



DOVER DISTRICT COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

3 YEAR PLAN 2020-2023



Safer People Safer Places

April 2020

DOVER DISTRICT PROFILE

“A safe place to live,
work and visit”



Approximately 22% of the district is designated as part of the Kent Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, 30% of which is designated as Heritage Coast centred on the famous White Cliffs of Dover.



The Dover district is famous for its golf courses including the Royal St George's at Sandwich, which hosted the 149th Open Golf Championship in 2020



Regeneration is progressing across the district, with new housing, retail and leisure developments, including modern commercial opportunities, adding to the districts' relocation appeal.



The Port of Dover is Europe's busiest ferry port and a vital international gateway for the movement of passengers and trade.

OUR VISION

“Responding to local resident, visitor and business community safety needs and issues. By working to resolve the root cause of crime and disorder, making the Dover district an even safer place to live, work and visit.”

THE EXECUTIVE



The Community Safety Partnership is overseen by an Executive Group, comprising of senior personnel from the responsible authorities and other agencies, including the voluntary and community sector. Sub-groups, addressing the two agreed directions of action, have been set up to deal with each priority. Each sub-group will have an action plan to address the objectives set by the Community Safety Partnership Executive.

THE SAFER STRONGER COMMUNITIES PLAN

The Safer Stronger Communities (SSC) Plan provides key stakeholders and the community with an overview of the main actions that will be taken during 2020-2023, to tackle issues highlighted in the Dover district.

The plan is reviewed annually by the Dover District Community Safety Partnership (CSP) to ensure our work remains effective and that our priorities continue to be relevant to local needs, to keep the district an even safer place.



STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT

Each year, for the duration of the SSC plan, the Partnership will carry out a Strategic Assessment. The purpose of a Strategic Assessment is to provide knowledge and understanding of community safety issues to its members.

This has been done through intelligence analysis to identify the emerging priorities by considering the patterns, trends and shifts relating to community safety. Additionally, it will include a performance assessment of how far the partnership has achieved its previous priorities and an update of those issues that the local community consider to be emerging priorities. The annual Strategic Assessment is central to the development of the Partnership Plan. We also work closely with other relevant agencies, the voluntary and community sector, the business sector and local residents.

The Dover District Community Safety Partnership is committed to working closely with the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) and aligns its priorities with them.

The Strategic Assessment for 2020-23, has identified directions of action:

SAFER PEOPLE

Problem Solving and Protecting Vulnerable People

SAFER PLACES

Building stronger communities through Engagement, Health and Education

STATUTORY PARTNERS

“Making the district even safer”



Dover District Council

Providing services to the people who live, work and study in Dover, Deal, Sandwich and the surrounding areas.

Kent Police

Protecting and serving the people of Kent.

Kent Fire and Rescue Services

Is the statutory fire and rescue service for the administrative county of Kent and the unitary authority area of Medway.

Kent County Council

is a county council that governs most of the county of Kent in England. It is the upper tier of elected local government, below which are 12 district councils, and around 300 town and parish councils.

NHS South Kent Coast CCG (Clinical Commissioning Group)

Comprises a group of dedicated healthcare professionals responsible for deciding what NHS services are provided, by whom and where. By listening to and responding to the views and needs of the population, we aim to make South Kent Coast a happier, healthier place in which to live.

Kent Probation

Is a statutory criminal justice agency with more than 100 years of experience of working with offenders on community orders and licences. The Probation Service aims to protect the public and reduce reoffending by delivering the orders of the courts and by helping offenders to reform their lives



SAFER PEOPLE

THE ISSUES

“Problem solving and protecting vulnerable people”



THE FACTS



Between April 2018-March 2019 20 out of 357 Door Step crimes in Kent took place in the Dover district. CSP will continue to work with partners to tackle this.



The number of attendees to the Domestic Abuse One Stop Shops has increased by 13% from 167 (Dec 2017-Nov 2018) to 189 (Dec 2018-Nov 2019). As a key priority CSP will continue to support the One Stop Shops.



62% increase in the number of reports to KCC Trading Standards, from people who felt unsafe, between Oct 2017-Sept 2018 and Oct 2018-Sept 2019. CSP will continue to work closely with KCC Trading Standards to address this.

SAFER PEOPLE - PRIORITIES

- Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)
- Domestic Abuse
- Adult resilience
- Young People resilience
- Mental Health
- Female Genital Mutilation (FGM)
- Missing Children
- Serious Organised Crime (SOC)
- Human Trafficking
- Drug dealing
- Sexual exploitation
- Smuggling
- Serious Financial Crime (fraud, money laundering)
- Organised Crime Groups (OCG's)

RAISING AWARENESS



POSITIVE ACTION



Dover Youth Conference

'Reducing the risk'. A safeguarding themed youth conference for all year 8 young people (aged 12 to 13) across the Dover district (over 1200). Focusing on signs of and personal resilience to Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE), gangs and county lines. Bringing together local organisations, who support young people, building resilience to exploitation.



Peer Mentoring Programme

'Help keep young people safe'. This innovative training project includes a range of activities to raise awareness of issues affecting young people, including identifying risky behaviour and preventing abuse. With a focus on peer training, using research and expert training to help provide older pupils with skills and knowledge to help support and teach younger pupils.



Adult Safeguarding Week

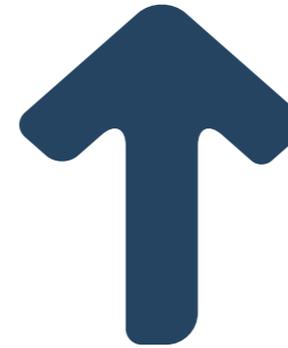
Helping to raise awareness of abuse of adults who may be at risk, and to urge communities to report concerns and access advice. As part of this, Dover District Council's Community Safety team engaged with the local residents providing help and information to promote safeguarding awareness.

SAFER PLACES

THROUGH
COLLABORATION
AND EDUCATION

“Building stronger
communities through
Engagement and Health”

THE FACTS



**ACCESSING
TREATMENT**

8%

The Dover district has seen an 8% increase in the number of individuals accessing Substance Misuse treatment from 420 (Oct 2017-Sep 2018) to 453 (Oct 2018-Sep 2019). CSP are working with agencies to deliver training and upskilling of relevant staff.



**HOSPITAL
ADMISSIONS**

15%

Hospital admissions due to Psychoactive substance misuse in Dover has increased by 15% from 395 in 2018 to 456 in 2019. The CSP will work with the relevant agencies to deliver effective services.

OP FALSTAFF was a successful operation carried out in the Dover District to disrupt drug activity, resulting in 31 warrants, 44 arrests and 11 people being remanded. OP UNDULATE will be an ongoing partnership programme of targeted interventions encompassing education programmes, target hardening and person centric interventions, ongoing community reassurance and other enforcement options where appropriate to prevent the re-emergence of similar issues.

SAFER PLACES - PRIORITIES

- Anti-social behaviour
- Environmental Crime
- CCTV
- Public Realm
- Unauthorised encampments
- Brexit
- Town Centres
- Events
- Youth Diversion
- Licensing
- Housing
- Substance Misuse
- Dementia
- Mental Health
- Social Isolation
- Alcohol dependency
- MTA Trauma Packs
- Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHR)
- Human Trafficking
- Modern Day Slavery

PROACTIVE
ENGAGEMENT

POSITIVE ACTION



Tea and Talk Tuesdays

A pilot set up to support vulnerable individuals experiencing loneliness and prolific callers to emergency services.



DUST training

This training is aimed at professionals working with young people who may be misusing drugs or alcohol. The Drug Use Screening Tool (DUST) is used as both a screening device for substance misuse and a referral form into Young Addaction.

The training is focused on enabling professionals to feel more confident and competent in identifying substance misuse among vulnerable young people and how to respond appropriately.



SAFER IN KENT THE COMMUNITY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE PLAN

The Police and Crime Commissioner must produce a Police and Crime Plan that sets out his vision and priorities for policing and community safety, as well as the objectives and ambitions that Kent Police will be held to account on.

The CSP Executive is proud to support the Kent Police and Crime Commissioner in delivering his priorities.

KENT POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER PRIORITIES 2017-2021

Cutting crime and
reducing reoffending



Delivering value for
money



Visible, effective and
dedicated policing



Putting victims at the
heart of the justice
system



Tackling the misery
caused by abuse,
substance misuse and
antisocial behaviour



Mental Health





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