

**Name of meeting:** Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee  
**Date:** 7 January 2019  
**Title of report:** Update of Partnership Plan (2018 – 21) Priorities

### Purpose of report

This report provides the Committee with an overview of the new Communities Partnership Plan for Kirklees. This plan sets out the key priorities to make Kirklees safer and more cohesive.

<b>Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Key Decision - Is it in the <a href="#">Council's Forward Plan (key decisions and private reports?)</a></b>	<b>No</b>
<b>The Decision - Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?</b>	<b>Yes</b>  <b>If no give the reason why not</b>
<b>Date signed off by <a href="#">Strategic Director</a> &amp; name</b>  <b>Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Finance IT and Transactional Services?</b>  <b>Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal Governance and Commissioning Support?</b>	<b>Give name and date for Cabinet reports</b>  <b>Give name and date for Cabinet reports</b>  <b>Give name and date for Cabinet reports</b>
<b>Cabinet member <a href="#">portfolio</a></b>	<b>Give name of Portfolio Holder</b>  <b>Cllr Naheed Mather</b>

**Electoral wards affected:** All

**Ward councillors consulted:** N/A

**Public or private:** Public

**Have you considered GDPR?** Yes – N/A

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## **1. Summary**

The purpose of this report is to provide the Scrutiny Panel with an update on the new Kirklees Communities Partnership Plan which covers the period 2018 – 21.

## **2. Information required to take a decision**

The Partnership Plan (attached in the appendix to this report) is produced on a 3 yearly basis to co-ordinate partnership working to make Kirklees communities safer and more cohesive.

The new Partnership Plan (2018 – 21) is informed by intelligence contained in the Strategic Intelligence Assessment (previously presented to panel) and contains the following 4 outcome themes;

- Reducing crime
- Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour
- Protecting People from Serious Harm
- Improving Place

The Partnership Plan provides an overview of the key issues to be addressed in each of these areas, what will be delivered and how effectiveness will be measured.

The Partnership Plan also reaffirms the Safer Kirklees approach (with its focus on Prevention and early resolution of issues) and outlines the new governance arrangements in place as a result of the development of the Communities board.

## **3. Implications for the Council**

### **3.1 Working with People**

It is essential that the priorities within the Partnership Plan reflect and resonate with those of local people. The Partnership Plan was developed and jointly launched in partnership with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sector Leaders Group in recognition of the critical role that communities play in

To coincide with the launch of the Partnership Plan, the scope of the Community Safety Partnership was broadened to encompass engagement, cohesion and integration work co-ordinated through a Communities Board with two strategic aims (1) People in Kirklees live in cohesive communities, feel safe and are safe/protected from harm and (2) People in Kirklees experience a high quality, clean, sustainable and green environment.

### **3.2 Working with Partners**

The 1998 Crime and Disorder Act and other subsequent legislation places a statutory duty on community safety partners such as the Local Authority, Police, Fire & Rescue Services, Housing, Health and Offender Management Services) to develop and deliver a strategic plan which tackles shared issues affecting quality of life for residents.

It is essential that there is excellent collaboration between the Communities Partnership and the Safeguarding Boards for Adults and Children to deliver co-ordinated interventions to protect people from serious harm.

At a wider level, it is critical that there effective relationships and strategic alignment with the priorities in the Police and Crime Plan produced by the Office for the Police and Crime Commissioner for West Yorkshire.

### **3.3 Place Based Working**

In addition to the partnership work for each of the 4 themes in the partnership plan, it is vital that there is effective work in place with partners, stakeholders (in particular elected members) and communities to tackle issues specific to the uniqueness of neighbourhoods in Kirklees.

### **3.4 Improving outcomes for children**

The Partnership Plan works on the principle that the best way to tackle community safety issues is to address them at the earliest opportunity – ideally by preventing them in the first place. The Partnership Plan recognises that children and young people are often at risk of experiencing community safety issues - therefore it is critical that risks are reduced and protective (including family / community assets) factors increased to deliver better and more sustained outcomes.

### **3.5 Other (eg Legal/Financial or Human Resources)**

Not Applicable

## **4. Consultees and their opinions**

The Partnership Plan has been developed and approved by the Kirklees Communities Partnership Board.

## **5. Next steps and timelines**

Consideration given to any feedback given by the Panel in relation to the Communities Partnership Plan and the way it is being delivered. The panel to be kept up to date of developments as part of on-going briefings and be given the opportunity to have closer focus on any of the themes or associated work streams in the plan.

## **6. Officer recommendations and reasons**

The Panel provides feedback and constructive challenge to the Communities Partnership regarding the Partnership Plan and discusses continued working relationship between the Communities Partnership, Police and Crime Panel and the Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

The Panel commits to receiving future updates on the delivery of the Partnership Plan.

## **7. Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations**

Not Applicable

## **8. Contact officer**

Carol Gilchrist, Head of Communities

## **9. Background Papers and History of Decisions**

Kirklees Communities Partnership Plan 2018 – 21 (attached for information).

## **10. Service Director responsible**

Rachel Spencer-Henshall, Strategic Director – Corporate Strategy and Public Health