



Buckinghamshire County Council Select Committee

Environment, Transport and Locality Services Select Committee

Report to the Environment, Transport and Locality Services Select Committee

Title:	Update on Safer Bucks Plan 2015-16
Committee date:	19 th May 2015
Contact officer:	Cath Marriot, Community Safety Manager

The Select Committee identified two key areas where it wished to have an update on progress and / or see an improvement following the meeting on 17th March 2015.

Consultation

At the time of the meeting, the consultation responses were lower than hoped (480) and were almost all from the Chiltern & South Bucks district areas. Following the meeting, targeted communication went out, via Thames Valley alert to residents of Aylesbury and Wycombe and this increased the responses to 813 and with a fairer spread across the whole county.

Children & Young People

The Committee also wanted assurance that the Safer Bucks Plan priorities would align with existing data on what children and young people viewed as important to them. A couple of meetings took place with key officers from the Safeguarding Children's Board and they confirmed that the priority around "protecting children and young adults" broadly covered the areas that they felt were important. They also confirmed that this priority supports Bucks County Councils' role in the lives of Buckinghamshire's children and young people. They identified some specific themes, raised by young people which included:

- The dangers around substance misuse
- Being safe on the streets and in public spaces
- More information on sexual exploitation

These themes are all being discussed within the partnership so that they can be weaved into the activities that take place across the county.



To add, we are also awaiting the results of the CYP survey, within which there are questions about feeling and being safe. This is expected to further inform our work.