Leicestershire Safer
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LEICESTERSHIRE SAFER COMMUNITIES STRATEGY BOARD

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SAFER COMMUNITIES PERFORMANCE 2019/20 Q4

<u>Introduction</u>

- 1. The purpose of this report is to update the Leicestershire Safer Communities Strategy Board (LSCSB) regarding Safer Communities performance for 2019/20 Q4.
- 2. The Safer Communities dashboard is now available as an interactive online dashboard here.

https://public.tableau.com/views/LeicestershireSaferCommunitiesDashboard/LeicsSaferDashboard?:embed=y&:showVizHome=no

Dashboard development is ongoing with new key performance indicators (KPI's) being introduced. The underpinning data can be viewed by hovering the cursor over relevant points in the performance graphs.

- 3. The dashboard includes a rolling 12 months comparison with the direction of travel for that indicator. The bar charts give a district breakdown and where available the regional average is also shown.
- 4. The online performance portal gives ready access to data under each category. The dataset is becoming increasingly complex which makes routine reporting across all performance areas impractical, unwieldy and unnecessary. This report therefore will focus on exception reporting supplemented by a brief position statement under each performance category.
- 5. It is to be noted that the reporting period covers Quarter 4 up to the end of March 2020. The figures will not therefore encompass more than two weeks of Covid-19 effects.

Summary

6. Overall there is nothing exceptional to report; a previous adverse trend in overall crime and vehicle offences has stabilised. Violence with injury rates shows a slow but steady increase. Other performance indicators however remain stable or show a positive direction of travel. Several new performance indicators have been added to the online dashboard.

Ongoing Reductions in Crime

- 7. Nothing exceptional to report:
 - The residential burglary rate has improved over the last four quarters.
 - Burglary Business & community offences have stabilised with the current rolling 12 months similar to the previous rolling 12 months.
 - Violence with injury offences show a slow but steady increase compared to the previous rolling 12 months, currently 5.3 offences per thousand.
 - Vehicle offences have stabilised with the current rolling 12 months similar to the previous rolling 12 months.
 - Overall Crime has stabilised. Most crime categories are performing in line or lower than the regional average, except vehicle crime which is slightly higher than the regional average.

Reducing Offending and Re-offending

- 8. Nothing exceptional to report although we are starting to see the first signs of the previously excellent reductions in reoffending levelling off.
 - (a) The rate of first-time entrants (FTE's) entering the criminal justice system (CJS) aged 10-17 is stabilising;

FTE totals for Leicestershire only were, 190 in 2014/15

124 in 2015/16

126 in 2016/17

101 in 2017/18

100 in 2018/19

For the financial year 2019/20 latest figures for the six months April to September 2019 show there have been 52 FTEs.

(b) The rate of re-offending by young offenders likewise is showing early signs of levelling. To add context this stabilisation follows a sustained and lengthy positive downward trend.

The April 2018 to March 2019 re-offending rate by young offenders was 1.37. This is an increase on the previous year's performance of 0.71. The latest data for six months Apr-Sept 2019 shows a rate of 0.18.

9. A new indicator has been added to the dashboard "Education, Training and Employment (EET) of Young Offenders. This indicator measures the proportion of young people on relevant youth justice disposals who are actively engaged in suitable education, training and employment (ETE) when the disposal closes. Active engagement is defined as 25 or more hours for young people of school age and 16 or more hours for those above statutory school age. The Youth Offending performance figure for young offenders actively engaging in education, employment and training (EET) is 62% for the period April – September 2019. This is slightly lower than the end of year figure 2018/19 of 64%.

 Additional indicators are also monitored including Integrated Offender Management (IOM) data and local Community Rehabilitation Company (CRC Probation) data neither reveals anything of note.

Repeat Victimisation and Vulnerable Victims

- 11. There is nothing exceptional to report; MARAC repeat referrals continue to increase (49%) however a recent change in criteria for referral has been identified as responsible. UAVA referrals (1829) continue to rise and other indicators are relatively stable and within expected levels.
- 12. Several additional indicators have been added to the performance dashboard to supplement the MARAC repeat referral data and UAVA referral numbers already reported upon. These include domestic crime and incident rates, domestic violence with injury rates, sexual offence rates and hospital admissions for violence. The new KPI's focus on providing a broader understanding of performance across domestic and sexual abuse.

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) and Satisfaction

- 13. The previous ASB performance data has now been expanded to cover two broad areas;
 - (a) Survey Data there are two questions in the Community Based Survey (CBS) relevant to ASB Satisfaction. "% of people that agree ASB has decreased or stayed the same" and "the % who feel safe outside in their local area after dark". Responses to both questions have shown a positive upward trend in the last five quarters.
 - (b) ASB Incident Data this has been added to the online portal and there are now two sources as detailed below:
 - i. Police Data; this covers ASB incidents gleaned from the police call management system, this is shown as 'Total ASB (rate per thousand population)' this is further broken down utilising the 'PEN' code and categorised as either 'Personal' 'Environmental' or 'Nuisance' ASB. This dataset is obtained when police call handlers deem a call is ASB and code the call accordingly. There is as such a caveat that calls are correctly categorised.
 - ii. ASB recorded on Sentinel (the partnership ASB case management system). This dataset contains all case managed reports of ASB sourced from both Police and Local Authority partners.

The two data sources are not distinct and there will inevitably be some duplication, for example not all reports of ASB will be case managed and find there way onto Sentinel, likewise reports made directly to local authorities will obviously not feature on the police call handling system.

Nothing exceptional to report; although unexpectedly the level of Sentinel case managed reporting (13.3 per thou) is higher than the reported Police ASB figure (8.5 per thou).

Preventing terrorism and radicalisation

- 14. Nothing notable to report, two additional performance indicators have been added:
- 15. Hate incident reporting at 0.94 incidents per thousand is similar to the previous rolling 12 months (0.79). 65% were racial in nature, 16% were classified as sexual orientation and 8% were classified as disability. Numbers remain relatively low.
- 16. Racially or religiously aggravated crime is very low with 0.3 crimes per 1,000 population across Leicestershire.
- 17. A question from the Leicestershire Insight Survey asks residents how much they agree that people from different backgrounds get on well. 95.6% of respondents agreed that people in their area get on well together. This is an increase compared to the previous year's response (93.5%).

Recommendations

18. The Board note the 2019/20 Q4 performance information.

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Appendices

The Safer Communities Performance Dashboard is no longer available as hardcopy. The current dashboard can be viewed via the 'Online performance portal' and is available here.

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