

# Cambridge Community Safety Partnership

- 11 July 2023
- 10:00-13:00
- Conference Room 2, Parkside Place Community Fire Station, Cambridge CB1 1JF with a hybrid option for CCSP Members.
- The public can submit pre-advised questions before 10am on Monday 10 July to email address: [Community.safety@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:Community.safety@cambridge.gov.uk)

## AGENDA

No.	Item	Lead Officer(s)	Time (Mins)
1	Welcome, housekeeping / introductions and apologies	Chair	10
2	Presentation: Road Safety	Paul Clarke / Kathleen Bowman (Fire & Rescue Service)	15
3	Cambridge Together project: Engagement outcomes and lessons learned: <a href="https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/putting-residents-and-communities-at-the-heart-of-the-conversation">https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/putting-residents-and-communities-at-the-heart-of-the-conversation</a>	Vicky Haywood (City Council)	15
4	Pre-advised questions from the general public	Chair	10
5	Minutes of 14 March 2023 meeting: Agreement	Board / members	5
6	Action Points: Review	Board / members	5
7	Update on current CSP Priorities Priority: Safeguarding young people against violence and exploitation  Priority: Listening to community needs and responding together to reduce harm, including CCSP Comms Update on Cambridge Cycle Crime Prevention Group	Jessica-Rose Kennedy (County Council)  Paul Rogerson (Constabulary)	10  10
8	Proceeds Of Crime Act (POCA) funded work in Cambridge update	Hannah Hancock (CAMBAC)	10
9	Summary of Violence with Injury and priority recommendations	Harriet Ludford (Cambridgeshire Research Group)	10
10	CCSP Strategic Priorities 2023-2024: Agreement	Chair / Board / members	10
11	Community Safety Plan 2023-2024: Next steps discussion	Chair / Board / members	10
12	Update from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner including Serious Violence Duty and Cambridgeshire Countywide High Harms Board	Shona McKenzie	10

13	Annual Review 2023: Agreement	Louise Walker / Board / members	5
14	Partnership Terms of Reference: Agreement	Louise Walker/ Board / members	5
15	Domestic Homicide Reviews Update	Keryn Jalli (City Council)	10
16	Community Safety Fund 2022/23: End of Year Financial Report: Agreement	Louise Walker / Board / members	5
17	Future Cambridge CSP meeting dates: Agreement	Louise Walker/All	5
18	Any other business	Chair / Board / members	5
19	Key messages from the meeting today to share with our organisations and the public	Chair / Board / members	5
	<i>Written reports circulated</i>		
20	County Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Report Q4 2022/23	County DASV Partnership	<i>Written report</i>
21	County Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Partnership Annual Report 2022-23	County DASV Partnership	<i>Written report</i>
22	<b>Date of next Cambridge CSP meeting – To confirm</b>	<b>10 October 2023</b>	<b>170</b>

## Information for the general public and media representatives

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# Cambridge Community Safety Partnership

- 14 March 2023
- 10:00-13:10
- Hybrid at 171 Arbury Road, Cambridge, CB4 2YG

## Draft Minutes

### Board

Debbie Kaye (Chair)	Cambridge City Council (Community Services)
James Ball	Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service
Mark Freeman	Cambridge Council For Voluntary Service
Councillor Alice Gilderdale	Cambridge City Council
Jessica-Rose Kennedy	Cambridgeshire County Council
Chief Inspector Paul Rogerson (Vice Chair)	Cambridgeshire Constabulary
Holly Sutherland	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Integrated Care System (ICS)

### Members

Hannah Hancock	Cambridge Business Against Crime (CAMBAC)
Keryn Jalli	Cambridge City Council (Community Services)
Nick Morris	Anglia Ruskin University (Security)
Michelle Reynolds	University of Cambridge
Susie Talbot	Cambridgeshire County Council Public Health Commissioning
Louise Walker (Minutes)	Cambridge City Council (Community Safety Team)
David Walmsley	Anglia Ruskin University
Kat Webb	Cambridgeshire County Council Research Group

### Guests

Paul Boucher	Cambridge City Council (Transformation)
Harriet Ludford	Cambridgeshire County Council Research Group
Tony Machin	Headteachers Cluster Behaviour And Inclusion Group
Shona McKenzie	Office of Police and Crime Commissioner
Catherine Meads	Encompass Network
John Richards	Cambridge City Council (Environmental Services)
Detective Chief Inspector Neil Sloan	Cambridgeshire Constabulary
Sarah Steggle	Cambridge City Council (Community Safety Team)

## 1. Welcome, housekeeping, introductions, and apologies

- 1.1 Chair, Debbie Kaye, welcomed everyone to the Cambridge Community Safety Partnership (CCSP) meeting. It was noted that Holly Sutherland represented Erin Lilley (Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Integrated

Care System), Nick Morris replaced Greg Dumbrell (Anglia Ruskin University), and Tony Machin represented Ryan Kelsall (Headteachers Cluster Behaviour And Inclusion Group). There was one attending member of the public.

- 1.2 Apologies were received from Board Members; Stephen Brickley (Probation Service), and Maggie Page (Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust), from Members; Michael Fox (Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust), Joe Mills (British Transport Police), and Dawn Bere (Department of Work and Pensions (DWP)).

## **2. Update on election of Chair**

- 2.1 Chair, Debbie Kaye, explained that Cambridge City Council has agreed to chair the CCSP with an officer led approach in a convening and procedural role until March 2024. The Terms of Reference have been updated to reflect this and will be agreed at this meeting.

## **3. LGBTQ+ needs assessment**

- 3.1 Catherine Meads provided a presentation on the Encompass Network Cambridgeshire and Peterborough LGBTQ+ Final Needs Assessment Results 2022. The survey, supported by Cambridge City Council, South Cambs District Council, and Cambridgeshire County Council, ran from 18 August to 1 November 2021 with 249 responses mainly from Cambridge residents. It was last run in 2014, sponsored by Cambridge City Council and South Cambs District Council with 130 survey responses. The report is available at <http://encompassnetwork.org.uk/needs-assessment-2022/>.
- 3.2 Debbie Kaye asked if there was intelligence on feeling safe and if there was a district breakdown, which would be helpful for the city. Catherine Meads responded that the districts didn't look different and would need much further analysis. Michelle Reynolds asked about expanding inclusion such as for University of Cambridge colleagues. Catherine Meads responded that there is already inclusive activity within the university and that employers are very important in having a visible anti-LGBTQ+ hate crime and discrimination approach.
- 3.3 Keryn Jalli asked about domestic abuse data as it seems that those seeking support do so within their own LGBTQ+ community rather than externally. Catherine Meads replied that the data is women orientated with the need to ask what would make it easier for men to talk about domestic abuse. Keryn Jalli said she would raise the findings and the need to raise gender neutral and gender specific public awareness at the County Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Strategic Board. 

Action point 03/01
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- 3.4 Alice Gilderdale said that for the first time the Census 2021 gathered information about sexual orientation so the public can see responses for cities such as Brighton and London as well as for Oxford and Cambridge. She said that suggestions on how activities can be improved in the city would be helpful. Catherine Meads responded with suggestions such as a Trans swimming event or LGBTQ+ café as these are not currently on offer.
- 3.5 Debbie Kaye thanked Catherine Meads for her presentation and asked for the presentation to be circulated. She asked the CCSP to reflect on the survey findings and how organisations can address topics individually and as members of the CCSP. Action point 03/02

#### **4. Cambridge Together project**

- 4.1 Paul Boucher, Cambridge City Council Transformation, gave an update on Cambridge Together project, which seeks to understand the similarities and differences in the way a range of stakeholders imagine the future of the city. It is midway through the engagement stage with community conversations, surveys, four themed online focus groups, and working with Linda Thomas of Futurebright Solutions. There will be reflection on engagement feedback and learning can be shared with partners.
- 4.2 Paul Rogerson thanked Paul Boucher for his presentation and said that this work is connected to the CCSP Priority: Listening to community needs and responding together to reduce harm. To achieve joint aims, he offered to be the CCSP's representative in this project work with Jessica-Rose Kennedy as deputy lead. This was agreed by Paul Boucher and the Board.
- 4.3 Keryn Jalli said that the CCSP has a lot of data and how this can be shared in the rich picture such as the evidence of crime levels in the city. Also, she asked about the voices of young people and how to capture their experience such as for those in the referral units. Tony Machin said that he would be happy to support work in this area. Mark Freeman said that generally engagement must become business as usual by finding a way to build and update the wider picture as a long-term ongoing piece of work.
- 4.4 Debbie Kaye said that there had been much work being undertaken by the Police and in the County and that this project needs to build on this to avoid duplication. She said that there needs to be an ongoing collaborative agency approach as well as the importance of hearing and listening to minoritised voices such as those of Gypsy, Roma and Traveller, LGBTQ+, and ethnic minority communities. Paul Boucher responded to all the points saying that this is the start of the conversation, and they will be looking at how to keep the rich picture current. Action point 03/03

## **5. Serious and Organised Crime (SOC) Local Profile and input to Community Safety Partnerships (CSP)**

- 5.1 Detective Chief Inspector Neil Sloan, Intelligence and Specialist Crime Department, explained that £45 billion is lost from the economy due to organised crime, which exploits others to achieve their aims, and the need to protect the vulnerable from these criminal groups. He provided an update on the county perspective and local community safety partnerships. There are recommendations for each district and an offer of some bespoke work such as educational training with front line staff on drug dealing, county lines and modern slavery.
- 5.2 Keryn Jalli asked if this work will be linked to the countywide Drugs and Alcohol and the Serious Violence Duty Needs Assessments. Holly Sutherland said that it would be helpful to have the wider picture and to access the training offer. Susie Talbot said that the Drugs and Alcohol Needs Assessment is due to be published soon and that it would be helpful to have clear pathways for organisations to know what relevant information is required and how to report this to the Police. She said that many practitioners want training such as on county lines and that Peterborough is trialling a cuckooing toolkit, which may help practitioners going into client's homes and managing risk.
- 5.3 Mark Freeman asked for an update on the CCSP's work on Cambs Against County Lines and about the changes relating to the restructure of the Think Communities team, which the Community Protection team are part of and raise awareness about fraud and scams. Keryn Jalli responded that the Cambs Against County Lines work continues and that a video for primary school age children is being developed funded by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. She said that leaflets are being drafted working with the Police, County Healthy You Service and parents. Jessica-Rose Kennedy provided an update that the Think Communities team consultation has ended and that a proposal will be shared soon.
- 5.4 Debbie Kaye thanked Neil Sloan for his presentation, and everyone for their updates being for some at a difficult time. It was agreed to progress the offer of local opportunities with Neil Sloan. Action point 03/04

## **6. Pre-advised questions from the general public**

- 6.1 There were no pre-advised questions received.

## **7. Minutes of 11 October 2022 meeting: Agreement**

- 7.1 The Minutes of 11 October 2022 were agreed and would go forward for publication.

## **8. Action Points: Review**

- 8.1 The action points from the previous meeting were discussed and were closed apart from one. Action point 03/05
- 8.2 The Chair thanked Louise Walker for her work to ensure that the CCSP runs smoothly.

## **9. Looking back on the work for the CCSP - Update on CSP Priorities**

### **9.1 Priority: Safeguarding young people against violence and exploitation**

9.1.1 As Priority Lead, Jessica-Rose Kennedy provided an update on work, including roll out of the contextual safeguarding SWAY. She said that Jo Turner from the County Council would like to attend a future CCSP meeting and to explore planning a contextual safeguarding workshop.

9.1.2 Paul Rogerson asked how well the area of contextual safeguarding had landed with professionals in the county. It was agreed that the concept still needs more understanding so CCSP Members were asked to raise awareness in their organisations and consider how to embed contextual safeguarding in their work. Action point 03/06

9.1.3 Keryn Jalli also suggested that the findings of the County Section 11 audit and how well child exploitation is understood could be explored by the Countywide High Harms Board.

### **9.2 Priority: Listening to community needs and responding together to reduce harm**

9.2.1 As Priority Lead, Paul Rogerson provided an update on this priority and the work on communication such as the updated CCSP webpage. He said that the work being undertaken by Paul Boucher and the Council's transformation project will help to gain a wider picture and a way of working going forward.

### **9.3 Update on Cambridge Cycle Crime Prevention Group**

9.3.1 John Richards spoke to the report as presented and of the continuing success of the multi-agency approach to make a real impact. As he was new in post, Nick Morris asked for 'Save Our Cycles' campaign promotional material to be able to share at Anglia Ruskin University. Action point 03/07

## **10. Update from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner including Serious Violence Duty and Cambridgeshire Countywide High Harms Board**

10.1 Shona McKenzie thanked Cambridge CSP for all the work that is being undertaken and for the funding applications submitted by Keryn Jalli and Chloe Newell. She explained that work had started on the Serious Violence Duty last year and more recently a workshop, led by the Police and Crime



Commissioner (PCC) had been attended by 50 representatives of different organisations from across the county. The PCC has received some government funding (£300k) and is looking at how best to spend this. The PCC is looking at understanding the drivers of crime, developing data sharing, a place-based approach for primary and secondary intervention, and having an education focus to raise awareness in communities and how to report intelligence. There will be more meetings planned to form the strategy.

- 10.2 Keryn Jalli asked about hearing the voices of experts by experience such as young people in referral units, those in care, and young carers, and how to deliver the duty for those that will be most impacted. Paul Rogerson said that it will be important to bring young people's voices into the strategy as sometimes professionals don't understand the full impact. Tony Machin said that they work with young people impacted and want to share skills and experience to be able to provide key information. Shona McKenzie responded that a mainstream secondary school in each district had been visited and that education will be a future workstream in this work. To inform the CCSP's work, it was agreed for Shona McKenzie to confirm the date for the availability of the County's Serious Violence Duty Needs Assessment. Action point 03/08

## **11. Proceeds Of Crime Act (POCA) funded work in Cambridge update**

- 11.1 Hannah Hancock provided an update on the POCA funded work to provide a crime prevention and contextual safeguarding initiative in Cambridge City and Huntingdonshire:
- Project 1. Best Bar None, national accreditation training, with the decision to add 'Violence Against Woman and Girls' aspect to the training to ensure safeguarding and welfare is achieved. This work will align to the Home Office Safer Streets 4 training being delivered by Safer Streets Chief Inspector Ian Lombardo and the Constabulary in Peterborough and Fenland. Also, Hannah Hancock said that the local Pubwatch network had been refreshed.
  - Project 2. Standardising Safeguarding and Prevention training for night time economy and hospitality. Provider, Night Time Economy Solutions, will deliver online and in person training as well as train the trainer. Two courses a year will be planned to link in with the city's Purple Flag award.
  - Project 3. City and Town Pledge. A meeting has been held to discuss the importance of the City and Town Pledge to underpin the first 2 projects, and the possibility that this needs to be in place before the other 2 projects proceed. Hannah Hancock is due to visit both Nottingham and Norwich BID to get a greater understanding of the process they have used to decide on the wording for their pledge.
- 11.2 Debbie Kaye thanked Hannah Hancock for all her work and said that this was integral to the work for the CCSP and for this to be added to the CCSP's

action plan.

Action point 03/09

## **12. End of Year Review Strategic Assessment**

12.1 Kat Webb and Harriet Ludford of Cambridgeshire Research Group provided a presentation for the CCSP's End of Year Review, key findings, and recommendations for priority issues for 2023-24 as well as identified data gaps.

12.2 Debbie Kaye provided the key points from the CCSP's Development Session held on 6 December. This included a general request to understand the data via a deeper dive and further scoping such as to find out who are the victims and the perpetrators, as well as the time of the crime, to be able to understand the drivers better and be able to focus the CCSP's input.

## **13. CCSP Strategic Priorities 2023-2024, Community Safety Plan 2023-2024: Next steps discussion**

13.1 Debbie Kaye advised that the CCSP Multi-Agency Steering Group had discussed potential new priorities at their last meeting and that the Drug and Alcohol and Serious Violence Duty Needs Assessments and other information such as how to link minoritised communities into this work were still awaited.

13.2 After discussion, it was agreed to wait until the July CCSP meeting to be able to gather the expected information to be able to inform potential priorities for 2023-24 and add value as a CCSP. The Multi-Agency Steering Group would meet within the next month to discuss this further.

Action point 03/10

## **14. Partnership Terms of Reference: Agreement**

14.1 Louise Walker spoke to the revised Terms of Reference, which lay out the expectations of the Board and Members as a strategic partnership. It included the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022, with reference to the Serious Violence Duty.

14.2 The Board agreed the Terms of Reference as presented.

## **15. Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHR) Update**

15.1 Keryn Jalli reported that the process for two Domestic Homicide Reviews for a male and a female, who both died by suicide and had experienced domestic abuse, was in progress. She will provide an update at the next CCSP meeting.

## **16. Any other business**

16.1 There was no other business raised.

## **17. Written reports noted**

17.1 Home Office Safer Streets Round 3 Final Update provided by Cambridgeshire

Constabulary Safer Streets Chief Inspector Ian Lombardo was noted.

17.2 The County Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Report Q2 and Q3 2022/23 were noted.

**18. Key messages from the meeting today to share with our organisations and the public**

18.1 The Chair summarised the key messages to be shared from the meeting:

- To reflect on our activities and ensure that we hear the voices of minoritised communities for meaningful engagement.
- How we as a partnership share intelligence and manage risk, and what are our collective responsibilities to make sure that CCSP Members keep themselves up to date.

18.2 The Chair thanked the Board and Members for their valuable contributions and the meeting was closed at 13:10.

## Cambridge Community Safety Partnership

- 11 July 2023

### ACTION POINTS

MONTH / NUMBER	ACTION POINT	ACTION
03/01	Keryn Jalli to raise Cambridgeshire and Peterborough LGBTQ+ Final Needs Assessment Results 2022 regarding domestic abuse data at the County Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (DASV) Strategic Board.	Closed: Raised at the meeting held on 23 April.
03/02	Louise Walker to circulate the Encompass Network Needs Assessment Presentation to the CCSP.	Closed: Circulated to the CCSP on 12 March 2023. Encompass Network website: <a href="http://encompassnetwork.org.uk/">http://encompassnetwork.org.uk/</a>
03/03	Louise Walker to circulate the Cambridge Together Project information and events.	Closed: Circulated to the CCSP on 12 March 2023. For more information visit: <a href="http://www.cambridge.gov.uk/our-cambridge">www.cambridge.gov.uk/our-cambridge</a>
03/04	Keryn Jalli to discuss local opportunities further with Neil Sloan.	In progress.
03/05	Louise Walker to check the published DHR Action Plan and that all items are completed.	Carried over from 14 March meeting. In progress: Once finalised, the updated DHR Action Plan will be published at <a href="https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/cambridge-community-safety-partnership">https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/cambridge-community-safety-partnership</a>

03/06	Louise Walker to share the contextual safeguarding SWAY for CCSP Members to promote within their organisations.	Closed: Circulated to the CCSP on 12 March 2023.
03/07	Louise Walker to share the contact for the Save Our Cycles Campaign printed leaflets with Nick Morris.	Closed: Shared on 15 March. The website is <a href="https://www.camcycle.org.uk">Save Our Cycles – Cambridge Cycling Campaign (camcycle.org.uk)</a>
03/08	Shona McKenzie to confirm when the County's Serious Violence Duty Needs Assessment will be available.	Closed: The Needs Assessment will be part of the meeting papers for the Cambridgeshire Countywide High Harms Board on 29 June.
03/09	Keryn Jalli to add the CAMBAC Proceeds Of Crime Act (POCA) funded work to the CCSP action plan.	In progress: To be added to the CCSP action plan.
03/10	Keryn Jalli and Louise Walker to look at the status for the expected information to be able to agree potential CCSP priorities.	Closed: Information included the County Drug and Alcohol Needs Assessment, which Susie Talbot provided and is available at <a href="https://cambridgeshireinsight.org.uk/drugs-and-alcohol-na-2023/">https://cambridgeshireinsight.org.uk/drugs-and-alcohol-na-2023/</a>

**To: Cambridge Community Safety Partnership Board**  
**From: Cambridge Business Against Crime (CAMBAC)**  
**Subject: Proceeds Of Crime Act (POCA) Funding**

## **1. Purpose of the report**

- 1.1 To provide a further update on funding received from POCA – in line with project focus outlined in original application.
- 1.2 To receive feedback on any relevant areas.

## **2. Background**

- 2.1 Application made on 29 June 2022 to provide a crime prevention and contextual safeguarding initiative in Cambridge City and Huntingdonshire.
- 2.2 Projects will reduce alcohol related crime and disorder.

## **3. Projects Update**

- 3.1 Project 1. Accreditation training. Decision made to not continue along the route of Best Bar None, National accreditation programme. After careful consideration with both partners and night time economy premises, it was felt that the accreditation would not focus enough on reducing violence against woman and girls, and ensuring welfare and safeguarding remain a priority.
  - In line with Peterborough and Fenland, a meeting was held between Police and partners and the decision was made to produce a Cambridgeshire Centric Accreditation Programme.
  - 13 June 2023 – Planning Meeting held at Parkside Police Station with **Police**, **Wetherspoons**, and **CAMBAC** to produce an action plan.
  - **Wetherspoons** to provide access to document library to support production of mandatory training documents such as Search Policy, Welfare Policy, Spiking Policy, amongst others.
  - Accreditation training to be held online as a pre-recorded webinar. This will support those who are working in the night time economy to attend.
  - Sign off for accreditation will take place in person with accredited assessors.
  - **Sookio** to produce name and branding for accreditation – decision to be signed off.

- **B&H Digital, Pendered Printing and St Ives Quickprint** to tender for training material print project – decision to be signed off.

3.2 Project 2. Standardising Safeguarding and Prevention training for night time economy and hospitality.

- **Vulnerability and Women’s Safety, Drink Spiking and Anti-Sexual Harassment** training to be rolled out across Cambridge City and Huntingdonshire.
  - Online or in person training
  - Duration 2-3 hours
  - Certification on completion

3.3 Project 3. City and Town Pledge

- Branding of project now in place – colours to compliment Purple Flag and Accreditation Training.
- **B&H Digital, Pendered Printing and St Ives Quickprint** to tender for City Centre Safe Space Pledge print project – decision to be signed off.
- Variety of branded posters, leaflets, and digital assets to be produced and distributed at launch.
- **Final meeting** with partners to sign of design and wording prior to printing.

## 4. Recommendation

4.1 That the Board notes the report.

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## Cambridge Community Safety Partnership

Annual Review 2023 (1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023)

“Keeping Cambridge safe for residents and visitors”

### Q: What is Cambridge Community Safety Partnership?

A: The Cambridge Community Safety Partnership (“Cambridge CSP”) meets regularly throughout the year to help keep Cambridge safe. It is made up of representatives from the following agencies, some statutory:

- Cambridge City Council
- Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Integrated Care Systems (ICS)<sup>1</sup>
- Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust
- Cambridgeshire Constabulary
- Cambridgeshire County Council
- Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service
- The National Probation Service
  
- Anglia Ruskin University
- British Transport Police
- Cambridge Business Against Crime (CAMBAC)
- Cambridge Council for Voluntary Service
- Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
- University of Cambridge
- Office of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC)

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<sup>1</sup>Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) ceased to exist on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022. Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Integrated Care Systems (ICS) took over CCG’s statutory responsibilities.



The Cambridge CSP looks at what community safety issues people in Cambridge are experiencing such as antisocial behaviour or specific types of crime and decides what actions to take to prevent or deal with these issues together.

Documents such as the strategic assessment, compiled from a variety of data sources by Cambridgeshire Research Group, and other reports, offer valuable insights. These determine which areas to focus resources (both human and financial) upon, which are called “priorities”.

Each year, the community safety priorities for Cambridge are reviewed with actions for the year ahead set out in the Community Safety Plan.

**Q: What priorities did the Cambridge CSP deal with 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023?**

A: Following consideration of the strategic assessment, the Cambridge CSP decided to continue to tackle two priorities during 2022-2023. The priorities were:

- Safeguarding young people against violence and exploitation
- Listening to community needs and responding together to reduce harm

**Q: How does the Cambridge CSP tackle the priorities it sets?**

A: Aside from day-to-day partnership working between the member organisations some of the priorities have multi-agency task groups in place to target work and commission specific projects.

From 2022, the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) has been funding a new Problem-Solving Co-ordinator post, which is hosted by Cambridge City Council’s Community Safety team. This role can bid into the PCC’s Safer Communities Fund to tackle local crime and disorder issues. In 2022/23, the amount of funding that Cambridge CSP successfully received from the Safer Communities Fund was £27,300.

**Q: What projects did the Cambridge CSP fund during 2022/23 to help achieve the reductions in crime?**

A: Set out below are the projects that were funded from the PCC’s Safer Communities Fund under each of the priorities:

**Priority: Safeguarding young people against violence and exploitation**

- In 2020, Cambridge CSP created the **Cambs Against County Lines** campaign, which received national recognition and has been rolled out across the county. As part of this work, schools were supported to raise awareness of the dangers of county lines among pupils aged 11 to 18, creating a video to be shown in schools to support pupil workshops.

- In 2022-23 to increase younger pupils' awareness funding by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) Serious Violence Duty was provided for a specialist company to create **2 animated videos and educational packages for Primary Schools' pupils aged 10 – 11 on the issues of County Lines and Knife Crime**. This work will continue in 2023-24 in collaboration with partners such as Healthy You, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Safeguarding Partnership Board, and the PSHE (Personal, Social, and Health Education) Service.
- Cambridge City Council's Community Safety Team has created a **County Lines information poster for parents** - with parents' input - which explains what County Lines is, spotting the signs and what to do if you're worried about a child. This poster has been sent to schools and can be downloaded from the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Safeguarding Partnership Board at <https://www.safeguardingcambspeterborough.org.uk/children-board/professionals/exploitation/county-lines/>
- For information about the Cambs Against County Lines campaign, visit <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/cambs-against-county-lines>
- A review of The County Lines Project is available under the 'Insights' section: <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/cambridge-community-safety-partnership>
- In July 2022, Cambridge City Council started a pilot for **Peer Group and Places meeting (PGPM)**. The PGPM is a monthly multi-agency meeting which is attended by the Police, Fire and Rescue Service, Schools, Social Care, Targeted Support, Youth Offending Teams, the charity Romsey Mill, the City Council's Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Team, and Housing Associations. The PGPM looks at cases where young people have come to our attention for ASB or crime in a contextual safeguarding approach. Contextual Safeguarding identifies that no young person can be seen in isolation from the environment around them as they are part of a much wider network of peers, neighbourhoods, and other influences. It is important when we consider some of the issues affecting children and young people that we understand these influences. The County Council has created some training for professionals to explain Contextual Safeguarding. This current approach continues to be trialled and to explore a model which can be used countywide.

**Priority: Listening to community needs and responding together to reduce harm**

- Aiming to decrease bicycle theft and crime in Cambridge City Centre: Investment of **2500 x Cycle Marking Kits** funded by the OPCC and Cambridge City Council. Cambridge Police led this project and held monthly

cycle marking events for the public. The kits were a fantastic opportunity to engage with the public as well as aid crime prevention and detection. Some of the events were supported by the charity Camcycle. There were 2,210 Bikes registered on BikeRegister, the national cycle database, in the Cambridge area between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

- **Save Our Cycles Campaign 20,000 x leaflets printed** funded by the OPCC and Cambridge City Council. The campaign is led by the charity, Camcycle, to raise public awareness about cycle security, including to the many students arriving in the city. The leaflets were designed as an educational tool to promote public awareness and best practice guidance to protect bikes from theft and encourage bike registration to increase the chances of successful outcomes of bike theft reports made to police. The leaflets were shared with the university colleges, schools, and at events such as Cambridge Festival of Cycling in September. Digital Save our Cycles materials were also sent to colleges and schools along with other resources for safe and considerate cycling (Cycle Lighting poster and 'Welcome to Cycling' leaflet). The campaign website is <https://www.camcycle.org.uk/resources/cycletheft/>

#### **In addition, funding towards CSP 'Business as Usual'**

To improve community safety as well as public safety within the Night Time Economy in 'hotspot' anti-social behaviour, crime and disorder areas:

- Investment of **permanent CCTV and redeployable cameras to be installed across Cambridge City** funded by the OPCC and Cambridge City Council.
- Funding for **2 x Taxi Marshalls to be deployed at City Centre Taxi Ranks** (St Andrews Street and Rose Crescent) for a 10-week period (January 2023 – March 2023) co-funded by the OPCC, Cambridge Bid, and Cambridge City Council.

**The list of the PCC's Safer Communities Fund Awards 2022-23** is available at <https://www.cambridgeshire-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/funding/>

#### **The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC)'s Youth Fund**

Using the proceeds of criminal activity, the PCC's Youth Fund is set up to support voluntary and community organisations working with young people with safe spaces and activities to help them develop into responsible adults.

Cambridge CSP supported the successful submission of applications to the PCC's Youth Fund for £7,000 on behalf of the City Council for:

- **8 x LED Rocket Tower Lights** to enable children and young people's physical activity/outdoor groups to continue during the dark winter months, led

- by Cambridge City Council.
- Part funding of a **10-week music and film making project** being run by The Junction for under 25s. This was to increase engagement of young people in pro-social activity, who are currently disengaged from education or employment and/or at risk of criminal activity or anti-social behaviour.

**The full list of the County Youth Fund Awards 2022-23** is available at <https://www.cambridgeshire-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/funding/>

**In addition to the Cambridge CSP Business As Usual Groups, Task and Finish Groups are set up as required.**

- In October 2020, a multi-agency **Cambridge Cycle Crime Prevention Task and Finish Group** was created to respond to increasing concerns about cycle crime led by Cambridge City Council, with a number of different stakeholders from local businesses and other organisations involved: British Transport Police, Cambridge Ahead, Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Cambridgeshire Constabulary, Cambridgeshire County Council, Shared Service CCTV, Greater Anglia Rail, Anglia Ruskin University, University of Cambridge, the voluntary sector: Camcycle and Neighbourhood Watch, a representative of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, and relevant Cambridge City Councillors. There has been continuing success of the multi- agency approach to make a real impact. In 2022 cycle theft rates reduced 61.4% since 2019. There has been multi-partner work undertaken around 3 areas:
  - 1) Education – ‘Save Our Cycles’ Campaign, led by Task Group member Camcycle available at <https://www.camcycle.org.uk/resources/cycletheft/>  
The Save our Cycles video made by Camcycle with advice on how to find and record your frame number, continues to have good exposure and over 5,000 views: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7poVlfbHDh4>
  - 2) Infrastructure – safety and shaping designs for security improvements to strengthen user confidence and prevent cycle related crime. This has included joint investment in CCTV enhancements and work by Greater Anglia at the city railway stations.
  - 3) Enforcement – Police led enforcement work continues provided crime prevention advice as well. The public are asked to report any crimes directly to the Police by reporting online using the link <https://www.cambs.police.uk/report/Report-Shared/Report-a-crime> or by calling 101, so that this is officially recorded.

### **For 2022-23, Communication was a focus for the Cambridge CSP**

- A Cambridge CSP Communications Task Group was set up to develop a communications plan.
- The website was updated to reflect the current priorities and to bring to life the difference Cambridge CSP is making in the city:  
<https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/cambridge-community-safety-partnership>

### **Q: What other projects were Cambridge CSP involved in?**

A: The Cambridge CSP were involved in:

- Supporting the research: **'Investigating the needs and vulnerabilities of Asian women around Domestic Abuse in the East of England to strengthen service provision and responses'** led by Dr Mirna Guha at Anglia Ruskin University. A pilot phase of the research ran for 8 months between January 2021 and September 2022. A Knowledge Exchange event was held in September 2022 and the Cambridge CSP looks forward to continuing to support this work.
- During 2022-23, the Police led a media campaign designed as part of the **Home Office "Safer Streets Fund" Round Three**, which aims to make public spaces safer with projects to help women and girls feel safer on our streets as part of the government's Safer Streets Fund. The educational media campaign highlighted behaviours that are abusive and misogynistic using social media on platforms such as Instagram and Tiktok as well as physical advertising such as posters. The website link is <https://knowviolence.org/>.
- **CAMBAC (Cambridge Business Against Crime) led projects funded by the Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA)**. This included work towards standardising Safeguarding and Prevention training for night-time economy and hospitality. This work aligns to the Home Office Safer Streets 4 training being delivered by Cambridgeshire Constabulary in Peterborough and Fenland and will link into the city's Purple Flag award. There is also work towards national accreditation training, with the decision to add Violence Against Woman and Girls aspect to the training to ensure safeguarding and welfare is achieved. Also, the local Pubwatch network had been refreshed.

### **Q: How does Cambridge CSP link into local, countywide, and national strategy?**

A: The Cambridge CSP Member organisations were involved in:

- Strong partnership work with licensed premises and businesses. This included achieving [Purple Flag award](#) for the evening and night-time economy, Cambridge City having first achieved this in 2019.

- Continuing implementation of the [Domestic Abuse Act 2021](#) which includes supporting the work of local services as well as Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Partnership.
- The county [Vision Zero Partnership](#) Road Safety Day of Action on 8 June 2022, which was attended by the Police and Crime Commissioner, Darryl Preston.
- Cambridge City Council [Transformation Cambridge Together](#) project.
  
- The Cambridge CSP is represented on the **Cambridgeshire Countywide High Harms Board**, previously known as the Countywide Community Safety Strategic Board, which is chaired by the Police and Crime Commissioner. This Board focuses on high harm issues such as drugs, serious violence, violence against women and girls (VAWG), and links into county and local delivery groups as well as national strategy such as:
  - The new 10-year national drugs strategy: [From harm to hope: A 10-year drugs plan to cut crime and save lives](#)
  - [Serious Violence Duty](#) in accordance with the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022
  - [Tackling Violence Against Women And Girls](#) (VAWG) strategy

**Q: How does the Cambridge CSP know whether these priorities are working to reduce crime and ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour)?**

A: The Cambridge CSP requires the lead officer for each priority to provide a progress report at meetings of the Cambridge CSP. These meetings are usually open to the public and details of each meeting, as well as copies of all the papers to be discussed, are made available on the Cambridge CSP's webpage on the City Council's website:  
<https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/cambridge-community-safety-partnership>.

**Q: Where can I get further information about the Cambridge CSP and the work it does?**

A: You can get further information about the Cambridge Community Safety Partnership by visiting the Cambridge City Council's website:  
<https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/cambridge-community-safety-partnership>.

Alternatively, you can contact the Community Safety Partnership Support Officer on 01223 457950 or email: [community.safety@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:community.safety@cambridge.gov.uk).

## Useful Contacts

Antisocial behaviour team: For information and reporting antisocial behaviour (ASB)

 01223 457950

 <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/report-antisocial-behaviour>

 [asbsection@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:asbsection@cambridge.gov.uk)

CAMBAC - Cambridge Business Against Crime

 <http://cambac.co.uk/>

Cambridgeshire Constabulary

 101 (Non-emergency) / 999 (Emergency)

 <http://www.cambs.police.uk/>

Domestic violence directory

 <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/domestic-violence-directory>

Advice for people affected by domestic abuse

 <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/advice-for-people-affected-by-domestic-abuse>

Environmental health issues

 01223 457900

 <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/report-a-noise-issue>

First Response Service: Puts mental health first:

24-hour access, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, to mental health care, advice, support, and treatment

 111, then press option 2

 <https://www.cpft.nhs.uk/helpinacrisis>

Hate crime against race, faith, gender, sexuality, disability, and age

 <https://www.cambs.police.uk/ro/report/hate-crime/hc-av1/report-hate-crime/>

Personal safety advice for young people

 101 (Non-emergency) / 999 (Emergency)

 <https://www.cambs.police.uk/studentsafety>

Public Health Joint Commissioning Unit

 <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/be-well/>

Racial harassment

 01223 457967 / 07973 883 261

 <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/racial-harassment>

# CAMBRIDGE COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

## TERMS OF REFERENCE

### 1. Foreword

- a) The following values and strategic drivers are key to the Cambridge Community Safety Partnership (“Cambridge CSP”):
- We will be responsible for an overarching strategic framework<sup>1</sup> for reducing crime and improving community safety in Cambridge;
  - We will ensure that all partner agencies<sup>2</sup> work together and ensure the work of each agency is “joined up” and that our performance is effectively managed;
  - We will ensure that our work is linked to national and county priorities and research, including the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, the Localism Act 2011, Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, and Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022, with particular reference to the Serious Violence Duty, to best serves the people of Cambridge;
  - We will take an intelligence-led process to our business and ensure problem solving<sup>3</sup> is a tool used to address issues;
  - We will engage<sup>4</sup> with the community as a whole, encouraging people to become involved with reporting and tackling crime and disorder in Cambridge;

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<sup>1</sup> Senior managers will be responsible for ensuring their organisations and agencies deliver against this framework.

<sup>2</sup> Anglia Ruskin University, British Transport Police, Cambridge Business Against Crime, **Cambridge City Council**, Cambridge Council for Voluntary Services, Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust, **Cambridgeshire Constabulary**, **Cambridgeshire County Council**, **Cambridgeshire Fire & Rescue Service**, **Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Integrated Care Systems (replaces Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group, which ceased to exist on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022)**, Office of the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner, **The National Probation Service** and University of Cambridge. Those shown in **bold** are the statutory agencies.

<sup>3</sup> Problem solving is a means of harnessing all agencies and the community (including the two Cambridge Universities) itself to reduce crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour by identifying the root cause of problems, finding a sustainable solution that removes the cause and thus ultimately reducing the demands made on the Cambridge CSP.

<sup>4</sup> Policing and Safer Neighbourhoods is the driving force for the Cambridge CSP’s engagement work.



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- We will also engage with other partnerships on issues that relate to Cambridge both at the area and citywide level;
- We will allocate funding using transparent procedures and based on available evidence; and
- We will work to ensure that our human and financial resources are used as effectively as possible, by monitoring and evaluating our work.

b) The following are the priorities of the Cambridge CSP for **2023-24 to be confirmed**.

The details for each priority are in the Cambridge Community Safety Plan **2023-24**:

- **Safeguarding young people against violence and exploitation**
- **Listening to community needs and responding together to reduce harm**

**2. Agencies** represented on the Cambridge CSP are responsible for:

- a) Appointing a representative (“member”) to attend meetings and events hosted by the Cambridge CSP, and to act as the contact point between other agencies;
- b) Ensuring that their member is well briefed on their roles and responsibilities and has received a proper handover briefing when there has been a change of membership; and
- c) Contributing to multi-agency problem solving on the crime and disorder issues identified within the Community Safety Plan **2023-24** (“CS Plan”), ensuring that relevant members contribute to any working groups set up by the Cambridge CSP.

**3. Members<sup>5</sup>** are responsible for:

- a) Contributing to the work and development of the Cambridge CSP;
- b) Ensuring their respective agency is effectively considering community safety in the way it delivers its services;
- c) Identifying the resources their agency can bring to bear on the problems identified by the Cambridge CSP;

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<sup>5</sup> Some members will be Board members – see “Voting”.

- d) Attending all Cambridge CSP meetings, ensuring that all relevant agenda papers are read and understood;
- e) Ensuring that any reports for discussion by the Cambridge CSP are forwarded to the Community Safety Partnership Support Officer by whatever deadline is set, advising of any that are confidential and require appropriate handling;
- f) Feeding back from Cambridge CSP meetings to their respective agency, ensuring all relevant people are aware of its work and the Plan;
- g) Advising the Cambridge CSP of any community safety issues arising from their respective agencies; and
- h) Ensuring that their respective agency complies with requirements of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and the Police and Justice Act 2006 to supply non-personal data to the Research Group, Cambridgeshire County Council, and other member agencies in order to deliver evidence-based decision making.

**4. The Cambridge CSP is responsible for:**

- a) Commissioning the Research Group to undertake Strategic Assessments;
- b) Agreeing the annual refresh of the CS Plan, using the Strategic Assessments as a basis for decision-making;
- c) Setting objectives and targets within the CS Plan that are SMART<sup>6</sup> and based on a problem-solving approach;
- d) Commissioning and financing projects to tackle problems identified by the Strategic Assessments;
- e) Allocating grant funding, awarded to the Cambridge CSP, in line with the conditions of grant, in order to further the objectives of the CS Plan;
- f) Monitoring achievement against the objectives and targets identified in each Task Group's Action Plan and challenging lack of progress, where appropriate<sup>7</sup>;
- g) Evaluating the success of Cambridge CSP initiatives and disseminating the lessons learnt; and
- h) Working with the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner to ensure that the Community Strategy and CS Plan are complementary to each other.

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<sup>6</sup> Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-based

<sup>7</sup> See role of the "Vice Chair"

**5. The Chair** is responsible for:

- a) Convening and the procedural role of chairing meetings of the Cambridge CSP, ensuring that it gets through the business on the agenda and takes clear decisions on recommendations made by majority vote;
- b) Ensuring that, prior to conducting the business of each meeting, the general public (where present) are reminded of the “Information for the general public and media representatives” printed on the back of the Agenda;
- c) Representing<sup>8</sup> the Cambridge CSP at other meetings and acting as the “public face” of the Cambridge CSP when dealing with the media.

**6. The Vice Chair** is responsible for:

- a) Chairing meetings of the Cambridge CSP in the absence of the Chair;
- b) Representing the Chair at other meetings and acting as the public face of the Cambridge CSP when dealing with the media, where appropriate and advised;
- c) Conducting preparatory work, with the Research Group, to contextualise current Cambridge CSP performance;
- d) Acting as a “Champion” for the Strategic Assessment process to ensure that information required to build a profile of the community and its needs is available to the Research Group;
- e) Taking ownership of the performance management process and reviewing this at Cambridge CSP meetings; and
- f) Working to improve business processes that support delivery against the agreed priorities.

**7. Voting**

- a) The Chair will, where a report seeks Board approval of a recommendation, call for a show of hands of those Board members present, taking into account any votes notified to the Community Safety Partnership Support Officer from those Board members not present and not represented<sup>9</sup>;
- b) Each representative agency is entitled to **one vote only**; and
- c) In the event of a tie, the Chair has the deciding vote.

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<sup>8</sup> The Chair may delegate to the Vice Chair or an appropriate member where potential conflicts of interest or dual roles may occur.

<sup>9</sup> For the purposes of voting, representatives attending meetings on behalf of absent Board members will be deemed as Board members

8. The **Multi-Agency Steering Group**, which consists of representatives for Cambridge City Council, Cambridgeshire Constabulary, Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service, Cambridgeshire County Council, Cambridgeshire Research Group, and includes Priority Lead Officers, is responsible for:
- a) Leadership and governance of the Cambridge CSP;
  - b) Providing professional advice, support and recommendations to the Cambridge CSP to enable it to fulfil the responsibilities outlined above;
  - c) Managing the agenda for Cambridge CSP meetings (in consultation with the Chair) to ensure that work is sensibly programmed throughout the year and that Board members have the briefings they need to make informed decisions;
  - d) Managing the bidding and commissioning process for any grant funding streams available to the Cambridge CSP, making recommendations to Board members on the projects to be funded in line with the conditions of grant and the objectives set out in the CS Plan;
  - e) Drafting the annual refresh of the CS Plan and providing advice on relevant SMART objectives and targets;
  - f) Providing advice and support to any working groups set up by the Cambridge CSP.
9. The **Community Safety Partnership Support Officer** is responsible for (in addition to the usual secretariat duties):
- a) Ensuring Cambridge CSP meetings are advertised on the City Council's website in good time and that the agenda and reports are posted within five working days of each meeting;
  - b) Ensuring that the Chair is notified of any questions to be raised prior to each meeting;
  - c) Ensuring agreed actions are taken forward between meetings;
  - d) Writing an Annual Review on the work of the Cambridge CSP and making sure that information about the Cambridge CSP is publicised via the web and other appropriate mechanisms;
  - e) Providing induction support and materials for new members; and

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- f) Monitoring the performance of working groups to enable the Vice Chair to have up to date information to either inform assessment of their achievements or to provide evidence to challenge failings, where appropriate.

**10.** For further information, visit [Cambridge Community Safety Partnership](#).

**To: Cambridge Community Safety Partnership Board**  
**From: Louise Walker**  
**Subject: Community Safety Fund 2022-23 – End of Year Financial Report**

## **1. Purpose of the report**

- 1.1 To present the 2022-23 end of financial year report to the Board members.
- 1.2 To advise the Board of the balance of Pooled Fund available for future expenditure.

## **2. Background (Community Safety Fund)**

- 2.1 The 2022-23 funding available for Cambridge CSP was £51,569.13:
  - Crime and Disorder Reduction Grant from the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC): Supporting local problem solving and community engagement 2022-25 for a Community Problem Solving Co-ordinator: Year Two instalment = £45,946.23.
  - Balance of Pooled Fund = £5,622.90.
  - Also, on behalf of Cambridge CSP, the Community Problem Solving Co-ordinator submitted successful project bids during the year to the PCC's Safer Communities Fund, which amounted to £27,300.00.
- 2.2 Details of the funding and actual spend are in Appendix A.
- 2.3 In addition, Cambridge City has benefitted from grants awards from the PCC's Youth Fund, with full details available at <https://www.cambridgeshire-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/funding/>
- 2.4 The balance of the Pooled Fund available to Cambridge CSP for 2023-24 is **£5,622.90**. This has not changed since 2022-23 due to meetings being held online, no charge for the meeting venue or refreshments, or additional projects funded.

## **3. Recommendation**

- 3.1 That the Board notes the end of year financial report for 2022/23.

### **Further Information:**

Louise Walker, Community Safety Partnership Support Officer, Cambridge City Council

<b>Cambridge Community Safety Partnership</b>		<b>Appendix A</b>
End of Year Financial Report 2022/23		
<b>Available Funding 2022/23</b>		
Allocation from the Police and Crime Commissioner for Putting Communities First: Community Problem Solving Co-ordinator Year 2 - 1st Instalment	£22,500.00	
Problem Solving Co-ordinator Year 2 - 2nd Instalment	£23,446.23	
CSP Pooled Fund B/fwd	£5,622.90	
<b>Total available funding</b>	<b>£51,569.13</b>	
Police and Crime Commissioner Funded Projects with applications submitted by Problem Solving Coordinator		
Key Stage 2 Primary School County Lines Package for ages 7-11	£6,500.00	
Cycle marking kits	£3,000.00	
Save Our Cycles Campaign leaflets	£500.00	
Permanent CCTV and redeployable cameras across Cambridge City (£3,800 / £3,500 / £5,000)	£12,300.00	
Taxi Marshall Scheme Cambridge City Centre	£5,000.00	
<b>Total Safer Communities Funds Spent</b>	<b>£27,300.00</b>	
Cambridge Problem Solving Co-ordinator salary and on costs	<b>£45,946.23</b>	
Total amount remaining in CSP Pooled Fund following other expenses including meeting costs	£5,622.90	
<b>Total remaining for 2023-24</b>	<b>£5,622.90</b>	

**To: Cambridge Community Safety Partnership Board**  
**From: Louise Walker**  
**Subject: Cambridge Community Safety Partnership Timetable for 2023/24**

## **1. Purpose of the report**

- 1.1 To agree the Cambridge Community Safety Partnership Timetable.
- 1.2 To obtain Board members' approval of the recommendation as presented.

## **2. Background**

- 2.1 The timetable presented here takes account of the work involved in implementing the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Plan, including having Strategic Assessments that has current data and allows for consultation for the annual update of the CSP Plan.
- 2.2 The timetable reflects the Cambridge Community Safety Partnership (CCSP) agreement to hold three meetings a year in February, July, and October. In addition, a development session held in late November / early December.
- 2.3 The proposed CCSP Timetable is for meetings to be held on
  - Tuesday 10 October 2023 from 10am-1pm
  - Tuesday 28 November 2023 from 10am-1pm – Development session
  - Tuesday 13 February 2024 from 10am-1pm
  - Tuesday 16 July 2024 from 10am-1pm.

## **3. Recommendations**

- 3.1 That the Board agrees the timetable as set out or suggests amendments.

### **Further Information:**

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Cambridge City Council  
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## Cambridge CSP Timetable 2023/24

May 2023	June 2023	July 2023	August 2023	Sept 2023	October 2023	November 2023	December 2023	January 2024	February 2024	March 2024	April 2024
<b>Ongoing data collection for Strategic Assessments (SA)</b>						<b>Development Session - Board and Members CSP: 28 RD: 14  Venue: TBC</b>					
		<b>Cambridge CSP: 11 RD: 27 June  Venue: Online</b>			<b>Cambridge CSP: 10 RD: 26 Sept  Venue: TBC</b>				<b>Cambridge CSP: 13 Feb RD: 30 January  Venue: TBC</b>		<b>July 2024 Cambridge CSP: 16 RD: 02  Venue: TBC</b>
	<b>MASG: 21 Venue: Online  Cycle CrimeTask and Finish Group: 27 Venue: Online</b>			<b>MASG: TBC Venue: Online  Cycle Crime Task and Finish Group: 05 Venue: Online</b>		<b>Cycle Crime Task and Finish Group: 07 Venue: Online</b>		<b>MASG: TBC Venue: Online  Cycle Crime Task and Finish Group: TBC Venue: Online</b>			<b>MASG: TBC in June 2024 Venue: Online</b>

Quarter One - 1 April – 30 June  
 Quarter Two - 1 July – 30 September  
 Quarter Three – 1 October – 31 December  
 Quarter Four – 1 January – 31 March

**Key:**  
 MASG Multi-Agency Steering Group  
 RD Report Deadline  
 SA Strategic Assessment

## Domestic Abuse Quarterly Performance Report 2022-23

### Quarter 4: January to March 2023

#### Q4 Total referral data\*

	Total Referrals	Engagement	Repeats
<b>IDVA Referrals (Cambs &amp; Pboro)</b>	900	68%	23%

For comparison, in Q4 2021-22 there were 656 referrals to IDVA Service

#### Q4 Data all risk level IDVAs

	Total Referrals	Engagement	Repeats	Q4 2021/22 Referrals for comparison
<b>A8 Cambs</b>	49	69%	38%	40
<b>A8 Pboro</b>	45	60%	19%	50
<b>YP Cambs</b>	22	73%	13%	41
<b>YP Peterborough</b>	7	71%	20%	14
<b>Health Cambs</b>	76	76%	19%	31
<b>Health Peterborough</b>	34	85%	7%	35
<b>Housing Cambs</b>	30	83%	12%	N/A
<b>Housing Peterborough</b>	11	73%	0%	N/A
<b>Male Victims</b>	47	51%	21%	106
<b>Minority Ethnic Victims</b>	35	63%	18%	N/A
<b>Stalking Cambs Pboro</b>	19	74%	7%	8
<b>Child to Parent Abuse (CPA)</b>	3	67%	0%	13
<b>Medium Risk C&amp;P</b>	40	50%	10%	29

A8 (victims from Eastern European)

YP covers age 13-19, up to 24 where the victim has special needs

#### Q4 Data by District

	Referrals	Engagement Rate	Repeat Rate	Q4 2021/22 Referrals for comparison
<b>Cambridge City</b>	78	71%	36%	36
<b>East Cambs</b>	53	79%	29%	21
<b>Fenland</b>	70	66%	17%	34
<b>Huntingdonshire</b>	82	72%	24%	64
<b>South Cambs</b>	51	65%	27%	34
<b>Peterborough</b>	148	65%	31%	94

Q4 Diversity Data Cambs & Peterborough IDVA Service

	<b>Q4 2022/23</b>	<b>Total 2022/23</b>
Number of male referrals	<b>42</b>	<b>169</b>
Number declaring disability	<b>48</b>	<b>167</b>
LGBT	<b>14</b>	<b>41</b>

Other relevant Q4 data

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Q4 2022/23</b>	<b>Q4 2021/22</b>
Number of Daily MARAC cases Cambs & Pboro	<b>275</b>	<b>249</b>
Police DA Incidents Cambs	<b>1927</b>	<b>2103</b>
Police DA Incidents Peterborough	<b>1142</b>	<b>1196</b>
Police DA Crimes Cambs average	<b>80%</b>	<b>87%</b>
Police DA Crimes Peterborough average	<b>82%</b>	<b>79%</b>

Total 2022/23 data

<b>2022-23 Total</b>	<b>Refs</b>	<b>Ave Eng</b>	<b>Ave Rep</b>
<b>City</b>	287	71%	25%
<b>East</b>	140	79%	24%
<b>Fenland</b>	255	62%	19%
<b>Hunts</b>	329	70%	20%
<b>South</b>	191	73%	18%
<b>Peterborough</b>	519	70%	23%
<b>Health Cambs</b>	219	78%	19%
<b>Health Peterborough</b>	98	88%	7%
<b>CYP Cambs</b>	128	76%	19%
<b>CYP Pboro</b>	45	80%	19%
<b>A8 Cambs</b>	156	70%	23%
<b>A8 Pboro</b>	193	70%	23%
<b>Male Victims</b>	165	60%	19%
<b>Housing Cambs</b>	80	83%	9%
<b>Housing Peterborough</b>	21	76%	6%
<b>Ethnic Minority IDVA</b>	164	56%	17%
<b>Stalking All</b>	60	80%	15%
<b>Child to Parent Abuse (CPA) IDVA</b>	17	40%	0%
<b>Medium Risk</b>	119	45%	7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3186</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>19%</b>

CYP Children and Young People covers age 13-19, up to 24 where the victim has special needs  
A8 (victims from Eastern European)

Other relevant information:

The IDVA Service is still experiencing considerable difficulties with reporting from the current case management system. A new system is due to be implemented very soon and it is hoped that next year's statistics will be much more accurate.

From April 2022, the definition of engagement has been changed to cases only where a victim agrees to accept information/advice, safety planning or MARAC feedback. This is one reason why the engagement rate has decreased.

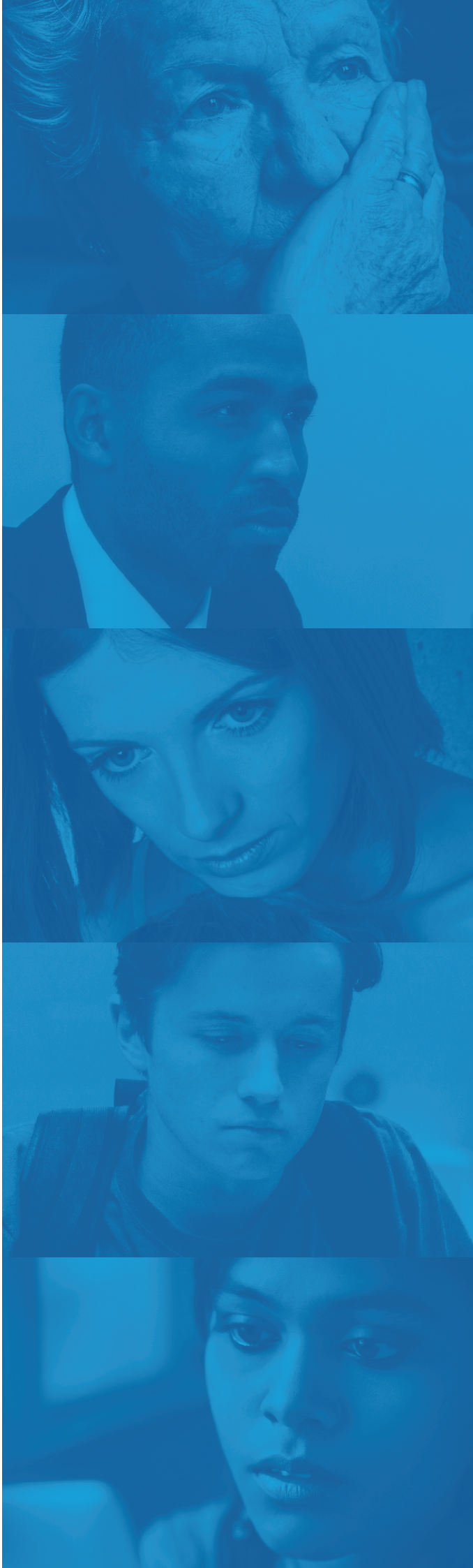
From June 2022 the IDVA Service have also received medium risk referrals from the police where a crime has been raised and the victim has consented. This is having a huge impact on volume of referrals to the service and has also impacted on the engagement rate for two reasons. Firstly, as risk levels are lower fewer victims accept the offer of support. Secondly this is compounded by delays in referrals reaching the IDVA service in a timely manner.

A8 engagement rates have been impacted by reduction in capacity for the Cambridgeshire A8 IDVA.

The new countywide outreach service DASS (Domestic Abuse and Support Service) delivered by IMPAKT, went live at the beginning of October and posters, website and literature have been updated to reflect this. The monthly VAWG (Violence Against Women and Girls) newsletter is also widely circulated to partners.

In addition to the expansion of the IDVA Service the DASV Partnership has also undertaken the safe accommodation needs assessment and developed a strategy based on this. Both of these can be found on at [www.cambsdasv.org.uk](http://www.cambsdasv.org.uk)

DASV Champions sessions for professionals continue to be held quarterly – the July 2023 sessions will be focusing on Unpaid Carers and Trauma Informed Responses. Details on how to sign up are at [Cambridgeshire County Council DASV Partnership - DASV Champions \(cambsdasv.org.uk\)](http://Cambridgeshire County Council DASV Partnership - DASV Champions (cambsdasv.org.uk))



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## Annual Report 2022-23

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# Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Partnership



**Cambridgeshire  
& Peterborough**  
Domestic Abuse & Sexual  
Violence Partnership

# Welcome to the Partnership Annual Report

Each year, as a partnership, there is more and more information to share about the work that is happening to tackle domestic abuse and sexual violence across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. We hope you find this report interesting, helpful and informative, and whilst you will find out lots about what has been happening over the last year, this is by no means everything that has been happening.

The strategic aims of the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Partnership are:

- working to prevent people becoming offenders of sexual violence and reducing victimisation by challenging the attitudes and behaviours which foster it
- reducing the risk to victims and intervening to prevent it from continuing, recurring or escalating
- promoting the safety and protection of victims and survivors
- that perpetrators are appropriately pursued and challenged
- working through a joint commissioning approach to ensure all victims have access to appropriate and proportionate outcome-focused support.

As a partnership we aim to bring together organisations and agencies to work together as effectively as possible to improve responses to domestic abuse and sexual violence. We are incredibly proud of the work being undertaken by a range of organisations from specialist services to health providers and those working across the criminal justice system.

The partnership's programme of interventions aims to improve the availability of support to domestic abuse perpetrators, child/adolescent perpetrators of domestic abuse towards their parents/carers and perpetrators of stalking. Victims are offered support at the same time from experienced and qualified staff employed within the county's IDVA Service.

In the last year, there were three domestic homicides; a death relating to neglect and domestic abuse and three people took their own lives due to domestic abuse. For each of these there will be a Domestic Homicide Review undertaken and lessons will be learned to improve the response to domestic abuse across the system.

As a partnership we will always look to opportunities to increase funding to the area and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) led bids to both the Home Office and Ministry of Justice.

More than £786k of Home Office funding was secured to address the behaviour of perpetrators of domestic abuse and stalking across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough from the Home Office's Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Intervention Fund 2023-25 - securing a total of £786,138 over the next two years.

The Fund is aimed at reducing the risk posed by domestic abuse perpetrators, uncovering and addressing the reasons why they offend to increase the safety and protection of victims and their families in future.

Peterborough and Wisbech secured over £600k to roll out a package of improvements to tackle anti-social behaviour and Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) over 15 months - bringing total investment from all four rounds of Safer Streets funding to £1.8m across the county.

We look forward to working together with all partners to secure funding as part of a partnership, joint commissioning approach to improving services and responses.

If there is anything we can do to support your organisation in relation to DASV, or you have ideas of how services can be improved, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us, we really appreciate hearing from you.

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## Prevalence and Incidents

There has been an almost 9% reduction in calls to the Police regarding domestic abuse incidents. Sexual violence reports to police have declined in Cambridgeshire but increased in Peterborough.

Referrals to the Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA) service increased by over 25%, largely due to the increase in specialist staff and threshold for referrals.

### Incidents of Domestic Abuse reported to Cambridgeshire Constabulary 2022/23

Total for 2022/23	Incidents	Crime rate %
Cambridgeshire	8247	86%
Peterborough	5045	82%

### Sexual Offences Crimes reported to Cambridgeshire Constabulary 2022/23

Total for 2022/23	Incidents	Change from 2021/22
Cambridgeshire	1768	1.2% decrease
Peterborough	880	5.2% increase

### Serious Sexual Offences Crimes reported to Cambridgeshire Constabulary 2022/23

Total for 2022/23	Incidents	Change from 2021/22
Cambridgeshire	1335	4.5% decrease
Peterborough	709	3.5% increase

### Referrals to the IDVA Service 2022/23

Total for 2022/23	Incidents	Change from 2021/22
Referrals	3186	26% increase

- Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference cases - 1077 cases heard in 2022/23. A 7.8% increase on 2021/22
- Outreach Support - 881 referrals
- Domestic homicides - 3, 2 of which were familial homicides of men
- Suicides where domestic abuse was a factor - 3, 2 women and 1 man

## Trauma Informed Practice

All agencies within the Partnership and those commissioned to deliver work in the field of domestic abuse and sexual violence aim to work to the Working Definition and Key Principles of Trauma Informed Practice as set out by the government in November 2022.

[Working definition of trauma-informed practice - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/trauma-informed-practice)

The working definition of trauma-informed practice is to:

***“Realise that trauma can affect individuals, groups and communities”***

Trauma informed practice is an approach to interventions which is grounded in the understanding that trauma exposure can impact an individual's neurological, biological, psychological and social development.

***“Recognise the signs, symptoms and widespread impact of trauma”***

Trauma informed practice aims to increase practitioners' awareness of how trauma can negatively impact on individuals and communities and their ability to feel safe or develop trusting relationships with health and care services and their staff. It aims to improve the accessibility and quality of services by creating culturally sensitive safe services, that people trust and want to use. It seeks to prepare practitioners to work in collaboration and partnership with people to empower them to make choices about their health and wellbeing.

Trauma informed practice acknowledges the need to see beyond an individual's presenting behaviours and to ask, 'What does this person need?' rather than 'What is wrong with this person?'

It seeks to avoid re-traumatisation which is the re-experiencing of thoughts, feelings or sensations experienced at the time of a traumatic event or circumstance in a person's past. Re-traumatisation is generally triggered by reminders of previous trauma which may or may not be potentially traumatic in themselves.

The purpose of trauma informed practice is not to treat trauma related difficulties, which is the role of trauma specialist services and practitioners. Instead, it seeks to address the barriers that people affected by trauma can experience when accessing health and care services.

## Key Principles of Trauma Informed Practice

### Safety

The physical, psychological and emotional safety of service users and staff is prioritised.

### Trustworthiness

Transparency exists in an organisation's policies and procedures, with the objective of building trust among staff, service users and the wider community.

### Choice

Service users are supported in shared decision making, choice and goal setting to determine the plan of action they need to heal and move forward.

### Collaboration

The value of staff and service user experience is recognised in overcoming challenges and improving the system as a whole.

### Empowerment

Efforts are made to share power and give service users and staff a strong voice in decision making, at both individual and organisational level.

### Cultural consideration

Move past cultural stereotypes and biases based on, for example, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion, disability, geography, race or ethnicity.



# Strategic Aims and work throughout the year

The Strategy and Needs Assessments can be found at:

Welcome to [Cambridgeshire County Council DASV Partnership \(cambsdasv.org.uk\)](http://Cambridgeshire County Council DASV Partnership (cambsdasv.org.uk))

## Strategic Aim One

Working to prevent people becoming offenders of domestic abuse and reducing victimisation by challenging the attitudes and behaviours which foster it.

- Communication and awareness raising materials.
  - The Partnership leads an integrated internal and external communications strategy to ensure work in this area is coordinated and focuses on non-victim blaming messages. Activities carried out in 2022/23 included:
    - mail out to all GPs, health centres and pharmacies in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough enclosing awareness posters and professionals Domestic Abuse leaflets
    - mail out to businesses across the county including hairdressers, dentists, solicitors enclosing Friends and Family leaflet and requesting them to be available to customers
    - White Ribbon stall at Cambridge Folk Festival
    - translation of key literature for sexual violence services
    - Social Media campaigns - including 16 Days of Action, KNOW Campaign around Safer Streets
    - Specific activities co-ordinated with agencies with a central communication events calendar
    - Bystander poster detailing local and national interventions shared on social media and in corporate press release [Cambridgeshire County Council DASV Partnership - Bystander Information \(cambsdasv.org.uk\)](http://Cambridgeshire County Council DASV Partnership - Bystander Information (cambsdasv.org.uk))
    - [Victim Services | Victim and Witness Hub \(cambsvictimservices.co.uk\)](http://Victim Services | Victim and Witness Hub (cambsvictimservices.co.uk)) links to information regarding services available to victims of crime.
- White Ribbon accreditation for Peterborough City Council and Cambridgeshire County Council, with events to mark 25<sup>th</sup> November "White Ribbon Day" to encourage men to never use, excuse or remain silent about men's violence against women and girls.
- Support for schools to access relevant services for pupils and parents:
  - 424 Domestic Abuse Leads in place across both Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.
  - 51 Early Years staff attended Domestic Abuse Lead training.
  - 30 schools have a member of staff to deliver "Healing Together" trauma informed support for children who are victims of domestic abuse in their families.
- Operation Encompass is a mechanism to inform schools that the police were called to an incident of domestic abuse where children on their role were present. The notifications are sent out to schools the following day:
  - 2,755 notifications were sent to Cambridgeshire schools
  - 1,670 to Peterborough schools.
- Educational programmes for young people who have engaged in risky or potentially harmful sexual behaviour:
  - Delivery of a short-term programme for young people aged 9-24 who have engaged in risky or harmful sexual behaviour. The programme aims to support participants to understand the impact and consequences of their behaviours and attitudes, it is delivered by Diverse.
- Counselling and emotional support for child victims of domestic abuse:
  - Embrace Child Victims of Crime - 87 children
  - Cambridge Acorn, Moon Project - 55 children

*"The whole team worked incredibly hard to support not just my son but us as a whole family. Acorn were able to be flexible with their working practice, which meant that they were able to support him as well as offer support and guidance to me both in a practical sense and writing reports for court. I could not thank the team enough."*

*–Moon Project parent*

- Specialist Children’s Workers in Refuges – 72 children supported
- Specialist Victim Care Co-ordinators in the Victim & Witness Hub – 153 Children.
- Young People’s IDVAs work with schools and youth groups:
  - 14 schools and colleges
  - 3 young people’s housing projects
  - 4 young people’s groups
  - 3 other.
- Domestic Abuse Housing Accreditation:
  - Cambridge Housing Society – recredited
  - South Cambridgeshire District Council – accredited
  - Cross Keys Homes – accredited
  - Cambridge City are working towards – recreditation
  - Working towards accreditation – Huntingdonshire, East Cambs, Fenland District Council and Fenland City Council.
- Community Ambassadors Scheme and training:
  - Cambridge Women’s Aid, “Ask Me” – trained 127 community members.
- Awareness Sessions at Peterborough Women’s Prison:
  - Peterborough Women’s Aid delivered awareness groups in HMP Peterborough. This work covers identifying the early signs of a perpetrator, civil orders that can be obtained and how to request a Clare’s Law disclosure.

## Support to Schools

### The Personal Social Health Education Service

The PSHE Service, with support from the Cambs and Peterborough DASV Partnership and Education Safeguarding, launched the Primary Safer Spaces Toolkit. This resource for 9-11 year olds, enabling pupils to understand negative effects of stereotyping and sexism, equipping them with the confidence to challenge and report such behaviours. This is carried out in an age appropriate way, either in groups where pupils can voice their opinions or as part of the enrichment of the PSHE Curriculum.

A total of 313 school colleagues attended the launch event. Following the launch, several schools have received staff training to raise awareness of the positive effect primary level education can have on preventing sexist attitudes and behaviours.

The PSHE Service continues to support 182 primary schools, to provide a broad high quality PSHE curriculum which enables schools to meet their safeguarding duties and teach skills around healthy friendships, anti-bullying and personal safety.

5 secondary schools and 6 primary schools have been supported with a tailored package to develop their provision of RSE, funded by Public Health.

Resources aimed at primary school children in KS2, have been provided to identify coercion and manipulation in friendships groups, enhancing provision around supporting healthy friendships.

The Health-Related Behaviour Survey was rolled out in Summer 2022 to Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Schools. 8390 pupils across Y8 and Y10 took part. The findings from this survey are shared with the cross county Healthy Relationships group and other stakeholders.

## Education Safeguarding Team

This team delivers Domestic Abuse Lead training with the intention that there is a Domestic Abuse Lead available in every school. Over the last year, the team has trained 94 Leads in schools to take on this vital role, meaning there are a total of 424 Domestic Abuse Leads in place across both Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. 51 Early Years staff have also attended Domestic Abuse Lead training this year.

The team also raises awareness of domestic abuse, its impact on children and families, and pathways for support via the statutory Basic Safeguarding training for all staff in schools and colleges and Designated Safeguarding Lead Training and Refresher Training. This includes an awareness of the impact of domestic abuse as well as the vital role education plays as a key partner in the delivery of Operation Encompass and achieving MARAC objectives.

Schools and colleges are guided by the Department of Education document Keeping Children Safe in Education that has a full section on "Child on Child Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment".

This covers:

- what schools and colleges should be aware of
- responding to reports of sexual violence and sexual harassment
- ongoing response.

# Strategic Aim Two

## Reducing the risk to victims and intervening to prevent it from continuing, recurring or escalating.

- Training and Workforce Development for Professionals
  - DASV Champions, with 100-150 attending each topic:
  - April - Family Violence and Children and Domestic Abuse
  - July - Dementia and DHR Findings
  - Oct - Safe Accommodation and Older LGBTQIA+
  - Jan 23 - Hourglass (Older Person) and Young Person IDVAs
  - In 2022 we surveyed all the DASV Champions for Feedback about the sessions:

*"Really helpful to have access to such a range of experts and organisations who attend/deliver the sessions."*

*"Every topic and session we learn something new, the sessions help to refresh and provide learning."*

*"Helped me see the wider picture. Has provided answers to different scenarios that I have come across."*

*"It keeps domestic abuse at the forefront of practice; contextualising it to different areas of need is really useful as provides a different dynamic to thought."*

*"Informative and supportive and offered the opportunity to create networks and connections to be used as a resource when needed."*

- Workforce training offer through Safeguarding Board and individual services:
  - Using DASH to risk assess the situation - 63 attended
  - Coercive Control - 59 attended
  - DA and Adults - 60 attended
  - Introduction to the effects of Domestic Abuse - 48 attended
  - Domestic Abuse and Young Person - 24 attended
  - Domestic Abuse and the impact on children Webinar - 27 attended
  - Domestic Abuse Risk and Planning for Safety Webinar - 16 attended
  - Safeguarding Adults and Domestic Abuse (Level 2) Webinar - 52 attended
  - ASYE Portfolio Development Session - Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence partnership - 5.
- Training / Awareness sessions delivered by the DASV Partnership:
  - Perpetrators of Domestic Abuse - Aspire and CGL Drug and Alcohol Services
  - "Stand by Her" White Ribbon Ambassadors
  - Child to Parent Abuse 1 day training with PEGS x 4 sessions
  - GP Practices x 5
  - Older Domestic Abuse Victims - Health Safeguarding Group
  - Child to Parent Abuse Awareness - Support Hub
  - Domestic Abuse and Cancer - Healthwatch
  - Supporting Friends and Family - Support Hub x 3 sessions
  - DHR Panel Member Training - AAFDA - 60 attendees
  - Assessing Risk
  - Equality and Diversity - Support Hub x 2 sessions
  - Child to Parent Abuse - Foster Carers
  - Friends and Family Awareness - Peterborough Neighbourhood Watch
  - Supporting Family & Friends - Ely Diocese
  - Coercive Control - Fenland District Council
  - Domestic Abuse Awareness - Peterborough Complaints Team
  - Family and Friends - Fenland District Council
  - Domestic Abuse, The Basics - Peterborough Council for Voluntary Service
  - Domestic Abuse, Level 2 - Cambridge City Council
  - Non-Fatal Strangulation - Fenland District Council

- Coercive Control – Fenland District Council
- Coercive Control – Peterborough Children’s Social Care x 2 sessions
- Springfest Adult Social Care – x 2 – Older People workshops
- Domestic Abuse Awareness – Aspire
- Domestic Abuse Awareness – Health Visitor and School Nurses
- Domestic Abuse Awareness South Cambridgeshire Family Workers
- Mental health/wellbeing support for those who have been subjected to domestic abuse:
  - Mental Health Pathfinders at the Victim and Witness Hub – 543 people
  - Rape Crisis – 60
  - Specialist counselling for those in Refuge – 21
- Managed reciprocal housing scheme:
  - 14 clients moved home, maintaining their social tenancy
- Group work programmes:
  - “Moving Forward” Group Therapy, Cambridge Women’s Aid – 11 women
  - Art Group, Cambridge Women’s Aid – 12 women
  - Power to Change, Cambridge Women’s Aid – 12 women
  - Freedom Programme, Meadows Centre – 20 women
  - Together Group, Meadows Centre
  - Freedom Programme, Peterborough Women’s Aid – 30 women
  - Living Keys delivered – Freedom Programme for Women, Hope2Recovery (groups for women, men and transgender), DA Recovery Toolkit (groups for survivors and CYP), Weekly Cherished Peer Support Group for women
  - Own My Life – Refuge and Peterborough Women’s Aid
  - Women Warriors – Peterborough Women’s Aid

*“I’m not really sure if I can find the words to say how grateful I am for being given the recent counselling. It has changed my life immeasurably and got me through some really difficult things and thoughts. I have no idea how I would have got through it without the support I have received.”*

*(Rape Crisis support)*

*“I have so much knowledge around DV and my confidence has grown, and I’ve made friends. I have no time to myself, and the group is my me time and support network. It’s a safe place and my children love coming”*

*(Together Group)*

*“I felt so empowered by being with others, with shared experiences, who really understood me”*

*“I finally let go of the guilt and shame I had been holding for all these years.”*

*(Living Keys)*

*“My confidence has grown again and I feel much less isolated than before”*

*“I have volunteered to attend the first meeting of the next Freedom Programme to help attendees understand how safe, secure and enlightening my experience has been.”*

*(Peterborough Women’s Aid)*

*“I have learnt something really valuable. I have built really fundamental bricks of confidence and knowledge that I will carry with me for life”*

*“I felt supported and understood and the course made me understand my trauma a lot better and validate my feelings surrounding it”*

*(Own My Life)*

*“I recognise that I have trauma, and this group helps me to focus on what I can do for myself and how I can improve my self-worth. ”*

*“The activities have improved my mental health and allowed me to become more confident and with this confidence I have learnt to listen and trust myself again.”*

*“It’s a place I can go and have my voice heard, and I am taken seriously.”*

*“It enables me to meet new people and build my confidence and it’s nice to have peer support around and meet other people. But I can have quiet time if I need to. It really meets all my needs.”*

*(Women Warriors)*

- Specialist Support for Gypsy and Travellers:
  - One Voice 4 Travellers provide specialist support to victims of domestic abuse in the Gypsy and Traveller community and carry out preventative work with members of the community – worked with 66 women.
- Harassment and Violence Support Service at the University of Cambridge:
  - Provision of trauma-informed emotional and practical support to students at the University who have been subjected to any form of sexual harassment or violence and/or intimate partner abuse at any point in their lives.
- Flexible Funding for those who have been subjected to domestic abuse:
  - This funding supported over 160 people with a range of issues such as support into accommodation, furniture, moving costs, additional security, clothing, food and travel. The purpose of the funding is to enable someone to remain safe, and to reduce the likelihood of reconciliation with an abusive partner.

## Case Study

My client has three children under 10 and no family support network. She was struggling with the cost of running the household, after the relationship with her ex-partner has ended due to domestic abuse. She was just about managing to support the family but had no idea how she was going to provide Christmas presents for the children. The IDVA referred her three boys to Embrace and they arranged for each of them to receive a present.

She then disclosed her washing machine was broken, and she had no idea how on earth she would get funds for a replacement. The IDVA arranged via the Cambridgeshire Local Assistance Scheme for a new washing machine to be delivered and installed (and the old one removed) all within the week.

Bad luck continued to fall on her, a broken cooker being the next issue, along with a broken microwave and TV. Property Angels were then contacted and they have subsequently sourced a new cooker which was quickly installed, found a 3 month old microwave and also a 32" TV for her. They were also able to give her a Tesco voucher.

This case study highlights the holistic support provided by a range of organisations to ensure those who have been subjected to domestic abuse are able to live safely and with basic home necessities.

# Strategic Aim 3

## Promoting the safety and protection of victims and survivors.

- Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference:
  - This multi-agency meeting is held three times a week and hears cases where there is a risk of significant harm or homicide – 1077 cases heard.
  - A MARAC Development Day was held with attendance of over 60 professionals.
- Sexual Assault Risk Assessment Conference:
  - This multi-agency meeting hears cases where there is repeated serious sexual assaults and the dynamic is not one of “domestic abuse”. The process was reviewed in the year and is only required by exception.
- Independent Domestic Violence Advisor Service – 3186 referrals:
  - IDVAs work predominantly with those at risk of significant harm or homicide.
  - In June 2022, the service was commissioned to take referrals for those at medium risk of harm where there has been a crime committed against them.
  - Specialist IDVAs take referrals at any level of risk.
  - 7 Health IDVAs.
  - Working across all health settings including primary care, hospitals, mental health and drug and alcohol services.
  - 3 Young Peoples IDVAs – worked with 133 young people.
  - 4 Housing IDVAs:
    - Housing IDVAs are now co-located once a week in local housing advice services that are open to the public and are working positively with the housing teams.
    - The co-location of Housing IDVAs as well as providing a direct referral service to IDVA support for Housing teams has already led to closer links and understanding between the services and better outcomes for survivors.
- Target hardening to keep victims safe in their own homes – 508 victims
- Refuge provision within 4 refuges across the area – 73 women
- Victim and Witness Hub supported 964 victims of crime where this was domestic abuse.
- Mobile Advocacy/Outreach for those subjected to domestic abuse:
  - From 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022, a countywide service commenced, and in the six months there were 315 people supported by the Domestic Abuse Support Service (DASS).

*“I received a lot of help from you, you got me to understand my options and make best decisions. I am no longer scared to talk about my situation and about the abuse. I greatly appreciate that you have been there for me.”*

*(IDVA Service)*

*“I would like to thank you so much for all your help and support, I wouldn't of been able to cope so well if it wasn't for your support and the help you got me. And I'll be forever grateful for that and now me and my babies are safe.”*

*–Health IDVA client*

*“The IDVA has been a great support. They have given me my confidence back and helped me to realise my options. I have been kept informed and kept in the loop and not been left waiting. I feel a lot safer having been supported to move to Safe Refuge.”*

*(Housing IDVA Service)*

*“When I was kicked out of my husband's family home, I had nowhere to go, I was feeling very low and weak, humiliated, but from the support I have had from IDVA and now the support of DASS, I feel strong and growing stronger every day. If I had not had this help and support, I would not be where I am today.”*

*“I cannot thank you enough for listening, understanding, and organising the ongoing help and support for me. You have been so wonderful. I hope in the future that I might get to thank you in person - when my situation is very different to now! With heartfelt thanks and best wishes.”*

*“Everyone I have spoken to has been really lovely, I feel that DASS were the only ones that have given me the practical support I have needed when I needed it. I feel truly heard and understood of the way I feel.”*

*(Mobile Advocacy/Outreach Service)*

- Cambridge Women's Aid supported 480 women across the year.
- Peterborough Women's Aid supported 146 women.
- Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC) providing self-referral, forensics, Duty ISVA, counselling for victims:
  - 142 Adults
  - 46 Children
- Sexual Violence Support from Rape Crisis:
  - Telephone and email helpline supported 996 people.
  - Independent Sexual Violence Advocacy Service – 718 referrals.
  - Specialist client-based ISVAs supporting black and racially minoritised and male survivors.
- Specialist support for adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse, with delivery of online symptom management sessions and psycho-educational workshops along with post counselling peer support groups to victims – 39 people received support.
- Ensuring accessibility of services to include minoritised groups, those where English is not first language, LGBTQ+:
  - Specialist IDVA for Ethnic Minorities received 164 referrals
  - Specialist ISVA for Ethnic Minorities Translated key service information into community languages including Arabic, Hindi, Urdu and Polish and engaged with local ethnic community forums
  - IDVA at the Deaf Association – 11 people
  - Specialist IDVAs for Eastern Europeans – 349 referrals
  - Lithuanian Outreach Worker
  - Specialist work with the Gypsy Traveller Community – 66 people
  - information, awareness and literature material available in a range of languages, online and in hard copy
  - support provided to those with No Recourse to Public Funds, including temporary accommodation and application for the Domestic Violence Destitution Concession from the Home Office.
- Victim Liaison Officers in Probation:
  - The Probation Service have dedicated Victim Liaison Officers (VLOs) based in various locations around Cambridgeshire, supporting victims and their families to provide information about the offender's custodial journey. Working with probation practitioners they provide representations from victims, such as requests for non-contact and exclusion zones, in the form of license conditions.
- Safe Spaces in Public Libraries:
  - All libraries in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough are now safe spaces where survivors of domestic abuse can use facilities free of charge to access online support and some are able to offer a private room and telephone. Posters were designed for the scheme, and these are displayed in libraries. Over 100 library staff attended training, and many are now DASV Champions. At least two people have found additional support through this route and are now safe from the abuser.

*"I really can't thank you enough for helping me, best people I've ever met! Thank you."*

*–SARC patient*

*"At first I was extremely scared but the staff and nurses made me feel comfortable and showed me I wasn't alone and are helping me recover from the trauma. I have been extremely grateful and thank you for help and support."*

*–SARC CYP patient*

*"Sending that email was one of the best decisions I have ever made. I am so grateful for the reply I received, it was amazing and really, I guess, life changing."*

*(Sexual Violence Support)*

*"My ISVA was a guardian angel who was completely invaluable and made the whole process easier. I can honestly say that I would not have made it through my court case without her".*

*(Sexual Violence Advocacy Service)*



# Strategic Aim 4

## Perpetrators are appropriately pursued and challenged

- Domestic Abuse Perpetrator panel discussed 111 high risk perpetrators – 52 in the North of the county and 59 in the South:
  - 107 men and 4 women; 107 victims female
  - 60 of the perpetrators had a Restraining Order or Non molestation order against them
  - 41 had been in prison at some point during the year.
- CARA is a scheme for first time domestic abuse offenders, not using coercive controlling behaviour against their partner, who are required to attend a behaviour change programme as part of a conditional caution – 98 completed the course.
- Step Wise is a behaviour change programme run by probation – 17 completed the course and 6 were mid-way through at the end of the year.
- Building Better relationships is a court-mandated 26 week programme for those convicted of a domestic abuse related crime.
- Specialist investigators who investigate all rape investigations and seek appropriate criminal justice outcomes:
  - Cambridgeshire Constabulary has a team of dedicated and specialist resources whose role is to investigate rape offences against adults and children. These officers work within the Protecting Vulnerable People Department and undergo specialist national training alongside continuous professional development throughout the year.
  - Working towards transformational change through Project Eleos, the teams take an offender-centric approach to investigating rape alongside working closely with the Crown Prosecution Service to form a one team prosecution ethos. Despite a steep rise in demand, this approach has seen positive change over the last 12 months with increasing numbers of offenders charged (6.4% this past rolling year compared to 2.6% from April 2021 to April 2022).
  - Through a dedicated Rape Feedback Project and Trauma Informed Training, the voices of survivors have improved the Constabulary's approach towards procedural justice and ensuring they (the survivors) are at the heart of the investigation.
- Use of civil orders for perpetrators of sexual violence:
  - Civil orders are a key disruption tactic used by the Constabulary and represent the robust stance taken towards perpetrators and help to safeguard the vulnerable. The use of civil orders has remained stable, especially Domestic Violence Protection Orders which have been enhanced by the Bail Act.
  - Increased the number of Stalking Protection Orders and in line with our Harmful Cultural Practices Policy and secured Forced Marriage Orders.
  - Upon conviction, through liaison with CPS, further civil orders are gained and the past year has seen continued success with Sexual Risk Orders and Sexual Harm Prevention Orders. The Constabulary will be launching Prevention and Vulnerability Hubs who will have responsibility for oversight of civil orders and enhancing the opportunities available.
- Effective management of registered sex offenders in the community
  - The MOSOVO (Management of Sexual or Violent Offenders) team of specialist officers manage more than 1000 offenders within the community regularly visiting them in their homes to assess their current risk to others.
  - Working in partnership with Probation, Housing, Health and others, they continuously seek to aid rehabilitation of offenders and support them living in the community. A small percentage are found to not comply with the terms of their notification requirements or breach their licence and are returned to custody.
  - The number of offenders increases annually due to increased convictions which increases the individual workload.
  - Despite the high volume of work, visit compliance is 100% for very high risk offenders, over 90% for high risk and 84% overall (May 2023).
  - Multi-agency Stalking Intervention Programme:

- 134 Referrals were assessed
- The Stalking and Harassment IDVA has supported 85 people, working alongside police and other agencies to increase safety - 6 Stalking Protection Orders were granted and one interim order.
- The psychologist worked on a one-one basis with six perpetrators (with four more being prepared to start 2023/24).
- Child to Parent Abuse Programmes:
  - Family Respect Programme - 89 families have been offered support.
  - 23 families completed the programme, with 20 hours of direct support to each family.
  - Calls to police from these families reduced by over 90% following completion.

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# Strategic Aim 5

**Through a joint commissioning approach, we will ensure all victims have access to appropriate and proportionate outcome focused support.**

- Across the Partnership, any funding or bidding opportunities available for domestic abuse or sexual violence are considered by multiple partners to ensure consistency across the area, and to avoid duplicate funding in one area.
- The approach ensures appropriate and consistent support for those subjected to domestic abuse and sexual violence, and to tackling this with the perpetrators of this abuse.
- This approach is reflected in the strategic aims 1-4, outlined above.

In 2022-23 the following were commissioned/funded from central government bids:

- Whole Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Domestic Abuse Mobile Advocacy Outreach Service - IMPAKT, Domestic Abuse Support Service (DASS)
- Target Hardening - 24/7 Locks
- Dispersed Accommodation - Stevenage Against Domestic Abuse
- All elements of the Home Office Perpetrator Bid - Probation, CPFT, IDVA Service.

## Developments and Priorities 2023-24

- Violence Against Women and Girls Needs Assessment has been commissioned and will be ready in Autumn 2023
- A VAWG strategy will be developed to begin in April 2025 to March 2028
- New outreach service for South Asian women
- New outreach service for men subjected to domestic abuse
- New outreach service for Polish victims
- Increase in training, awareness and support across health providers
- The first DASV Conference will be held in Peterborough in June 2023
- Embedding of Perpetrator interventions
- Increase in the units of dispersed accommodation
- Specialist IDVA with the Out Of Court Disposal Team
- Specialist outreach to the LGBTQ+ Community
- Shared Lives Project to support Carers
- Focus on how to ensure services can continue after March 2025 when large funding streams end
- Continuation of all the workstreams featured above

For more information on the work across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough in relation to Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence, please visit [www.cambsdasv.org.uk](http://www.cambsdasv.org.uk).