

## Community Safety Partnership

### Safer Neighbourhoods Delivery Group

11<sup>th</sup> September 2006

#### Reporting Template

#### Strategic Objective – Local Solutions to Local Problems

**Key Target:** To reduce total BCS crime in Milton Keynes by 17.5% per 1000 population by 31 March 2008

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#### Summary of Agreed Action Plan

The delivery group aims to increase the number of parishes developing local solutions to local problems during the next 3 years with an aspiration to have at least 12 multi-agency 'teams' and/or initiatives by the end of the strategy. Included in the plan will be actions to identifying current activity and needs within parishes, support for neighbourhood policing and parish led activities and the development of a training and support scheme for multi agency teams.

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| Report for meeting Date | Partnership Management Group<br>11 <sup>th</sup> September 2006 |    |              |

| <b>Provide summary of best achievements and most challenging barriers to progress.</b> |   |
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| Achievement 1  | Roll out of the Safer Neighbourhoods concept continues with presentations made to Hanslope, Castlethorpe, Haversham, Wavendon, Bow Brickhill, Bradwell, Great Linford, and Bradwell Abbey to date. Two further scheduled in September. One Parish identified as 'enabled' and further linkage and development needed to raise the other Parishes to 'enabled' status. |
| Achievement 2  | Interview for permanent Project Manager completed and appointment made.   |
| Achievement 3  |   |
| Barrier 1  | Milton Keynes has 45 parishes with a variety of needs and capacity. Developing LMCS across the borough will need to take into account the uniqueness of each area. This is starting to be addressed through the above presentations.  |
| Barrier 2  | Growth – 28,100 new homes (total 70,000 by 2030) are due to be built in Milton Keynes by 2011. This growth will have a huge impact on community safety issues and already stretched resources.  |
| Barrier 3  | Considerable work still needs to take place to achieve a merge of Neighbourhood Policing with LMCS. The timelines for the next roll out of neighbourhood Policing is such that it does not give the group much time to facilitate engagement with other partners at the early stages and be involved in the planning.   |

*(Additional achievements/barriers may be added if necessary)*

Provide summary of progress towards agreed actions.

| ACTIONS                                 | LOCAL TARGET  | STATUS <sup>1</sup> | SUMMARY OF (i) PROGRESS TO DATE, AND (ii) PLANS FOR NEXT 2 MONTHS.  |
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| Participating parish leading own scheme | Multi agency team working from One Stop Shop          | Green               | Police Office in Woburn Sands opened initially on a part time basis in December. Other Parish Councils identifying suitable venues and resources to accommodate neighbourhood teams. Shenley Brook End & Tattenhoe Parish Council appointed Parish Warden in November 2005. 7 Parish Councils now employ dedicated Community Safety Officers/Parish Wardens   |
| Parish development                      | Roll out of Safer Neighbourhoods                      | Green               | A presentation package developed to inform new Parishes not yet engaged in Safer Neighbourhoods has continued to be rolled out as in above achievement. The presentation while productive needs to be redeveloped and merged with the presentations currently being delivered independently by local policing Sectors.  |
| Safer neighbourhoods roll out.          | Roll out Neighbourhood Policing/ Safer Neighbourhoods | Amber               | The four groups of areas are to be rolled out with a timeline of two months commencing September with Shenley Lodge and Furzton, Central Milton Keynes, Fishermead, Oldbrook and Winterhill, and Woughton as next four area.<br><br>Planning meeting with Police Sector leaders and S/Nhoods Group to raise awareness of requirements to deliver Safer neighbourhoods as a multi-agency initiative. (see barrier 3) Parish staff to be invited to Neighbourhood Policing Training |

At the end of the first quarter of the current Strategy year BCS crime levels show an increase of approx 15% against baseline target. This was as a result of an unexpected and Forcewide increase in the period from April to June 2006 contrary to previous trends. No single reason for these increases can be identified, and more recent figures have shown a slight downturn. It is worthy of note that coinciding with this increase has been a change in the mechanism for reporting and recording crimes that commenced at the beginning of April. Now on first report from a complainant to the Police Enquiry Centres, a crime number will be allocated immediately rather than permit an officer to investigate and record a crime as appropriate. This could be interpreted as either over-reporting or inappropriate reporting of incidents as crimes, or that National Crime Recording Standards compliance has been enhanced.

<sup>1</sup> 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