

# **One Stockport Safety Partnership (OSSP)**

## **Annual Review and Partnership Update 2024**

### **Communities & Transport Scrutiny Committee**

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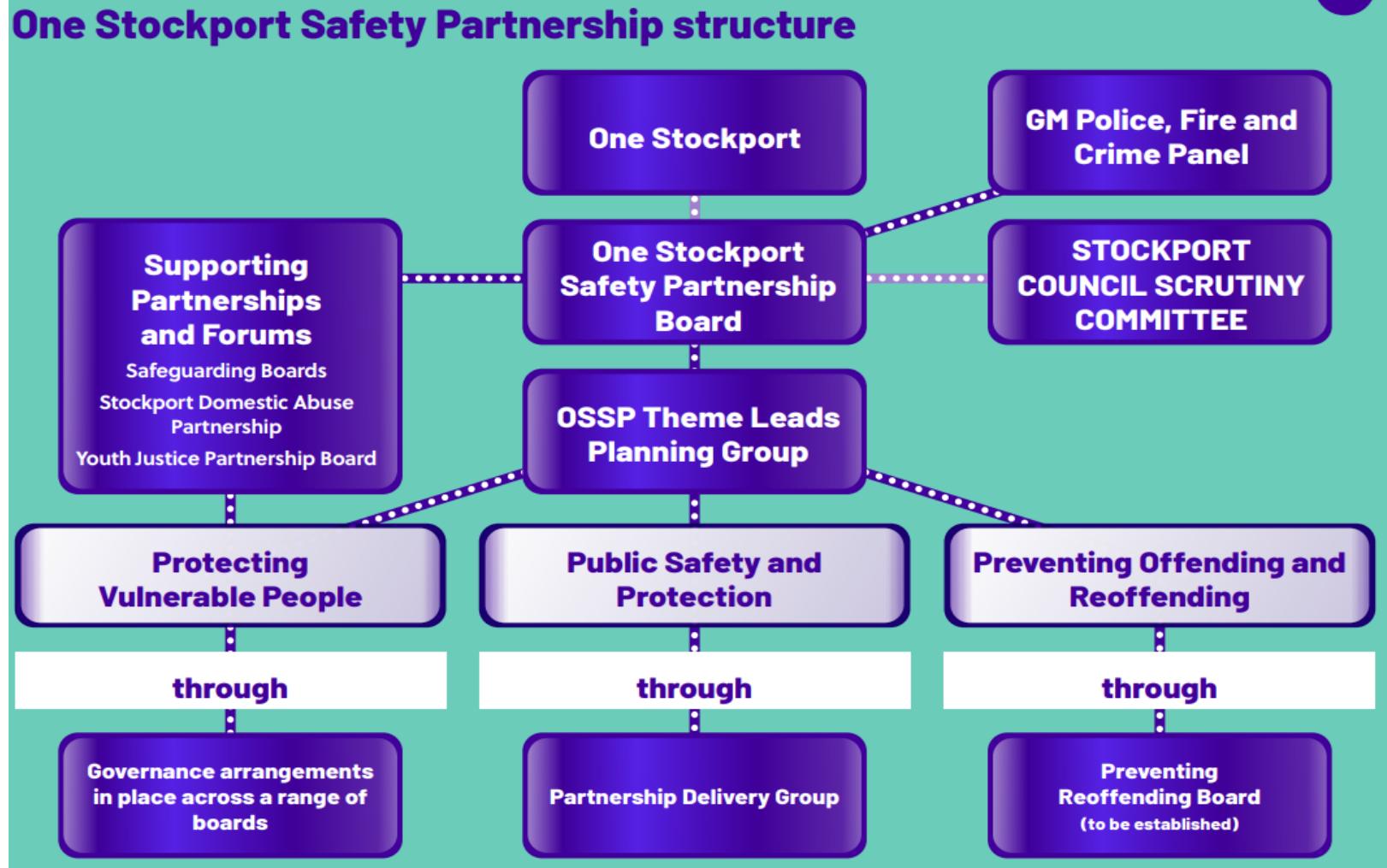
# 1. Statutory responsibilities of Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs)

The One Stockport Safety Partnership (OSSP) is the CSP covering the Borough of Stockport. CSPs undertake many functions. The current **statutory** responsibilities of CSPs are to:

- Set up a strategic Community Safety Partnership Board to direct the work of the partnership.
- Engage and consult with the community about their priorities and progress with achieving them.
- Set up protocols and systems for sharing information.
- Analyse a wide range of data, including crime levels and patterns, in order to identify priorities.
- Set out a partnership plan and monitor progress with its delivery.
- Commission Domestic Violence Homicide reviews.
- From 2023, CSPs will be required to produce evidence-led Serious Violence Plans.

A similar requirement to develop plans to address antisocial behaviour is also being considered (following Home Office review of the Police and Crime Commissioner role).

## 2. SSP Governance and Strategic Delivery Arrangements



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### **3. OSSP Plan 2022-2025**

- The One Stockport Safety Partnership (OSSP) Plan 2022-2025 is based on data from the Community Safety Strategic Assessment.
- It sets out our vision to make residents feel safer, ensure that they will receive a response in their time of need and how we will listen to and support victims to reduce the likelihood of them becoming a repeat victim.
- Its production followed the launch of the One Stockport Borough Plan and is a key component in supporting our shared ambitions for our borough. It aligns with the new Greater Manchester Mayor's Police and Crime Plan 2022-25, while reflecting the local context and challenges facing us in Stockport. The plan's three key strategic priority themes are:
  - Protecting Vulnerable People.
  - Public Safety and Protection.
  - Reducing Offending and Reoffending

## 4. Priority 1: Protecting Vulnerable People Headlines

- Domestic Abuse Partnership Board- oversees the implementation of the Domestic Abuse Strategy and provides overarching governance/ challenge.
- Domestic Abuse Operations Group- implementation of the Domestic Abuse Strategy and review of the needs/risks within the borough.
- Domestic Abuse Champion Network- forum for frontline colleagues across the partnership to share updates and good practice.
- White Ribbon Campaign- Develop White Ribbon 3 year action plan, in line with accreditation.
- Work is currently underway to update the Domestic Abuse Strategy- which is due Spring 2024.
- Victims Voice Co-Ordinator has been appointed to ensure that voice of victims, and children are used to help co-design the strategy and domestic abuse services within the borough.
- Stockport are contributing to Greater Manchester Male Victims Working Group.
- Stockport is part of the Greater Manchester pilot for Domestic Homicide Reviews, which is supported by the PCC.
- Stockport has been involved in the GMCA wider audit of MARAC.

# Priority 1: Protecting Vulnerable People Headlines

- Stockport was successful in their bid to Home Office on Preventing Radicalisation and secured £20,000 to deliver projects in Stockport Secondary Schools. (Information has been shared at the PSHE Network) This resulted in 35 sessions being delivered and engagement with 1493 pupils across 6 local schools and a community group.
- We have rolled out the Stockport Tension monitoring process to capture community cohesion issues across Stockport.
- Stockport have successfully awarded been awarded £678,070 as part of the Supplementary Substance Misuse Treatment and Recovery Grant (SSMTRG), which will go to supporting people to access treatment and move towards a successful treatment completion.
- Public Health are currently undertaking a comprehensive drug and alcohol needs assessment – which should be finished by end of March 24, which will help inform and shape our substance misuse offer in Stockport.

# Priority 2: Public Safety and Protection Headlines

- Stockport is leading the way in GM on the model and resources to tackle Cuckooing. The Cuckooing Programme which has been jointly led by GMP and Stockport Homes were shortlisted as finalists in the "Best Victim Centred POP (Problem Oriented Policing) Plan" category for their innovative approach to tackling cuckooing in Stockport and have been crowned winners!
- On 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023, GMCA coordinated with Stockport Community Safety Partnership Masterclass. The purpose was to bring the One Stockport Safety Partnership together to discuss how can we use partnership and preventative approaches focusing on vulnerability to reduce the number of off-road bike nuisance.. s
- The partnership response to ASB in during the first half of the year has included:
  - Operation Rimini is the name of the pro-active work undertaken by the Neighbourhood Teams.
  - Recent successes have been the operation to reduce retail crime and ASB in the Town Centre over the Summer holiday period.
  - In the last six months there have been two closure orders obtained for two premises creating high demand for all partners.
  - Operation Treacle, responding to and reducing ASB associated with fireworks that has been running for the last two weeks.
  - The Prevention HUB at Stockport manage locations that feature as repeat demand, and co-ordinate a partnership approach to reduce this repeat demand.

# Priority 3: Reducing Offending and Reoffending Headlines

## Adult offending and reoffending

- Stockport Reducing Reoffending Board is being progressed in line with Trafford to reflect the Head of the Probation Delivery Unit's (PDU) line of responsibilities.
- The OSSP has continued to fund the Integrated Offender Management Resettlement fund to provide enhanced support to probation clients on the IOM cohort leaving custody with resettling back into the community. The fund is positively received by all partner agencies including Greater Manchester Police as well as by clients in aiding their resettlement, rehabilitation and reduction in their risk.

## Youth offending and reoffending

- The Youth Justice Plan (2023/24) has been approved and circulated.
- Most recent data available for Q3 is for the period April 2023 – September 2023, Q1 & 2 as there is delay with national data ) for First Time Entrants, shows that we are inline with the region and have a lower first time entrant rate than our GM colleagues. However, we are slightly higher than the England and Wales figures. We are currently in the process of reviewing our pathways into the service as we are delivering multiple programmes including Turnaround. The YJB model promotes the statutory framework around Prevention, Diversion and post-court work. We are looking to develop our Prevention work in line with other Greater Manchester authorities through the use of PIED (Prevention, Intervention, Education, Diversion) which will pick up children who have been the named suspect on a crime on 2 or more occasions and are invisible to the system.
- This data shows that our reoffences per reoffender have reduced during the reporting period which is really positive.

## 5. OSSP Review

- We are currently reviewing and amalgamating the OSSP Theme leads and Partnership Delivery Groups. This so we have one group that has overall responsibility for the delivery of the priorities under each of the 3 pillars of One Stockport Safety Plan to improve coordination.
- The GMCA grants are now allocated on the 3-year basis. We have reviewed our current grant allocations and streamlined the processes sustained so we can provide sustained funding over a 3-year period
- We also have reviewed current performance/data asks and report functions with GMP and partners to help us develop an OSSP dashboard
- We will include a standard performance/trends/threats report on the OSSP Board agenda

# 6. Safer Streets

In 2022, £436,810 funding was secured by the Home Office Safer Streets Fund; £218,395 match (in kind). The funding element is now complete. A targeted plan was developed to address antisocial behaviour and criminal activity in the Central Police locality (Stockport Town Centre and Brinnington) An evaluation for this programme will be completed later this year once the match element of activity finished.

Key progress from the project themes are as follows:

## Youth Work

- RTime Youth workers have supported the BYouth centre, which continues to engage local young people from Brinnington and often attracts between 15-25 young people..
- An extensive programme of diversionary activities has been delivered throughout the lifetime of the programme to engage local young people from Brinnington.

## Infrastructure and security

- Stockport Homes Group/ Reflex were commissioned to provide a secure CCTV link across Stockport Town Centre. The impact and benefits are positive from the improved linkage between the Town Centre Control Room and Merseyway, which was previously missing. This has now resolved the black hole to improve surveillance..
- Additional funded security posts during ASB hotspots/ peak times has proven successful. We will continue to monitor the impact of returning to normal security levels and should this be negative, we will explore opportunities to fund this elsewhere.

## **Work with Victims**

- Complainant Support Specialist in post and has supported 83 complainants to date is currently supporting 27 individuals as of 4th October 2023. Support provided includes 1-2-1 emotional support, benefits and energy advice, signposting to other services and arranging target hardening.

## **Retail and Business Crime**

- The Retail Crime Steering Group continues to meet to discuss initiatives, priority actions, trends and evidence gathering.
- Following the comprehensive work carried out by the Retail Crime Reduction Champion to improve how businesses use the Storenet Radio system and to develop more robust system for monitoring usage, Totally Stockport continue to provide free radios to businesses within the BID area.
- As a result of the work instigated by the Champion stronger partnership arrangements now exist between the Peel Centre, GMP and the Control Room in relation to tackling retail crime.
- Stockport's Prevention Hub Team patrolled the town centre during the school holidays in 2023 with a particular focus on young offenders. The plain-clothes operation involved officers engaging with young people and issuing Criminal Behaviour Orders and behaviour contracts where appropriate and building up strong relationships with the businesses in the town centre. The successful operation resulted in 50% fewer incidents of youth ASB compared to 2022.

## **Community engagement**

- Road related offences are continuing to be targeted by the neighbourhood team and traffic officers with operations taking place on local roads. The impact of this is continuously being reviewed and assessed.
- Further appropriate volunteers are being sought and an advertisement campaign is taking place to identify relevant people to participate in Community Speedwatch. These volunteers will be trained by the traffic PCSO's before the neighbourhood team take ownership.
- A significant number of Drivers have been prosecuted for driving offences.
- Police officers continue to attend schools to provide presentations about road safety.

# 7. Serious Violence Duty

- The Serious Violence Duty (SVD) came into effect on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023. This is a statutory requirement, and The One Stockport Safety Partnership has oversight for this.
- Serious Violence Duty requires responsible authorities to work together to develop an understanding of the extent and nature of serious violence in their area and to develop plans to address the key issues identified.
- OSSP carried a Strategic Needs Assessment (SNA) pulling in data from a range of sources. This identified:
  - Key issues under three broad headings (Violence affecting young people; Domestic abuse; Non-domestic adult violence).
  - Work already underway to address them
  - Additional activity required to address these issues.
- There is a requirement to share the SNA with GM Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) by 31/03/24 (Complete) and Home Office expect plan to be agreed by 31/03/24. A serious violence duty report was brought to the January Scrutiny Meeting.
- Additional activity identified will form the basis of OSSP's Serious Violence Plan (due for sign-off by OSSP on 19/03/24).
- Implementation of the new actions will be monitored via OSSP's regular performance monitoring arrangements.
- From 2025/06, assessment, planning and monitoring arrangements for serious violence will be aligned with overall ones.

# 8. Right Care Right Person

- Greater Manchester Police, are embarking on implementing a significant change programme known as 'Right Care, Right Person' (RCRP). To support Stockport's readiness for implementation and ensure Local agencies are prepared, Greater Manchester Police are keen to work with our partners to improve pathways to ensure that individuals receive the right support by the right organisation, at the earliest opportunity.

## **What is Right Care Right Person:**

- An accountable and consistent decision-making model
- re-align deployment decisions against the core policing responsibilities
- When a call comes into GMP we would ask, 'is there an immediate risk to life', 'do we have a legal duty to act', 'is there a risk to a child' - "does a response fall within the core policing principles to protect life, protect property or keep the peace?" .
- If the call relates to any of these principles please be reassured, we will go. We are here to protect our communities and keep people safe, that will never change.

## What Do We Aspire To Achieve?

- The right care for everyone across Greater Manchester at the earliest opportunity
- Meaningful and collaborative signposting to the right agency
- To improve the quality of peoples lives across Greater Manchester
- For police to focus on crime and prevention and keep our community safe

### Update:

- GMP have delivered briefings on RCRP to the:
  - One Stockport Safety Partnership
  - One Health and Care Board through the Development Session
  - Joint Safeguarding Boards (Adults and Children)
- GMP delivered a workshop to relevant Stockport Stakeholders across various organisation on 18th October 2023 focusing on the alternatives to a Police response to 'social issues'
- An SRO for RCRP has been established (*Heidi Shaw, Director, Family Help and Integration*) to lead an internal working group established to coordinate our response
- Stockport are contributing to GM task and finish groups are being established for pathways
- Between now and April 2024 we are required to develop a local response and implementation plan.

## 9. Child-Centred Custody pilot

- In response to HM Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC) findings, a partnership working group has been set up with the pilot implemented in Cheadle Heath. The objective is to establish the current reality and then aim for better working practices and ultimately create a new child-centred framework. Once trialled and embedded, this will then be rolled out Force-Wide.
- Diverting children AWAY from custody where possible (and appropriate);
- For those that DO end up in custody, to improve their overall experience.
- Understand child perspective.
- Reduce the time spent in custody, and optimise their experience in custody – through rapport building and other measures.
- Create a new ‘Child Focused Framework’ for GMP custody staff to work from.

# 10. Recommendations

- Consider the OSSP 2024 Annual Update presentation.
- Note the priorities within each of the three themes in OSSP's 2024/25 delivery plan.
- Provide any comments or reflections on the issues covered in the presentation.