

**CHILTERN/SOUTH BUCKS
COMMUNITY SAFETY
PARTNERSHIP PLAN**

2014-2017

YEAR 1

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Vision

Working together to make Chiltern and South Bucks a safe place to live, work and visit

Community Safety involves us all. It affects young and old, men and women, minority groups, special interest groups, the business community, the voluntary sector, victims and offenders, in fact everyone who lives, visits or works in the District.

This plan runs from 2014-2017 and sets out the activities of the Chiltern and South Bucks District Community Safety Partnership to create a safer district.

Community Safety describes the work of partnerships to tackle crime, disorder, anti-social behaviour and the fear of crime as well as work connected to community cohesion and the prevention of violent extremism.

It does not include a multitude of work already being undertaken by partnership agencies, town and parish councils, voluntary organisations and others as part of their day-to-day business.

Background to the plan

Crime & Disorder Act 1998

The 1998 Crime and Disorder Act placed a duty on the responsible authorities (the police, police authorities, local authorities, fire and rescue authorities and Primary Care Trusts) to formulate and implement a strategy for the reduction of crime and disorder.

Partners

The following organisations are members of the Chiltern and South Bucks Community Safety Partnership

- Buckinghamshire County Council including the Drug and Alcohol Action Team
- Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service
- Buckinghamshire Youth Offending Service
- Chiltern District Council
- South Bucks District Council
- Chiltern Clinical Commissioning Group
- Paradigm Housing Group
- L&Q Housing Association
- Thames Valley Police
- National Probation Service
- Thames Valley Rehabilitation Services

The Partnership also works closely with the Town and Parish Councils and with many other voluntary organisations including Thames Valley Crimestoppers and Victim Support.

Links to other Plans and Strategies

- Chiltern District Council Key Objectives 2012 – 2014 – Safe, healthy and cohesive communities
- Countywide Domestic Abuse Strategy and Thames Valley Domestic Abuse Strategy
- Safer Bucks Plan - The Buckinghamshire Community Safety Agreement 2014
- Chiltern District Council Community Cohesion Plan 2013 – 2014
- Police and Crime Plan 2013-2017
- Sustainable Community Strategy 2009-2026

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Achievements

The Partnership has already made some solid achievements in working together to reduce crime in what is already a low crime area:

- Improved consultation with local residents through Have Your Say and door-to-door.
- Targeted crime reduction campaigns including a focus on vehicle crime, burglary and domestic abuse.
- Publicity campaigns use a variety of ways to communicate with residents so many will know how to reduce the chance of becoming a victim of crime.
- Frequent joint operations focusing on improving public confidence and reducing anti-social behaviour and reducing serious acquisitive crime.
- All burglary, theft from motor vehicle and burglary non-dwelling victims contacted and sent crime reduction advice, a UV pen and SelectaDNA (for burglary victims only).
- A number of night-time economy events in Chesham Town Centre, Winkers Night Club, Chalfont St Peter and Beaconsfield near to Revolutions; offering personal safety advice, drug and alcohol advice and providing a highly visible presence at key times.
- We have worked with a number of community groups to increase activities for young people, with a considerable decrease in ASB in hotspot areas where we have provided diversionary activities.
- In partnership with Thames Valley Police, Chiltern District Council has employed a Community Integration Officer to support and assist in diversity and community relations and report on community tension across both Chiltern and South Bucks.

Crime Performance Data for South Bucks and Chiltern to be added

Up to date information about crime and disorder, and our activity continues to be available via:

- CSI Chiltern and CSI South Bucks - The Partnership's bi-monthly newsletter
- www.police.uk - National and local crime statistics and policing information

Priorities

Buckinghamshire Community Safety Partnership and Thames Valley police produce an annual strategic assessment to highlight the most significant community safety issues from the previous 12 months, together with evidenced up and coming trends likely to affect the Partnership in the following year.

The Partnership has used the Strategic Assessment to identify the following priorities for Chiltern and South Bucks

- Reduce house burglary, non-dwelling burglary, theft from vehicles, and violent behaviour in our communities
- Continue to invest work to prevent and tackle in anti-social behaviour in our communities
- Protect vulnerable individuals and communities
- Reduce the fear of crime and perception of anti-social behaviour

The priorities will be reviewed and refreshed each year using the annual strategic assessment.

Following the setting of the priorities, Chiltern CSP and South Bucks CSP developed action plans against each priority to help shape the vision for making Chiltern and South Bucks a safer, place to live, work and visit.

Reduce house burglary, non-dwelling burglary, theft from vehicles and violent behaviour in our communities

Target	Continue to reduce burglary dwelling offences when compared to 2013-14. Continue to reduce Violence Against a Person when compared to 2013-14.
Definition	Burglary dwelling involves any successful or attempt to break-in to a residential property. Violence Against a Person is any offence where harm could be caused to an individual, whether this be mental or physical harm. Non-dwelling burglary includes shed breaks, business properties and garages not connected to the house.
Outcomes	Reduce burglary, including distraction burglary Increase the reporting of domestic abuse Reduce substance abuse related violent crime

What is the problem in the Chiltern and South Bucks area?

When comparing the time period 2012-2013 to 2013-2014 (Strategic Assessment period).

- The number of Serious Acquisitive Crime (SAC) offences has decreased every year in Chiltern since 2008/9.
- The significant reduction in both theft from motor vehicle and theft of motor vehicle offences contributes significantly to the overall SAC decrease.
- There was an increase in Violence against the person (VAP) of 0.9%, although this was only an increase of 5 offences. VAP had been decreasing every year up to then but a lot of work done during 2012/13 in encouraging victims of domestic abuse to report what is happening which has led to an increase in recorded figures.
- Burglary dwelling decrease by 6.3% between 2011-12 to 2012-13.
- Personal robbery decreased by 33.3% between 2011-12 to 2012-13.
- Theft from a Motor Vehicle decreased by 11% between 2011-12 to 2012-13.
- Theft of a Motor Vehicle increased by 16.7% between 2011-12 to 2012-13.

ACTION	LEAD	UPDATE	LAST UPDATED	RAG STATUS
Predictive burglary and vehicle crime operations at peak times throughout the year	Thames Valley Police			

Joint Action Group to deliver targeted crime prevention initiatives in identified hotspots - particularly focusing on burglary, vehicle crime and violent crime.	JAG			
Maintain cross-border liaison to help identify offenders from other areas who may be committing offences in this area	Thames Valley Police/ Probation			
Reduce repeat victims of burglary, burglary non-dwelling and vehicle crime by increasing support to victims through advice, home surveys, and property marking schemes such as SelectaDNA where appropriate	Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team			
Reduce alcohol related violent crime through effective monitoring and enforcement of alcohol licence conditions	Chiltern and South Bucks District Licensing Team			
Provide appropriate crime reduction advice to as many residents as possible via various methods of communication.	JAG – Community Safety team to lead			
Support and deliver where appropriate the Countywide Domestic Violence and Abuse Strategy and Violence Against Women and Girls Action Plan	BCC/ TVP/ CDC/ SBDC/ Chiltern Clinical Commissioning Group			
Support the Countywide Hate Crime working group and implement local actions	BCC/ TVP/ Chiltern and South Bucks District Council			

	Community Safety Team			
Attend GMAP (Gangs Multi-Agency Panel) when a local young person is identified as being involved in a gang	TVP/ Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team			
Recruit a cross-border analyst post (Herts/ Met/Surrey/ Chiltern and South Bucks)	TVP			

Reduce anti-social behaviour in our communities

Target	Focus on the needs of those most at risk from anti-social behaviour and provide an individual care plan for support and investigation
Definition	Anti-social behaviour (ASB) is a broad title which includes a variety of behaviour covering a whole range of selfish and unacceptable activity that can cause distress to the local community. Criminal damage refers to crimes where a person intentionally or recklessly destroys or causes damage to another person's property.
Examples	Nuisance neighbours, rowdy and nuisance behaviour, yobbish behaviour and intimidating groups taking over public spaces, vandalism, graffiti and fly-posting, people dealing and buying drugs on the street, drink and drug driving , begging and anti-social drinking and the misuse of fireworks, arson, status dogs .
Outcomes	Increase youth provision in Chiltern
	Reduced incidents of arson
	Reduced number of recorded ASB incidents.
	Reduced number of recorded criminal damage incidents.

	Reduced number of anti-social parking incidents around schools and speeding in the District.
	Organise intergenerational projects to bridge the perception gap between young and older residents.
	Reduce the harm that drug and alcohol misuse causes in our communities

What is the problem in the Chiltern/South Bucks area?

- When comparing the time period January 2011 – December 2011 to January 2012 – December 2012.

Anti-social behaviour:

- The Amersham neighbourhood saw a 41% reduction in ASB.
- The Chalfonts neighbourhood saw a 39% reduction in ASB.
- The Chesham neighbourhood saw a 25% reduction in ASB.
- The Missendens neighbourhood saw a 19% reduction in ASB.
- There is a slight increase in ASB over the summer holiday months that happens every year.
- Two wards experienced an increase in levels of ASB over the summer months in 2012, compared to 2011, Newtown and Amersham-on-the-Hill.
- In 2012, despite lower levels of ASB, four areas accounted for the majority of ASB incidents over the summer months. They were St Marys & Waterside, Amersham on the Hill, Asheridge Vale & Lowndes and Ridgeway.
- The 2012 Strategic Assessment found that in Chiltern the areas of most youth ASB are in Chesham West and the High Street in Chesham town.
- The 2012 Strategic Assessment found that 'Winkers' is the main location of NTE related violence.

ACTION	LEAD	UPDATE	LAST UPDATED	RAG STATUS
Community involvement - support existing structures that encourage community involvement and promote the benefits to the wider community.	Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team/ TVP			
Halloween and Bonfire night operation - plan prevention, advice and enforcement operations for this period. High	Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team/ TVP			

vis patrols, disruptive activities for offenders, crime reduction advice to potential victims, diversionary activities for local youths.				
Youth Outreach – including the BCC Youth Space Bus	JAG – lead agency Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team			
CHASBAT (Chiltern ASB Action Team) and ASBAG (South Bucks ASB Action Group) to identify the Persistent and Resistent and those persons at risk as a result of ASB	CHASBAT and ASBAG – TVP ASB to lead			
Joint Action Group to refer and task outreach workers to focus on the identified priority areas for ASB where substance misuse is apparent.	JAG – lead agency Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team and Young Addaction			
CSP members to effectively work together to maximise the access and provision of diversionary activities for young people across the Districts, prioritising hotspot areas. Ensure summer diversionary programme is established.	CSP – lead agency Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team			
Support night-time economy events in Chesham Town Centre,	TVP/ DAAT/ Chiltern and South			

Winkers Night Club in Chalfont St Peter and Revolutions, Beaconsfield when required.	Bucks District Council Community Safety Team and Licensing Team			
Train front-line Officers when new ASB legislation is introduced	CDC/ SBDC/ TVP/ Housing Providers			
Dog Fouling awareness campaign – South Bucks	SBDC Environmental Health/ CS Team/ TVP			
Dangerous parking – enforcement/ education/ raising awareness of parking on junctions	CS Team/ TVP			

Protect vulnerable individuals and communities

Target	Safeguarding - including domestic violence, child sexual exploitation, rural crime, fraud and cyber crime, community integration
Definition	Add definition of CSE/ DV/ rural crime/ fraud/ cyber crime etc. Community Cohesion enables people to live in harmony with one another.
Examples	Providing an environment for young people to enjoy, stay safe, be healthy and make a positive contribution and achieve economic wellbeing, facilitating community participation, engagement and action to develop sustainable communities.
Outcomes	Encourage all members of the community to participate in local community led planning by finding new ways to involve, consult and engage especially with “hard to reach groups” (e.g. the rurally isolated, minority ethnic communities and young people)
	Provide opportunities for older people that enables them to raise issues and concerns which are important to them.
	Increase the opportunities for older people to live healthy and active lives through the provision of information, advice and assistance
	Identify communities at risk of deprivation, identify their needs and improve access to services including community safety, education and learning, welfare, and housing assistance.
	Assist families and individuals access support services to prevent a crisis intervention
	Work directly with young people to identify their needs and so develop appropriate activities that help them respect the community in which they live.
	Stimulate and support intergenerational activities to create activities between younger and older people.
	Support the development of community cohesion activities across Chiltern, enabling communities to develop respect and understanding of each other reducing the risk of individuals resorting to extremism.
	CSE/ DV outcome needed

What is the problem in the Chiltern area/South Bucks area?

- We need a better understanding of the various communities, to improve the links to the community leaders and identify their needs and the forms of assistance we can support.

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			UPDATED	STATUS
Identify good practice in preventative education aimed at children and families and circulate via LSCBs.	CS Manager/ TVP Safeguarding Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chelsea's Choice Play to be rolled out across Bucks. Schedule TBA. LPA schools officer linking with schools and CSP to identify priority establishments. Neighbourhood Safeguarding Plan(s) to be reviewed to encompass longer-term preventative actions. To be incorporated in new CSE strategy. 		
Encourage links with existing prevention and disruption strategies through Community Safety Partnership.	CS Manager/ TVP Safeguarding Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review LPA process to incorporate partnership activity. 		
Ensure TVP's internal and external media strategy reflects the priority given to Child Sexual Exploitation.	TVP Corporate & Partnership/Comms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review current communications strategy and implement CSP bespoke plan. 		
Ensure police officers are trained to a minimum standard on safeguarding and can recognise children at risk of CSE.	TVP Safeguarding Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Light-touch review of front-line officers' knowledge of current CSE procedures. To be incorporated in staff training days and briefings. Dates to be confirmed with L&D/ Duties. 		
Create a tactical menu of disruption initiatives that can be used as circumstances dictate on Local Police Areas.	TVP Safeguarding Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed at Safeguarding tactical meeting chaired by LPA SPOC. All LPA Neighbourhood Sergeants to receive Community Impact Assessment Training to ensure effects of tactics are monitored and reviewed. 		
Use Ancillary Orders to maximum effect, eg S2 Abduction notices, Risk of	TVP Safeguarding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liaise with DCI PVP Bucks in order to incorporate/ seek clarification on the local application of Section 2 Abduction Notices. 		

sexual harm orders, Sexual offence prevention orders, Restraining Orders – bail.	Lead			
Work with partners to create one multi-agency strategy across Bucks.	Detective Chief Inspector (DCI) Protecting Vulnerable People BUCKS TVP Safeguarding Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through a series of briefings to local authority Chief Execs, Chairs of LSCBs and Police LSCB representatives all partners encouraged to adopt this strategy or subsume its principles into their own CSE strategies. • Include CSE briefing as a standing agenda item at LPA IAG. 		
Map CSE in accordance with the Integrated Operating Model and use enforcement and disruption tactics as appropriate to problem crime groups and organised crime groups	Force Intelligence Bureau DCI Neighbourhood Inspectors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation GRENDEL • Operation GOSHAWK • Deliver awareness training designed to open intelligence flows between police and taxi drivers; hotel and guesthouse staff. • CSP to Commission CSE Problem Profile for Chesham. 		
Define expectations of Police safe and well check as well as coverage and processes for third sector/charity return interviews.	TVP Safeguarding Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver updated force policy and operational guidance to officers through training days and briefings. • Host Partnership Awareness Workshop around Safe & Well Checks as part of the new CSP Strategy. 		
Research details of children who go missing and identify those at	TVP Safeguarding Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed at LPA Safeguarding tactical meeting. 		

risk of sexual exploitation.				
Set as the minimum standard “Safeguarding Children and Young People from Sexual Exploitation” – Dept for Children, Schools and Families.	TVP Safeguarding Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host Partnership Awareness Workshop as part of the new CSP Strategy to include minimum standard in conjunction with PVP CSE Team. 		
Create Force structures for oversight and accountability.	TVP Safeguarding Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review current LPA processes, resources for consideration by LPA Safeguarding Gold. 		
Support the Independent Advisory Group (IAG), produce tension monitoring reports and Community Impact Assessments as necessary.	CDC and SBDC Community Integration Officer			
To work with Schools to reduce community tensions, improve relationships between students and schools and raise awareness of CSE.	TVP Schools Officer/ CS Manager			
To work closely with the CSE Working Group (of the BSCB)	CS Manager	Awareness raising campaign – aimed at young people/ parents/ carers and professionals		
Ensure effective communication with the elderly/ vulnerable – in particular raise awareness of Jessica’s scam campaign	CS Team/ TVP			
Operation Ranger (Rural Crime op) ‘100 days of action’	TVP/ CS Team			
Doorstep crime project – South Bucks and The Chalfonts	TVP/ BCC Trading Standards and Adult Social Care			

Safe Place Scheme – roll out in to Iver and Little Chalfont	CS Team and TVP			
Raise awareness of the Neighbourhood Return initiative	CS Team			

Reduce the fear of crime and perception of anti-social behaviour

Target	To increase the number of residents accessing our messages by being signed up to Thames Valley Alert.
Definition	Fear of crime refers to the fear of being a victim of crime as opposed to the actual probability of being a victim of crime. The perception of anti-social behaviour is different to the actual problem.
Examples	Falling crime rates but increase in fear, disparities in fear of crime among different communities, fear of crime from media stories, perception of older people about young people being involved in anti-social behaviour.
Outcomes	Reduce the fear of crime amongst all Chiltern and South Bucks residents.
	Improve understanding around what anti-social behaviour is.
	Increase positive communications with residents and increase the audience for our messages.
	Communicate the realities of crime to members of the public.

What is the problem in the Chiltern/South Bucks area?

- Residents in Chiltern and South bucks have relatively high fear of crime for the amount of crime that actually takes place.
- Residents perceive that there is more anti-social behaviour taking place in Chiltern and South Bucks than actually does.

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Hold community events such as Have Your Say/ crime reduction surgeries and community safety events where residents can meet the partnership and receive practical advice	Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team/ TVP			
Effectively use local publications and CSI Chiltern & South Bucks to publicise the work of the CSP.	Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team			
Effectively communicate the realities of local crime to address perception issues.	TVP and Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team			
Increase the number of residents signed up to Thames Valley Alert and/ or Neighbourhood Watch especially in areas with lower numbers/ schemes.	TVP/ Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team			
Make use of all existing technology and media including Twitter and Facebook to increase the audience reached by our messages.	Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team			
Target specific measures to rural communities through Op. Ranger and with the use of crime reduction materials such as diesel	TVP/ Chiltern and South Bucks District Council Community Safety Team			

theft leaflets and warning stickers.				
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Glossary

Serious Acquisitive Crime (SAC) - Crime where items are stolen including domestic burglary, theft of and from vehicles and robbery.

Chiltern Anti Social Behaviour Action Team (CHASBAT)/ Anti Social Behaviour Action Group (ASBAG) - a multi-agency group which meets weekly and looks at ASB data and picks up on any common cases with a view to assigning a lead agency (if appropriate) increasing efficiency and partnership working.

Criminal Damage - When a person 'who without lawful excuse destroys or damages any property belonging to another, intending to destroy or damage any such property or being reckless as to whether any such property would be destroyed or damaged. It includes damage to property e.g. broken windows and car mirrors.

Domestic Violence and Abuse (DVA) - Any incident of threatening behaviour, violence or abuse (psychological, physical, sexual, financial or emotional) between people who are aged 16 or over, who are or have been intimate partners or family members, regardless of gender or sexuality)

Joint Action Group (JAG) - a multi-agency group which meets every month and looks at local level ASB and SAC issues and seeks projects to reduce the level of crime using an evidence based approach.

Neighbourhood Action Group (NAG) - Group of the Police, partners and community members which meets to discuss and collectively tackle the issues identified as priorities by the local community.

Strategic Assessment - A document produced analysing the level and patterns of crime, changes in the levels and patterns of crime and why these changes have occurred.

Thames Valley Alert - A system to enable police to keep residents informed of crime trends in local neighbourhoods.

Contact us and accessing the plan

Contact us

To find out more about Community Safety Partnership (CSP) and Community Safety or to get involved in the Chiltern District/ South Bucks Community Safety Partnership contact:

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Accessing the plan and further information

The Community Safety Partnership Plan can be downloaded at:

www.chiltern.gov.uk/communitysafety

www.southbucks.gov.uk/community_living/crime_prevention/community_safety

Paper versions will be available on request, please contact the Community Safety team.

Further information on Community Safety and crime prevention can be found at:

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Further information on anti-social behaviour can be found at:

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