Community Safety Plan 2008-2011

Partnership Strategy



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PART 1: Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 background

Introduction

This document sets out the partnership strategy for the Community Safety Plan 2008-2011. There are other documents which complement this strategy:

- 1. The Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 public document summary
- 2. Community Safety Action Plans covering the following periods
 - 0 2008/2009
 - o 2009/2010
 - o 2010/2011
- 3. Annual Strategic Assessments

This strategy sets out the new requirements for CDRPs and the modes for delivery East Herts will adopt.

Legislative reference to CDRPs refers to the "East Herts Community Safety Partnership".

Setting the scene

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 made it a statutory duty for local authorities to work with the Police and other partners to reduce and address crime and disorder in their area.

Amendments to the this Act through the Police Reform Act 2002 and Police and Justice Act 2006 placed a responsibility on Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) to produce a plan detailing how they intend to tackle crime and disorder and community safety challenges within their area.

Improving performance in community safety

Legislative changes and subsequent regulations came into force on 1st August 2007. The new statutory requirements will enable East Herts CSP to improve performance, provide clarity around partnership arrangements and reflect the changes in the delivery and performance since 1998.

Guidance on implementing these changes has been produced by the Home Office. This partnership strategy sets out the indicators (or Hallmarks) which must be adopted. This strategy also highlights the areas the Community Safety Partnership must consider throughout the life of the Community Safety Plan 2008-2011.

Determining community safety priorities

The 2008-11 Community Safety Plan is the first to be developed under the new system. Instead of a three year audit, the Community Safety Partnership has been required to produce annual strategic assessments which will determine the priorities for the Community Safety Plan 2008-2011.

The new requirements include:

- The production of a three year plan detailing how the partnership will address crime and disorder, measure performance and engage with communities. This plan will detail short, medium and long term priorities.
- Revision of the three year plan annually through strategic assessments detailing the partnership priorities and reflecting any changes.
- The production of an action plan as a result of the emerging priorities from each strategic assessment.
- Visible and constructive accountability through community engagement at public meetings and community consultation as part of the partnership strategic assessment.

East Herts Local Strategic Partnership

The East Herts Local Strategic Partnership provides leadership over the East Herts Community Safety Strategy. The Community Safety Strategy 2005-2008 fed into the LSP through various sub-groups, also known as themed groups. The Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 will adopt the same multi-agency approach.

East Herts Community Safety Partnership

East Herts Community Safety Partnership is a multi agency partnership comprising the following responsible authorities.

- East Herts Council
- Hertfordshire Constabulary
- Hertfordshire County Council (Crime Reduction Unit and Drug Action Team)
- Hertfordshire Police Authority
- Primary Care Trusts
- Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue

Other key members of the partnership include;

- National Probation Service
- Youth Offending Team
- Registered Social Landlords
- Children, Schools and Families
- Hertfordshire Youth Service

Effective partnership working

The CDRP will aim to meet the six hallmarks of effective partnerships:

Hallmark 1 Empowered and Effective Leadership
Hallmark 2 Intelligence-led Business Processes
Hallmark 3 Effective and Responsive Delivery Structures
Hallmark 4 Engaged Communities
Hallmark 5 Visible and Constructive Accountability

Hallmark 6 Appropriate Skills and Knowledge

East Herts Responsible Authorities Group (RAG)

RAG is the strategic steering group of the partnership and is attended by senior representatives from the following responsible authorities:

- East Herts Council
- Hertfordshire Constabulary
- Hertfordshire County Council (Crime and Drugs Strategy Unit)
- Hertfordshire Police Authority
- Primary Care Trust
- Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue

RAG will continue to play a strategic role for the partnership by receiving delivery and performance reports on the Community safety Plan 2008-2011 and action plans.

Joint Authorities Group (JAG)

JAG is the tasking and co-ordination group aimed at strengthening partnership working through addressing priorities within the Community Safety Strategy 2008-2011. This group meets eight times a year in advance of the RAG to review performance and task the action groups with targets and objectives.

Members of JAG

- Head of Service, Community Safety East Herts Council
- Community Safety Co-ordinator East Herts Council
- Partnership Support Officer Herts County Council
- Housing representatives Registered Social Landlords
- Herts Fire & Rescue Service
- Trading Standards Herts County Council
- East Herts Police Chief Inspector and Neighbourhood Inspectors
- Partnership Analyst Herts Police/CSP
- Youth Offending Team
- Youth Service
- Primary Care Trust
- Probation

Action groups

Action groups meet on a regular basis to deliver the Community Safety action plan(s) and take the lead in achieving the Community Safety Plan priorities in the form of action plan aims and objectives. The action groups should not be considered as mutually exclusive due to crosscutting issues. This means actions may be a joint priority for one than one group. Also, the current set up of action groups is not an exhaustive collection. The creation of a new group

may be appropriate in order to deliver the priorities detailed in the Community Safety Plan as the plan evolves throughout the 2008-2011 period. Current action groups are:

- ASB group
- PPO Group
- Night Time Economy Group
- East Herts and Broxbourne DV forum
- Joint Communications Group

PART 2: Informing the Community Safety Plan

The Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 is a living document which will evolve through the application of annual strategic assessments.

Information gathering from a variety of sources has formed the foundations of the Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 and will continue to do so over the next three years.

Developing the Community Safety Plan 2008-2011

The Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 will take forward the priorities identified within the first and subsequent strategic assessments and set out the ways in which they will be delivered.

Each strategic assessment will set out to achieve:

- An analysis of the levels and patterns of crime and disorder
- Identification of changes in patterns and levels of crime
- An analysis of why changes occurred

The CSP will produce strategic assessments annually. As a result the Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 is a living document which will be reviewed through each strategic assessment. Identification of new priorities and changes emerging from the strategic assessment process will be detailed in partnership action plans. This process will allow the CSP to adapt to any changes within the district.

The following list the information that will inform the Community Safety Plan 2008-2011:

• CSP Strategic Assessments

A strategic assessment presents and interprets the summary findings of an analysis. The first CDRP Strategic Assessment (2008-09) identified priorities amongst current and emerging local community safety issues. This was achieved by using both measurable data and contextual information from all the partner agencies and, most importantly, the views of communities.

The 2008-2009 strategic assessment was structured around the following six themes:

- Reducing Crime
- Managing Offenders
- Tackling Drugs
- Tackling Alcohol Misuse
- Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour
- Improving Feelings of Safety in Our Communities

Community Safety Plan – the links with other plans and strategies

The Community Safety Plan will need to be firmly integrated with the Sustainable Community Strategy as well as local thematic plans including the Hertfordshire Policing Plan and East Herts Youth Strategy. Regard will also be paid to the National Community Safety Plan.

• East Herts Sustainable Community Strategy

The East Herts Sustainable Community Strategy determines the strategic vision of the district. East Herts LSP Community Strategy was updated in 2007 with an agreed set of priorities from local people:

- Neighbourhood and Environmental Management
- Economic Development and Learning
- Leisure and Cultural Development
- Services for Vulnerable People
- Healthier Lifestyles
- Community Safety

The East Herts Community Strategy provides the context for Hertfordshire's Local Area Agreement to set targets on how to improve services. Community safety is one of these priorities. The Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 sets out how the community safety theme will be progressed and adds value to the partnership work already being achieved by the public, private and voluntary sectors across the district.

Hertfordshire's Local Area Agreement

The Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 will be implemented during a transition between Hertfordshire's Local Area Agreement from Hertfordshire Together to become Hertfordshire Forward.

Hertfordshire Together/Forward is the county strategic partnership which coordinates Hertfordshire's Local Area Agreement. At the time of publication, the current Local Area Agreement has four themes:

- Safer and Stronger Communities
- Healthier Communities and Older People
- Children and Young People
- Economic Development and Enterprise

The Safer and Stronger block builds on Hertfordshire's Community Strategy which aims to create safer communities, maintain a sustainable environment and build a prosperous and inclusive society.

The SSC Block is the largest and one of the most complex blocks of the LAA. The Safer and Stronger Communities block is of major importance to informing the Community Safety Plan. It covers a number of themes, including

respect in communities, improved feelings of well being and safety, addressing the harm caused by crime and drugs to the community, sustainable waste management, improving parks and open spaces, increasing volunteering and empowering communities.

• Hertfordshire Policing Plan 2008-2011

The Hertfordshire Police 2008-2011 policing plan aims to improve the safety of everyone who lives, works in or visits Hertfordshire and create safe environments and improve the feelings of safety of everyone who lives, works or visits Hertfordshire, achieving a more prosperous society.

This will be achieved through a number of strategic priorities:

- Reduction in crime and anti-social behaviour
- More offences and serious offenders brought to justice
- Improved protection of the public, particularly vulnerable people
- Reduction in the fear of crime and perceptions of anti-social behaviour
- Satisfaction in services and reassurance

Other links with partners, strategies and plans:

- National Community Safety Plan 2006-2009
- Drug Action Teams (DATS)
- Children's Trusts Hertfordshire Safeguarding Board
- Housing strategies
- Hertfordshire Youth Offending Team Plan
- Hertfordshire Domestic Violence Strategy
- Youth Service East Herts District Team Plan

The rolling three year plan: Determining Community Safety

The following will shape the community safety priorities throughout 2008-2011.

- The emerging issues, achievements and best practice as a result of past Community Safety Strategies, in particular the most recent the 2005-2008 strategy has laid foundations for the new three year plan.
- Legislation and information contained within district, county and national plans and strategies has further informed the Community Safety Plan 2008-2011.
- Community consultation, undertaken in support of each strategic assessment.
- The strategic assessment 2008/9 has identified community safety priorities which should take the plan forward into the first year.

Strategic Assessment 2008/09

The Strategic Assessment 2008/09 identified the following six priorities:

1. Improve feelings of safety by reducing the fear of crime

- 2. Anti-social behaviour
- 3. Reduce serious acquisitive crime
- 4. Offender Management
- 5. Youth engagement
- 6. Reduce serious violent crime

There is also a cross-cutting theme – alcohol and drugs.

These priorities have been developed into strategic aims in the form of an action plan to cover the period 2008-2009.

The Community Safety Partnership will evaluate community safety annually, and therefore identify revised priorities through each strategic assessment. Therefore the progress, successes, and the pitfalls will be identified regularly allowing the partnership to evolve to changing crime and safety needs. The result will be the identification of action on a regular basis to achieve a rolling three year plan. Each year the partnership will work towards a modified action plan.

Setting targets for 2011

The Community Safety Partnership has set targets to be achieved by 2011. These targets are based on current community safety and crime trends and the themes and priorities identified within the first strategic assessment. They serve as long term aims, in addition to the application of annual action plans.

Modification of Community Safety Priorities

The strategic assessment 2008/9 identified six community safety priorities. The Home Office guidance places an emphasis on the first strategic assessment to take forward these priorities into the three year plan.

It must be noted that the six priorities identified within the strategic assessment 08/09 may be limited. The data used to inform the strategic assessment did not contain data from all partners. As a result, the predictions identified in the form of six priorities may not reflect an accurate picture of community safety for the district.

In addition, the partnership should also take note of possible implications when placing a precedent on the first strategic assessment and the priorities identified.

This plan is also a rolling three year plan to be updated through annual strategic assessments. The strategic assessments may therefore identify new or revised priorities. The partnership should recognise the limitations of placing such an emphasis on the priorities identified within the first strategic assessment.

The partnership should consider the following statutory obligations (in bold) for the next three years in conjunction with how the plan might evolve in identifying new priorities:

- A new information sharing protocol places emphasis on wider data collection from all partners. This data will be fed into each strategic assessment. This may result in modified predictions for the subsequent year. This will be reflected in revised action plans.
- 2. The partnership will be carrying out regular consultation in advance of each strategic assessment. This consultation will allow communities to engage with the partnership on issues of community safety. The community will therefore act as a crucial mechanism for data gathering to feed into the strategic assessment process. Consequently, community safety priorities will be identified and reflected in revised action plans.

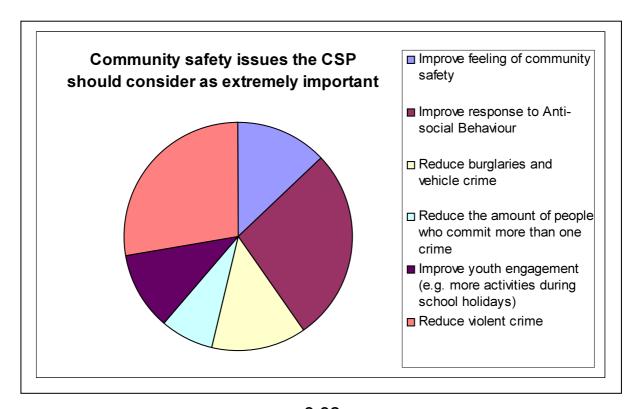
Consultation on Community Safety Priorities – 2008/09

In addition to the consultation which helped inform the strategic assessment, the CSP carried out consultation on the identified priorities:

Survey forms were distributed to Neighbourhood Watch groups, uploaded on the East Herts Council website, and left for residents and visitors at the council and Circle Anglia receptions.

Total number of responses = 332

The graph below shows the priorities considered as extremely important for the partnership:



PART 3: Community Safety Targets 2008-2009

The Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 will address crime and safety issues for the period 2008-2011 to make East Herts an even safer place to live, work and visit. Based on past achievement, current trends and the priorities identified in the 2008/09 strategic assessment, the partnership has set principal aims in long term alongside delivery in the short term.

East Herts Community Safety Plan - Long term aims

- Maintain a low overall crime rate
- Reduce vehicle crime
- o Reduce domestic and non-domestic burglary
- o Reduce criminal damage
- o Reduce violent crime
- o Reduce drug and alcohol misuse and the harm it causes
- Work with young people who are in danger of becoming offenders
- o Reduce fear of crime and concerns about anti-social behaviour
- Address the anti-social behaviour of named individuals
- o Create safer and cleaner environments
- Support victims of domestic abuse and their families
- Help people of all ages to feel safer
- Involve local people in identifying and dealing with local community safety issues
- Provide positive and preventative diversionary activities for young people

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PART 4: Three year checklist for the Community Safety Partnership

This section sets out the requirements and steps East Herts CSP will take in order to achieve a successful three year Community Safety Plan for the period covering 2008-2011. This strategy has been informed through legislative requirements, the progress from the Community Safety Strategy 2005-08, and the 08/09 strategic assessment.

Statutory Requirements 2008-2011

East Herts CSP must continue to adhere to the following or make provisions for new standards.

Part 1: The Responsible Authorities Group

Requirement - RAG	Provisions in place	Lead responsibility
Implementing the strategic assessment 08/09	√	
The following five responsible authorities must be represented at RAG:	✓	
East Herts Council Hertfordshire County Council Hertfordshire Police Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Local PCT		
At least one of the representatives from each of the responsible authorities must hold a senior position within their organisation	√	
An elected member of the council responsible for community safety must be a member of the group	✓	
The group can decide the frequency of their meetings	✓	
There must be arrangements for appointing a chair and agreeing the period on which the chair can be charged with this period	✓	
At least once a year, the group needs to consider whether the partnership has the requisite skills	✓	

and knowledge to meet the	
statutory requirements.	

Part 2: Sharing information

Requirements: RAG/JAG	Provisions in place	Lead responsibility
The group must prepare an information sharing protocol. This must include the sharing of depersonalised datasets and any additional information.	There is a CDRP one in place but a review may be needed under the new requirements	
The protocol must be signed all the responsible authorities	The existing protocol has been signed by EHDC, police, HCC, probation	
Each responsible authority must nominate a designated liaison officer whose role will be to facilitate the sharing of information with other partners		

Part 3: Community Consultation

This is a major consideration the Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 must adhere to in order to be visible and accountable. The CDRP can decide upon the format, but the meeting(s) must be public focused.

Requirements: The partnership	Provisions	Lead
The partnership must hold one or more	in place Review the	responsibility
public meetings a year	current set	
pasis meetinge a year	up of	
The public meeting(s) must be attended	partnership	
by individuals who hold a senior position	meetings	
within each responsible authority	and tailor for	
	new	
	requirements	
Considerations must be given to ensure		
that people who live and work in the		
district, or who might be interested the		
meetings are made aware of where the		
meetings will be held and what was		
discussed at the meeting		
The partnership must consult		
communities about crime and disorder		

issues within the district and about what	
priorities the partnership should tackle	
The partnership also has to consult	
communities who may be affected by the	
priorities that will be included in the	
strategy and plan	
In doing so, the partnership will take into	
account any existing consultation	
undertaken by partnership members	
The partnership will also have to	
consider the way in which its	
communities can help in supporting the	
delivery of the priorities in the partnership	
plan	
The strategic assessment will contain the	This will be
priorities that the community have	carried out
identified that the partnership should	for strategic
tackle	assessments
	to cover the
	period 2009-
	2011
The partnership have to publish a	A summary
summary of the partnership plan in a way	has been
that reaches all the community, as far as	published to
is reasonable	cover the
	three year
	period

Part 4: Informing the three year plan

The plan is a rolling three year plan. Therefore priorities and action plans are likely to evolve over the 2008-2011 period. This section is primarily based around the strategic assessment process

Requirements: The partnership	Provisions in place	Lead responsibility
Certain sets of depersonalised information must be shared on a quarterly basis.		
There is a new duty to share certain sets of depersonalised data is designed to increase the effectiveness of partnerships by ensuring that they have the necessary multi-agency data for identifying priorities, mapping trends and patterns in crime and disorder, and managing their performance		
5	Provisions	
considered when preparing a strategic	were made	
assessment:	for the	

• Information from the responsible	strategic	
authorities;	assessment	
 Information from wider partners; 	08/09 and	
• Information from the overview and	will apply for	
scrutiny committee considering crime	subsequent	
and disorder matters,	strategic	
where it exists;	assessments	
 Information provided by the community; 		
and		
The previous partnership plan.		
In undertaking any community consultation,		
the partnership must have regard to the		
results of any other consultation activities		
undertaken by the responsible authorities.		
In preparing the strategic assessment, the	Consultation	
partnership will seek:	on the 08/09	
Views from the community on the levels	priorities to	
and patterns of crime, disorder and	determine	
substance misuse; and	the order of	
• Views from the community on matters	importance	
that need to be prioritised by the	has been	
partnership.	carried out	

Part 5: Determining priorities

Requirements: The partnership	Provisions in place	Lead responsibility
 Each year, the partnership shall prepare a strategic assessment to assist in producing or revising the partnership plan. The strategic assessment must include: Analysis of the level and patterns of crime, disorder and substance misuse; Changes in the levels and patterns of crime, disorder and substance misuse since the last strategic assessment; 	<i>√</i>	
 Analysis of why these changes have occurred; and Assessment of the extent to which last year's plan was implemented. 		
In preparing the strategic assessment, the partnership will reflect views from the community on matters that need to be prioritised.		

Part 6: Partnership working with County Council

Requirements: The partnership	Provisions in place	Lead responsibility
The strategic assessment must outline the priorities to escalate to the county level.	√	
The county strategy group will prepare a community safety agreement based on the individual strategic assessments of partnerships within the county.	√	
 The community safety agreement will identify: Ways of co-ordinating across the county to address priorities; and How the responsible authorities might otherwise contribute to reducing crime, disorder and substance misuse through closer joint working across the county. 	✓	

Part 7: Preparing the three year plan

Requirements: The partnership	Provisions	Lead
	in place	responsibility
This plan has to be a three year plan	✓	
The plan must be revised annually (through	✓	
each strategic assessment)		
The plan has to include a strategy for	✓	
tackling crime and disorder in the area		
The plan will contain the priorities identified	✓	
through the strategic assessment		
The plan has to contain information about	✓	
the role of each partner in supporting		
delivery of the priorities and how this will be		
resourced		
The plan should contain information about	✓	
the way in which performance against		
priorities will be measured		
The plan will also contain information about	√	
the way in which the partnership will engage		
with their communities		

Part 8: Publishing a summary

Requirements: The partnership	Provisions in place	Lead responsibility
The partnership have to publish a summary	✓	
of the partnership plan in a format of their		

choice, but in a way that makes it available	
to diverse groups in their communities	

Part 9: Implementation

Requirements: The partnership	Provisions in place	Lead responsibility
The strategy group is recognished for the	•	Tooponoismity
The strategy group is responsible for the	v	
implementation of the partnership plan.		
The partnership plan must set out the extent		
to which people living or working in the area		
might assist the partnership in reducing		
crime, disorder and substance misuse		

Part 10: Evaluating impact

Requirements: The partnership	Provisions in place	Lead responsibility
The strategic assessment must include an assessment of the extent to which last		
year's plan was implemented.		
The strategy group must have in place		
arrangements for assessing the value for money of partnership activities.		

PART 5: Community engagement

This section sets out how the CSP will meet its requirement to consult communities.

In order to achieve visible performance management the partnership will engage with communities on a regular basis. Ensuring the Community Safety Partnership engages with, involves and regularly offers feedback to the community will be crucial in supporting increased feelings of public reassurance throughout the district.

To ensure that communities within the district are involved with the delivery process the Community Safety Partnership will:

- ✓ Hold one or more public meetings annually
- ✓ Consult communities about crime and disorder issues within the district and about the priorities the partnership should tackle
- ✓ Consult communities who may be affected by the plan

Consequently, communities will be a mechanism for performance management through:

✓ Helping the partnership to identify priorities in the partnership plan by identifying what the partnership should tackle

The partnership could consider the following forms of consultation (this is not an exhaustive list)

1. Public open meetings –

- o A public meeting must be carried out once a year
- o Could be structured to inform a strategic assessment
- o Could act as a feedback mechanism on previous consultation

2. Questionnaires -

- Could be structured to inform a strategic assessment
- Could be targeted at a specific group/neighbourhood
- Adapted to go online/placed in boxes at receptions

3. Focus groups -

- Could be targeted at a specific group
- Could be structured to inform a certain priority
- Could address the priority "youth engagement" (strategic assessment 08/09)

4. Workshops -

- Could be used to enable consultation to take on a strategic approach to informing the strategic assessments
- Could be targeted at a specific group
- Could be structured to inform a certain priority

5. Surveys -

- Could address general feedback at any stage on any priority
 Could be used in conjunction with other consultation types
- Adapted to go online/placed in boxes at receptions

It is important we provide feedback to communities on consultation. This action should be a priority for the Partnerhsip Communications Group.

PART 6: Measuring and evaluating success

The following monitoring mechanisms will be adopted throughout 2008-2011:

1. Performance Management: Responsible Authorities

Performance management will be carried out by the Responsible Authorities Group (RAG) who will receive progress updates on the action plan from the Joint Authorities Group (JAG). JAG is responsible for tasking the actions within the partnership and action groups.

The annual strategic assessments will reflect the most up-to-date needs for the community. The information used to inform the strategic assessment will be gathered from a wide range of partners and consultation.

2. Annual action plans

Action actions created from each strategic assessment will run for 12 months (April – March). These action plans will be monitored by JAG quarterly to ensure action is achieved or barriers are overcome.

These action plans will correspond to LAA targets.

3. Community Engagement

The partnership must hold one public meeting a year. The partnership can consult communities as a mechanism for evaluating success (in addition to consulting communities about crime and disorder issues within the district and about the priorities the partnership should tackle). This might be achieved by consulting on recently identified priorities.

4. National Indicator Set

The National Indicator (NI) set of 198 Indicators has been developed as part of the Comprehensive Spending Review 2007. Thirty four National Indicators make up the Safer Communities outcome. Hertfordshire's LAA will include up to 35 targets out of the 198 National Indicators. This single way of target setting from Government will inform Hertfordshire's LAA and consequently the performance management of the Community Safety Plan 2008-2011.

5. Public Service Agreements (PSA) 2008-2011

PSA's set out the key priorities for central government. The partnership is responsible for delivering the PSA's, for the period April 2008 to March 2011, in particular:

PSA23: Make Communities Safer

PSA25: Reduce the harm caused by alcohol and drugs

PSA26 Reduce the risk to the UK and its interests overseas from international terrorism

6. Assessments of Policing and Community Safety (APACS)

APACS will allow the Home Office and the Community Safety Partnership to monitor and assess performance in policing and community safety. APACS will be aligned to the National Indicator set for local authorities to be implemented from April 2008.

PART 7: Timeline

The Community Safety Plan 2008-2011 will follow a yearly cycle. The table below shows the quarters where statutory standards should be implemented. The detail below is likely to become more detailed as the plan progresses.

Quarter for 2008- 9 2009-10 2010-11	Task	Responsibility	Resources required
1 (April – June)	 Progress on yearly action plan 	JAG	
	•		
	•		

Quarter for 2008- 9 2009-10 2010-11	Task	Responsibility	Resources required
2 (July – Sep)	 Progress on yearly action plan 	JAG	
	Community consultation to inform the strategic assessment	Partnership	
	•		

Quarter for 2008- 9 2009-10 2010-11	Task	Responsibility	Resources required
3 (Oct- Dec)	 Progress on yearly action plan 	JAG	
	Feedback on community consultation	Partnership	
	strategic assessment	JAG	

Quarter for 2008-9 2009-10 2010-11	Task	Responsibility	Resources required
4 (Jan – March)	 Progress on yearly action plan 	JAG	
	Provide feedback to	Partnership	

public on action plan successes		
Feedback from county on strategic assessment	HCC	
Allocation of priorities for coming year	RAG	
Creation/modification of new action plan	RAG	

Appendix

1. Community Safety Strategy 2005-2008 final progress

Insert full report here

2. Partners Menu of Actions

Herts Police

The police are responsible for enforcing legislation, reducing crime and increasing

public reassurance. There are dedicated Neighbourhood Teams and each ward has its own Neighbourhood Officer supported by Police Community Support Officers.

- High visibility patrols in hot spot areas and for reassurance
- Tasked patrol by PCSOs available to partners
- Covert patrols
- Analysis via partnership analyst
- Reassurance via communications department, watch schemes and community engagement
- Crime Prevention Officer crime prevention surveys and advice
- ABCs, ASBOs, dispersal orders via ASBO officers
- Community and criminal intelligence gathering
- Watch Liaison Officer support and development of all watch schemes i.e. Neighbourhood Watch, Business Watch, Shopwatch, Pubwatch, Horsewatch etc. etc.
- Licensing enforcement and banning schemes
- Test purchasing
- Public consultation safer neighbourhood meetings
- Youth crime reduction officer and schools PCSOs high visibility patrols around schools and liaison with schools
- Closure of premises used in connection with class a drugs
- Deployment of technical equipment and RIPA
- Designation orders for alcohol
- Tasking of Special Constabulary for high visibility patrols

Acute NHS Trust

Established on 1 April 2000, the East and North Hertfordshire NHS Trust manage three main hospitals: Hertford County in Hertford, the Lister in Stevenage and the Queen Elizabeth II (QEII) in Welwyn Garden City. From 1 April 2005, the Trust also took on management responsibility for Mount Vernon Cancer Centre, based on the Mount Vernon hospital site in Northwood, Middlesex.

All three main hospitals provide routine care to people on an outpatient basis, including radiology and pathology services. The Lister and QEII hospitals provide a wide range of major acute in-patient services, including accident and emergency and maternity. Hertford County is a diagnostic and treatment hospital, providing services on an outpatient basis only.

The Trust serves some 500,000 people every year, both those admitted as inpatients and those who come along to the outpatient departments. Around 5,400 births take place at the two maternity units at the Lister and QEII, with the hospital A&E departments caring for well over 130,000 visits between them.

The trust employs over 5,000 staff, has an annual income of some £270 million and has approximately 880 inpatient beds.

In addition to the normal range of medical and surgical services to be found in an acute Trust of our size, we also provide a regional renal medicine service and several specialties on a sub-regional basis: plastic surgery, ophthalmology and ear, nose and throat services. The hospital is part of the community and a representative of the Trust attends JAG meetings to share information with CDRP partners to assist in the reduction of crime and disorder in the community.

Herts County Council Trading Standards

The Trading Standards Service enforces a wide range of Consumer Protection legislation. The key areas which contribute to the CDRP are as follows

- A dedicated Rogue Trader team which responds to requests for assistance from consumers who have been targeted by cowboy/rogue builders
- Establish No Cold Calling Zones/Areas in conjunction with Police and residents in response to evidence of distraction burglary and doorstep cold calling.
- Test Purchasing of age restricted products. In the main this has been alcohol, however we also have powers in relation to Fireworks and Spray Paints. The alcohol work is Intelligence led and is done in partnership with the Police. Prosecution of offenders, Fixed Penalty Notices and review of licences are outcomes possible in the area of alcohol enforcement.
- Counterfeit issues arising from itinerant street traders, powers to seize counterfeits and prosecute persons found in possession.
- Inform public of outcome of prosecutions via County Council Press Office
- Analysis of Regional TS Intelligence data to inform and target work carried out by service