Business Crime Reduction Partnership (BCRP) has 39 business members across the District. The partnership runs the Shopsafe and Pubwatch schemes.

The scheme has banned 10 individuals over the period. CCTV, the CSU, business partners and the Police have worked together to help catch shoplifters and ban repeat offenders.

From 1 March 2015 - 31 April 2016 there were 1332 reports of Business Crime to the Police. This is a decrease of 119 (8.2%) from the previous year.

### The Partnership month by month

In addition to the daily work of the Partnership and CSU, the following new projects and successes took place.

#### April 2015

- In April 2015 our first Criminal Behaviour Order using the new ASB Powers was granted on a young person in Swanley after effective partnership working.
- Kick Kent started 12 week programmes in New Ash Green and Swanley. There are 16 young people attending Swanley
- Reform, Restore, Respect held workshops in Hartley, West Kingsdown, New Ash Green Primary Schools given to their year 6 pupils.
- KCC Community Wardens delivery of Trading Standards 'Scammer' project which involves Warden supporting residents repeatedly targeted by scam activity (using 'Suckers list' provided by Metropolitan Police). New priority visits are currently being undertaken across Sevenoaks District.

#### May 2015

- A Family Community Day in Edenbridge took place in Partnership with Moat Homes. This was to address ASB issues caused by young people playing football in inappropriate areas. The day was a great success with over 100 residents attending.
- Kent Police, SDC, Community wardens and West Kent Housing worked in partnership to speak to all residents in Hale Lane, Otford, and provide information on how to report ASB, following ASB and nuisance neighbour
- Swanley Noise Action Day. This was a WKHA initiative which the Community Safety Partnership were invited to in order to raise awareness of initiatives available to Sevenoaks District Residents. There was a silent disco. It was also attended by Environmental Health officers who exhibited noise monitoring equipment.

#### June 2015

- KCC Community Wardens, SDC and Kent Police participated in the South Darenth - Horton Kirby Neighbourhood Charter, which was signed in June 2015
- Safeguarding Week took place in June. The CSU promoted this through social media and community groups.
- KCC Community Wardens identified repeat victims of Burglary or who were vulnerable, this was followed by crime prevention / reduction work e.g., application of SmartWater resources and other support designed to mitigate

the likelihood or exposure to further criminal activity. Funding for this was provided by the CSP

- DAVSS won the Charity Project of the Year at the recent Sevenoaks District Council Making It Happen Voluntary and Community Awards.

### July 2015

- The ASB Officer completed joint work with Kent Police and Amicus Horizon to serve a Notice of Seeking Possession on one of their tenants causing ASB.
- The Community Safety Manager, ASB Officer and Community Safety Assistant were trained to be a trainer for WRAP3 Home Office accredited Prevent Training.
- Speed Checks have been completed in Station Road, South Darenth; Swan Lane, Edenbridge; Oak Lane, Sevenoaks; Station Road, Eynsford; High Street, Eynsford; Green Court Road, Crockenhill and Main Road, Knockholt. Resulting in 443 vehicles checked.

### August 2015

- The Bluewater Safety Shop combines Sevenoaks District, Dartford and Gravesend services for residents visiting. Sevenoaks CSP and the Council have a good presence there and have offered support services for the District.
- 4 Task & Finish Groups took place this month. All multi-agency (Police, Fire Service, Housing Associations, Environmental Health and SDC Teams).

### September 2015

- The ASB Officer along with Kent Police representatives has attended Orchards Academy and Knole Academy to address ASB involving their students.
- The ASB Officer along with Kent Police and BTP attended a train operation to tackle ASB at both Swanley and Bat n Ball Railway Station.
- E-Safety talk to parents at Sundridge and Brasted primary school.

### October 2015

- The Police & Crime Commissioner Ann Barnes visited the Sevenoaks District Council on 21 October. Where she : Met with Chief Executive and Portfolio Holder for Economic and Community Development and members of the CSU
- Prevent Training was delivered to Members, SDC Staff and partner agencies. Over 100 in total
- Good radio usage amongst members with CCTV has resulted in over 180 reports with many resulting in police arrests. This includes the Pubwatch night time economy scheme
- SpeedWatch Training took place with 14 volunteers attended.

## November 2015

- A Substance Misuse Conference took place on 18<sup>th</sup> November with over 40 attendees.
- Intervention Brief Advice for alcohol training took place on 18<sup>th</sup> November with over 20 attendees.
- The Business Crime Reduction Partnership extended their members to 39 shops/businesses signing up to the scheme.

## December 2015

- The Domestic Abuse Conference took place on 2<sup>nd</sup> December with over 40 attendees focussing on Honour Based Violence, Forced Marriages and FGM (Female Genital Mutilation)
- Operation Willow was launched in December. This operation is specifically for tackling Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE). The Community Safety Manager is the CSE Champion for the District.
- Strategic Assessment was completed.

## January 2016

- The Community Safety Partnership Development Day was held where the 2016-17 Action Plan was drafted through the Strategic Assessment Report.
- 13 Women attended the Freedom Programme that started in January.
- Convent of Mercy meetings were held over the year and agencies gathered information to start taking forward enforcement action

## February 2016

- Internet Safety Day took place with 16 schools attending (over 200 pupils), virtually over the internet to take part in a quiz hosted by the Portfolio Holder.
- Prevent/Building Security Training was held for Council staff and partner agencies resulting in 191 individuals trained.
- The Community Safety Manager attended Seal Primary School to help address their parking issues. Letters were sent to residents and parents.

## March 2016

- DAVSS delivered 12 sessions at West Kent College, 2 at YMCA involving 136 students and 12 tutors
- Anti-Social Behaviour is one of 33 indicators for Phase 2 of the Troubled Families Programme. Families who meet two or more of the criteria can be referred to Early Help for support. This support could be provided by an Early Help Worker, FIP worker, or through an open access or other commissioned service. Since April 2015 to date, 445 families in the Sevenoaks District have been verified as meeting the Troubled Families criteria. 21% of these families have at least one individual who meets the

anti-social behaviour criteria; and 8% have at least one individual meeting the offending criteria. Work is currently underway to assess which families have improved since receiving support in preparation for the next Troubled Families claims period - May to September 2016.

- Community Safety Event organised by Network rail at bat and ball station after reports of groups of young people causing a nuisance on trains, on the platform at the station and areas around the station. This was a multi agency event.

## Future Developments

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The Strategic Assessment was completed in January 2016 using data supplied by a variety of agencies. Based on this, our new 2016/17 Community & Safety Strategy & Action Plan will prioritise the following issues:

1. Domestic Abuse
2. Young People's Issues incl e-safety and bullying
3. ASB incl environmental crime
4. Substance Misuse
5. Road Safety incl speeding
6. Acquisitive Crime incl Burglary & Vehicle crime
7. Safeguarding incl Prevent, Human Trafficking, Modern Slavery, Gangs and Child Sexual Exploitation

Efforts will continue to promote community safety and help people to feel safer through existing local PACTS (Partners and Communities Together panels), feedback from the CSU and Community Awareness days.

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## Glossary

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- **ASB** - Anti-Social Behaviour
- **BCRP** - Business Crime Reduction Partnerships
- **BOTD** - Burglary Other Than Dwelling
- **CSE** - Child Sexual Exploitation
- **CSP** - Community Safety Partnership
- **CSU** - Community Safety Unit
- **KCAP** - Kent Community Alcohol Partnership
- **KFRS** - Kent Fire & Rescue Service
- **KCC** - Kent County Council
- **MARACs** - Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference
- **PACT** - Police And Community Together
- **PCC** - Police & Crime Commissioner
- **PCSOs** - Police Community Support Officer
- **SDC** - Sevenoaks District Council
- **TFMV** - Theft From a Motor Vehicle
- **TOMV** - Theft Of a Motor Vehicle
- **YOS** - Youth Offending Service