



SaferMK

Responsible Authorities Group (RAG) Decision Report

Date: 21 June 2012

Subject: Social Behaviour Strategy 2012-2015

Reason for report

The new Social Behaviour Strategy has been compiled by the Social Behaviour Delivery Group. This Strategy is quite different to what has come before in the respect that it has two drivers. It recognises that in addressing negative behaviour (those termed anti-social) there needs to be a real reinforcement of the positive behaviours (pro-social). The partners in SaferMK recognise that one can have a significant impact on the other.

Recommendation

To approve the draft strategy in line with the priorities of the current SaferMK Plan.

Background

The outline social behaviour strategy was presented to RAG in March 2012 when it was agreed in principle. There has since been a detailed consultation involving all agencies and the attached draft strategy has now been produced.

The strategic aims are to:

1. promote and develop neighbourhoods in which people value one another and support those most in need.
2. reduce anti-social behaviour through prevention, enforcement and promoting stronger communities.

Objectives are to:

- promote social behaviour in schools and communities, publicly recognising outstanding initiatives that support and build up the community.
- develop “community champions”; volunteers who are willing to work with police and local councils in order to resolve community problems.
- develop localised community action plans to promote social behaviour and tackle anti-social behaviour in areas of need.
- promote and utilise community mediation in order to resolve tensions at an early stage.
- offer high quality support to victims and witnesses of anti-social behaviour.
- ensure that anti-social behaviour is resolved vigorously through community liaison, prevention and, where necessary, enforcement.

Key targets are to:

- increase the perception that people in Milton Keynes treat one another with respect and demonstrate positive attitudes and behaviours in their communities.
- reduce anti-social behaviour as reported to Thames Valley Police and Milton Keynes Council. The reduction target will be fixed annually and it will be challenging.

Attachments: Draft Social Behaviour Strategy 2012-15 (Annex)

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