

Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Safer and Stronger Communities)

Date: 12th September 2011

Subject: Presentation on the Leeds Burglary Reduction Strategy

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Summary of main issues

1. Reducing crime levels and their impact across Leeds is one of the key priorities set out with the current City Priority Plan. The Scrutiny Board's terms of reference also identifies reducing burglary as a key area of review for the Board to undertake this year.
2. In view of this, the Chair has requested a presentation on the Leeds Burglary Reduction Strategy (2011 – 2015) developed by the Safer Leeds Executive. This Strategy was agreed by the Executive Board in June 2011 and sets out the ambition of the Safer Leeds Partnership to reduce recorded burglary. A copy of the report provided to the Executive Board in June is attached as background information.
3. The Chief Officer Community Safety will be leading a presentation on the Strategy and providing an overview of the current burglary position for Leeds, highlighting the complex issues that the city is trying to tackle in relation to the scale of the problem.

Recommendations

4. Members are asked to note the presentation and determine what further Scrutiny involvement, if any, is required at this stage.

Background documents

5. Report of the Director of Environments and Neighbourhoods to Executive Board on 22nd June 2011 on Reducing Reported Burglary in Leeds.