



Leicestershire
Police
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Serious Harm Reduction Unit and Community Safety

CI 4232 Sian Walls



Background

April 2018 the Home office launched the new Serious Violent Crime Strategy in response to a National rise in knife, gun homicides and drug supply through county lines

- focus on early intervention, education and partnerships to tackle

The Government is expected to release in 2018 a Serious Organised crime strategy

- early focused on early intervention and diversion

The NCA has produced a plan to show a clear focus on working in partnership to prepare and prevent involvement in Serious Organised crime



Areas of Responsibility

The National Strategic assessment for Serious Organised Crime identify the following areas of threat:

- Child Sexual Exploitation and abuse
- Organised crime and Foreign National Offenders
- Cyber crime
- Firearms
- Drugs
- Money Laundering and economic crime
- Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking

Common theme of exploitation of children and adults.



Strategic Approach

The strategic areas for the unit are:

- Serious Organised Crime
- Strategic partnerships
- Offender Management
- Problem solving

The strategic approach will be aligned to the 4Ps:

PREVENT: Preventing people engaging in serious and organised crime

PROTECT: Increasing protection against serious and organised crime

PREPARE: reducing the impact of this criminality where it takes place

PURSUE: Prosecuting and disrupting those involved in serious and organised crime



Structure

Departmental Lead: Supt Shane O'Neill

SMT support: CI Sian Walls – Partnerships and Interventions
DCI Tange Bhakta – Offender Management

Inspectors: Mark Freer, Caroline Graham, Chris Barratt, Mark Cuddihy

Staff: Drugs and substance misuse officer
Hate Crime office
Youth initiatives officer

There will be access to: Intelligence staff, Crime prevention officers, CAID partnership officer, integrated offender management unit, Cyber Protect officer



What will it mean for our partnership?

Challenges are multi dimensional and will require a multi agency approach with Community Safety Partnerships.

Areas for work will include (but is not limited to) Early Intervention, Diversion Prevention campaigns, Community resilience and Awareness raising,

Encouraging communities to report intelligence.

It is anticipated that CSPs and JAGs will become involved in awareness raising, prevention, diversion and where necessary pursue activity linked to catch and convict plans.

The SHRU will be overseen by an internal Serious and Organised Crime Board that will report into the Strategic Partnership Board.