

Report of Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods Directorate

Report to Inner South Area Committee

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Subject: Community Safety Activity in 2010/2011 in Inner South

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	Beeston and Holbeck, City and Hunslet, Middleton Park.	
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Summary of main issues

1. This report details on crime trends and a range of community safety activity that has taken place during 2010/11.
2. It updates Members on the key priorities for 2011/12 and summarises wellbeing spend on community safety issues.

Recommendations

3. The Committee is asked to note the contents of this report and make comment as appropriate.

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report provides an update from the Area Community Safety Co-ordinator on crime levels in Inner South Leeds and actions taken or ongoing to tackle those issues. It summarises a range of activities that have taken place over the year. The report describes how the community safety structures in Inner South are being developed to respond to changing needs. Finally, it presents a review of Well-being funded activity from 10/11 and planned activity using Well-being funding in 11/12.

2.0 Background information

2.1 Members will recall a report presented to them in September 2010 updating on community safety activity. This report adopts the same template and provides information relevant to 2010/11.

3.0 Crime overview and ward analysis

3.1 Crime overview – the tables below provides an overview of offences committed across South Inner and South Outer during 09/10 and 10/11 and a table showing the same information for each ward. Additional information showing the split between offences in the city centre and outside the city centre is shown for City and Hunslet ward. Members will be aware that the city centre is policed by the City Neighbourhood Policing Team and the remainder of the ward is part of Holbeck NPT. This allows for data to be presented separately within the ward and gives a clearer picture of activity in the neighbourhood. This is followed by an analysis in crime trends in the area.

Inner and Outer South

Offence	2009/10		2010/11		%Change	
	South Inner	South Outer	South Inner	South Outer	South Inner	South Outer
Burglary Dwelling	872	658	584	497	-33%	-24%
Burglary Elsewhere	1116	624	1038	442	-7%	-29%
Criminal Damage	2784	948	2291	748	-18%	-21%
Drugs Offences	471	41	593	154	26%	276%
Other Crime	541	155	631	116	17%	-25%
Other Thefts (inc Fraud & Handling)	6358	1364	7469	1572	17%	15%
Robbery	323	34	236	38	-27%	12%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	1320	633	1237	687	-6%	9%
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	400	235	269	171	-33%	-27%
Violence	3956	879	3804	930	-4%	6%
Total Crime	18141	5571	18152	5355	0%	-4%

Beeston and Holbeck ward

Beeston & Holbeck	2009/10	2010/11	Change
Burglary Dwelling	406	223	-45%
Burglary Elsewhere	257	251	-2%
Criminal Damage	707	539	-24%
Drugs Offences	92	114	24%
Other Crime	117	126	8%
Other Thefts (inc Fraud &	541	701	30%

Handling)			
Robbery	66	67	2%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	361	292	-19%
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	106	73	-31%
Violence	776	733	-6%
Total Crime	3429	3119	-9%

City and Hunslet ward

City & Hunslet	2009/10	2010/11	Change
Burglary Dwelling	246	181	-26%
Burglary Elsewhere	737	661	-10%
Criminal Damage	1237	1101	-11%
Drugs Offences	344	401	17%
Other Crime	344	441	28%
Other Thefts (inc Fraud & Handling)	5395	6304	17%
Robbery	228	146	-36%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	816	835	2%
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	160	134	-16%
Violence	2492	2425	-3%
Total Crime	11999	12629	5%

City Centre	2009/10	2010/11	Change
Burglary Dwelling	33	21	-36%
Burglary Elsewhere	368	303	-18%
Criminal Damage	501	486	-3%
Drugs Offences	189	310	64%
Other Crime	223	293	31%
Other Thefts (inc Fraud & Handling)	4688	4982	6%
Robbery	157	85	-46%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	366	324	-11%
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	35	32	-9%
Violence	1626	1604	-1%
Total Crime	6560	8440	29%

Not City Centre	2009/10	2010/11	Change
Burglary Dwelling	213	160	-25%
Burglary Elsewhere	369	358	-3%
Criminal Damage	736	615	-16%
Drugs Offences	155	91	-41%
Other Crime	121	148	22%
Other Thefts (inc Fraud & Handling)	1164	1322	14%
Robbery	71	61	-14%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	450	511	14%
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	125	102	-18%
Violence	866	821	-5%
Total Crime	3404	4189	23%

Middleton Park ward

Middleton Park	2009/10	2010/11	Change
Burglary Dwelling	220	180	-18%
Burglary Elsewhere	122	126	3%
Criminal Damage	840	651	-23%
Drugs Offences	35	78	123%
Other Crime	80	64	-20%
Other Thefts (inc Fraud & Handling)	422	464	10%
Robbery	29	23	-21%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	143	110	-23%
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	134	62	-54%
Violence	688	646	-6%
Total Crime	2713	2404	-11%

3.2 Burglary

- 3.2.1 All three wards have seen reductions in burglary. Currently, they are amongst the lowest in the city with the following rankings: 19th Beeston and Holbeck, 20th Middleton Park and 21st City and Hunslet. This is due to an ongoing commitment to burglary prevention and detection. The Tasking meeting for Holbeck NPT area has also focussed attention on key burglary nominals in the area and this is reported on in more detail in Section 5 of this report.
- 3.2.2 The local NPTs work with Partners to target vulnerable groups within the community with a view to target hardening their houses and giving the appropriate advice. Neighbourhood Watch groups and the police co-ordinator are key to this process. Extensive work with the media has also been done to raise awareness. Neighbourhood Crime Teams work together with NPTs and Roads Policing Units to have an effective strategy to target, deter and arrest travelling burglars and this division has seen many detections, arrests and convictions over the past 12 months.
- 3.2.3 Operation Delicacy has officers in uniform and plain clothes working extended tours in the vulnerable areas to target offenders and provide reassurance.
- 3.2.4 The Holbeck Tasking meeting (which covers both City & Hunslet and Beeston & Holbeck wards) has included a focus on burglary over the last year. This was in part due to the higher levels of burglary in the NPT area at that time. 14 burglary nominals were presented at Tasking in order to ensure a multi agency response was in place for each of those individuals. A range of activity was carried out during the year to address their behaviour including diversionary activity and support to them and their families from agencies including St Luke's, Signpost and Youth Service.
- 3.2.5 A range of enforcement tools have been utilised including arrests, ASBOs, use of tags to limit their activity, disruption visits from the police, orders managed by the Youth Offending Service and some tenancy action. A number of individuals are pupils at Elmete SILC so the Safer Schools Officer from there is now a member of the Tasking meeting in order to provide a link to and from the school. Of the 14 individuals identified, there are 3 who are currently on the Tasking table. The other

11 have either moved out of the area, are being managed via other multi agency processes or are in custody.

3.2.6 This activity to target offenders was supported by other actions. These include Operation Champion, timer switch distribution which was funded by the Inner South Area Committee and distribution of crime prevention information about burglary to the local communities.

3.3 Criminal Damage

3.3.1 All three wards have seen reductions in criminal damage offences. Criminal Damage is often a result of ASB and there have been various operations such as Operation Decree which have targeted areas where damage has previously been caused. The partnership approach to ASB through the Tasking meetings has also allowed for improvements in addressing the issue. A summary of work done through Tasking can be found in Section 5 of this report.

3.4 Drugs offences

3.4.1 All three wards have seen increases in numbers of drugs offences and this is due to a number of factors.

3.4.2 The public are encouraged to report drugs activity within the community via Crimestoppers, their local officers and PACT meetings. This has led to more intelligence from within the community in relation to drug production and supply. Increased knowledge and police action has led to an increase in recorded offences.

3.4.3 Ongoing work with communities by NPTs is supported by enforcement action where Warrants are being executed by the NPTs and operation Quartz as well as Economic Crime Unit.

3.5 Other Theft

3.5.1 The increases in Other Thefts in all three wards is due to effective engagement with communities. Residents have been encouraged to report lower level issues such as theft of plants or garden furniture and are given a range of means to do so including via the website or by email. People may not previously have made a report to police but due to increased accessibility and encouragement they now do allowing action to be taken in respect of lower level offences.

3.6 Robbery

3.6.1 The changes in robbery figures for all three wards are relatively low and should not be perceived as significant.

3.7 Theft From Motor Vehicle

3.7.1 The reductions in Theft from Motor Vehicle in Middleton Park and Beeston & Holbeck wards is due to the work of the NPT in engaging with communities. Across the Division, the individuals responsible for vehicle crime are identified and subject to Integrated Offender Management. This allows for their offending behaviour to be disrupted and mechanisms put in place to manage and co-ordinate multi agency responses to these offenders. There have been a number of arrests resulting in custodial sentences.

3.7.2 There has been a slight increase in the numbers of Theft From Motor Vehicle offences in the “not city centre” part of City and Hunslet ward. A large proportion of this increase is in relation to a series of theft from motor vehicles which were committed within the Hunslet area. On a number of occasions vehicles were broken into on Car Dealership forecourts. The target for these thefts were the alloy wheels and on each occasions these premises were targeted there were over eight offences committed. Work has been done by the Crime Reduction Officer with each of the Car Dealerships to improve their own security to help reduce these number of offences. Since this work has been completed the number of reported offences has drastically reduced.

3.8 Theft Of Motor Vehicle

3.8.1 Theft Of Motor Vehicle continues to decrease due to improvements in technology in relation to vehicle immobilisation when unattended. This is enhanced by extensive work around prevention and detection.

3.9 Violence

3.9.1 The reduction in violent offences within the City Centre can be attributed to Operation Capital. This sees extra resources being placed within the City Centre every Friday & Saturday night during our peak demand time. The majority of these extra resources are due to the commitment of our Special Constabulary members who give up their time for free. The City Centre is broken down into hotspots and these are tightly managed and patrolled each evening to prevent outbreaks of drunken disorder.

3.9.2 Further reduction of violent offences can be seen within the rest of City and Hunslet wards and the other 3 wards in Inner South. These reductions can be attributed to the work that has gone into reducing anti social behaviour hotspots. This includes better tasking of officers in relation to these areas including work done with partners around underage drinking and with licenced premises via Pubwatch, the licencing section of the police and West Yorkshire Trading Standards. Further reductions have been seen in violence offences due to the work that is being conducted by the Leeds District Safeguarding Unit to reduce the number of repeat domestic violence victims and partnership working to address this issue.

4.0 Anti- Social Behaviour

4.1 This section of the report provides further details on the newly formed Leeds Anti Social Behaviour Team, including numbers of ASB enquiries, caseload and satisfaction levels. It also provides numbers of calls to West Yorkshire Police in relation to ASB and numbers of ASBOs in the Outer South area.

4.2 Leeds Anti Social Behaviour Team

4.2.1 Following a 14 month city wide review into how partner agencies across Leeds work together to tackle Anti-social behaviour, the newly re-structured, multi-agency, Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team (LASBT) became fully operational on Monday 4th April 2011. There are three area based teams, covering the East, West and South of the City.

4.2.2 In addition to this, a central performance team (The Core) has been established to monitor performance of the teams, undertake quality assurance checks of cases,

and drive forward service improvements. They also collate, and analyse data from a range of agencies including West Yorkshire Police, to identify 'hot spot' areas so resources can be effectively utilised and deployed where need is most.

4.2.3 The South Team comprises of a range of agencies including ALMO, BITMO, ASBU/Offender Management, West Yorkshire Police, Fire and Rescue Service and Victim Support. The team is based in a central location at Landmark Court, in the Beeston area of Leeds, current resource within the team is:

- 9 ASB Case Officers – made up of ALMO/former ASBU staff
- 2 full time and 2 part time police link officers
- 1 officer from the arson task force
- 1 victim support officer
- 1 part time admin officer

4.2.4 All anti-social behaviour (ASB) cases are now managed within the team from 'cradle to grave', and ASB caseworkers cover areas by Leeds City Council Wards. The team works closely with area housing management teams and partners to tackle ASB, improve estates and community safety across all tenure types

4.3 ASB Enquiries

4.3.1 This report is not a full performance report and is based on data extracted from the Siebel IT system, and results drawn from cases 'dip sampled' by The Core. The statistics contained within this report are cross tenure. Since 04/04/11, all ASB related enquiries reported to Leeds City Council have been logged as a LASBT Enquiry type within the Housing/ALMO service area. Data collated between the go live date of 04/04/11 to 15/7/11 shows that Leeds City Council has received 1687 ASB related reports/enquiries. Of these reports, 607 (36.0%) have been work allocated for the attention of the LASBT South.

ENQUIRIES		APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	TOTAL
LASBT4	Total Number of LASBT Enquiries	420	594	452	221	1687
SOUTH1	Number of ASB enquiries received (ALMO)	122	182	125	60	489
SOUTH2	Number of ASB enquiries received (Private)	28	33	42	15	118
SOUTH3	Total number of ASB enquiries received	150	215	167	75	607
SOUTH4	% of Enquiries attributed to ALMO	81.3%	84.7%	74.9%	80.0%	80.6%
SOUTH5	% of LASBT Enquiries attributed to South Team	35.7%	36.2%	36.9%	33.9%	36.0%

4.4 ASB Caseload

4.4.1 Of the 607 initial reports of ASB, the team has opened an average of 8.0 new ASB cases per week. The current caseload for the team is 113 cases, with an average caseload of 13 per officer.

4.5 Customer Satisfaction

4.5.1 The Core undertake a Customer Satisfaction Survey when a case has been opened for a period of four weeks. An overall score from 1(Very Dissatisfied) – 5 (Very Satisfied) is extracted from the survey. 32 surveys have been undertaken for the

South Team since April 2011. The overall cumulative performance in customer satisfaction is 4.

- 4.5.2 Feedback from our customers is one of the most important measures of what we're doing well, how well we are performing, and what we need to do to improve the service for the future. All outcomes from Customer Surveys are shared with the team to enable learning, and the sharing of good practice.
- 4.5.3 In addition to the four week customer satisfaction survey, a survey is also undertaken within 28 days of the case closure. This contact ensures that there are no further ASB issues, and gauges satisfaction levels once the case has closed. Although only based on 8 survey returns, it is noted that satisfaction levels against current returns are 4.25. The table below gives details of Case Closed Surveys undertaken during April to July 2011.

SEVICE KPI's (CLOSED CASE SURVEY)		APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	CUMULATIVE
SOUTH20	No. of cases closed during Month	0	0	0	0	0
SOUTH21	No. of surveys returned/completed that were closed during Month (<i>Note Survey Issue and retrieval may occur in different months</i>)	1	5	1		8
SOUTH22	No. of surveys returned/completed as a result of chase up contact					
SOUTH23	% of surveys returned/completed relating to cases closed during month					
KPI1	% rating of customers/victims re: satisfaction with promptness of initial response	100%	72.0%	100%		82.5%
KPI2	% rating of customers/victims re: satisfaction with case officer investigation undertaken	80.0%	68.0%	100%		77.5%
KPI3	% rating of customers/victims re: satisfaction that they were consulted and able to influence key decisions taken during the investigation.	80.0%	64.0%	100%		75.0%
KPI4	% rating of Customers re: satisfaction with frequency of Case officer updates regarding progress of case.	100%	64.0%	100%		77.5%
KPI5	% rating of customers/victims re: satisfaction with the case outcome.	100%	68.0%	100%		80.0%
KPI6	% of customers/victims contacted prior to closing the case?	100%	80.0%	100%		87.5%
KPI7	% rating of customers/victims re: satisfaction that their needs were considered and appropriate support provided.	100%	68.0%	100%		77.5%
KPI8	Overall Satisfaction Rating (Scale 1-5)	5.00	3.80	5.00		4.25

4.6 ASB calls to West Yorkshire Police

4.6.1 The table below shows numbers of ASB calls to West Yorkshire Police for 09/10 and 10/11.

ASB	2010/11	2009/10
BEESTON & HOLBECK	1779	2099
CITY & HUNSLET	5439	5353
MIDDLETON PARK	1881	2388

4.7 Numbers of ASBOs

4.7.1 The table below shows the number of ASBOs issued since 2001 – the majority of which have now expired.

	Number of ASBOs issued since 2001		Number of current ASBOs	
	FULL	Bolt-On	FULL	Bolt-On
Beeston and Holbeck	31	16	7	8
City and Hunslet	24	6	7	2
Middleton Park	33	7	4	1

4.7.2 There has been some coverage in the Press suggesting that ASBOs are being abolished. Whilst there are discussions ongoing about changing the enforcement tools available to Local Authorities and the Police to address ASB, ASBOs are still being prepared and used to tackle ASB where appropriate.

5.0 Tasking summary by ward

5.1 This section provides a summary of the issues that have been addressed by the Tasking meetings. It does not cover all ASB issues as Tasking will only seek to deal with the more complex, longer running issues that require a more focussed response.

5.2 Beeston and Holbeck ward

5.2.1 Cottingley

ASB involving a range of individuals was reported by residents. The behaviour included setting off fireworks, burglary, theft and rowdy behaviour. Joint action between police and AVH identified the individuals involved. One individual from the area remains on the Tasking table and will be the focus of multi agency activity. The Cottingley area will soon benefit from a multi agency partnership that will address this and other problems on the estate using the model that was successfully developed on the Cardinals.

5.2.2 Waincliffes

Residents reported ASB connected with people visiting an address. Activity included possible cannabis cultivation, rowdy behaviour, shouting and arguing in the street, riding on off road bikes, threats and intimidation of neighbours. The action taken to address this included the involvement of Signpost and LASBT taking tenancy action against one family. This issue is ongoing.

5.2.3 Cardinals

A number of issues of ASB were dealt with as part of the Cardinals project which has been reported to the Area Committee in previous reports. Whilst some issues remain, the view of residents was that the situation had improved significantly.

5.3 City and Hunslet ward

5.3.1 Hunslet Morrison's area

Residents and staff at Morrison's reported issues of ASB including rowdy behaviour, shoplifting, intimidating shoppers, fire setting in the area and racial

abuse. Regular police patrols and information gathering by them and ASBU helped to identify those involved. A range of measures including tenancy action and ASBOs have been deployed to curb the behaviour. This remains an ongoing issue.

5.3.2 Bismarcks

Reports of young people congregating and throwing rubbish into people's gardens. St Luke's are working with young people to identify an alternative place for them to congregate. PCSOs are moving young people on and are in the early stages of identifying who's involved.

5.3.3 Bismarcks

An individual with alcohol issues was causing alarm, harassment and distress to his neighbour. This included noise, verbal abuse and intimidation especially after complaint was made. Actions to tackle this included a report to the Noise Nuisance Team who seized his equipment, evidence gathering by ASBU and work progressed to take possession of the property. The individual concerned moved out of the property in January. As there were no further calls, the case was closed.

5.3.4 Hunslet

A high number of calls were made to report incidents by a vulnerable individual with mental health problems who believed she was being targeted by local young people. The reports included damage to fence, throwing rubbish/stones and verbal abuse from young people nearby. The individual was reluctant to accept help from support agencies initially though finally did engage with a mental health support service and Adult Social Care. A support plan was put in place and the number of calls decreased. The case has now been closed.

5.3.5 Beeston Hill

A number of complaints were received from a resident regarding young people congregating and playing football outside her property. Additional patrols from PCSOs were carried out, a leaflet encouraging residents to be considerate of neighbours was circulated and the Youth Service engaged with the young people and encouraged them to play elsewhere. The number of calls decreased and the case was closed.

5.3.6 Brett Gardens

There had been a spate of damages to fences on Lady Pit Court as youths were stealing the wood to start fires mainly in the Brett Gardens area. This was causing damage to both properties and the grassed area. The NPT were involved in identifying and warning the young people about their behaviour, St Luke's worked with the group to provide diversionary activity through the Urban bar. This led to a reduction in the number of fires and the case was closed.

5.4 **Middleton Park ward**

5.4.1 Belle Isle

Reports of ASB and drug dealing were received. This issue has been ongoing for several months and has led to joint working by agencies in gathering and sharing intelligence. There is tenancy action ongoing against one of the individuals. Another individual has been identified as potentially vulnerable so support options are being explored by Connexions and Leeds Federated Housing Association. Two key individuals have received custodial sentences so are not currently in the area.

There is joint working between the police and housing provider to ensure they are not accommodated in the area on release.

5.4.2 Belle Isle

Reports of groups of young people causing ASB and criminal damage near an off licence. Activity to tackle the problems include Test purchase operations, mobile and detached Youth Service provision, a letter drop done by BITMO and daily PCSO patrols. As a result of this action, there was a decrease in the number of calls and the case was closed.

5.4.3 Throstles

A vulnerable individual has been reported for causing ASB in the community. There has been a significant amount of joint work between AVH, Police and Community Psychiatric Services to deal with behaviour. The individual has proved very difficult to engage often refusing support. After these options had been exhausted, Aire Valley Homes sought possession of property at which point the resident chose to leave and had been sighted at several addresses and sleeping rough. Further action is ongoing to gather evidence for an ASBO and criminal proceedings to manage his behaviour.

5.4.4 Newhalls

Residents reported drug use and ASB by two individuals at property including fly tipping, selling drugs and burning copper cable. Actions to address this include disruption visits by police, prohibition notices served preventing them visiting other flats in the vicinity, arrests for a range of offences and exploring options to take tenancy action. Action was also taken against landlord at vacant property nearby to ensure it's cleaned up of excessive flytipping lead to site being cleared.

5.4.5 Acres

Residents have made reports of ASB from a family who have recently moved in. The Tasking group is working to ensure that appropriate support is in place for the family alongside evidence gathering to take enforcement action if required. This includes a door knock being done by the police to gather further information and take action as appropriate. The case is ongoing.

5.4.6 Westwoods

Reports of ASB at the shops including rowdy behaviour, verbal and racial abuse, throwing stones/snowballs and some damage to cars. The actions taken to address this include: ASB warning letters and visits to parents, Youth Service engaging with some of the group and regular patrols by PCSOs. This led to a reduction in the number of calls and the case was closed.

5.4.7 Lingwells

Residents reported ASB involving a group of young people including throwing fireworks, hanging round West Grange Social Club and nuisance motor bike riding. The actions included an individual being arrested and also given a warning for nuisance bike riding. Following a further arrest a bolt on ASBO was applied for but was unsuccessful at court. Other associates were identified and early intervention visits carried out to their homes by ASBU. The private landlord evicted members of one family, key nominal now in custody, patrols continue but complaints have reduced so case closed.

5.4.8 Woodvilles

Following reports of drug use at a property a warrant was issued and arrests made for possession of class A drugs. Local residents were issued with nuisance diaries to gather evidence leading to tenancy action taken by Leeds Federated Housing Association. As a result of this activity, the number of reports decreased and the case was closed.

5.4.9 John Charles Centre for Sport

Staff have reported problems with damage and vandalism. A Police operation is planned to identify those involved and take appropriate action. The Centre is exploring possibility of improving security. This case is ongoing.

6.0 Community Safety Activity

6.1 This section of the report describes a range of community safety initiatives/projects that have taken place across one or more wards in Outer South. It includes the following: CCTV, Dispersal Orders, Police and Communities Together (PACT) meetings, Preventing Violent Extremism and the Safer Schools Partnership.

6.2 CCTV

6.2.1 A full report on CCTV will be presented to Members at a future meeting of the Area Committee. No new CCTV schemes have been identified during the last year.

6.3 Dispersal Orders

6.3.1 There have been no Dispersal Orders in Inner South during 2010/11. A range of measures have been used that effectively tackled ASB in communities, therefore the Orders have not been necessary.

6.4 PACT meetings

6.4.1 A timetable of Partners And Communities Together (PACT) meetings has been established across Inner South. The aims of the meetings are to agree local priorities, at least once a month, giving residents a chance to meet the Neighbourhood Policing Teams and partner agencies. These meetings have built on existing residents groups to make best use of resources. There are 9 PACT meetings in Inner South covering the following areas: Beeston, Beeston Hill, Cottingley, Holbeck, Hunslet & Stourton, Winrose/West Granges, Aberfields/Newhalls, Middleton and New Forest/Heritage Village.

6.5 Preventing Violent Extremism

6.5.1 A new national strategy has been announced with the following objectives:

- To respond to the ideological challenge of terrorism and of those extremist views conducive to it. At one end of the spectrum that means taking action against people who have broken the law. It means excluding people who wish to come to this country to promote violence or extremist views. But it also means ensuring that people engaged in radicalisation do not take advantage of public spaces – libraries, education, prisons to name just three - and that their activities are restricted.

- To protect vulnerable people from being drawn into terrorism by developing and expanding programmes to identify who they are and then to provide them with support. This objective will build on Channel, the existing multi-agency programme.
- To do much more to support the wide range of sectors and institutions where the ideology, the ideologues and vulnerable people come together and where there are either risks of radicalisation or opportunities to prevent it – or both. That means education, health, faith, charities, prisons and probation, and of course the particular and vital issue of the internet. The strategy spells out what the Government is planning in each area.

6.5.2 Local delivery of the strategy will be focused on 25 priority local authority areas, of which Leeds is one. The role of the Prevent Co-ordinator will continue. This will be supported by funding for Prevent activity to be delivered through a range of partners. The Co-ordinator will commission partner organisations to provide services as required. Timescales for delivery of this work are to be agreed and further discussion is needed in relation to work in Outer South.

6.6 **Safer Schools Partnership**

6.6.1 The Safer Schools Partnership (SSP) exists to place a police officer within the school community to assist in achieving the five Every Child Matters outcomes. Dealing with incidents in a restorative manner and therefore not criminalising children unnecessarily. Officers build up positive relationships with pupils, parents and staff and educate pupils on safety through the curriculum. The schools contribute fifty percent of funding for the officers as per their allocation to school.

6.6.2 The current levels of Safer Schools Officers in Inner South is:

- South Leeds Academy – 2 officers
- Cockburn – 1 officer
- Southway – 1 officer

7.0 **Key priorities for 2011/12**

7.1 This section provides an overview of the key Community Safety priorities for Leeds. It briefly updates on the burglary strategy and Burglary Reduction Programme. It also updates Members on developments in integrated locality working that seek to put in place structures to improve service delivery on community safety and environmental issues.

7.2 **Safer and Stronger Communities Board – Partnership Plan 2011-15**

7.2.1 The Safer Leeds Executive have formally ratified its plan for 2011/12. The ambition is to be the best city in the UK with the best community safety partnership and services. The desired outcome is that people are safe and feel safe in Leeds. The “plan on a page” below identifies the Strategic Priorities, Actions and Indicators for the city and localities during 2011/12.

3 Strategic Priorities	10 Priority Actions (top 3 priorities highlighted)	20 Key Indicators (P – Partnership; S – Service)	Locality Priorities 2011/12
1. Reduce crime and its impact	1. burglary reduction 2. reduce violent crime 3. reduce the rate of offending and re-offending 4. effective use of CCTV and automatic number plate recognition (ANPR) technology to support crime reduction	1. burglary level per 1,000 P 2. levels of violent crime per 1,000 P 3. offending rate (10-17) (18+) P 4. re-offending rate (10-17) (18+) P 5. proportion of offenders leaving programmes with reduced drug use/substance free S 6. CCTV/ANPR – tbc S	Burglary reduction: (over 400 reported offences in previous year) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Armley • Kirkstall • Burmantofts and Richmond Hill • Hyde Park and Woodhouse • Killingbeck and Seacroft • Bramley and Stanningley • Chapel Allerton • Part of City and Holbeck (tbc) City Centre: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol related violent crime
2. Effectively tackle anti social behaviour	5. develop and deliver multi agency ASB service 6. deliver intensive family support for families with complex issues	7. reported ASB level per 1,000 P 8. public satisfaction regarding ASB P 9. ASB customers contacted within 2 working days S 10. proportion of ASB cases with positive outcomes S 11. customer satisfaction with ASB service S 12. reported ASB for families using Signpost S 13. school attendance in families using Signpost S	Tackling ASB: (over 40 enquiries in previous quarter): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burmantofts and Richmond Hill • Killingbeck and Seacroft • Bramley and Stanningley • Gipton and Harehills • Middleton Park • City and Hunslet • Armley
3. Improve safeguarding and reduce vulnerability	7. tackle domestic violence 8. prevent groups and individuals from becoming involved in extremist behaviour 9. protect and support the most vulnerable young people 10. improve approaches to dealing with hate crime and safeguarding communities	14. reported offences for domestic abuse P 15. repeat victimisation rate for MARAC cases P 16. organisations attaining DV quality mark S 17. citywide risk assessment for preventing extremism – tbc P 18. vulnerable young people tbc P 19. reported hate crime level per 1,000 P 20. customer satisfaction with hate crime support services S	Localised priorities: DV localities of concern: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beeston, Middleton • Seacroft, Gipton • Armley, Bramley, • City Centre North East – gangs of young people North West – student safety South – alcohol related health/crime issues City Centre – young people’s safety; chronic vulnerable city centre users

7.3 Leeds Burglary Reduction Programme

- 7.3.1 It will be noted that burglary remains the number one priority for the city. As noted in the section on burglary at 3.2 burglary levels have reduced in the last year and remain amongst the lowest in the city. All Members of the Council have been invited to the September meeting of the Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny Board where the Chief Officer Community Safety will be leading a presentation on the Leeds Burglary Reduction Strategy developed by the Safer Leeds Executive. In light of this, details of the burglary strategy are not included in this report but can be made available to Members on request.
- 7.3.2 A total of £1.326m funding has been allocated by the Executive Board from 1 June 2011 to 31 March 2013 to deliver a programme of targeted activity that will significantly reduce domestic burglary across the city, and in particular in areas where levels of domestic burglary have increased such as Armley (20%), Burmantofts & Richmond Hill (25%) and Chapel Allerton (28%). This reflects the Safer Leeds Partnership's vision to reduce burglary in Leeds to the lowest level it has experienced over the last decade and make people feel safer in their homes.
- 7.3.4 A commissioning specification was made available to potential deliverers on 21 April 2011 with a submission date of 16 May 2011. A total of 12 applications amounting to £3.175m were appraised by officers from the Environments and Neighbourhoods Commissioning and Finance teams against the stipulated criteria, which include fit with Leeds Burglary Strategy priorities and value for money.
- 7.3.5 After technical appraisal of the bids a shortlist of potential projects was drawn up. At this stage the bids totalled £1.7m, which is £374k more than funding available. At their meeting on the 25th May, the Safer Leeds Executive endorsed funding allocations against the various strands of the Burglary Reduction Strategy (value for money has been assessed against all applications), these are detailed in the table below.

Key theme	Year 1 £,000	Year 2 £,000	Total Allocation	Preferred Providers
Offender Management	£110k	£115k	£225k	Youth Offending Service, WY Probation Service
Burglary Task Force - Criminal Justice	£357k	£325k	£682k	Safer Leeds
Reducing and Disrupting the Stolen Goods Market	£ 37k	£34k	£71k	Safer Leeds
Coordinated and Targeted Work in Localities	£121k	£73.5k	£194.5k	Leeds University Union, Safer Leeds

Crime Prevention and Impact of Burglary on Vulnerable Communities	£65k	£78.5K	£143.5k	CASAC / Care & Repair, plus partners
Research	£10k		£10k	TBA
Grand Total	£ 700k	£626k	£1.326k	

7.3.6 Working with local delivery partners and residents, the Area Community Safety Co-ordinator will develop a burglary action plan to address concerns in City and Holbeck Division. Using intelligence from burglary statistics for 2010/11 and analysis of the current trends/hotspots the project will deliver practical actions at the very local level to address domestic burglary, embed good practice, develop closer working amongst key delivery partners and link across to other areas of work such as young people not attending school and not in education, employment or training (NEET). To support this work £2.5K has been allocated to this Division in 2011/12 and 2012/13. An Outcome Based Accountability stakeholder event is due to take place on 23rd September to scope out the action plan for south Leeds.

7.4 South Leeds Community Safety Structures

7.4.1 Members are aware that the Divisional Community Safety Partnership was put on hold pending further discussion about its function in light of developments in local working across the city and wedge. A proposal is under consultation with Community Safety/Environmental Champions and partner agencies to enhance the existing Tasking groups to take on the functions of the DCSP. It is proposed that the Crime and Grime Tasking groups will be responsible for decision making and service delivery relating to issues raised at Tasking in that area.

7.4.2 A model has now been developed that builds an environmental focus into the four existing crime Tasking groups. This will bring together partners who are responsible within that locality for service delivery at both operational and tactical level. It builds in efficiency, will challenge silo working, enhance what each service can do, promote a culture of connected leadership and embed joint service delivery. The boundaries will be roughly co-terminus with NPT/ward boundaries and as such should provide a manageable area that can be suitably resourced.

7.4.3 It is anticipated that the process will in place by November 2011. Area Committee Members will be updated on progress at future meetings.

8.0 AREA COMMITTEE FUNDED ACTIVITY

8.1 The Area Committee ringfenced amounts of money from the wellbeing fund to allow projects to be developed and delivered during the year. £18,000 was allocated for community safety activity in 2010/11. A series of projects were developed in partnership between the NPT Inspectors, Area Community Safety Co-ordinator and Area Management staff. The following proposals were approved by Members:

Ward	Project	£ Revenue	£ Capital
Beeston and Holbeck	St Luke's Cares – Urban Bar	4954	Nil
	Light Up Beeston – burglary reduction project distributing timer switches.	1500	
City and Hunslet	St Luke's Cares – Urban Bar	4954	Nil
	Light Up Hunslet – burglary reduction project distributing timer switches.	1500	
Middleton Park	Light Up Belle Isle – burglary reduction project distributing timer switches.	4915	Nil
Total		17823	Nil

8.2 Wellbeing proposals for 2011/2012

- 8.2.1 In March 2010, the Area Committee agreed to fund an Off Road Bikes project from West Yorkshire Police totalling £2964. This funding was divided equally between the three wards. The Police have confirmed that the 2 Off Road Bikes officers will be operational from 29th August 2011. The project will therefore run from August 2011 to August 2012.
- 8.2.2 In June 2011, the Area Committee allocated £15,000 to deliver community safety activity in Inner South. The Area Community Safety Co-ordinator has worked with partner agencies to develop proposals for consideration by Members. These are included in the wellbeing section of the agenda.

9.0 Corporate Governance Considerations

9.1 Consultation and Engagement

9.1.1 There are no immediate requirements for customer consultation with regards to the content of this particular report.

9.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

9.2.1 There are no Equality, Diversity, Cohesion or Integration considerations as a result of this report.

9.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

9.3.1 The activity outlined in this report contribute to targets and priorities set out in the Safer and Stronger Communities Plan

9.4 Resources and Value for Money

9.4.1 There are no resources or value for money considerations in this report.

9.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

9.5.1 There are no legal, access to information or call in implications in this report.

9.6 Risk Management

9.6.1 There are no risk management issues associated with this report.

10.0 Conclusions

10.1 Not applicable as this report is information based.

11.0 Recommendations

11.1 The Inner South Area Committee are asked to note the contents of this report and make comment where appropriate.

12.0 Background documents

12.1 Inner South Area Committee, South Leeds Divisional Community Safety Partnership, 3rd September 2010