

North Northamptonshire Community Safety Partnership

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Working together with partners and the community to deliver a safer North Northamptonshire



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Foreword

Welcome to the North Northamptonshire Community Safety Partnership's plan covering 2021 to 2022, a plan to make North Northamptonshire a safer place for its residents, businesses and visitors.

The North Northamptonshire Community Safety Partnership (NNCSP) became the single community safety partnership (CSP) for the current district areas of Corby, East Northants, Kettering and Wellingborough in 2019. Before that, each of the four districts had its own CSP arrangements. While the main benefit from having a single CSP structure is more effective use of partners' time and resources, it also fits with the major changes to local government in the county.

From 1 April 2021, two unitary councils: West Northamptonshire and North Northamptonshire, along with a county-wide Children's Trust, will replace the county council and seven district and borough councils. While those councils remain responsible for local decisions and services until 1 April, Shadow Authority arrangements are now in place to set the two new councils up and agree their first budgets for 2021/22.

The new councils will have the same statutory duties around community safety as the current ones, so North Northamptonshire Council will play a major role in developing the NNCSP further, and of course help shape its future plans. For now, this short-term plan sets out the priorities community safety partners in North Northamptonshire will concentrate on, all aimed at preventing crime and disorder and protecting people from harm.

David Oliver

Chair of the North Northamptonshire Community Safety Partnership Board

1. Mission Statement

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partners and the community
to deliver a safer North
Northamptonshire

2. North Northamptonshire Community Safety Partnership (NNCSP)

NNCSP is a statutory partnership as defined by the Crime & Disorder Act 1998. It brings partners together to make North Northamptonshire safer for our residents, businesses and visitors.

The local councils, Northants Police, the Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, the NHS and Probation services are all 'responsible' bodies with a legal duty to engage in the CSP. Non-statutory organisations such as the voluntary and community sector are invited to take part, as they too have important roles in making our communities safer and better places to live, work and visit.

The NNCSP's role is to:-

- Identify and understand the kind of community safety issues North Northamptonshire is experiencing now and is likely to in the future.
- Set out specific outcomes that will make a difference to people's safety, lives and wellbeing
- Decide what actions it can take collectively, using shared resources to achieve those outcomes.

More recent legislative changes mean additional responsibilities for CSPs, such as the duty to conduct Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHR) and carry out reviews under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.

Northants Police produce a Strategic Assessment annually. This document provides information on key crime issues and emerging risks based on information given by residents and victims of crime across several areas. Going forward, it will inform NNCSP's plans and help define its approach to engaging with our residents and businesses in the development and delivery of those plans.

As well as dealing with the local government changes, all partners are delivering services at a time when a global pandemic is impacting on all our resources and finances. This is likely to last for some time yet, so for now this short-term plan sets out what the NNCSP will do to contribute to the delivery of the three county-wide strategic priorities.

The priorities that have been adopted by Northamptonshire Community Safety Board are:-

1. Serious and organised crime (SOC)

2. Domestic abuse and sexual violence
3. Anti-social behaviour and hate crime

Each priority has a specific strategy, setting out what partners need to do collectively to make a difference.

3. Serious and Organised Crime (SOC)

The NNCSP recognises the impact these crimes can have on victims, their families and the most vulnerable. The county-wide Reducing Gang-Related Violence and Exploitation strategy 2019-22 is based on a 4 ‘P’ model: **prepare** for tackling and ending the harm caused by gangs, county lines and violent crime; **prevent** vulnerable people from being drawn into gangs and the work of county lines; **protect** and safeguard vulnerable people from being exploited and; **pursue** criminals effectively, making it more difficult for them to succeed from serious crime and exploitation.

The NNCSP will support the delivery of this strategy to:-

- Reduce the criminal exploitation of children and vulnerable people by drugs gangs through greater partnership working and improved early intervention and safeguarding arrangements.
- Identify and protect vulnerable persons who have been or are at risk of human trafficking, modern slavery including sexual exploitation and organised crime and ensure they can access support services.
- Reduce levels of gang-related violence, continuing to act on intelligence, arrests and prosecution.
- Prevent young people from becoming involved in the Criminal Justice System, reducing first time entrants and providing signposting to support agencies.

County-wide strategy outcomes	Headline measures	NNCSP priority actions
Shared understanding of the class A drugs market	Drugs market profile established	Develop and implement the Heroin and Cocaine Action Area

Safeguarded victims and potential victims	% of people previously identified as at risk who have become involved in gang-related activity	(HACAA) pilot called #Citadel in the Kettering area. People identified as being involved in or on the cusp of gang-related crime, will be offered chances to turn their lives around with specialist support, or face a life of enforcement. Once completed, #Citadel will be rolled out and implemented across Northamptonshire.
Reduced levels of addiction to class A drugs	% reduction in Class A drug addicts	
Reduced levels of gang-related violence	% reduction in the number of incidents of gang-related violence in the county	

4. Domestic Abuse and sexual violence

The NNCSP is committed to doing everything it can to prevent, tackle and reduce domestic abuse and sexual violence and the impact it has on the children, adults and families in our county. The county-wide Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Strategy 2019-22 recognises that reducing domestic abuse and sexual violence is everyone's business. Overall, it aims to improve the co-ordination of local services that prevent and respond to domestic abuse and sexual violence.

A new statutory duty from 1 April 2021 will require local authorities to assess the need for, and commission support to, victims of domestic abuse and their children in safe accommodation in their areas.

The NNCSP will support the delivery of the county-wide strategy to:-

- Coordinate services that prevent and respond to domestic abuse and sexual violence.
- Reduce repeat victims of domestic abuse and ensure that appropriate services are in place to support them.
- Raise awareness of domestic abuse and the effects this can have on children and young people.

- Raise awareness of Sexual Violence, Honour-Based Violence & Female Genital Mutilation and promote where people can access support locally.

County-wide strategy outcomes	Headline measures	NNCSP priority actions
Targeted prevention and intervention	Baselines around service users' satisfaction with services to be established. % increase in service users' satisfaction with service provision across North Northamptonshire.	Facilitate a long-term and sustainable funding base for domestic abuse services in North Northamptonshire. Develop accessible support services that focus on outreach provision.
Improved responses to people affected by Domestic Abuse, Sexual Violence and Coercive Behaviour		
Accessible services for those affected by Domestic Abuse, Sexual Violence and Coercive Behaviour.		
Safer and appropriate accommodation options	County-wide housing pathway for victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence in place	Establish a Local Domestic Abuse Partnership Board to fulfil the statutory duty on the Local Authority. Develop and embed sustainable housing pathways and housing options for victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence.

5. Anti-social Behaviour & Hate Crime

The NNCSP recognises the need to do everything it can to prevent, tackle and reduce anti-social behaviour and hate crime due to the impact it has on individuals and communities in our part of the county. The county-wide Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy 2019-22 and the Action Against Hate Strategy 2019-22 both aim to improve people’s lives by intervening early in cases.

The NNCSP will support the delivery of the county-wide strategies to:-

- Ensure case management for ASB and hate crimes is fair, robust and transparent.
- Develop and implement accessible and effective support services for victims.
- Support community-based groups who are working with local people to combat community tensions arising from events and activities both local and national.

County-wide strategy outcomes	Headline measures	NNCSP priority actions
Increased early intervention and prevention	% reduction in repeat victims for both ASB and hate crime cases	Inform and influence service design and delivery for ASB and hate crime, delivered collaboratively between the new North Northamptonshire Council, Northants Police and other key partners.
Effective and accessible support services for victims	% of service users satisfied with service provision	Further develop victim-focused services that have robust approaches to assessing the support needs of victims and addressing any safeguarding issues.

Increased reporting of hate crimes and hate incidents		<p>Work in partnership with our communities to understand community tensions following any local or national events, which have the potential to increase hate crime locally.</p> <p>Work with communities to empower reporting of hate crime and incidents and enable alternative reporting mechanisms such as third-party reporting venues.</p>
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6. Other important factors

As a result of the implementation of the Counter Terrorism and Securities Act 2015 (CTSA 2015) every local authority must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism. Our local aims are to continue to deliver a robust response to the ideological challenge of terrorism; protect the vulnerable; and support institutions and the community in opposing the narrative of the radicalisers.

The 'Prevent' approach is a sensitive matter for our communities, not least because it deals with matters related to national security, and as such requires a great deal of trust and confidence between us, the police, counter terrorism agencies and our communities. We acknowledge that there are many factors that contribute to such vulnerability, but it is the ideological narratives that prey on these vulnerabilities that give rise to terrorism and violent extremism.

A large part of the work of the Community Safety Partnership is to educate and inform the public around prevention to minimise the chance of residents and visitors being victimised.

It is important, in these more challenging financial times, to build community resilience into the work of the partnership. Together we need to enhance the personal and collective capacity of our communities to anticipate risk, limit its impact and help them to bounce back rapidly.

The NNCSP's work takes account of:-

Prevent Strategy

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/97976/prevent-strategy-review.pdf

Police & Crime Plan

<https://www.northantspfcc.org.uk/police-and-crime-plan/>

Northamptonshire Adults' Safeguarding Board

<https://www.northamptonshiresab.org.uk/Pages/policies-and-procedures.aspx>

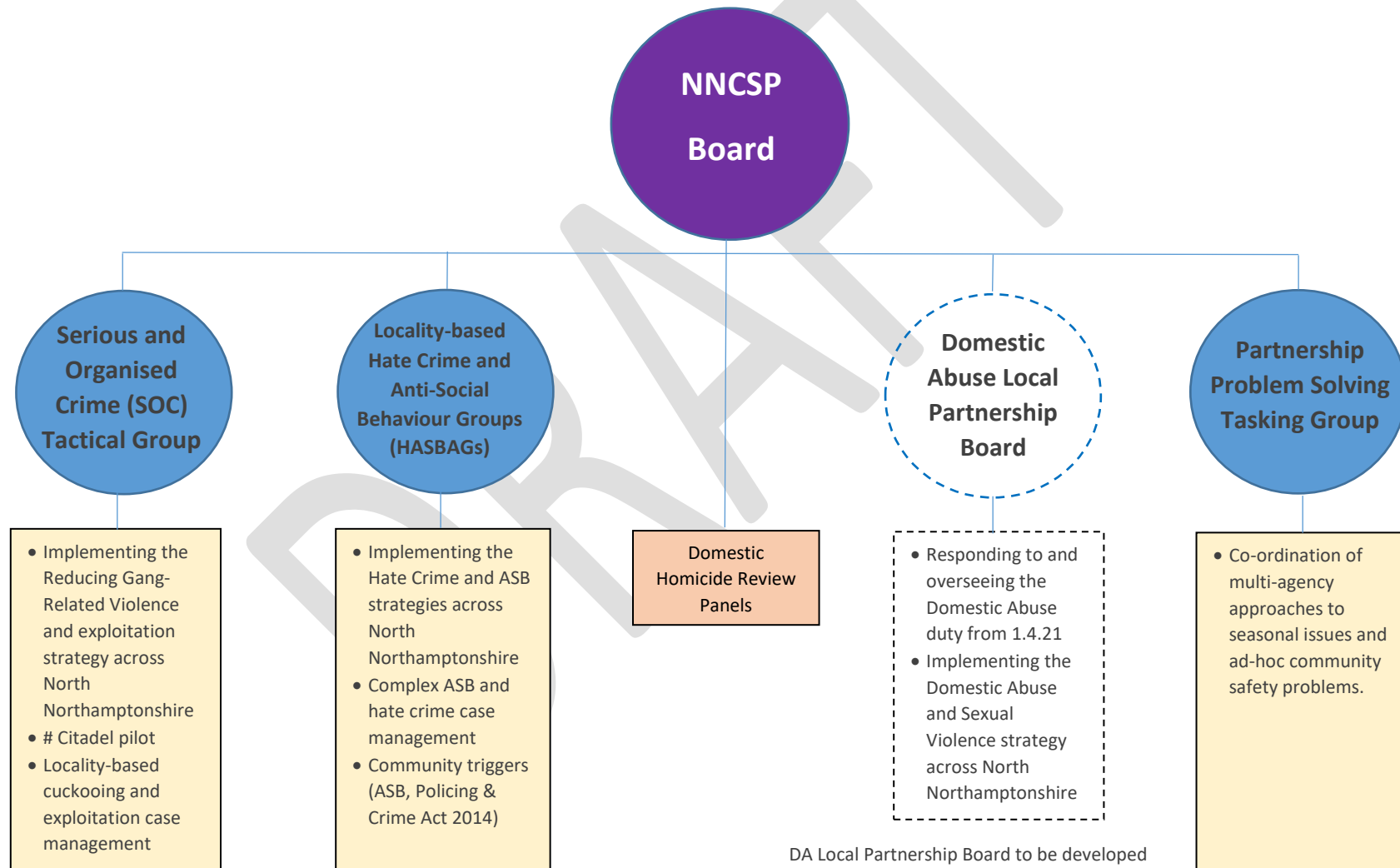
Northamptonshire Safeguarding Children's Partnership

<http://www.northamptonshirescb.org.uk/>

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7. How does the NNCSP work?

The diagram below shows how the NNCSP is structured. This may change over the lifetime of this plan as the NNCSP develops.



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