

WORKSHOP – ENSURING SAFER COMMUNITIES

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**North Somerset Partnership
Sustainable Community Strategy**

PARTNERSHIP PRIORITIES:

Tackling:

1. Alcohol Related Crime
2. Criminal Damage
3. Anti-social-Behaviour (ASB)

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Reducing Fear of Crime

**DELIVERING RESULTS
2004 - 2008**

- Use of public sector resources most effectively and securing of external funding
- Good use of quality multi-agency data, community information and intelligence
- Problem solving oriented approach
- Putting in place simple partnership structures and giving key individuals authority to make decisions and action
- Regular reviews and adaptation of work plans

KEY PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITY

Operation Joined Up 453 Joint Visits to Licensed Venues	Operation Jack Covert Operations	Public Awareness Joint Media Campaigns
Ad-Hoc Operations Halloween Area Working	REDUCE CRIME & DISORDER & FEAR OF CRIME	Working With the Community Street Marshalls/Pastors Street Safe Bus
Working with other Agencies SIA/GOSW		Underage Sales Alcohol Seizures Working with Businesses Under Age Sales exercises
Preventative Work Programmes Lighting, use of CCTV	Operation Jigsaw Patrols Weston Town Centre	

HALLOWEEN

2006 & 2007

Preventative work

- >Contact Businesses in 'hot spots'
- >Under Age Sales Visits (Operation Joined Up)
- >School Visits
- >Removal of bonfires
- >Firework Inspections
- >Area based action
- >Promote official events
- >Dispersal Orders
- >Youth Service Work

On the Night

- >Neighbourhood Policing Patrols
- >Alcohol Seizures

Partnership Work Programme
Mid September - Mid November

CALLS TO A&S POLICE

ASB

2005:	501
2006:	191
2007:	42

31 October 2005
Busiest night of year for A&S Police

Historic Approach:

- Police Operation
- Other agencies respond to ad-hoc enquiries or complaints, in isolation
- Limited programmed work

HOW DO WE KNOW IT IS WORKING?

Operation Joined Up

- 457 Joint visits to licensed venues, resulting in 4 successful licensed premises reviews and 12 intervention action plans

Halloween

- reduction in public complaints of 92% (approx) between 2005 and 2007

Under Age Sales

- 10 FPNs served, 1 Prosecution, 1 Licence Review, 3 Premises Action Plans, 2 on-going investigations
- Alcohol Seizures from Under 18s: 230 items, 337 young people stopped and engaged with (February – April 08)

HOW DO WE KNOW IT IS WORKING? (continued)

Operation Jigsaw (High visibility patrols Weston Town Centre)

- June 2007 – March 2008
- 18.8% reduction in assaults when compared to same period in 2006/07
- 92 arrests, 63 resulting in charge, caution or Penalty notice for disorder
- 46 arrests for violent offences against an individual, 32 detected crimes
- Early intervention

Operation Jack (On sales of alcohol to drunk individuals)

- 3 arrests, 2 Penalty Notices for Disorder, 2 premises closed (voluntarily) and 1 premises taken to Licensing Review Hearing

Conclusions:

16.6% reduction in crime

MOVING FORWARD

- Merging of partnership Alcohol Related Crime and ASB task groups
- Need to sustain improvements in performance and mainstream work programmes that work
- Funding of partnership activity (over reliance on national settlements and ad-hoc bidding for funds)
- Succession Planning – still too reliant on individuals
- Further integrate communication strategies and messages (community engagement)

This workshop considered the following aims:

SCS Aim: Reduce and prevent violent crime and support victims

Improvement: Continuing initiatives to address violent behaviour as a result of alcohol misuse.

SCS Aim: Improve community safety and reduce disproportionate levels of crime within our most disadvantaged neighbourhoods.

Improvement: Services and initiatives that promote community safety and reduces crime in Central Ward in Weston super Mare.

WORKSHOP OUTCOMES

SHARED PRIORITY: ENSURING SAFER COMMUNITIES

Aim: Reduce and prevent violent crime and support victims				
Improvement we want to see: Continuing initiatives to address violent behaviour as a result of alcohol misuse				
How do we achieve this together?	Who should be involved and <u>WHY</u>?	What could your contribution be? Contribution Organisation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encouraging reporting/info from community (esp rural). • Closer working with Parish Councils • Making parents aware • Positive activities for young people. • Local businesses role need to be more involved – staff training re underage sales. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Councils • Youth Service/Parish Councils/ Community organisations/Youth/ Fire services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To target operations to provide resources. • Buying alcohol for young people • Different organisations can contribute different resources e.g. people building knowledge. Aspects of damage/nuisance impact on Fire Service to help with prevention. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local knowledge from Parish Council e.g. undertake direct test purchases. • Also resources. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Local Action Teams – e.g. local projects, speedwatch, community info. • Taking victims issues seriously whether ‘ minor’ making people aware of on-going activity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Action Team • Victim Support, Agencies receiving reports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support victims. 		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parenting Skills – Social acceptance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Service Social care Housing Associations MEDIA (entertainment and news). Schools – Education Police Volunteer groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce social acceptance of drunkenness and increase moral code 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creation of Weston wide Residents Association to form opinion and input. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rigid enforcement with incentives and alternatives, recognition of good practice. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Police and LA Volunteer groups Courts Councillors - escorted inspections. Media Education Health Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creating awareness Carrot and Stick punishment. 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education – Youth - Communities Communication – Option available - Other agencies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LEA Housing Health Police Families/parents Create Centre – ‘Life Skills’ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change attitudes Access to Services 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting people to drink less 				

SHARED PRIORITY: ENSURING SAFER COMMUNITIES and TACKLING DISADVANTAGE AND PROMOTING EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY

Aim: Improve community safety and reduce disproportionate levels of crime within our most disadvantaged neighbourhoods

Improvement we want to see: Services and initiatives that promote community safety and reduces crime in Central Ward in Weston super Mare

How do we achieve this together?	Who should be involved and WHY?	What could your contribution be?	
			Contribution	Organisation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocation Policy • Lock exchange scheme (landlord requirement) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing • Planning Dept • Private sector landlord scheme and North Somerset Private Housing Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simple measures to reduce crime, easily implemented. • Private sector has majority of housing stock 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private sector landlord scheme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woodspring Deposit Guarantee Board
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support 'Active Citizenship' approach with Young People 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schools • Youth Service • Police • Parish Councils 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting responsible behaviour • Reducing young people as potential victims 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avon Fire Rescue can place a community officer in South Ward, WsM to support local police/community leaders (part funding would need to be agreed). 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevention through education (changing attitude) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schools • Businesses - context setting • Major retailers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changing attitude of young people • Preventing them becoming victims • Responsible citizenship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive Media re. success and use of deterrent. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage kids in physical activities and projects. N.T, Tyntesfield has done some pioneering work on this 				