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COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP WORKING PARTY

20 FEBRUARY 2018

A meeting of the Community Safety Partnership Working Party will be held at **7.00 pm on Tuesday, 20 February 2018** in the Council Chamber - Council Offices.

Membership:

Councillor Curran (Chairman); Councillors: Campbell, Dixon, Falcon and M Saunders

AGENDA

Item
No

Subject

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

To receive any declarations of interest. Members are advised to consider the advice contained within the Declaration of Interest form attached at the back of this agenda. If a Member declares an interest, they should complete that form and hand it to the officer clerking the meeting and then take the prescribed course of action.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** (Pages 3 - 6)

To approve the Minutes of the Community Safety Partnership Working Party meeting held on 28 September 2017, copy attached.

4. **KENT POLICE UPDATE ON POLICING IN RAMSGATE AND MARGATE (RE: YOUTH CRIME/ASB)** (Pages 7 - 10)

5. **PARENTS SCHOOL PARKING CHALLENGES IN SOME AREAS OF THE DISTRICT** (Pages 11 - 14)

Declaration of Interests Form



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Minutes of the meeting held on 28 September 2017 at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber,
Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillor Curran (Chairman); Councillors Campbell, Dixon, Falcon,
Grove and M Saunders

24. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor Campbell proposed, Councillor M. Saunders seconded and Members agreed that Councillor Curran be the Chairman of the Community Safety Partnership Working Party.

Councillor Curran in the Chair.

25. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies received at the meeting.

26. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

27. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councillor Campbell proposed, Councillor M. Saunders seconded and Members agreed the minutes to be a correct record of the meeting that was held on 20 July 2017.

28. CRIME STATISTICS IN THANET

Councillor Curran, Chairman of the working party invited Chief Inspector Sharon Adley to make her presentation. CI Adley advised the meeting that a report on crime statistics might not necessarily give a clear picture for Members.

This was because a recent change in the way Kent records crime would make a comparative analysis difficult to understand. Such an analysis would be better done into next year. CI Adley then offered to provide the working party with a narrative of the key issues affecting the district.

During her presentation, Chief Inspector Adley made the following points:

- Local communities were concerned by anti-social behaviour issues affecting specific areas within Ramsgate in particular large groups of youths congregating in some areas, causing a public nuisance;
- The Police were using a number of tools that included dispersal orders, home visits, acceptable behaviour orders, community protection warnings and high visibility patrolling by the Community Policing Team to tackle the problem;
- Police have attended meetings with Ramsgate Town Council and local residents to get a better understanding of the nature of the problem and the PCSO runs regular surgeries in the Ramsgate Library;
- They have also been in touch with some food outlets in tackling this issue. There have been reports about youths congregating in the Morrison car park in Margate causing a nuisance and in the High Street;

- Police have continued to use dispersal orders, home visits and similar tools to the ones used in Ramsgate;
- **General Crime:** - There has been a rise in victim based crime across the district;
- New changes to how crime is recorded has also contributed to what appears to be a rise in crime, Chief Inspector Adley explained that many single incidents can now result in multiple crimes being recorded.
- The district experienced the usual summer spike in call demand and there were some crime spikes experienced namely vehicle crime and burglary. There were also reported incidents of crime that involved damage to beach huts and allotments;

The largest increases in violent crime are in categories which involve no injury, such as common assault and public order offences. Whilst we take these matters seriously, it is important to put this rise into context.

Chief Inspector Adley then handed over to Inspector Mark Pearson who then made the following points during the presentation of his update report on the Margate Task Force (MTF):

- Intelligence information generated by the collaborating agency working as part of the MTF has been used to identify vulnerable individuals who thereafter received help from appropriate agencies;
- The MTF has provided a number of training sessions across Kent on behalf of the Safeguarding Children's Board;
- About 3,000 Safe and Well visits in the last two years have been conducted by the MTF and have helped vulnerable adults;
- MTF is running two family support panels per week for young people at risk of group violence and drugs. Two years ago it was one such panel per month;
- St Giles Trust is running 1-1 sessions for vulnerable young people in Thanet. This is with support from the Home Office funding;
- MTF hosted two visiting senior programme managers from New Orleans (USA), who commended the co-location of 18 agencies as part of inter-agency collaborative working. They also shared their own experience with the Task Force;
- Inspector Pearson announced that he would be retiring in December.

In response to the presentation Members made the following comments:

- Councillor Campbell advised the meeting that of from 1 September Ramsgate Town Council would take over responsibility for management of Charlotte and Albert Court which have been used for anti-social behaviour and other crime;
- Ramsgate Town Council would be setting up CCTV cameras and flood lights to light up the area to deter such behaviours. However this depended on planning consent being given as this was a listed area;
- During an engagement meeting with the Police, the town council was advised that they could close a number of gates in that area;
- One Member was concerned about the level of policing in the villages due to budget constraints. They reported that the villages were experiencing anti-social behaviour activities from some youth and requested for increased patrols by a PCSO and or Police.

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In responses to comments from Members, Chief Inspector Adley indicated:

- The Police were working on recruiting PCSOs and would in due course be assigning a PCSO for the villages;
- These would replace some of the PCSOs who were either re-assigned to specialist roles relating to work with vulnerable adults and missing children), some PCSOs have joined the regulars;
- She encouraged residents and councillors to keep calling in to report crime and anti-social behaviour;
- Chief Inspector Adley offered to come back to the next meeting of the working party to give Members an update on work done in Ramsgate.

Councillor Campbell thanked and praised Inspector Mark Pearson for the work done with the Margate Task Force in particular and other police work in the district as well.

The Chairman thanked Chief Inspector Adley and Inspector Pearson for the presentation and acknowledged the offer for a follow-up update report on the work currently underway in Ramsgate. He further requested that Members forward to him suggested topics for future discussion and asked officers to arrange a date for the next meeting.

Meeting concluded: 7.40 pm

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	Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it	
	Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.	
	There no equity and equalities issues arising directly from this report but the Council needs to retain a strong focus and understanding on issues of diversity amongst the local community and ensure service delivery matches these.	

CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick those relevant)✓	
A clean and welcoming Environment	
Promoting inward investment and job creation	
Supporting neighbourhoods	✓

CORPORATE VALUES (tick those relevant)✓	
Delivering value for money	
Supporting the Workforce	
Promoting open communications	✓

1.0 Introduction and Background

- 1.1 At a previous meeting of the Community Safety Partnership working party, Members requested that, as a partner to the Thanet Community Safety Partnership, Kent Police be invited to make a presentation on crime statistics and anti-social behaviour incidents in some parts of Thanet area.

- 1.2 Although this was meant to be a one off presentation, it was felt that after the initial report by Kent Police, another report back on progress regarding policing initiatives in those areas affected by youth crime would be appropriate in concluding discussion on the matter.

2.0 Options

- 2.1 Depending on the issues that will emerge from the presentation and discussion, Members of the sub group could make recommendations to the Overview & Scrutiny Panel on any proposals they suggest the Panel could further forward to an appropriate decision making body for consideration.

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Annex List

None	N/A
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Background Papers

Title	Details of where to access copy
None	N/A

Agenda Item 4

Corporate Consultation

Finance	Ramesh Prashar, Head of Financial Services
Legal	Sophia Nartey, Interim Head of Legal Services

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Parents school parking challenges in some areas of the district

Community Safety Partnership
Working Party

20 February 2018

Report Author

Charles Hungwe, Senior Democratic Services Officer

Portfolio Holder

Cllr Lin Fairbrass, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Community Safety & Environmental Services

Status

For Information/Recommendations

Classification:

Unrestricted

Key Decision

No

Ward:

All wards

Executive Summary:

Members of the Community Safety working party requested for a presentation on inconsiderate parking at some schools in Thanet with a view to understanding the nature of the problem and what steps were being taken to find a lasting solution to the issue.

A presentation has been arranged by the relevant officers working within this field for Thanet District Council and it will provide updating the current position, and what the council working with other appropriate partner agencies was currently doing to address those issues.

Members will then make recommendations as they see fit and take a view as to what further scrutiny may be required.

Recommendation(s):

Members are requested to:

1 Note the presentation;

and either

2. Request further information and agree on further lines of enquiry for scrutiny or take no further action;

or

3. Formulate and forward any recommendations to the OSP and consider onward submission to appropriate external decision making body.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS									
Financial and Value for Money	There are no financial implications currently arising from this information report.								
Legal	There are no legal implications directly arising from this information report.								
Corporate	There are no corporate risks associated with this report.								
Equalities Act 2010 & Public Sector Equality Duty	<p>Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the Duty are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.</p> <p>Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy & maternity. Only aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage & civil partnership.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 10px;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2" style="text-align: left;">Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act,</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>There no equity and equalities issues arising directly from this report but the Council needs to retain a strong focus and understanding on issues of diversity amongst the local community and ensure service delivery matches these. It should also be noted that a review to be conducted by one of the working parties focuses on protecting vulnerable individuals of the local community from violence.</p>	Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report.		Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act,	✓	Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it	✓	Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.	✓
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1.0 Background

- 1.1 At the meeting held on the 20 July 2017, Community Safety Working party agreed an initial two topics for review and that included a look at inconsiderate parking at some schools in Thanet.
- 1.2 It is hoped that the officer presentation will then inform the way forward for the working party.

2.0 Options

Following the presentation and question responses, working party members can:

2.1 Note the information and explanations given;

And either

2.2 Request further information and agree on further lines of enquiry for scrutiny or take no further action;

Or

2.3 Formulate and forward any recommendations to the Overview & Scrutiny Panel for onward submission to an appropriate decision making body.

3.0 Other considerations

3.1 Depending on the issues that will emerge from the presentation and discussion, Members of the sub group could make recommendations to the Overview & Scrutiny Panel on any proposals they suggest the Panel could further forward to an appropriate decision making body for consideration.

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THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL DECLARATION OF INTEREST FORM

Do I have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and if so what action should I take?

Your Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) are those interests that are, or should be, listed on your Register of Interest Form.

If you are at a meeting and the subject relating to one of your DPIs is to be discussed, in so far as you are aware of the DPI, you **must** declare the existence **and** explain the nature of the DPI during the declarations of interest agenda item, at the commencement of the item under discussion, or when the interest has become apparent

Once you have declared that you have a DPI (unless you have been granted a dispensation by the Standards Committee or the Monitoring Officer, for which you will have applied to the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting) you **must:-**

1. Not speak or vote on the matter;
2. Withdraw from the meeting room during the consideration of the matter;
3. Not seek to improperly influence the decision on the matter.

Do I have a significant interest and if so what action should I take?

A significant interest is an interest (other than a DPI or an interest in an Authority Function) which:

1. Affects the financial position of yourself and/or an associated person; or Relates to the determination of your application for any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration made by, or on your behalf of, you and/or an associated person;
2. And which, in either case, a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as being so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgment of the public interest.

An associated person is defined as:

- A family member or any other person with whom you have a close association, including your spouse, civil partner, or somebody with whom you are living as a husband or wife, or as if you are civil partners; or
- Any person or body who employs or has appointed such persons, any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors; or
- Any person or body in whom such persons have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000;
- Any body of which you are in a position of general control or management and to which you are appointed or nominated by the Authority; or
- any body in respect of which you are in a position of general control or management and which:
 - exercises functions of a public nature; or
 - is directed to charitable purposes; or
 - has as its principal purpose or one of its principal purposes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union)

An Authority Function is defined as: -

- Housing - where you are a tenant of the Council provided that those functions do not relate particularly to your tenancy or lease; or
- Any allowance, payment or indemnity given to members of the Council;
- Any ceremonial honour given to members of the Council
- Setting the Council Tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992

If you are at a meeting and you think that you have a significant interest then you **must** declare the existence **and** nature of the significant interest at the commencement of the

matter, or when the interest has become apparent, or the declarations of interest agenda item.

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1. Not speak or vote (unless the public have speaking rights, or you are present to make representations, answer questions or to give evidence relating to the business being discussed in which case you can speak only)
2. Withdraw from the meeting during consideration of the matter or immediately after speaking.
3. Not seek to improperly influence the decision.

Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality

Councillors must declare at meetings any gift, benefit or hospitality with an estimated value (or cumulative value if a series of gifts etc.) of £25 or more. You **must**, at the commencement of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent, disclose the existence and nature of the gift, benefit or hospitality, the identity of the donor and how the business under consideration relates to that person or body. However you can stay in the meeting unless it constitutes a significant interest, in which case it should be declared as outlined above.

What if I am unsure?

If you are in any doubt, Members are strongly advised to seek advice from the Monitoring Officer or the Committee Services Manager well in advance of the meeting.

DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS AND GIFTS, BENEFITS AND HOSPITALITY

MEETING.....

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SIGNIFICANT INTEREST

GIFTS, BENEFITS AND HOSPITALITY

THE NATURE OF THE INTEREST, GIFT, BENEFITS OR HOSPITALITY:

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SIGNATURE:

Please detach and hand this form to the Democratic Services Officer when you are asked to declare any interests.