Safer and Stronger Communities Board

# **Community Safety Plan** 2022-25









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# **Community Safety Plan 2022-25**

# Partnership working and responsibilities.

The 1998 Crime and Disorder Act requires Community Safety Partnerships to maintain an understanding of crime and disorder in their areas and work in partnership to bring about improvements. This is the latest, refreshed version of the Enfield Community Safety Plan and will be delivered over the next 3 years.

The Safer and Stronger Communities Board which acts as the Community Safety Partnership for Enfield and leads this partnership activity is well established and has a great deal of experience of working together to tackle crime and improve safety.

The members of the partnership include:

- The Metropolitan Police
- Enfield Council
- The Probation Service
- Voluntary and Community Sector representative
- London Fire Brigade
- Victim Support
- ICB Integrated Care Board

We know that crime profiles can change quickly and for this reason we review the plan regularly to check the priorities are correct and reflect the concerns that local people raise.

The pandemic and resulting changes in behaviours are good examples of how seemingly unrelated factors can affect crime levels and the types of crime and anti-social behaviour in local areas.

Additionally, with unprecedented financial pressures still increasing, it is more important than ever that our efforts are coordinated and targeted in areas where they will have the greatest impact.

Crime levels, outcomes of coordinated work and commissioned projects with timescales are reported through the Strategic Board and to Public Scrutiny Panels so that we are accountable for the delivery of this plan.

During the delivery period we will improve communications with local people to further build on work carried out in partnership with local communities

# Foreword – Joint Chairs SSCB

# lan Davis Chief Executive, Enfield Council

Thank you for reading this Plan from the Safer and Stronger Communities Board for Enfield.

The Board is the Community Safety Partnership locally and I jointly lead the work of the Board with the support of the Basic Command Unit Chief Superintendent of Police.

I am proud of the enduring strong foundation of partnership work that we have maintained locally, which has been able to withstand changes in personnel and increasing resourcing challenges.



During the last couple of years we have all endured the challenges of lockdown restrictions to prevent the spread of Covid-19 and now we face increased energy and food prices and further financial uncertainty linked with external factors, including the war in Ukraine.

We have all seen that crime patterns can change quickly, with criminals adapting to emerging circumstances. Public services must work collaboratively to ensure that we intervene effectively to protect the most vulnerable, despite monetary concerns and external factors.

The analysis used to inform this plan, along with expertise from a wide range of partners, provides a clear focus on where and how our efforts will achieve the best outcomes.

The Council is a key contributor to this partnership and as the Chief Executive I am proud of the efforts of officers supporting residents and visitors to Enfield to enjoy this vibrant diverse borough.

Enfield is changing, with new exciting developments in shared public spaces and building new homes to make the borough an exciting prospect for those wanting to live in the Capital and yet benefit from the parks and open spaces of one of the greenest London Boroughs.

The community safety priorities listed here have been agreed by the wider partnership and I am sure that they will make sense to local people. You will read of work that is planned. You will also see more frequent communications from the partnership explaining how this work has been delivered and how it has made a difference.

Tackling violence and the crimes that cause the most harm to young people and adults continue to be areas for joined up partnership action. Furthermore, this plan will support robust action to try to address the harms caused by substance misuse and associated exploitation of vulnerable people used by drug dealers.

Crucially there are contacts listed within the plan, which will be useful for people seeking help with varied issues and also examples of how to be involved if you would like contribute to the local work to improve community safety in Enfield.

# Caroline Haines Detective Chief Superintendent North Area BCU Commander

I am delighted to co-present the new Community Safety Strategy for Enfield, which represents the priorities and commitment of the Community Safety Partnership known locally as the Safer and Stronger Communities Board.

As the Police lead on this Board, I am proud of the strong partnership with Enfield Council as well as with other partners including Fire, Probation and Health authorities as well as local voluntary groups, all working together to improve the lives of those who live, work and travel to Enfield.



Our priorities address the types of crime and offending behaviour which most affect residents, businesses and visitors to Enfield, and which local community safety partners are able to influence. Partners have agreed to continue the effective approach of engaging with and strengthening communities by coordinating both preventative and frontline activity across the partnership. It is a commitment at a time of reduced resources, to work together to maximise the impact on work to address safety in the agreed areas of priority, and to provide value for money for residents and businesses.

As well as high profile issues such as serious youth violence and violence against women and girls, this strategy also addresses crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour that may be less well reported but still impacts the lives of many people across the Borough. This strategy represents our renewed determination to tackle them in partnership.

At a time when confidence in Policing has fallen, the strategy also recognises the importance of addressing the fear of crime and increasing public confidence and satisfaction with policing.

We look forward to driving significant improvements arising from this plan and will report back regularly on our achievements.

# How priorities have been selected

To determine which areas to focus on, as a partnership, we conducted a detailed assessment of crime which identifies local trends and compares us with London as a whole. We have also weighted the importance of certain crime types which cause significant harm.

These weighted crimes include crimes of violence, or crimes which are targeted at an individual, whether they are committed in public spaces or at home. We have also considered specific vulnerable groups.

Although primarily tailored to respond to and anticipate the local crime and anti-social behaviour needs, the local priorities identified for Enfield are similar to those outlined for London as a whole. This will allow us to continue to work closely with regional partners, benefiting from opportunities for joint work and additional resources.

Tackling crimes of violence remains a priority from the last plan, as does the aim to focus on some of the more prevalent acquisitive crimes. Acquisitive crime is a wide-ranging category in which the offender derives material gain by illegal means. This includes shoplifting, burglary, robbery amongst others.

We also will increase our commitment to provide public information about steps to avoid becoming a victim of crime and we will provide regular updates about the work we are delivering.

The need continues for us to seek all opportunities to tackle illegal drugs, which are known to drive other criminal and anti-social activity.

From our analysis, statistics show that reported criminal behaviour has changed both locally and nationally and the proportions of different types of crime in Enfield are typical of the London region and many other Metropolitan areas across the country.

#### Local crimes and therefore the resulting priorities are in three main areas:

- Offences that cause direct harm to people
- Theft or damage to property
- The damage done to local neighbourhoods by anti-social behaviour.

The priorities which were identified from our assessment are:

### Crimes that cause direct harm to people



Violence Tackling violence in all its forms



### Hate Crime

Building Community Cohesion and tackling Hate Crime



**Domestic abuse** Tackling domestic abuse and violence against women and girls



# Illegal supply and misuse of drugs

Reducing harms and tackling criminality linked with drug supply



#### **Exploiting young people**

Keeping young people safe and reducing their risks from crime

### Theft or damage to property



#### **Burglary** Helping people to be safe at home



### **Vehicle Crime**

Raising awareness of risks and reducing opportunities for vehicle crime

#### Harm caused to neighbourhoods



**Anti-social behaviour** Tackling Anti-social behaviour



# Lack of trust and confidence

Building confidence through robust delivery, partnership work and increased communication

# Tackling violence in all its forms

Victims of violent crime are targeted in very different circumstances and we continue to focus on specific types of violence including violence against women and girls, people who are targeted because of their ethnicity, religion or other personal characteristics, and risks that are particular to young people from those who would seek to exploit and recruit them into criminal activity.

#### There will also be new legal requirements to tackle serious violence.

Through the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill, the Government intend to introduce a Serious Violence Duty, which requires specified authorities to work together to prevent and reduce serious violence, including identifying the kinds of serious violence that occur in the area, the causes of that violence and to prepare and implement a strategy for preventing and reducing serious violence.

The responsible authorities (also known as 'duty holders') in the Serious Violence Duty will be:

- the police
- fire and rescue authorities
- justice organisations (such as youth offending teams and probation services)
- health bodies
- local authorities

This applies to all areas of England and Wales but allows for local arrangements.

In Enfield we will continue to work with the London Violence Reduction Unit to ensure that we address the requirements and incorporate these into local strategies, including this partnership plan and its reports as required.

The expectation on partnerships will be to ensure:

- Data sharing
- Analysis
- Development of a strategic needs assessment
- Development of a local strategy

#### Much of this proposed new work is already underway.



# Keeping young people safe and reducing their risks from crime

### Some examples of recent partnership work

- Focussed and coordinated work in those geographic areas with the greatest need. Youth Workers joined Community Safety Officers, other council teams and the police to coordinate and task resources to where they could achieve the best outcomes.
- The Council with the Police to survey young people about where they thought additional street cameras were needed, installed them and asked young people whether this improved how they feel about certain areas.
- The London Fire Brigade worked with us to establish a Fire Cadets scheme providing both technical and life skills to young people improving their employment opportunities.
- Using funding allocated by the London Violence Reduction Unit we sponsored a local film maker to work with local young people to create and share a professional movie about conflicting loyalties, with accompanying workshops in some schools. The movie can be seen online at <u>Bros</u> <u>For Life (2022) Drama Short Film | MYM – YouTube</u> and has been viewed almost 430,000 times.
- The Youth Justice Team delivered extra supportive group sessions to more than 200 attendees to deter repeat offending, using funding from the London Mayor and allocated via the Community Safety Partnership.
- Additional mentors were commissioned to work in 10 schools delivering both group sessions and individual support every week. Spark2life, which delivered 6 to 7 week blocks of an accredited learning programme to schools, supporting young people at risk of gangs, exploitation and offending. The programme focuses on improving young people's aspirations, interpersonal communication skills and their ability to resolve conflict. It gives young people an understanding of the red flags which can lead to exploitation, as well as an understanding of prejudice and bullying.
- Operation Engage is a pilot programme supported by the Violence Reduction Unit, Children's Services and the Metropolitan Police, launched in October 2020. Outreach youth workers in the police custody suite provide support, mentoring and signposting to support services within the community to every young person who comes into custody.
- Project Dove, funded through the NCL Health Inequalities Fund, providing a dedicated worker to provide support through social prescribing approach to young people identified at risk of serious youth violence, identified through primary care network settings and schools.
- The Summer University programme offers a diverse range of learning courses and fun activities during the summer holidays. The 2021 Summer University provided 131 learning courses, offering 2,430 places. A total of 1,786 spaces were attended by 712 young people. In 2020, a total of 93 learning courses and 1,986 places were offered, enabling 604 young people to participate.
- Many additional hours of police patrols from central teams bolstered local effort from response patrols, neighbourhood officers and those dedicated to working with schools and reduced the opportunity for serious youth violence.

# What has changed?

**Tackling Serious Youth Violence** is a long-standing priority area of work and in Enfield more than a quarter of the population, (27%), are under the age of 20.

During the strategic assessment period to September 2021, Serious Youth Violence fell by 17.3%. More recently in the 12 months to June 2022 we have seen another reduction of 10.7%. This in contrast to the London average which showed an increase of 7.1%.

Although reductions over the last 2-3 years may have been impacted by lockdown restrictions on movement, the position in Enfield is still showing improvements.

This continues to be one of the most challenging and serious local issues. Despite some significant improvement in the figures, we will continue to focus on this matter and will be commissioning additional activities to reduce the risks to young people, following the principles of our public health approach.

# What will we do

The examples given show some of the broad range of activity commissioned.

# Extend the Public Health Approach to Tackling Serious Youth Violence through interventions including:

- Developing an Early Help Directory that will be made available to professionals and families to access support.
- Through signing up to the DofE programme of funding, we will strengthen our Start for Life Services offer to our families and develop Family, Youth and Community Hubs network through transformation of service delivery and partnership work to provide early help and intervention to our families when and where they are needed.
- Expand the Summer University and its diversional activities during summer, Easter and Winter school holiday with specific focus on increasing participation from children eligible to free school meals through the Holiday and Food Activities programme.
- Improve education services with regard to serious youth violence; school nurses to be appropriately trained to identify and refer high risk children, primary and secondary school curriculum to include violence prevention, mental health and wellbeing, resilience, life and career skills, early identification and targeted support for those at high-risk and educational provision for young people in the criminal justice system.
- Enhance youth offer and have a centralised point with all youth offer information on it, mentoring (providing a trusted adult), engage faith organisations in supporting young people, trauma informed therapy for children and families with identifiable risk factors, interventions for youth offenders and developing contextual safeguarding youth work.
- Further develop services for older children; career planning, apprenticeships, and work experience and general upskilling with regards to careers, interviews and managing finances.
- Our Youth Justice Service will build on effective practice and partnership working to address and reduce serious youth violence and criminal exploitation through the delivery of the Youth Justice Plan.

- Dovetail the work of the Community Safety Partnership with the emerging Youth Justice Service Management Board plan.
- Respond locally to the actions from the online harms legislation.

#### Use external funding opportunities to commission projects such as:

- Operation Engage in Wood Green Custody to provide early intervention with follow through support to the community to young people arrested and presented in the custody.
- Commission one to one mentoring services for young people most at risk from crime.
- Support the provision and development of substance misuse treatment services for young people.
- Conduct crime analysis to inform the continued placement of targeted youth services and additionally new in 2022 a youth bus.
- Address risks from robbery by young people against their peers, through additional presence at school closing times in a defined area.
- Working with the police to deliver problem solving solutions in local areas, under a new initiative called "Operation Nightingale".
- Continue to build capacity of Youth Services by training local young people in Youth Work.
- Provide additional sporting programmes such as Boxing, Basketball and Tennis.
- Provide a twin track approach of support and enforcement for a group of young people identified by the Youth Justice Service to reduce reoffending and create more positive life chances.
- Work with partners and neighbouring borough agencies to understand crime across the borough boundary with Haringey and coordinate efforts to reduce violent crime.
- Work with regional projects such as Rescue and Response to try to tackle County Lines and protect young people who become involved in drug dealing crime networks. Enfield made 23 referrals to the project in 2020-21, which was the 11th highest number in London.

#### Regularly promote key messaging relating to:

#### Fearless

🛇 www.fearless.org/give-info

#### CrimeStoppers

https://crimestoppers-uk.org

Both Fearless and Crimestoppers are online portals for giving crime related information anonymously.

#### If you are concerned about a child other useful contacts include:

Enfield Council Children's MASH () 020 8379 5555

Enfield Council Early Help (020 8379 2002

#### Children, Young People and Families Portal

s enfield.gov.uk

Childline 0800 1111 www.childline.org.uk

NSPCC

0808 800 5000

www.nspcc.org.uk

#### The main measures for this category will be:

- Serious Youth Violence Victims aged up to 19 a new measure of Teen Violence
- Knife Crime with Injury (not domestic abuse) under 24 years



# Tackling domestic abuse and violence against women and girls

### Some examples of recent partnership work

- Introduced a Domestic Abuse Hub which provides extra support to those who need it, accessed via a dedicated telephone freephone line 0800 923 9009 and email <u>callusDAH@</u> <u>enfield.gov.uk</u>
- Commissioned Independent Domestic Violence Advocates (IDVAs) to support those at risk of or experiencing violence or abuse. During the financial year 2021-22 over 840 referrals, including self-referrals were received by our commissioned IDVA service. Timely support and advocacy is provided by the IDVAs to ensure that ongoing risks are identified and help and advice provided to improve a client's safety.
- We have continued to provide refuge provision for women and children for whom it is unsafe to remain at home.
- We have supported some high-risk cases where a refuge is not the best option to remain in their homes with enhanced security measures as part of a support package. This "Locks & Bolts" Service has assisted 53 Enfield residents at the time of writing. The vast majority are female.
- Delivered communication campaigns to raise awareness of domestic violence. Historically these
  have included campaigns designed to reach young people, the LGBTQ community and older
  victims of abuse.
- In 2021-22 Members of the Enfield Youth Parliament worked with the Community Safety Unit to devise and deliver a campaign to raise awareness of how inappropriate behaviour impacts on the lives of young women. The "Because of You" campaign was launched on White Ribbon Day in November 2021 and the young people involved subsequently received an "Inspiring Young Enfield" award.
- Delivered a successful perpetrator programme in partnership with two other London Boroughs further funding has been obtained to extend the project.
- The highest risk domestic abuse cases when identified by any frontline agency can be referred to a local Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) a regular local meeting to discuss how to help victims at high risk of serious harm.
- Achieved White Ribbon status for the Borough, which requires that a number of factors be established, including:
  - Delivering annual White Ribbon Events, the aim of which is to raise awareness and encourage men to show their support for women experiencing violence.
  - Recruiting White Ribbon Ambassadors who are men from all walks of life and willing to engage and encourage other men to stand up against male violence towards women. Ambassadors are there to inspire and lead by example, actively promoting gender equality and the White Ribbon message.

# What has changed?

There were 6,282 incidents of Domestic Abuse reported in the 12 months until June 2021, which had reduced slightly (-1.3%) on the numbers reported in the previous 12 months.

Domestic abuse reports account for approximately one quarter of all crime reported in Enfield and this figure is very likely to under represent the true levels of domestic abuse which is nationally acknowledged to be under reported.

Domestic abuse victims are likely to seek help after as many as 50 incidents. Source: Safelives

Domestic abuse reports account for approximately one quarter of all crime reported in Enfield. However, this figure is very likely to be under representative of the true levels of domestic abuse. In addition to the scale of the issue, the nature of domestic abuse is complex and insidious. As well as physical violence it can involve coercive control, and/or psychological, emotional and financial abuse. Nationally, on average it takes 50 separate incidents of domestic abuse for a victim to contact support services.

The restrictions as a result of pandemic are likely to have made reporting domestic abuse and seeking help even harder during most of the lockdown. Perhaps because it was harder to seek help at an earlier stage, there were periods where cases which resulted in a physical injury increased and these peaked during the summer of 2020.

It was the anticipated plight of domestic abuse victims that led to the creation of the Domestic Abuse Hub in May 2020. The intention was to support victims with just one chance to call, wherever possible. Due to the volume and harm caused by this crime, Tackling Domestic Abuse continues to be a priority going forward.

Furthermore, the profile of violence against women and girls in public spaces has been raised following tragic recent events including the deaths of Nicole Smallman and Bibaa Henry in June 2020, Sarah Everard in March 2021, Sabina Nessa in September 2021 and Zara Aleena in June 2022.

# What we will do

#### Using partners own resources

- Continue to fund a number of Independent Domestic Violence Advocates and emergency refuge provision.
- Review every homicide to ensure that relevant partner agencies have tried every reasonable avenue to provide help.
- Continue to provide the Domestic Abuse Hub support line to help victims to access more easily the help that they need.
- As a Local Authority to lead by example in signing up to Mayor's Night Safety Charter, to enhance safety and provide information for women and vulnerable people working at night in Council buildings and spaces.

- Council Housing will register and work toward an accreditation by further enhancing services for victims of Domestic abuse.
- Work with partners to deliver a suite of actions to retain Enfield's status as a White Ribbon Borough and recruit male "Ambassadors" as part of that commitment.
- Support the police "Walk and Talk" initiative to create productive discussion about women's concerns of safety in public spaces.
- Support a strategic discussion group to ensure Enfield is accessing and developing the best services for local people.
- Work with front line service providers and partners in the community and voluntary sector to use expertise and improve services based on worker and survivor feedback.
- Develop and deliver a separate VAWG strategy with governance and oversight from the SSCB.
- Support individuals with the highest risk domestic abuse cases, referred to the local Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) a regular local meeting to discuss how to help victims at high risk of serious harm.
- Work with health professionals and others with direct confidential access to clients.

#### Use external funding opportunities to commission projects such as:

- Fund additional IDVA services.
- Extend the programme to work with perpetrators.
- Explore opportunities to fund an Independent Sexual Violence Advocate.
- Work with the Mayor's Office to identify new programmes of work including housing support for those needing a "step down" provision from refuge but at a higher level of support than that which can be provided at the client's home address.
- Explore opportunities within the new national drug strategy to provide further help for those victims of domestic abuse who may use drugs or alcohol.

# If you need advice or support regarding domestic abuse or violence against women and girls there are some useful numbers listed below

#### Enfield Council's Domestic Abuse Hub

O800 923 9009 (Freephone number open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm)
 ○ <u>callusDAH@enfield.gov.uk</u>

#### National Domestic Abuse Helpline

0808 2000 247 – operates 24 hours a day or visit Refuge National Domestic Abuse Helpline
 nationaldahelpline.org.uk

#### Solace Women's Aid

0808 802 5565
 solacewomensaid.org

Enfield Saheli

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020 8373 6218
 enfieldsaheli.org

#### Galop (LGBT+ helpline)

0800 999 5428

**Q** galop.org.uk

#### Respect (Men's Advice Line)

C 0808 8010327 mensadviceline.org.uk

Victim Support

0808 1689 111
www.victimsupport.org.uk

#### Or in an emergency always ring 999

#### The main measures for this category will be:

- Domestic Abuse Incidents
- Domestic Abuse, Violence with Injury Offences
- Repeat victimisation
- Sexual Offences
- Rape

# Building Community Cohesion and tackling Hate Crime

Hate crime is 'any criminal offence which is perceived, by the victim or any other person, to be motivated by hostility or prejudice towards someone based on a personal characteristic.' These characteristic includes disability, race, religion or belief, sexual orientation and trans identity.

# Some examples of recent partnership work

- The partnership continued to work together through the Enfield Hate Crime Forum, which was established many years ago and continues to drive partnership workplans through understanding and innovation and constructive challenge.
- Training programmes in place for community members, partner agencies and young people to ensure an understanding of what Hate Crime is, how it affects people and how to report a Hate Crime.
- Enhanced support of on-line materials during National Hate Crime Awareness Week which we promote.
- Trained community sector organisations to receive reports from people who do not wish to approach the police.
- Building understanding with younger school pupils about terms which can cause harm to other people.
- Delivered an ongoing process of quality assurance for cases discussed at the Case Management Panel. This group is chaired by a community representative and reviews a selection of cases to ensure that those reporting have received a high standard of care. It facilitates a way of demonstrating transparently how cases move through the criminal justice system, how victims are supported, and ways in which perpetrators of hate crime can be brought to justice.
- Promoted the "how to report" leaflet.
- Worked with council colleagues to ensure the removal of racist/hateful offensive graffiti immediately.
- Through the Prevent Officers trained around 1,900 professional staff 2021-22 to recognise early signs of radicalisation and how to report this and get help.
- Over 2,000 school pupils received classroom-based activities about both Hate Crime and the Prevent agenda.
- We have launched two new training courses to help staff to understand lived experiences of LGBTQ+ colleagues and service users, to value and respect each other and to encourage greater working together to create an inclusive workplace and to support our diverse workforce.
- Our Culture Team worked in partnership with our LGBTQ+ community to organise celebrations for Pride 2022 in Enfield.

# What has changed?

**Hate Crime**, similarly to Anti-Social Behaviour, rose significantly during lock down periods by over 50% at some points and peaking at 104 incidents in just one month. The largest category by far is racist hate crime. However, we have seen these crimes reported starting to reduce and by June 2022, the 12 month rolling figure for all hate crime levels was down by 3%.

# What we will do

#### Deliver the Hate Crime Reduction Strategy - and in particular:

- Identify trends in repeat victimisation to better intervene in tackling Hate Crime
- Report changes in crime patterns regularly to ensure that services are tailored to achieve the best outcomes
- Recognise cases where Hate Crime is linked with potential extreme views and refer into Prevent services as appropriate
- Continue to develop and promote communications campaigns
- Continue to support third party reporting centres and train staff to help victims of Hate Crime including accessing police systems via the online reporting system
- Try to link Hate Crime workshops with wider annual events such as Pride or Learning Disability Awareness Week
- Consider reinstating public events with guest speakers invited
- Promote good news stories to increase trust and confidence

If you need advice or support regarding hate crime there are some useful numbers listed below:





#### The main measures for this category will be:

- Hate Crime offences
- Repeat victimisation

### Safeguarding people through Prevent In Enfield

Distinct from the work to tackle Hate and intolerance the Prevent programme seeks to safeguard people from the dangers of extremism and linked terrorist activity. Prevent is a key part of the UK's counter terrorism strategy CONTEST.

We work collaboratively with the Homeland Security team at the Home Office and the Counter Terrorism Command (SO15) at the Metropolitan Police.

The Channel programme forms a key part of the Prevent programme, which offers support to individuals who have been identified as at risk of radicalisation, became a legal duty on local authorities in 2015, Enfield has had a Channel panel since 2009.

The Channel programme receives concerns about vulnerable individuals and the needs are assessed along with any risks that the police may highlight suggesting terrorism or radicalisation concerns.

Online activity increased during lockdown. In London there have also been occasional instances where extremist groups have tried to take advantage of the current lockdown situations to spread hate and hostility among communities.

Prevent concerns are treated in the same manner as other safeguarding matters and are referred through the MASH services using the standard safeguarding referral pathways. Prevent has continued its close relationship with social care services via various training and joint working.

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# Reducing harms and tackling criminality linked with drug supply

Controlled drugs fall into three different categories, Class A, B or C, according to how harmful they are. The criminal justice outcomes for drug offences are different for each class of drugs. Class A drugs (including heroin, cocaine, ecstasy and LSD) are the most harmful and will lead to a greater sentence, especially for trafficking.

The Home Office categorises drug offences under either Trafficking or Possession offences. It is illegal to possess, supply and produce controlled drugs. It is also illegal to import or export or allow your premises to be used for drug production.

At the end of March 2022 Enfield had a total of 1,183 Adult Drug and Alcohol users in treatment consisting of 472 Opiate, 323 Alcohol only, 207 Non-Opiate only and 181 Non-Opiate and Alcohol Users.

Enfield SSCB supports a range of activity including enforcement through the criminal justice system, support for those at risk of exploitation to deal drugs by criminal abusers and treatment for those whose lives are damaged by addiction.

The restrictions on legitimate international travel and trade also had an impact on drug trafficking which has led to the establishment of cannabis cultivation and the risk that the premises of vulnerable people may be "cuckooed" by criminal exploiters for this purpose. On a positive note more adults were self-referring to treatment services.

# Some examples of recent partnership work

- Contributed to Adult Treatment services using partnership grants to support additional work with substance misusing offenders.
- Used London VRU funding to support an outreach project for those clients who are less likely to engage with services, including sex workers and working responsively with other agencies to attend areas where drug related Anti-Social Behaviour is causing serious harms.
- Identified and taken action to deter criminal exploitation of residents who may be vulnerable to being forced or coerced to unwillingly support drug production.
- Contributed from partnership grants to young people's substance misuse services.
- Referred young people identified as at risk of being recruited to run " County Lines" to programmes including mentoring, diversion and also to the Rescue and Response project set up to support young people in these circumstances across the capital.
- 182 young people in treatment services and 1,183 adults at the end of March 2022.
- Working with the community and partner agencies Police identified and closed cannabis production sites.
- During the period of the strategic assessment 57% of stop and search encounters by the police were related to drugs.

# What has changed?

- 73% of the adult offender cohort working with drug treatment services reduced their offending in 2021/22.
- Over half of the young people referred to treatment services following a criminal offence stopped offending.
- Police proactivity can lead to a spike in recorded drugs offences as the majority of crimes of possession or supply are uncovered in this way. Drug offences increased by 20.5% by the summer of 2022 compared with the previous 12 months, much of which is linked with increased police activity.

### What we will do

- Strengthen the partnership oversight of substance misuse issues including treatment services, links with offender management and enforcement outcomes.
- Continue to support joint working and co-location of integrated offender management services, as part of the twin track approach of enforcement and support.
- Seek to access any additional funding linked with regional and national opportunities including the London Policing Plan and the national strategy <u>From Harm to Hope</u>.
- Establish a new Combating Drug and Alcohol Partnership in 2022-23.
- Recruit a Substance Misuse Service Development Manager.
- Complete a separate needs assessment to help shape drugs services.
- Continue to contribute to tasking and resourcing drugs outreach work.
- Identify and support vulnerable residents whose homes are used by abusing criminals for reasons linked with drugs.
- Flag information with the police and outreach services obtained from borough CCTV cameras where there is evidence of drug dealing in public spaces.
- Monitor the impact of hardship on the local substance misuse picture.

#### The main measures for this category will be:

- Drug offences
- Drug Possession

#### However, we will also reflect:

- Numbers in treatment, both adults and young people.
- Numbers successfully completing treatment.
- Percentage of Integrated Offender Management Clients reducing their offending.
- Percentage of young people who engage with treatment services who are known to Youth Justice Team that did not reoffend within six months of completing substance misuse treatment.
- Percentage of young people who engage who are known to the Youth Justice Team that leave treatment in a planned way.
- Numbers of young people referred to other support service, as a result of their vulnerability to offending linked with illegal drugs such as Rescue and Response.

# Helping people to be safe at home

### Some examples of recent partnership work

- Cocooning describes the activity by the police to support residents in properties which have been subject to burglary in order to prevent repeat offences and provide additional advice to near neighbours.
- Locks and bolts for those at high risk of harm (although this is only available for victims at continuing high-risk usually linked with domestic abuse).
- On-Line Watch Link (OWL) has proved very popular in Enfield 2,714 have signed up and received messages, via an App about crime prevention, events and campaigns. These have included How to Protect your home, Robberies, Bogus Callers, ATM Theft, Spiking and Women's' Safety.
- The London Fire Brigade identify vulnerable people through a joint working directive between Enfield Social Services and LFB. Interventions are required to ensure the best possible care is provided and actions taken to reduce the possibility of loss or life or injury as a result of fire.
- Communications campaigns have been delivered to all households at times where burglaries are most likely, such as around Christmas and new year, but also during summer months when windows may be left open.
- Some targeted campaigns providing additional support such as timer switches and property marking kits.
- Targeted work with offenders known to commit burglaries, via the Integrated Offender Management work.

# What has changed?

• Residential burglary reduced dramatically during lockdown, as most people spent more time confined at their home addresses. Although burglary rates are now stabilising, in June 2022 they were still around 39% lower when compared with pre-pandemic levels for the year ending March 2020.

# What we will do

- Continue to support partners in providing extra resource for Offender Management work, including with offenders of burglary.
- Consider the trends relating to acquisitive crimes including burglary and monitor trends including sales of stolen goods.
- Promote safety measures at key times of the year, including messages about fire safety and how to reduce chances of becoming a victim of burglary.
- Continue to run the OWL messaging scheme.
- Target crime prevention materials in areas of need.

- Promote information sharing and encourage public engagement via confidential lines such as Crimestoppers to help further reduce the harm to residents from burglars.
- Continue to work with partners to warn of trends in thefts by rogue traders and bogus callers, often targeted at the most vulnerable.
- Promote home fire safety measures and the work of the LFB.

If you wish to report a crime regarding a vulnerable adult it is important to contact the police on 101 or 999 in an emergency but other useful numbers for further help include:

#### Enfield Adult Abuse Helpline

020 8379 5212 new.enfield.gov.uk/safeguardingenfield

#### Age UK Enfield

- 020 8375 4120
- 0800 055 6112 (National Advice Line)
- www.ageuk.org.uk

#### The main measures for this category will be:

- Residential burglary
- Number of home fire safety checks

# Raising awareness of risks and reducing opportunities for vehicle crime

### Some examples of recent partnership work

- Crime prevention leaflets distributed in the identified hot spot areas.
- Smart Water kits issued in key hotspots and repeat victims of catalytic convertor theft.
- Posters displayed.
- Met Trace Crime Prevention team sent crime prevention packs in the post.
- Blue badge holders identified and sent crime prevention guidance.
- OWL used to share crime prevention advice and real time information between the police and the community.
- Installation of CCTV in some areas known for vehicle crime.

# What has changed?

During the initial assessment period to September 2021 the levels of theft from a vehicle fell by 4.7%, but theft of a vehicle increased considerably by 26.5%.

This increase has slowed between that point and summer 2022 but still remains of concern and vehicle crime represents 15% of the total crime reported in the borough. This is a greater proportion of crime than the London average.

# What we will do

- Devise and deliver seasonal and targeted partnership crime reduction campaigns.
- Promote behaviours which reduce the opportunity for crime such as removing property from unattended vehicles.
- Continue to share messages via OWL to ensure that residents are reminded of preventative measures.
- Work with prolific offenders of vehicle crime who are included in the IOM cohort.
- Consider partnership work in geographic hotspot locations to deter further offending.
- Analyse emerging hotspots and consider measures such as CCTV installation.

#### The main measures for this category will be:

- Theft from a motor vehicle
- Theft or taking of a motor vehicle

# **Tackling Anti-social behaviour**

### Some examples of recent partnership work

- The partnership has responded to an unprecedented number of requests during the pandemic, exacerbated by the lockdown restrictions and report of breaches.
- Worked collaboratively to identify and deter unauthorised gatherings such as unlicensed music events and car meets.
- Partners including the Council's Community Safety Team, CCTV staff and housing colleagues have worked with Neighbourhood Policing Teams and the Council funded Safer Estates Team. We have coordinated patrols, outreach work and shared intelligence about where and in what way ASB is impacting most on local residents and intervened.
- We have considered available enforcement tools for use when necessary including:
  - Closure orders on addresses used for criminal activity
  - Community Protection Warnings and Notices
  - Tenancy Enforcement actions
  - Fines for breaches of Public Space Protection Orders
  - ASB Warnings
- Walkabouts in local areas to ensure that problem solving approaches are delivered effectively.
- Site visits to determine feasibility and costs of any proposed CCTV.
- Working with Designing out Crime Officers to reduce the opportunity for crime and ASB to occur, by changing the layout and design of the built environment.
- Conducted Environmental Visual Audits and provided recommendations for adjustments to specific areas to reduce the opportunity for crime and ASB to occur.
- Supported Police operations including those deterring escalation from ASB to criminal activity

   these have included increased weapons sweeps, high visibility patrols and targeted youth
   engagement.
- Funded an ASB mediation provision to help achieve a good outcome following some neighbour disputes.
- Managed repeat calls, specifically those that relate to more complex issues via Enfield's Community Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (CMARAC). The group manage the risk to vulnerable individuals and the wider neighbourhood and will also contribute to actions to tackle the perpetrators behaviour.

### How to report ASB & Crime

#### To the police

Report incident(s) of ASB & Crime to Police where necessary on:

🔇 101, online at 🔇 <u>www.police.uk</u> or 999 in an emergency.

### To a landlord

If an Enfield Council Tenant contact Council Housing in first instance at

tenancy.council.housing@enfield.gov.uk

or Housing Management Service Duty Line number on

C 020 8375 8008 or 020 8379 1000

If an Enfield Council Temporary Accommodation tenant (including Housing Gateway) contact

temp.accom.team@enfield.gov.uk
020 8379 1000

If a Registered Provider tenant or Private Renting – tenant to contact their landlord or police if appropriate.

#### To the Council's Anti-Social Behaviour Team can be contacted at

- ASBU@enfield.gov.uk
- 😡 www.enfield.gov.uk/services/community-safety
- 020 8379 4612

#### Noise Nuisances can be reported online at

😡 www.enfield.gov.uk/services/nuisances/noise-nuisance

• 020 8379 1000 (if residents are affected by noise between 9pm and 3am on Friday or Saturday nights)

### What has changed?

Anti-Social Behaviour showed the largest increase of reported concerns during lockdown, some of which was linked with reported breaches of restrictions.

In April 2020 there were 3000 calls about Anti-Social Behaviour in Enfield, but by April 2022 this had reduced to 644 which is much more reflective of pre pandemic numbers.

### What we will do

- Work with local people to improve satisfaction in a range of responses to ASB.
- Recruit ASB Wardens to respond to reported concerns in defined areas.
- Work in partnership to agree effective joined up tasking of resources into the areas most in need of partnership interventions – including for example; youth workers, drugs outreach experts, ASB officers, housing officers and local policing provision.
- Make appropriate use of available powers to enforce against those who spoil the quality of life for others in their neighbourhoods.
- Consider installation of CCTV where necessary.
- Commission additional outreach provision to engage young people in local areas.
- Work with the Noise Nuisance Team to support victims of ASB.
- Promote secure by design in new developments and buildings.
- Consider redesign in areas where ASB and crime are a significant issue.
- Continue to coordinate work through partnership problem solving and case management groups.
- Work with Homeless teams to promote appropriate safeguarding measures where vulnerable people are sleeping rough, or there is evidence of aggressive begging or other vulnerability flagged in relation to ASB.
- Work in partnership to deter vehicle related ASB.

#### The main measures for this category will be:

• ASB calls to the police

#### However, we will also reflect on:

- The sub-categories such as neighbour nuisance, fireworks, animal related etc.
- Cases escalated to CMARAC (repeated victimisation or offences)
- Community Trigger
- Case management

# How you can help and be more involved

# **Report crime and ASB**

Details... 101 for the police, or 999 if it is an emergency. It is important that you report crime. Council's ASB team can be contacted on 020 8379 4612 or email us at asbu@enfield.gov.uk

If it is urgent and an immediate risk you should contact the police but if an ASB problem requires a more planned response the Council's ASB team can assist you. We will respond within 1 working day, have an action plan in place in 6 working days.

# Take sensible precautions to stop yourself becoming a victim of crime

Information about a range of crimes and reducing risks is available at: www.met.police.uk/crimeprevention

# Cadets

There are currently increasing numbers of young people involved in the MPS Cadet programme in Enfield. Find out more at:

www.met.police.uk/car/careers/met/police-volunteer-roles/volunteer-police-cadets/overview/

# **Special Constabulary**

Enfield is embarking on a recruitment programme for the Special Constabulary. The programme is focussed on doing something special.

If you are interested, you can read more at: www.met.police.uk/car/careers/met/police-volunteer-roles/special-constable/

# There are also a number of other community groups who work to support the Safer and Stronger Communities Board keeping people safe from crime and ASB

- Communities and Police in Enfield (CAPE) contact your ward officer if you would like to know more.
- Stop and Search Monitoring Group again your local officer can provide you with more information
- Parent Engagement Network find out more from the Enfield Council website

# **Further reference document links**

For information on all Enfield Council published strategies and policies <a href="https://www.enfield.gov.uk/services/your-council/investing-in-enfield">https://www.enfield.gov.uk/services/your-council/investing-in-enfield</a>

Enfield Borough Profile https://www.enfield.gov.uk/services/your-council/borough-and-wards-profiles

Office for National Statistics (ONS) Population Mid-Year Estimates 2020 (Published June 2021) https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/populationandmigration/ populationestimates/bulletins/annualmidyearpopulationestimates/mid2020

Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019 https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/english-indices-of-deprivation-2019

Enfield Poverty and Inequality Commission 2020: All things being equal <a href="http://www.smith-institute.org.uk/book/all-things-being-equal-the-final-report-and-recommendations-of-the-enfield-poverty-and-inequality-commission/">http://www.smith-institute.org.uk/book/all-things-being-equal-the-final-report-and-recommendations-of-the-enfield-poverty-and-inequality-commission/</a>

ONS Crime in England and Wales: Police Force Data Table Year Ending September 2021 <a href="https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/crimeandjustice/datasets/policeforceareadatatables">https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/crimeandjustice/datasets/policeforceareadatatables</a>

ONS February 2021 – The nature of violent crime in England and Wales <u>https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/crimeandjustice/articles/</u> <u>thenatureofviolentcrimeinenglandandwales/yearendingmarch2020</u>

Met. Police.UK https://www.met.police.uk/sd/stats-and-data/met/stop-and-search-dashboard/

Violence Reduction Unit <u>https://www.london.gov.uk/programmes-strategies/communities-and-social-justice/londons-violence-reduction-unit</u>

Youth Violence Prevention https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/youthviolence/riskprotectivefactors.html

Youth Justice Statistics

https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/announcements/youth-justice-statistics-2020-to-2021

Greater London Authority House Hold Projections <a href="https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/household-projection-research-outputs">https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/household-projection-research-outputs</a>



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