

LEICESTERSHIRE SAFER COMMUNITIES STRATEGY BOARD

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REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

Introduction

1. The purpose of this report is to propose changes to the membership and terms of reference of the Safer Communities Strategy Board.
2. The Terms of Reference of the Board were last reviewed in March 2011. Since that date there have been a number of changes regarding the community safety landscape and arrangements.

Revised Terms of Reference

3. The revised terms of reference are attached at Appendix A. These have been amended to take account of the following changes:
 - Changes to regulations re: County Strategy Groups;
 - Changes to funding arrangements and introduction of Police & Crime Commissioners;
 - Changes to partnership arrangements and taking account of Community Safety Partnership (CSP) mergers;
 - Changes to Health and Probation structures;
 - Anticipated statutory guidance regarding preventing violent extremism.
4. Regulations regarding County Strategy groups were significantly simplified in The Crime and Disorder (Formulation and Implementation of Strategy) (Amendment) Regulations 2011 as follows:
 - For each county area there shall be a county strategy group whose function shall be to prepare a community safety agreement for the county area on behalf of the responsible authorities in that county area;
 - The county strategy group shall consist of two or more persons appointed by one or more of the responsible authorities in the county area;
 - A meeting of a county strategy group may be attended by persons who represent cooperating and participating persons and bodies for the areas in the county area and such other persons as the county strategy group invites.

Recommendations

5. That the Board approves the revised Terms of Reference as set out in Appendix A to this report.

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Appendices

Appendix A - Revised Terms of Reference for the Leicestershire Safer
Communities Strategy Board

Leicestershire Safer Communities Strategy Board – Draft Revised Terms of Reference

LEICESTERSHIRE SAFER COMMUNITIES STRATEGY BOARD

Membership and Terms of Reference

1. Purpose

To oversee and co-ordinate the implementation and delivery of the priorities set out in the Leicestershire Community Safety Agreement.

To lead the strategic approach to Safer Communities in Leicestershire County and encourage agencies and partnerships to work jointly and collaboratively, including sharing of resources, in order to deliver Safer Communities common priorities.

2. Role and Responsibilities

- To provide strategic leadership in delivering Safer Communities objectives and outcomes across Leicestershire including Preventing Violent Extremism.
- To ensure the formulation and production of a Community Safety Agreement for Leicestershire (on behalf of the responsible authorities), underpinned by an annual strategic assessment.
- To review and revise the Community Safety Agreement, based upon the annual strategic assessment.
- To take the strategic lead for the Leicestershire Multi-Agency Domestic Abuse Strategy.
- To develop joint approaches to community safety and encourage collaborative working across agencies and partnerships in Leicestershire.
- To facilitate greater alignment of the work of the Safeguarding Board, Health & Well-being Board and Substance Misuse Board with Community Safety Partnerships and structures.

3. Membership of the Board

Membership of the Leicestershire Safer Communities Strategy Board (the Board) is as follows: -

<u>Representing</u>	<u>Name</u>
Leicestershire County Council Cabinet Lead Member*	Mr. J. T. Orson JP, CC (Chairman)
Community Safety Partnerships (1 elected	

member representative per district area)

Blaby*	Cllr. T. Greenwood
Charnwood*	Cllr. E. D. Snartt
Harborough*	Cllr. W. Liquorish
Hinckley and Bosworth*	Cllr. D.C. Bill
Melton*	Cllr. M. Graham
North West Leicestershire*	Cllr. T. Pendleton
Oadby and Wigston*	Cllr. K. Loydall
Leicestershire Police*	Chief Supt. S. Healy
Combined Fire Authority*	Mr. S. Corrall, CC
West & East Leicestershire CCGs*	<i>Mr. K Chudasama</i>
Providers of Probation Services* – National Probation Service & Community Rehabilitation Company	Mr. B. Bearne
Substance Misuse Board Chairman	Mr. M. Sandys
County Council Safer Communities Lead	Ms. J. Moore

**members entitled to vote on the Community Safety Agreement (see 'Voting by the Board', below)*

4. Substitute Members

Substitute members may be nominated as follows: -

- For the County Council's Cabinet Lead Member, another elected member from that Authority;
- For the Community Safety Partnerships (CSP) - any other member of that CSP (not necessarily an elected member);
- For Leicestershire Police, any other appropriate officer;
- For the, Combined Fire Authority, , any other member of that authority;
- For the Providers of Probation Services, any other appropriate officer;
- From the Leicestershire CCGs, any other appropriate officer;
- For the Substance Misuse Board Chairman, any other member of that Board;
- For the County Council Safer Communities Lead, any other appropriate officer.

5. Operational Arrangements

The Board will meet at least quarterly.

The Board will elect a Chairman and Vice-Chairman annually.

The quorum for meetings of the Board will be a minimum of 6 members, this to include representatives from a minimum of 3 different partner agencies.

The Board may co-opt additional members when required in order to help progress specific areas of work.

The work of the Board will be supported by a Senior Officer Group and secretariat support will be provided by Leicestershire County Council's Democratic Services section.

The Leicestershire Multi-Agency Domestic Abuse Strategy will be delivered by the Leicestershire Domestic Abuse Partnership this partnership group will report progress to the Board on a regular basis.

6. Voting by the Board

In accordance with the Crime and Disorder (Formulation and Implementation of Strategy) Regulations 2007 (as amended in 2011) voting on Community Safety Agreement is limited to the responsible authorities as identified in Section 5 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, who are represented on the Board.

These representatives are identified by an asterisk in the Table above. On all other matters all members of the Board are entitled to vote.

7. Senior Officer Group

The Senior Officer Group (SOG) will:-

- support the work of Board, as outlined in the above Terms of Reference
- develop the agenda and prepare papers for all Board meetings
- take forward actions from Board meetings

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