

## **LEICESTERSHIRE SAFER COMMUNITIES STRATEGY BOARD**

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### **ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR STRATEGY GROUP UPDATE**

#### **Introduction**

1. The purpose of this report is to update the Board on progress regarding the work of the Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Strategy Group.

#### **Background**

2. The ASB Strategy Group provides the strategic direction for ASB across the sub region. Members of the Group include senior officer leads for ASB from across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland from local authorities, fire service, police, housing providers and voluntary sector. The Group reports to the Strategic Partnership Board Executive.

#### **Light Touch Review of ASB Case Management**

3. A short term Task and Finish Group was established to look at how ASB is managed across the partnership, it sat under the ASB Strategy Group and reported back in January 2015.
4. A Strategic Plan was worked on looking at what is working well, where the gaps are and future aspirations, furthermore a survey was undertaken in order to ascertain the views of ASB practitioners, to ensure that as many viewpoints as possible from across the sub region were captured.
5. The Task and Finish Group found three key areas where further work should be undertaken:

#### *Sentinel*

6. Many officers across the sub region are still having difficulty accessing data from Sentinel and confusion remains as to the whether Sentinel is a case management system or data storage system. A review of Sentinel should be undertaken over the forthcoming year whilst it is hosted by Leicester City Council and recommendations made about its future.

#### *Information Sharing*

7. A number of organisations have undertaken reviews and restructures. All officers need a greater understanding of what information they can and

can't share and for what purpose; there are pockets of extremely good practice but confusion and non-compliance in others.

### *Analytical Support*

8. ICSB was pulled due to lack of resource; this has left a gap in many localities with a lack of required information is hotspots, times and perpetrators. This issue requires some resolution.

### **Prevent**

9. A new statutory duty to consider Prevent is in the process of becoming legislation; the duty will apply to local authorities, amongst other organisations.
10. Whilst across Leicestershire a lot of Prevent work is already underway, the new duty will mean we need to look at our policies and practises to ensure we are compliant.
11. The ASB Strategy Group will now consider Prevent as a standing agenda item at every meeting.

### **Hate**

12. It has been proposed by Senior Officers within the Police that a Strategic Hate Crime Group be established as a sub group to the Strategic Partnership Board (SPB), ensuring consistency in our approach to hate crime / incidents across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.
13. The ASB Strategic Group has agreed to be extended to include Hate. This will avoid duplication, as membership at a strategic level would include the same colleagues from relevant partner agencies.
14. The Hate Incident Reduction Monitoring Steering Group shall become a delivery group and JAG's will consider assessing high to medium risk hate cases.

### **Recommendations**

15. It is recommended that:
  - (a) The Board notes the progress of the work of the ASB Strategy Group
  - (b) The Board notes the recommendations of the ASB Task and Finish Group and the work going forward.
  - (c) The Board supports Prevent and Hate being included within the work of the Strategy Group

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