



Report To:	Inverclyde Alliance Board	Date:	7 October 2019
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Subject:	Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership 2018/19 Update		

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Inverclyde Alliance Board on the progress of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) in Inverclyde with an update on activity since June 2018.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 Following revised governance and reporting structures of community planning arrangements in 2018 it was agreed by the Inverclyde Alliance Board that the Inverclyde CSP Strategy Group would report to the Inverclyde Alliance Board on an annual basis.
- 2.2 The CSP Strategy Group is the senior officers group for community safety in Inverclyde. It acts as the scrutiny body for community safety activity in Inverclyde, and has responsibility of a number of groups including the CSP Coordinating Group and Violence Against Women Multi-Agency Partnership. The CSP Strategy Group also provides a direct link to the Inverclyde Alliance Board.
- 2.3 The primary aim of the CSP Coordinating Group is to deliver on the improvement action plan as identified in the community safety strategic assessment. An update of activity is contained in this paper. This activity includes planning for the period leading up to and including November 5th, an update in relation to large scale youth gatherings and progress in respect of the Inverclyde Antisocial Behaviour Strategy.
- 2.4 The primary aim of the Violence Against Women Multi-Agency Partnership is the development of an integrated and strategic approach to the prevention and elimination of Violence Against Women. This work also included the development and delivery of a strategy and action plan. An update of activity has been submitted as a separate agenda to the Inverclyde Alliance Board.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Alliance Board:
- a. Notes the work of the Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership and its associated groups.

**Superintendent Derek Lang
Chair of Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership Strategy Group.**

4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The Inverclyde Alliance Board at its meeting on 19 March 2018 approved new governance and delivery arrangements for community planning and the delivery of the LOIP in Inverclyde. Prior to the new governance arrangements for community planning, community safety reported to a previous Single Outcome Agreement (SOA) outcome delivery group with responsibility for a number of functions including community safety.
- 4.2 In January 2018 a development day was held to begin preparation of a new community safety strategic assessment as well as consideration of a possible future structure of community safety arrangements in Inverclyde. During April and May 2018 a series of meetings were held with Alliance partners to consider the structure of the community safety partnership within Inverclyde.
- 4.3 Partners agreed that there was a need for a continuation of a community safety partnership in Inverclyde and identified a requirement for a senior officers group with overall responsibility for community safety arrangements in Inverclyde in addition to a clear structure of sub-groups relating to community safety matters. In June 2018 the first meeting of the Community Safety Partnership Strategy Group met to agree the 'Terms of Reference' for the group as well as to confirm the overall group structure of the CSP.

5.0 GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

- 5.1 The Strategy Group is the senior officers group for community safety in Inverclyde. The group is made up of a number of Inverclyde Alliance partners and includes representation from Inverclyde Council, Inverclyde HSCP, Police Scotland, the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, the Scottish Ambulance Service, Inverclyde Housing Association Forum, Your Voice Inverclyde and CVS Inverclyde. The Strategy Group is currently chaired by Superintendent Derek Lang of Police Scotland.
- 5.2 As noted at 4.3 a Terms of Reference document was created which sets out the activity of the SG, the document also highlights the relationship between the Inverclyde Alliance and the various sub groups within the overall partnership structure. The Terms of Reference document is appended for information.
- 5.3 There are two sub groups within the overall community safety partnership structure. The Community Safety Partnership coordinating group is the delivery group for the community safety strategic assessment and associated improvement action plan; this group is currently chaired by Hugh Scott of Inverclyde Council. The violence against women multi-agency partnership is the strategic delivery group of the violence against women strategy for Inverclyde and this group is currently chaired by Jane Cantley of Inverclyde HSCP.

6.0 DEVELOPMENTS TO DATE- CSP STRATEGY GROUP

- 6.1 The CSP Strategy Group has met three times in the previous year and in addition to receiving updates from the CSP Coordinating Group and Violence Against Women Multi-Agency Partnership has also considered the following issues noted at 6.1 and 6.2.
- 6.2 The Strategy Group is currently overseeing work around the proposed '*Improving Inverclyde- A Community Safety Initiative*' as endorsed by the Inverclyde Alliance Board at its meeting on 18 March 2019. Board Members will recall the initiative is an area-based community safety and violence prevention initiative which includes members from the CSP and the Violence Reduction Unit. This matter is still progressing and the Strategy Group will provide further updates to the Inverclyde Alliance Board as the initiative progresses.
- 6.3 At the Inverclyde Alliance Board meeting on 1 October 2018, the Inverclyde Alliance Board remitted to the CSP Strategy Group, the implementation of the framework regarding the National Missing

Persons Framework for Scotland following a letter from Ash Denham, Minister for Community Safety. This piece of work is experiencing significant slippage. Police Scotland are currently reviewing their standard operating procedure regarding missing persons at a national level and subsequently the CSP Strategy Group has been unable to make a coordinated response on behalf of the relevant agencies (Police Scotland and Inverclyde HSCP). Inverclyde HSCP has provided their framework in respect of missing persons.

7.0 DEVELOPMENTS TO DATE - CSP COORDINATING GROUP

- 7.1 The CSP Coordinating Group is made up of a number of partners including Inverclyde Council, Inverclyde HSCP, Police Scotland, the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, Cloch Housing Association, Larkfield/Link Housing Association, Oak Tree Housing Association and River Clyde Homes.
- 7.2 In 2018 a strategic assessment of community safety issues was created with an associated action plan for improvement. The action plan for improvement has three priority outcomes; (i) reducing violence, crime and disorder in our communities, (ii) reducing unintentional harm, and (iii) increasing community resilience. An update in respect of some of the activity since June 2018 is noted below.
- 7.3 In August 2018 the Coordinating Group held a multi-agency tasking and coordinating group (MATAC) meeting in respect of the period leading up to and including 5th November. The following actions were agreed:
- The Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, Inverclyde Council Community Wardens and Police Scotland provided fire safety inputs to all secondary schools within the authority area and I Youth Zones.
 - Multi-agency checks by local housing providers, Inverclyde Council Community Warden Service and Scottish Fire & Rescue Service in order to remove materials which could be used for bonfires.
 - Advice letters sent to local businesses and traders with a waste licence to prevent offenders and/or companies providing wooden pallets for bonfires.
 - Joint deployment of Scottish Fire & Rescue, Police Scotland and Inverclyde Council Community Warden Service to all bonfire call-outs (made to Scottish Fire & Rescue Service) on 5th November.
- 7.4 At the meeting of the Inverclyde Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Committee on 29th November 2018 a report was tabled to provide an update in respect of large-scale youth gatherings across Inverclyde. This paper noted:
- the multi-agency approach taken in response to large-scale youth gatherings;
 - the overarching aims of promoting safety, providing public reassurance and reinforcing parental/carer responsibilities;
 - the reduction in frequency, numbers, location and seasonal duration of the large-scale youth gatherings;
 - the commitment of community safety partners regarding the deployment of resources in respect of large-scale youth gatherings.
- 7.5 The Coordinating Group is currently preparing a new Inverclyde Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy following the expiry of the previous strategy (2014-19). This Strategy will ensure that Inverclyde and Police Scotland meet their legislative requirements as set out in the Anti-Social Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004. The Coordinating Group has identified a need for an antisocial behaviour policy document and this will be a key action of the strategy. The completed strategy will be presented at a future Inverclyde Alliance Board meeting.

7.6 The Coordinating Group is also supporting Scottish Fire & Rescue Service in respect of home fire safety visits particularly increasing the number of visits where members of the public have been identified of being 'at risk'. Currently, individual group members have provided Scottish Fire & Rescue Service with funds for fire retardant bedding and since early 2019, staff from within Inverclyde HSCP Homecare (Home Support Managers, Senior Home Support Workers, Home Support Workers and Community Alarm team) have been trained in fire risk awareness.

8.0 DEVELOPMENTS TO DATE - VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN MULTI-AGENCY PARTNERSHIP (MAP)

8.1 The VAW MAP is made up of a number of Inverclyde Alliance partners and includes representation from Inverclyde Council, Inverclyde HSCP, Police Scotland, Inverclyde Women's Aid, ASSIST, SPS, Inverclyde Housing Association Forum and GC&C NHS.

8.2 The Inverclyde Violence Against Women Strategy is a 5 year strategy (2017-22) which seeks to deliver the vision and aims of the Multi-Agency Partnership. Reporting on delivery of the strategy is undertaken on an annual outturn basis of achievement against targets and the year two report has been added as a separate agenda item.

9.0 IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Legal: As per 7.3, Inverclyde Council and Police Scotland have a duty to prepare an antisocial behaviour strategy as required in Part 1 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004.

Finance: N/A

Human Resources: N/A

Equality and Diversity: Ongoing to ensure protected groups are not adversely impact in relation to community safety issues. As required by Inverclyde Council, an equality impact assessment has been completed as part of the Inverclyde Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy.

Repopulation: Engaging local people to ensure that they feel and are safe is a key aim of the CSP
Inequalities:

10.0 CONSULTATIONS

10.1 None

11.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 Inverclyde Alliance Board 17 June 2019: Community Safety and Violence Reduction Initiative-Update

11.2 Inverclyde Alliance Board 18 March 2019: Community Safety & Violence Prevention Initiative.

11.3 Inverclyde Alliance Board 1 October 2018: National Missing Persons Framework for Scotland

11.4 Inverclyde Alliance Board 19 March 2018: LOIP Governance and Delivery Structure



Inverclyde Alliance

Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership



TERMS OF REFERENCE

Community Safety Partnership Strategy Group

June 2019

Purpose

The Community Planning Partnership vision for Inverclyde is:

‘Nurturing Inverclyde: Getting it right for every Child, Citizen and Community’

This means that the Alliance will work in partnership to create a confident, inclusive Inverclyde with safe and sustainable, healthy, nurtured communities, and a thriving, prosperous economy, with active citizens who are resilient, respected and responsible and able to make a positive contribution to the area.

As part of the Nurturing Inverclyde approach, the Inverclyde Alliance, are focussing on achieving wellbeing outcomes for our communities, which have been adapted from Getting it Right for Every Child. The seven wellbeing outcomes have been expanded so that they include all our citizens and communities in Inverclyde but specifically in relation to community safety, we want all our children, citizens and communities to be:

***Safe-** Protected from abuse, neglect or harm and supported when at risk. Enabled to understand and take responsibility for actions and choices. Having access to a safe environment to live and learn in.*

The Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership sits under the wider umbrella of the Inverclyde Alliance and is made up of several groups to provide effective links between strategic direction and co-ordinated partnership planning, to ensure that the outcomes set out in the Inverclyde Outcome Improvement Plan (OIP) are delivered.

The purpose of **COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY GROUP** is to work towards the achievement of the following OIP priority outcomes:

***Population-** Inverclyde’s population will be stable and sustainable with an appropriate balance of socio-economic groups that is conducive to local economic prosperity and longer term population growth.*

***Inequalities-** There will be low levels of poverty and deprivation and the gap in income and health between the richest and poorest members of our communities will be reduced.*

***Environment, Culture and Heritage-** Inverclyde’s environment, culture and heritage will be protected and enhanced to create a better place for all Inverclyde residents and an attractive place in which to live, work and visit.*

The **COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY GROUP** will specifically deliver on community safety activity across Inverclyde with scrutiny of activities

Membership

The **COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY GROUP** comprises of a wide range of partners and membership as at June 2019 is drawn from the following organisations:

Name	Title	Organisation
Derek Lang	Superintendent (CSP Strategy Group Chair)	Police Scotland
Tony McEwan	Head of Service	Inverclyde Council
Martin McNab	Head of Service	Inverclyde Council
Sharon McAleese or Deborah Gillespie	Head of Service	Inverclyde HSCP
Emma Cummings	Primary Care Lead	Inverclyde HSCP
David McCarrey	Group Manager	Scottish Fire & Rescue Service
Lynne Griffin Nick Jardine Paul McVey Kevin Scarlett	Rolling group attendance.	Inverclyde Housing Association Forum
Miriam McKenna	Corporate Policy and Partnership Manager	Inverclyde Council
Karen Haldane	Executive Officer	Your Voice
Ian Bruce	Executive Officer	CVS Inverclyde
Hugh Scott	Chair	Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership Coordinating Group
Jane Cantley	Chair	Violence Against Women Multi Agency Partnership

Remit

The **COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY GROUP** will:

1. Set the priorities and objectives for community safety **activities** in Inverclyde.
2. Providing localised responses in relation to national community safety priorities especially the promotion of the Scottish Government *Building Safer Communities* Programme.
3. Monitor progress on the outcomes to be achieved in respect of the Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment.
4. Monitor progress on the outcomes to be achieved in respect of the Inverclyde Violence Against Women Strategy.
5. Scrutinise/support the work of the Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership Coordinating Groups and its associated working groups.
6. Scrutinise/support the work of the Inverclyde Violence Against Women Multi Agency Partnership and its associated working groups.
7. Contribute to the delivery of the Inverclyde Local Outcome Improvement Plan, relevant partnerships and locality plans.

8. Monitor and provide feedback in respect of partnership action contributing to the delivery of the 'Inverclyde Local Fire & Rescue Service Plan' and 'Inverclyde Local Police Plan'.
9. Provide feedback in relation to Community Safety activity in Inverclyde to the Inverclyde Alliance Board.

Meetings

The **COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY GROUP** will be chaired by **SUPERINTENDENT DEREK LANG (POLICE SCOTLAND)**. The Chair will act as the link between this group and the Inverclyde Alliance Board.

Meetings will be held on a twice yearly basis (January and June).

Responsibilities of Group Members

Members of the **COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY GROUP** will commit to:

- Attend all scheduled meetings of the **COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY GROUP** and/or nominate a suitable proxy and/or nominate a proxy of appropriate management grade relative to the group;
- Participate in open and honest discussions;
- Share information on any new developments that could potentially impact on the successful delivery of the **community safety related activity in the Inverclyde area**.
- Represent the work of the group within your own organisation;

Reporting

The **COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY GROUP** has a responsibility to compile, at a minimum, an annual report in respect of the Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment and any other relevant progress report to coincide with the schedule of the Inverclyde Alliance Board.

The **COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY GROUP** will be represented by the Chair at the Inverclyde Alliance Board.

Review

These Terms of Reference will be updated on an annual basis. The next update is due in **JUNE 2020**.