

Report To:	CABINET	Date:	24 JUNE 2019
Heading:	ASHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP - STRATEGIC PLAN 2019-2022 (NEW PLAN - 2019)		
Portfolio Holder:	PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY - COUNCILLOR DANIEL WILLIAMSON		
Ward/s:	ALL		
Key Decision:	YES		
Subject to Call-In:	YES		

Purpose of Report

To update Members regarding the rewrite of the Ashfield Community Partnership (ACP) Strategic Plan 2019-2022. It is a legal requirement that the Council develops, in conjunction with its partners, a strategy setting out how the various agencies will work together to address crime and disorder issues and improve quality of life for local residents.

The report asks Cabinet to consider the contents and recommend adoption of the refreshed strategy to Council.

Recommendation(s)

To recommend approval of the Ashfield Community Partnership Strategic Plan 2019-2022 to full Council.

Reasons for Recommendation(s)

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998, as amended, requires that every district has a Community Safety Partnership and an associated Strategic Plan in place.

Approval of the Ashfield Community Partnership Strategic Plan 2019-2022 will ensure legislative requirements are met.

Alternative Options Considered

(with reasons why not adopted)

Failure to approve the ACP Strategic Plan will breach legislative requirements for the Partnership to produce a rolling three-year strategic plan.

ACP is already working to the Strategic Plan and targeted activity is in operation.

Detailed Information

The Ashfield Community Partnership meets the statutory obligation arising from the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The Partnership is responsible for compliance with the statutory duties set out in the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, Police Reform Act 2002, Police and Justice Act 2006 and Policing and Crime Act 2009.

The specified responsible authorities in the Partnership are:

- Ashfield District Council
- Nottinghamshire Police and Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
- Nottinghamshire County Council
- Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue Authority
- Ashfield and Mansfield Clinical Commissioning Group
- Nottinghamshire Probation Trust
- The Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire and Rutland Community Rehabilitation Company Limited

There is a requirement for all Community Safety Partnerships to produce three year Strategic Plans which contain information about how the Partnership will address crime and disorder, substance misuse, antisocial behaviour and reduce re-offending. Plans are reviewed and updated annually in line with a Strategic Assessment.

The plan recommends the following priorities for the Ashfield Community Safety Partnership for the following three years:

- Anti-social behaviour
- Vulnerable people
- Domestic Abuse
- Violence
- Integrated working

The **Integrated Partnership Hub** has seen the co-location of both the Nottinghamshire Police Safer Neighbourhood Team and a contingent of the Police Response Teams. This has both strengthened partnership activity and provided greater community reassurance.

Whilst a number of partners now utilise the shared space in the hub the partnership is particularly keen to encourage greater engagement with health and children's services.

A core principle identified by the partners is a commitment to community engagement and empowerment to ensure that communities have a greater involvement in the work undertaken by the partnership.

The Strategic Plan outlines how the various agencies will work together to improve the quality of life for local residents through improved community involvement and integrated partnership working.

The previous strategic plan did not reflect the current demands being placed upon partners and therefore it has been completely rewritten.

A period of community consultation was undertaken using a digital survey and face to face engagement at various community events. The results of this consultation are contained within the separate Community Engagement report.

The draft Ashfield CP strategy was considered and recommended for approval to Cabinet at the Ashfield and Mansfield Strategic Group meeting on 18th April 2019.

Throughout February and March 2019 the strategic plan has been shared with strategic partners for comments and consideration and the reporting officer has met personally to discuss the plan with representatives from key partners.

Implications

Corporate Plan:

The Ashfield Community Partnership Strategic Plan 2019-2022 is aligned to the current corporate Priorities under the Place and Communities theme:

- Targeting Resources to reduce crime and disorder
- Placing Communities at the Heart of Decision making
- Changing the way we work and deliver services
- Tailoring services to local areas

It is highly likely that the new Corporate Plan will align well with the Ashfield Community Partnership Strategic Plan given known political priorities the shared evidence base and professional input.

Legal:

Adoption of the Strategic Plan will ensure the Council complies with statutory requirements, as set out in the report. The Strategic Plan is part of the Policy Framework, as defined in the Constitution, and as such falls to Council for approval.

Finance:

Budget Area	Implication
General Fund – Revenue Budget	None
General Fund – Capital Programme	None
Housing Revenue Account – Revenue Budget	None
Housing Revenue Account – Capital Programme	None

Risk:

Risk	Mitigation
Failure to approve the ACP Strategic Plan will breach legislative requirements for the Partnership to produce a rolling three-year strategic plan.	n/a

Human Resources:

No impact upon employees or their terms and conditions of employment.

Equality issues cut across all themes of this strategy, ranging from communication and engagement with the community, empowerment, domestic violence and socio-economic influences that impact crime and disorder. It is recommended that facets of the strategy are periodically assessed for their equality impact and reviewed accordingly.

Equalities:

(to be completed by the author)

This report will not have any positive or negative impacts on people in any of the groups of protected characteristics.

Other Implications:

(if applicable)

N/A

Reason(s) for Urgency

(if applicable)

Reason(s) for Exemption

(if applicable)

Background Papers

(if applicable)

- 1) Ashfield Community Partnership Strategic Assessment 2019.
- 2) Ashfield Community Partnership Community Consultation 2019

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