

**SAFER STOCKPORT PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2022-25****Report of the Corporate Director (Corporate and Support Services)  
and Deputy Chief Executive****1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 This report presents a draft of the latest three-year iteration of Safer Stockport Partnership's Plan, covering 2022 to 2025 (the previous plan covered 2018-2021). Members are asked to comment on the draft plan and, subject to any such comments, agree that it proceeds to Cabinet for further consideration and approval.

**2. SAFER STOCKPORT PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2022-25****Safer Stockport Partnership (SSP)**

- 2.1 Safer Stockport Partnership (SSP) is the statutory Community Safety Partnership (CSP) covering the Borough of Stockport. CSPs were mandated in the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and SSP was established in 1999.
- 2.2 A number of agencies, known as "responsible authorities", are required to be active participants in CSPs. In Stockport, they are:
- Stockport Council.
  - Greater Manchester Police (GMP).
  - Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service (GMFRS).
  - National Probation Service.
  - Stockport Clinical Commissioning Group.

Currently, two other agencies are represented on the SSP Board:

- Greater Manchester Combined Authority.
- Stockport Homes Group.

Council representation on the board includes the Cabinet Member for Inclusive Neighbourhoods.

- 2.3 CSPs are required to produce plans to address the key community safety issues in the areas they cover based on the available intelligence, and to regularly update these plans.

**SSP Plan 2022-25**

- 2.4 In recent years, SSP has aligned the process for updating its plan with the process of reviewing and updating the GM-wide Policing and Crime Plan (also known as "Standing Together"). The previous iterations of both plans covered 2018-2021. The process of developing the new GM plan was delayed by almost a year due to the pandemic (and also due to the 2020 GM Mayoral election being

postponed to 2021). In order to ensure effective alignment between the GM and Stockport plans therefore, the process of developing the next iteration of the SSP Plan was also delayed.

- 2.5 Development of the plan was informed by data from a range of agencies, the quarterly GM Community Safety Surveys and a range of engagement events. This data was brought together in SSP's Strategic Intelligence Assessment. This assessment provided the evidence base on which the refreshed draft plan is based.
- 2.6 An All-Party Member Working Group met around every four to six weeks between September 2021 and January 2022 to oversee the development of the plan.
- 2.7 The plan sets out SSP's vision for addressing the key issues identified in the Strategic Intelligence Assessment. By delivering on these issues the aims of the plan include making residents feel safer, ensuring that they will receive a response to community safety issues when they need one, listening to and supporting victims and reducing the likelihood of being a repeat victim.
- 2.8 It focuses on a broad range of issues, including those which have featured prominently in recent SSP plans, such as domestic abuse, victim-based crimes, hate crime/incidents and working with people (adults and young people) to prevent and reduce their offending/reoffending. It also however focuses on issues which have not featured prominently in previous SSP plans, such as exploitation of vulnerable people (especially children) by criminals, online harm, stalking & harassment and support for victims.
- 2.9 The plan for the next three years is built around three key strategic priorities identified from the Strategic Assessment. These will be reviewed annually to ensure they remain fit for purpose and are:
  - Protecting Vulnerable People.
  - Public Safety and Protection.
  - Reducing Offending and Reoffending.
- 2.10 The SSP Plan links to the "Strong and Supportive" priority within the One Stockport Borough Plan. When the SSP Plan content has been approved, it will and will be professionally designed to a style consistent with "One Stockport" conventions and the plan will be publicly available via both the Stockport Council and SSP websites.

### **Performance monitoring and review**

- 2.11 The plan sets out a range of proposed actions for delivery during 2022/23. Progress with delivering these actions, and performance on a range of measures (also set out in the plan), will be reviewed each quarter by the SSP Board and the action plan will be reviewed and refreshed annually.
- 2.12 In addition, an SSP will present annual updates to Communities and Housing Scrutiny Committee each year to highlight achievements, review progress over the previous 12 months and highlight any current or future issues.

**3. FINANCIAL AND RISK ASSESSMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

There are no financial implications for the Council in approving the SSP report – all proposed activity will be undertaken within existing resources, including annual funding obtained via the GM Deputy Mayor's Office.

**4. LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

There are no legal implications associated with approving the plan. Not approving the plan, or any delay to its implementation resulting in the absence of a current SSP Plan, may leave the council and/or its partners vulnerable to legal challenge.

**5. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPACT**

The plan has no workforce implications for the council or any of its partners.

**6. EQUALITIES IMPACT**

An Equalities Impact Assessment has been undertaken and the completed template accompanies this report.

**7. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

An Environmental Impact Assessment has been undertaken and no environmental impacts associated with the plan have been identified. A completed Environmental Impact Assessment template however accompanies this report.

**8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 Members are asked to comment on the draft plan.

8.2 The Cabinet is asked to approve the draft Safer Stockport Partnership Plan for submission to the Council Meeting on 31 March 2022.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

SSP Strategic Assessment 2022 is available on request.

Anyone wishing to inspect the above background papers or requiring further information should contact Alan Lawson by email ([alan.lawson@stockport.gov.uk](mailto:alan.lawson@stockport.gov.uk)).