



SaferMK Partnership Information Report

Subject: Milton Keynes Youth Justice Plan 2016/17

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1. **Purpose of report – Please mark (X) the boxes that are relevant to the report**

SAFERMK PRIORITIES

- Improving road safety by reducing the number of accidents and the severity of the collisions to individuals.
- Reducing the number of violent incidences
- Tackling and enforcing substance misuse
- Enhance community engagement to reduce fear of crime

OTHER STATUTORY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Anti-Social Behaviour Reducing Reoffending
- Prevent Police and Crime Commissioner Priority
- An item under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 that supports the delivery of crime reduction and addressing community safety concerns (please state below)

1.1 Brief introduction

- 1.2 To receive for information the statutory Youth Justice Plan 2016/17.
- 1.3 An annual Youth Justice Plan has to be submitted to the Youth Justice Board for England and Wales by 30th September 2016.
- 1.4 The statutory responsibility for completion and sign-off of the Youth Justice Plan rests with the Youth Offending and Strengthening Families Strategic Board which agreed this year's plan on 21st July 2016.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Safer Mk is asked to note the content of the Youth Justice Plan 2016/17.

3. Comments/Recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Management Group

- 3.1 There are no comments or recommendations that have been requested by the CSCPSC to SaferMK Partnership.

4. Background

- 4.1 It has become local practice for the Youth Justice Plan to be shared with Safer Mk given the link between the two partnership groups and the common areas of interest.
- 4.2 The key statutory agencies that compose Safer Mk are also members of the youth justice partnership and have been involved in the production of the Youth Justice Plan. However presentation at this meeting enables wider sharing of the activity aimed at reducing and tackling youth crime.

5. Implications to SaferMK Partnership

- 5.1 The Youth Justice Plan reviews progress to reduce offending and reoffending by young people and sets out strategic priorities for the current year. Therefore it can be seen as a key component of the Safer MK strategy to reduce offending and anti-social behaviour with respect to young people.
- 5.2 The risks of not delivering an effective youth justice service which prevents entry to or escalation through the youth justice system include Safer Mk being unable to progress it's objectives in key areas such as reoffending and tackling substance misuse.
- 5.3 Funds provided by the PCC to YOTs are now channelled through community safety partnerships so performance against the statutory youth justice objectives offer Safer MK a means to demonstrate congruence with PCC objectives and value for money.
- 5.4 The YOT is a key partner in activity led by Safer MK such as Prevent, Domestic Abuse and reducing fear of crime

6. Other considerations / Key Partnership Involvement

- 6.1 The government commissioned a review of youth justice which was due for publication in July 2016. This has been held back so the new ministerial team can consider the findings and implications but it may have significant consequences for future arrangements including for grant funding by central government
- 6.2 Safer MK partners will be aware that the PCC is currently reviewing his funding arrangements which also have implications for future funding of the YOT.

- 6.3 Consequently the situation surrounding the future of youth justice and YOTs in particular is uncertain and fragile.
- 6.4 Partners may wish to know that the national convention for youth justice will be held at the MK Arena on 29/30th November 2016. This is the showcase event for the sector and a range of high profile national and government speakers are scheduled to appear.

7. Attachments/Background Papers

- 7.1 Milton Keynes Youth Justice Plan 2016-17.