

**Community Safety Partnership
Partnership Management Group
11 September 2006**

Reducing Violence Delivery Group

Strategic Objective: Reduce violence in public places and domestic violence

Key targets:

- To reduce offences of violence in public places by 21% per 1,000 population by 31.3.08
- To reduce repeat domestic violence victims by 10% by 31.3.08.

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Summary of Agreed Action Plan

The Reducing Violence Delivery Group has developed an outline action plan and a detailed work plan that captures work undertaken by both the group and the sub-groups that report into its agenda eg night transport.


The issue of night transport is currently being progressed following a public survey that was conducted in April and May. The survey was jointly sponsored by GOSE, the business community and the Partnership agencies. It is evident from the results that there will need to be an imaginative solution to the problem of night transport in Milton Keynes, and a sub-group is actively developing a plan to be presented to the group by November 2006. Following the survey, it appears that a night bus service is not the most viable option and an enhanced taxi service, utilising text based mobile phone software that

encourages the use of shared vehicles has been investigated. The use of a taxi “marshalling” system is also being explored.

Work is currently being developed with A&E and Thames Valley Police to see if the Cardiff, and the more recently developed Southampton, model can be implemented as a pilot. A joint bid for funds of £10,000 from GOSE is being prepared by TVP and CSP to pump prime this project. The submission date is 22nd September 2006.

The MK Lighthouse business case is being developed and a draft has been submitted to SOSG and the RVDG in August. Comments and suggestions from these forums are being incorporated to the report before submission to PMG in November. A meeting of key partners in September will discuss Lighthouse development.

A leaflet highlighting issues around violent crime is being developed to inform the public how they can remain safe and what the partnership is doing to combat public and domestic violence. Suggested text of leaflet is attached.

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Report for meeting Date	11 th September 2006		

<i>Provide summary of best achievements and most challenging barriers to progress.</i>	
Achievement 1	Anti-violence project manager appointed
Achievement 2	Completion of night transport survey
Achievement 3	Visit of TVP/PCT and Acute Trust to Cardiff to see model of good practice around A&E reporting funded by GOSE
Achievement 4	Pro Arrest Policy and Positive intervention process by Thames Valley Police together with the Risk Assessment process on victims of domestic violence to prevent repeat incidents of violence. Close liaison with Milton Keynes Magistrates Court to speed up the prosecution process. Reports of DV have increased and there has been a 4% reduction in repeat DV offences.
Achievement 5	The target of 21% reduction in public violence has already been achieved, but it is very early days.
Barrier 1	No defined resources for alcohol treatment and alcohol strategy
Barrier 2	Lighthouse domestic violence team has no funding or sustainability after march 2007.
Barrier 3	The Local Authority has yet to develop an anti-bullying strategy for schools

(Additional achievements/barriers may be added if necessary)

Provide summary of progress towards agreed actions.

Reduce Violence in Public Places by 21% per 1000 population by 31st March 2008.

Current Overall Progress: Down by 23% as of June 2006

ACTIONS	LOCAL TARGET	STATUS¹	SUMMARY OF (i) PROGRESS TO DATE, AND (ii) PLANS FOR NEXT 2 MONTHS.
Appoint project manager	May 2005	Green	After slight slippage co-ordinator appointed June 2006 Also applies to domestic violence
Develop a pro-active programme of Police/Council visits to 'premises causing concerns' on an intelligence led basis and enforce licensing and other relevant legislation	December 2005	Green	Jointly with MKC /TVP. On target.
Review late night transport issues from city centre including a survey around night transport	December 2006	Green	A survey around local night transport was completed in May. Key Action: Introduction of enhanced taxi service and taxi marshalling scheme by November 2006.
Anti-bullying in schools – policy to be adopted (including mainstreaming within MKC)	September 2007	Red	Anti-bullying key area in Every Child in Milton Keynes Matters Key Action: Policy yet to be developed by Local Authority. Also applies to domestic violence
Establish pilot programme based on successful Cardiff Programme. Service work to identify scale of Public Violence not reported to police	December 2006	Amber	In dialogue with GOSE and members of the groups representing PCT, TVP and Acute Trust plus A&E Consultant went to Cardiff A&E to see how this successful model works in practice. Key Action: Joint bid being prepared for GOSE funding to pump prime project. Submission date 22 nd September 2006.
Produce scheme to ensure that as the city grows, areas are designed to be safe.	Ongoing	Green	Crime Reduction Design Adviser appointed in September, and actively working on this.
Complete alcohol strategy, including appropriate provision for treatment	March 2007	Red	To be led by Drug Action Team, but there is little identified money to support this as yet. Also applies to domestic violence

¹ Status should be indicated as follows:

- Red - Overall target is unlikely to be achieved
- Amber - Overall target is in some danger, requires remedial action
- Green - Overall target is on course to be achieved

Provide summary of progress towards agreed actions.

Reduce repeat Domestic Violence victims by 10% by 31 March 2008

Current Overall Progress: Down by 4% as of June 2006

ACTIONS	LOCAL TARGET	STATUS²	SUMMARY OF (i) PROGRESS TO DATE, AND (ii) PLANS FOR NEXT 2 MONTHS.
Establish the new risk assessment procedure for police officers attending Domestic Violence incidents to identify the level of risk to the victims and the level of violence involved on that or previous occasions	August 2005	Green	There has been an increase in reports of domestic violence and a 4% decrease in repeat domestic violence offences
Ensure sustainability of Lighthouse Domestic Violence Project	October 2006	Amber	Key Action: Business plan under development. Presented to SOSG and RVDG August 2006, requires amendments before presentation to PMG in November 2006.
Develop a project to submit to GOSE to establish perpetrator scheme	Plan by March 2007 Commence June 2007	Amber	Originally shelved due to lack of funding GOSE has indicated that there may be possible funding for the "right" programme Key Action: Identify appropriate programme providers and funding by March 2007

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