



# Partnership Plan

## 2016 – 2017

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## Introduction

Each year, the Tunbridge Wells Community Safety Partnership (CSP) produces a Partnership Plan which sets out how partners will work proactively to address crime and anti-social behaviour issues in the borough over the coming year. The plan is informed by a yearly Strategic Assessment which looks at current data and trends over the previous year to identify priorities for the borough in reducing and tackling crime and disorder.

## Review of 2014/15

During the period, October 2014 – September 2015, crime increased from 4998 to 5040 recorded offences per 1,000 population. That is a rise of 0.8% on the previous year and still the lowest overall level of crime in Kent.

During 2015/16 the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) undertook a variety of projects and initiatives linked to the priorities of:

1. Domestic abuse
2. Road safety
3. Violent crime
4. Anti-social behaviour
5. Substance misuse

And subsidiary priorities of:

1. Safeguarding, educating and engaging young people
2. Repeat offending/venues
3. Victim support & restorative justice
4. Safer socialising

The Community Safety Unit (CSU) always works within a broader remit than would be defined by a limited number of priority issues so the five key priorities were strengthened by objectives set by the police, Police and Crime Commissioner, and the Public Service Board. See page 10 for more information on subsidiary priorities and cross-cutting themes.

## Domestic abuse

Identified as a priority for 2014/15. The following activity was undertaken:

- 132 referrals were made to the Domestic Abuse Volunteer Support service (DAVSS) during quarters one to three. Of these, 47 (35%) were categorised as high risk.
- 76 new cases and 19 repeat cases were referred to a Multi-agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC).
- One Freedom Programme (examines the roles played by attitudes and beliefs on the actions of abusive men and the responses of victims and survivors) ran between quarter two and quarter three.
- 15 men were supported, or partially supported, through the CDAP (Community Domestic Abuse Programme – for male perpetrators of domestic abuse) during the first three quarters of the financial year.
- 26 victims of sexual abuse were supported through the Independent Sexual Violence Advisor.
- The Community Safety team arranged and organised a bi-monthly Domestic Abuse Forum. So far two meetings have been convened with very good attendance.
- The One Stop Shop did not get off the ground during this financial year due to a lack of agency involvement. However, a working group of the DA Forum are looking to provide this service from the Gateway (or other suitable building) from 2016/17.
- Eight victims of domestic abuse were supported through the Sanctuary scheme which secures properties to allow victims to remain in their own home.

**Analysis:** During the 12 months from October 2014 to September 2015, there were 1,319 recorded incidents of domestic abuse reported to Kent Police within Tunbridge Wells. This is an increase of 17% over the previous year, against a Kent-wide increase of 7%.

There were 319 recorded repeat victims of domestic abuse during the same period. This is an average monthly repeat victimisation rate of 23.5%, just below the Kent Police average of 25.5%.

It has been suggested that there is a risk of an increase in repeat incidents of domestic abuse if the local family court is closed and victims are discouraged by having to travel as far afield as Bromley, Maidstone or Hastings to attend court. Should a victim choose not to pursue a prosecution there is an obvious risk that an unpunished perpetrator will reoffend.

Aside from Dartford, all districts in Kent experienced an increase in recorded domestic abuse offences over the period. It remains important to note that increases in reported crime of this type may be due in part to increased reporting rather than an increase in offences.

**Recommendation:** due to the higher than average increase and a seemingly high repeat victimisation rate we recommend making domestic abuse a priority for 2016/17.

## Road safety

Identified as a priority for 2014/15. The following activity was undertaken:

- Kent County Council (KCC) Warden provided road safety inputs / refreshers at a number of schools (including Lamberhurst, Cranbrook, Frittenden and Sandhurst), pre-schools and youth groups (inc. Cubs and Beavers).
- KCC Warden Rob Perfitt has begun to engage with schools and youth groups in his new area and took part recently in a school parking assessment.
- Wardens have also responded to a road safety request re parking around Brenchley and Matfield Primary School and engaged with parents at school gates, promoting the 'be bright, be seen' campaign when walking in conditions of poor visibility.
- Kent Fire and Rescue Service (KFRS) promoted pedestrian safety during road safety week/month in June.
- Engaged with Economic Development and external partners to ensure '20 is Plenty' is appropriately supported by the CSU.
- Tunbridge Wells fire station staff have developed a programme for cyclists to promote safety tips, first aid, appropriate clothing and bike maintenance advice to cyclists. Two pilot schemes have so far been run for 25 cyclists. The scheme has been really well received and is in the process of becoming a core project.
- KFRS's Licence to Kill ran in November in Tunbridge Wells and included 2 schools.
- KFRS provided funding to the CSU to support the schools education programme (Road Safety Show) which ran during November's national Road Safety Week (RSW is co-ordinated by Brake the road safety charity)
- The Road Safety Show (Captain Safety) was held on 19 November at the Assembly Hall Theatre and at Hawkhurst Primary school. Approximately 800 primary school pupils attended from 13 schools. KCC Wardens attended the Hawkhurst event.
- KFRS and the CSU put out messages over social media to coincide with RSW.
- One road safety awareness session for young offenders was held in June in Maidstone. The session included 6 young offenders from the Tunbridge Wells area. No further sessions took place due to KCC pulling their resources for this project. In the future it is expected that KFRS will work with YOS and KSS CRC (commissioned probation service) to deliver these sessions at the new Road Safety Centre.
- In respect of the new Road Safety Centre, all Tunbridge Wells schools have twice been sent invitations to book sessions at the centre. To date there have been no bookings from TW schools. The KFRS Road Safety team will be following this up.

## Analysis

Car occupant casualties continue to record the highest proportion in Tunbridge Wells (70%), which is one of the highest proportions in Kent.

Although we can report a small reduction in *all casualties* for the over-65's, which had increased the previous year from 42 to 55 (now 52), disappointingly, child casualties increased from 37 to 51 (of the increase, all but one incident has been classified as 'slight').

Tunbridge Wells recorded an increase in all road casualties during the last two years of complete data (2013, 2014). There were 482 casualties in 2014, which is above the 2004 to 2008 average (463) which KCC have set as a benchmark figure. KSI (killed or seriously injured) casualties also increased over the last two years, but the figure for 2014 (59) is below the 2004 to 2008 average (70).

The number of child KSI (7) and slight (44) casualties have also increased in 2014 and are now also above the 2004 to 2008 average of 3 and 35 respectively.

### **Recommendation**

**We recommend Road Safety is set as a priority for 2016/17 – with particular emphasis on reducing child casualties.**

## **Violent crime**

Identified as a priority for 2014/15. The following activity was undertaken:

- During Q1 there were 20 Safe Town Partnership 'Pubwatch' exclusions in force, of which 7 were for violent crime (6 male, 1 female). Three of those excluded are from Tunbridge Wells, three from elsewhere in Kent and one from East Sussex. Q2 saw 23 exclusions in force while in Q3 15 exclusions were in force, of which 8 were for violence (7 males, 1 female).
- During quarters one to three the CCTV Control room operators were asked to assist in 146 incidents by Safe Town Partnership members.
- During the first three quarters of the financial year Kent Police's Community Liaison Officer (based in the CSU) recorded 73 hate crimes and a further 12 calls where hate crime was defined as a 'secondary incident'. The vast majority of the calls (70+) were racially motivated abuse. The Community Liaison Officer makes the necessary referrals to mental health services and feeds back to partners via daily briefings. The majority of hate crimes are neighbour disputes or people with mental health issues verbally abusing police officers.
- During quarters one to three CCTV monitored a total of 126 incidents graded as *violent*. These incidents range from assaults and domestic violence to public order and racial incidents. Violent incidents are routed to the police in real time for immediate attention. CCTV operators bring such incidents to daily briefings for further attention or for feedback from agencies to operators.
- During quarters one and two 96 individuals were arrested in connection with drug-related activities in the borough. Of these, 66 were London-based individuals associated with supplying Class A drugs. Police seized £7000 cash and £26,000 worth of drugs.
- Safer Socialising Awards were relaunched in March 2015 but there have been no new uptakes and little interest amongst licensees despite the Safe Town Partnership giving the scheme a strong push this year. There are currently 4 awards in place (Sankey's, Bar Fusion, Opera House and The Barn) and one pending.
- Eight visits to licensed premises have been carried out and training sessions related to licensing responsibilities have been delivered.

## **Analysis**

Violent crime increased by 13% during this reporting period with 1,696 crimes (1,501 last year). Robberies, which are violent crimes but recorded separately, also increased from 38 crimes to 53.

Despite the rise we have the third lowest violent crime rate in the county and fifth lowest for robbery. However, across Kent robbery decreased by 3%.

We have a thriving night-time economy and our location and demographics appear seemingly attractive to London gangs. The police have targeted gangs throughout 2014/15 and the figures above support this (of 96 arrests in quarters one and two, 66 were London based).

## **Recommendation**

**We recommend violent crime remains a priority for 2016/17.**

## Anti-social behaviour

Identified as a priority for 2014/15. The following activity was undertaken:

- 36 high risk cases were monitored through the Themis case management system during the first three quarters of 2015/16. A further 20 cases were designated as 'medium risk'. All cases were monitored through bi-weekly multi-agency CSU meetings. There are currently six high risk cases open to agencies.
- There were 13 new nominations to the ASB Sub-group and a further seven ASB-related Troubled Families referrals monitored at the meeting. There are currently 13 individuals monitored through the group, six of whom have ASBOs or CBOs.
- Court orders were sought for persistent anti-social behaviour and alcohol-related/drug-related disorder. Police have two applications currently pending for Criminal Behaviour Orders. Town & Country Housing Group has one Anti-social Behaviour Injunction in force and one new injunction (ASB Act 2014). Further, TCHG obtained a suspended possession order for 2 years on one property following a conviction of possession with intent to supply Class A drugs.
- Workers for Kenward Trust have engaged with groups of up to 30 young people, aged between 13 and 23, in Paddock Wood, Pembury, Sherwood and the town centre. Subjects covered during sessions include anti-social behaviour, consequences of drug and alcohol misuse, bullying, personal safety and prison life stories. During quarter one Kenward estimate they have engaged with 160 young people, most of them weekly. Over quarter two, as the nights are drawing in, there are less large groups. In quarter 3 160+ young people were seen by the service during outreach sessions.
- During the same period Early Help Youth Workers had contact with 2,314 (unique or repeat) with young people in the following areas: TW town centre, Hawkhurst, Cranbrook, Goudhurst, Paddock Wood, Benenden, Mascalls Academy and Oakley School.
- During this year the Youth Inclusion Support Programme worker (and her caseload) was integrated into Early Help.
- The Troubled Families programme has *turned around* over 100% of its Phase 1 cohort. This equates to 119 families in Tunbridge Wells. Out of these 100 of them showed significant improvements in relation to ASB/Crime and education, for which they were referred. Phase two of the Troubled Families programme began in May 2015. To date 20 families have engaged with dedicated Troubled Families resources. The Early Help team at KCC are also now working in a *whole family* way. A convenient method of tracking these cases under the Troubled Families agenda is currently being developed.
- The Sherwood Partnership worked with over 40 families during the first two quarters of the year. Unfortunately, due to staff absence during quarter three, the Sherwood Partnership has not supported any families.
- The Council's Environmental Protection Team installed noise monitoring equipment 39 times during this period to help tackle statutory noise nuisance. The CSU made seven referrals to EP during this period.
- New ASB powers conferred to police and local authorities in 2014 are the subject of ongoing review at partnership meetings with police, council and Registered Social Landlords. CSU staff have communicated these new powers (in particular, Public Spaces Protection Orders)

to stakeholders, councillors, parish council chairs and others during quarters two and three. The public will be consulted during quarter 4.

- Project Salus engaged with 421 children from 16 Tunbridge Wells' schools during Safety in Action sessions at Salomon's Estate this year. They were supported by over 40 staff from 11 participating organisations.
- A Mental Health Worker was recruited to work with Troubled Families and the Sherwood Partnership and began work in September.
- There were no Community Trigger applications during this financial year

## **Analysis**

Recorded incidents of anti-social behaviour reported to police decreased by 2% (66 incidents) during this reporting period. This rate of decrease is lower than the county-wide decrease of 5%.

Tunbridge Wells does have the third lowest rate in the county and has recorded steady falls in anti-social behaviour over the past five years.

The Borough Council is very well focused on anti-social behaviour and much of the structure within the CSU has ASB as a principle remit. For instance the police provide an ASB Investigator and a Joint Family Management Project worker, both of whom are focused on anti-social behaviour. The Safe Town Partnership and Troubled Families programmes also focus heavily on anti-social behaviour (and low level crime), and it's the number one priority for our own Community Safety Officer. All CSU partners work together to address anti-social behaviour on a daily basis through Daily Briefings and regularly through bi-weekly and monthly meetings.

## **Recommendation**

**We recommend anti-social behaviour is not set as a priority for 2016/17.**

## **Alcohol and substance misuse**

Identified as a priority for 2014/15. The following activity was undertaken:

- During quarters one and two 15 young people were given individual education/information interventions to help them focus on the behaviour that resulted in them being referred to a worker or intervention program.
- During the first three quarters CRI (Crime Reduction Initiatives - a voluntary sector organisation specialising in drug and criminal justice intervention projects) offered structured treatment and EBI (extended brief interventions) to individuals on 239 occasions.
- During quarter one Addaction recruited and trained a new Early Intervention worker. During quarter two several groups were set up for the summer; including National Citizen Service.
- Other referrals saw five young people picked up by Kent Youth Drug Intervention Scheme (KYDIS) and a further nine engaging with specialist treatment. Addaction state 218 young people have been worked with through 1:1 and other early intervention schemes.
- 36 professionals were trained to use Drug Use Screening Tool (DUST).
- The Sherwood Partnership offers support to families and individuals in Sherwood to reduce harm caused by substance misuse during the first two quarters 27 individuals were known to be accessing treatment services. Also, during this period there were 28 alcohol-related hospital admissions and five admissions due to substance misuse.
- Trading Standards received only one piece of intelligence related to underage sales for premises in Tunbridge Wells during this period and as such no test purchasing was warranted.
- A pilot of a Safe Recovery Zone (SRZ) was carried out on the last two weekends of August and the first two weekends in September. Numbers were low so consideration was given to running another SRZ in a more central location near Christmas. However, this was not possible due to other work commitments and staff availability at this time of year.

## **Analysis**

Between October 2014 and September 2015, there were 1.8 recorded drug offences per 1,000 population in Tunbridge Wells – a total of 212 offences. This puts the borough above the Kent average of 1.5 offences per 1,000 population.

Despite a reduction of 18% (45 crimes) on the previous period Tunbridge Wells is 11th out of 12 Kent districts.

In terms of arrests for drunkenness, the town centre is by far the most frequent location in the borough. Of the 119 arrests for drunkenness in 2015, a total of 103 of these occurred within the town centre (the equivalent of two arrests every weekend).

Because Tunbridge Wells is 11<sup>th</sup> out of 12 in Kent the data relating to alcohol and substance misuse will be examined in detail to seek a full understanding of the causes and the implications.

## **Recommendation**

**We recommend that alcohol and substance misuse remains a priority for 2016/17.**

## Priority setting for 2016/17

This year the CSP has agreed to focus on four key issues:

1. Domestic abuse
2. Road safety
3. Violent crime
4. Alcohol and substance misuse

The Strategic Assessment process takes into account priorities from the following documents:

- Police and Crime Plan 2013-2017 – Kent Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC)
- Kent Control Strategy – Kent Police
- 2014-17 Kent Community Safety Agreement – Kent County Council

The Commissioner's strategic priorities are to:

- Cut crime and catch criminals.
- Ensure visible community policing is at the heart of policing in Kent.
- Prevent crime, anti-social behaviour and reduce repeat victimisation and offending.
- Put victims and witnesses at the heart of processes.
- Protect the public from harm.
- Deliver value for money.
- Meet national commitments for policing.

The Kent Police Control Strategy, which outlines the police's priorities for the next 4 years, has been developed against the *threat, harm* and *risk* to communities (with a stronger emphasis on harm over volume):

- Child abuse & exploitation
- Human traffic/modern slavery
- DA, serious violence & sexual offences
- Gangs
- Organised acquisitive crime
- Counter terrorism and domestic extremism

In addition, current priorities driven by the Kent Community Safety Agreement align with our own priorities for this year.

Finally, the CSP has taken into consideration the direction and objectives identified by Tunbridge Wells Public Service Board (PSB), including:

- Reducing alcohol misuse / safer socialising

Last year's subsidiary priorities resulted in a number of work streams that extended the reach and influence of the CSU in terms of wider issues that when engaging with young people, focussing on repeat venues, encouraging safer socialising and supporting vulnerable victims.

For instance, officers from the Community Safety team frequently liaise with police when colleagues from other Council departments (such as Environmental Protection, Housing Needs, Gateway, Planning and Licensing) report suspicious activities that may give rise to concerns of child sexual exploitation, modern day slavery, or the proliferation of extremist views. Furthermore, we have placed greater emphasis on these issues at multi-agency daily briefings and bi-weekly/monthly meetings, where these themes are now standing agenda items.

In terms of addressing extremism the Community Safety Manager is currently drafting an action plan to meet local authority statutory obligations that came into force in 2015.

The priorities identified above and on the previous page broaden the scope of this Partnership Plan with cross-cutting themes that overlap our own priorities. We have defined these as:

- Safeguarding children and young people
- Early intervention, prevention and education
- Supporting victims, and especially vulnerable victims
- Reducing reoffending

The CSP and its subgroups meet regularly to review emerging and developing trends and it is expected the CSP will maintain vigilance and allocate resources as appropriate to tackle other priorities as they emerge.

Recent priorities that have emerged and given more focus by central government include child sexual exploitation, modern-day slavery and extremism. As set out above the Borough Council and its partners have already started to put into place a number of action plans to ensure our residents are protected from such dangers and to ensure our frontline workers, and those of partner agencies, are aware of the signs and familiar with the process of referring on.

Furthermore, it is important to note that specific community safety issues may remain a priority for one or more partners of the CSP, but not be a priority for the partnership as a whole. This Assessment is designed to identify and highlight those issues that should be partnership priorities for the coming year, regardless of individual partner priorities.

The Partnership Plan links with the Police and Crime Plan, developed by the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC). The PCC's funding allocation for the forthcoming financial year has been confirmed as the same amount we received during the previous year, and together with funding from TWBC and partners, will be used to address our local priorities.

Regular monitoring of all projects within the Partnership Plan will be undertaken to ensure they provide value for money.

The Community Safety Unit (CSU), based at Tunbridge Wells Borough Council (TWBC) offices is the delivery arm of the CSP. The CSU works daily with a variety of partner organisations to provide a multi-agency approach to issues as they arise. Partnership working within the CSU will continue to develop throughout the year.

## Actions and recommendations for 2016/17

### Priority 1: Domestic abuse

Action	Primary agency/agencies	Measure
Provide DA support services to men and women at all levels of risk. Encourage early reporting by promoting the helpline and available services. Provide workshops/training aimed at awareness raising and prevention	DAVSS	Number of referrals. Number of high, medium and standard risk referrals dealt with Number/types of training provided
Prioritise and refer all high risk cases to a Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC), and regularly assess volatility of risk levels in all other cases and refer to MARAC as necessary	DAVSS, Kent Police, West Kent MARAC Co-ordinator	Number of cases referred to/supported at MARAC number of repeat cases
Refer women to the freedom programme for domestic abuse awareness and support	DAVSS, DA Forum	Number of programmes run
Provide support to perpetrators of domestic abuse to change their behaviour through the Community Domestic Abuse Programme (CDAP)	Kent CDAP	Number of men supported through CDAP
Provide support to victims of sexual abuse through the independent sexual violence advisor	Family Matters	Number of victims supported
Provide support to victims of domestic abuse through the One Stop Shop signposting to DAVSS, MARAC and Freedom Programme	DA Forum	One Stop Shop set up Number of clients attending
Provide the sanctuary scheme to victims of DA, securing properties to allow them to remain in their own home	TWBC Housing	Number of properties secured

### Other recommendations

- Work with others on a West Kent service directory
- Attend Kent DA Forums
- Raise awareness and continue signposting to local and county wide services and resources including refuges, particularly targeting repeat victims
- Place greater focus on young people and healthy relationships
- Continue to support local funded programmes such as CDAP, ISVA, Freedom, DAVSS and One Stop Shop and work to increase numbers attending these programmes
- Promote and attend DA Forum to take forward joint initiatives and ownership of CSP targets for DA
- Continue to provide referrals to MARAC and attend when possible
- Consider the domestic abuse programme (“sexual respect”) for young people in secondary schools
- Work with hard to reach groups regarding domestic abuse and sexual respect
- Continue to mainstream FGM, Honour Based Violence and Forced Marriage in DA support work
- Continue to make the case for the local courthouse to remain open and available to victims of domestic abuse
- DAVSS now collate data related to the number of directly affected children within families where domestic abuse is being experienced. This data should be analysed to see if further or different support is required

### 2016/17 Targets

**Overall target:** To reduce the number of domestic abuse incidents.

**Specific target:** To see a reduction in the number of repeat cases of domestic abuse.

**Threats:** Local courthouse (with a family court capacity) due to close which may discourage victims to press forward with prosecutions.

## Priority 2: Road safety

Action	Primary agency/agencies	Measure
Education in schools and community groups to include Licence to Kill campaign	KFRS KCC Wardens KCC Road Safety Team	Projects completed and feedback provided
Work with KCC road safety to promote messages locally	CSU	Number of campaigns supported
Involve Tunbridge Wells students in innovative new Road Safety Centre at Rochester.  CSU to support efforts to engage schools	KFRS, CSU	Number of sessions held  Sessions held and feedback received
Provide support for the '20 is plenty' campaign group and the installation of 20pmh zones around schools	TWBC, CSU	Representation and input to '20 is plenty' meetings
During Road Safety Week: Provide safety message to primary school children Organise activity with partners to tackle all road users	CSU  KFRS	Number of presentations/activities
Organise two restorative justice road checks	KFRS, Kent Police	Road checks held and drivers engaged with

### Other recommendations

- Continue to expand Speed Watch by identifying a cohort of volunteers within high-profile wards or a group who would be willing to work across the borough at speeding hotspots
- Education on road safety to be delivered through schools including pedestrian and cycle safety
- Neighbourhood officers to undertake speed enforcement within their areas
- Link with national and local campaigns including Road Safety Week
- Continue to target top road casualty sites in Tunbridge Wells
- Investigate the 'Good Egg Guide' for implementation/delivery in Tunbridge Wells (child casualties)
- Investigate and promote 'Beep Beep Day' for implementation in Tunbridge Wells (child casualties)

### 2016/17 Targets

**Overall target:** Increase road safety for all road users and contribute to KCC's 2020 target to reduce killed and seriously injured casualties.

**Specific target:** To see a reduction in child casualties of road traffic collisions.

**Specific target:** 50% of Tunbridge Wells secondary schools to attend KFRS Road Safety Centre at Rochester, or otherwise engage similarly with KFRS locally.

**Threats:** The availability of up-to-date data does not necessarily reflect the current picture.

### Priority 3: Violent crime

Action	Primary agency/agencies	Measure
Exclude individuals convicted of violence offences from Pubwatch members' licensed premises	Safe Town Partnership (STP), TWBC CCTV, Kent Police	Number of Pubwatch exclusions in force
Use Safe Town radios to prevent and detect violent crime, by sharing intelligence between licensees/retailers, CCTV control room and police	STP, TWBC CCTV, Kent Police	Pubwatch instigated incidents monitored by CCTV
Review all hate crimes within the borough at CSU meetings and put into place suitable interventions and referrals where appropriate	Kent Police, CSU	Number of Hate Crimes recorded in the borough
Use CCTV to prevent and detect violent crime	TWBC, Kent Police	Number of violence offences monitored
Provide a positive presence in the night time economy	Street Pastors	Number of people engaged Number of ambulances called Number of police call outs and statements given
Tackle criminal gangs that target Tunbridge Wells borough	Kent Police	Number of arrests and prosecutions of gang members Reduction in ASB linked to gang drug dealing
Re-launch the Safer Socialising Award and encourage licensees to take part in the scheme	STP	Number of SSAs awarded
Provide licensing training to staff around responsibilities when serving alcohol, including: making sure they adhere to the licensing act , under-age sales, legal highs and drug use	Kent Police, STP	Number of training sessions offered by Kent Police

### Other recommendations

- Continue to proactively target hot spot areas using Predictive Police (PredPol) data through the daily briefing meeting process.
- Help address perceptions and fears through communicating effective key message to residents through social media, Town & Parish Councils, newsletters and leaflets
- Task and Finish Groups for prolific offenders or hotspot locations
- Link local campaigns around specific crime types
- Work with CCTV across West Kent for prolific offenders in town centres
- Link with police operations
- Work with the Community Policing Teams in hot spot locations

### 2016/17 Targets

**Overall target:** To see a reduction in the number of incidents of violent crime.

**Specific target:** To reduce the number of violent incidents in the night time economy.

**Threats:** Data on violent crime is unspecific without a further breakdown by police analysts. Specific addresses can skew figures considerably. Specific events (football tournaments, for instance) can cause data spikes that may otherwise not occur.

#### Priority 4: Alcohol and substance misuse

Action	Primary agency/agencies	Measure
To deploy substance misuse workers to hotspots within the borough to carry out 1:1 and group work with adults and young people	CRI, Kenward Trust	Number of individuals engaged with
Carry out targeted work for those identified with substance-related offending/ASB	CRI	Individuals engaged with through group and one-to-one work
Provide drug and alcohol misuse services for 10-17 year olds including 1:1 work, group work within schools (including RisKit), Kent Youth Drug Intervention Programme (KYDIS) and family work.	Addaction, Kent Police	Number of young people worked with through 1:1s and early help Number of referrals to KYDIS
Deliver Drug Use Screening Tool (DUST) training to professionals	Addaction	Number of professionals trained
Support the Winter Shelter, in particular those NFAs with needs around substance misuse and offending	Churches for Tunbridge Wells, TWBC, CSU	Number of offenders and individuals with substance misuse issues using shelter and number with positive outcomes
Support families and individuals in Sherwood to reduce harm caused by substance misuse	Sherwood Partnership	Reduction in hospital admissions wholly related to alcohol Reduction in hospital admissions wholly related to drug use
To respond to intelligence and carry out 'Test Purchasing' where appropriate and justified	Trading Standards, TWBC CCTV and Kent Police	Number of test purchases made
Run another Safe Recovery Zone for Tunbridge Wells	CSU, Kent Public Health	Zone run and attended as well as expected
Enforce the Town Centre Alcohol Control Zone	TWBC, Kent Police	Number of Section 27s issued by police and monitored by CCTV
Replace Alcohol Control Zones with Public Spaces Protection Orders with an additional prohibition related to <i>new psychoactive substances</i> (legal highs)	TWBC, CSU	Prohibitions in place Number of enforcements made
Ensure frontline professionals access IBA training (Identification and Brief Advice to Reduce Risky Drinking)	PHE	Number of professionals trained

#### Other recommendations

- Work with others to collate and publish West Kent Substance Misuse directory of services
- Promote Alcohol Awareness week
- Address public use of legal highs through Public Spaces Protection Orders
- Preventative and early intervention work to address local needs and improve the well-being of young people
- Use a partnership approach to address underage drinking where it is reported by communities as a problem
- Structured interventions through Troubled Families where substance misuse is an issue
- Investigate and consider "Recovering Communities" such as non-alcohol bars and similar social enterprises
- Work with local employers to raise awareness on drug and alcohol issues and where to go for early interventions
- Use of social media to get information to all residents across the borough with a focus on young people
- Detached work in areas highlighted by CSU for Kenward Trust substance misuse outreach team
- Continue to monitor the need for KCAP in other parts of the borough
- Police, Wardens and PCSOs to continue to gather intelligence on underage and proxy sales at every opportunity
- Encourage frontline professionals to promote the Know Your Score online evaluation tool for alcohol consumption for over-18s

## **2016/17 Targets**

**Overall target:** To understand in detail the data relating to alcohol and substance misuse and produce a realistic action plan to target a reduction in both.

**Specific target:** To engage youths caught with small amounts of illegal substances to engage with support services

**Threats:** Tunbridge Wells has been targeted by out-of-area gangs looking to sell drugs to local people, particularly young people.