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Rochdale Safer Communities Partnership – Monitoring Quarter 3, 1 st October 2015 – 31 st December 2015			
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	Monitoring Officer	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
Key Decision:	No		

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The Performance Management Bulletin attached to this report provides members with a detailed summary of how the Rochdale Safer Communities Partnership is performing against its targets for Quarter 3 2015 / 2016 (October 2015 – December 2015).

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that members note, and are invited to comment upon, the Performance Management Bulletin.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The RSCP is a statutory partnership in the borough of Rochdale with responsibility for ensuring that the borough is a safer place. In 2010/2011 the Partnership launched a new 3 year plan. The Safer Communities Partnership plan has 7 strategic priorities as follows:

- Increase confidence and satisfaction
- Reduce crime
- Reduce the harm caused by drugs and alcohol
- Prevent and tackle anti-social behaviour
- Prevent offending (and re-offending) by children and young people

- Prevent adult re-offending
- Develop community cohesion

4 PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT BULLETIN

- 4.1 The Safer Communities Partnership plan identifies around 40 targets to be achieved. These targets are achieved through the implementation of annual, multi- agency action plans which are written for each of the strategic priorities.
- 4.2 Each quarter the RSCP compiles a performance bulletin. The bulletin looks at both the performance in relation to targets and the actions implemented as part of the multi-agency action plans. The performance bulletin is used by the RSCP to highlight areas of good practice/performance and also to understand under-performance so that corrective action can be identified and implemented.

Alternatives considered

Not applicable – failure to monitor and report performance against targets would not be acceptable.

Consultation proposed/undertaken

Extensive consultation has been undertaken with the community, staff and members of the Rochdale Safer Communities Partnership (RSCP) in determining the priorities for the partnership.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no financial implications

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 These statistics in this report are an important part of the monitoring and enforcement process carried out by the Council's Community Safety Officers alongside its partners and that the Council is using the procedures set out in the new Anti- Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 and the Home Office Guidance appropriately.

7. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no personnel implications

8. RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 There are no specific risk issues for members to consider arising from this report.

9. EQUALITIES IMPACTS

9.1 Workforce Equality Impacts Assessment

There are no workforce equality issues arising from this report.

9.2 **Equality/Community Impact Assessments** - there are no significant equality/community issues arising from this report

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – HIGHLIGHTS AND EXCEPTIONS

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 1 – INCREASE CONFIDENCE & SATISFACTION

Highlights and Exceptions

No significant changes from last quarter.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 2 – REDUCE CRIME

Highlights and Exceptions

- The total of theft crimes reduced notably in quarter 3, good news given that it takes in the Christmas period and run-up to it
- Although domestic burglary volumes remained fairly similar, we saw a good reduction in non-domestic burglary figures
- After a sharp rise in vehicle crimes in quarter 2, numbers fell back to more usual levels in quarter 3
- Violent crime numbers remained fairly static this quarter

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 3 – REDUCE THE HARM CAUSED BY DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

Highlights and Exceptions – Drugs

- Following an 18 month decline in numbers in drug treatment, (DA1) has now ceased, we have now seen an increase for 5 consecutive months.

DA 5: Reduce the Drug related (Class A) offending rate

- DA5 shows that there have been 69 offences committed by 45 offenders during quarter 3. This accounts for 9% of the cohort. Although quarter one saw an increase the past 2 quarters have seen it fall to the lowest rate since the measure began in 2013, bringing us back on track to see an annual improvement. What is most significant is that the total number of offences in Rochdale has increased meaning that only 1.5% of offences this quarter were committed by this cohort.

Highlights and Exceptions – Alcohol

- Some really positive news is that DA 10, Alcohol related Hospital admissions have fallen again.
- This is a significant 22% improvement on the same 6 months in 2014 and has seen a continued fall now for 4 consecutive quarters. Across GM – 8 of the 10 areas have seen a fall (except Tameside and Stockport) – however Rochdale's improvement is much greater than any other area.
- We are now starting to see an improvement in the numbers engaging in alcohol treatment when several areas are seeing a decline in numbers. However, even though we have already exceeded the performance for all 2014/15 we are still off track to achieve this years target.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 4 – PREVENT AND TACKLE ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Highlights and Exceptions

- Anti-social behaviour incidents reduced markedly during Q3. Although this is generally in line with usual trends each year, it is nevertheless noteworthy.
- Criminal damage and arson incidents were also down, though the higher figures recorded in Qs 1 and 2 will mean that we will end the year with a small overall increase on last year.
- A similar picture can be seen with deliberate primary fires. The number recorded in Q3 has fallen, though the Q1 and Q2 figures mean that we will end the year slightly up on last year

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 5 – PREVENT OFFENDING BY CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Highlights and exceptions

- Re YP3, in terms of the overall NEET cohort, the rate for December 2015 was 4.1%, which was the target figure for the commissioned provider to attain. The quarterly figure of 4.2% is slightly below the 4.3% target, which is due to the shortfall in November which has now been rectified.
- Of this overall cohort, of those leaving Further Education to become NEET the quarterly target was 83 young people; this has been successfully achieved, with just 66 young people leaving FE to become NEET.
- In terms of the worst performing wards (West Middleton and West Heywood), the NEET rate is 7.0% against a target of 6.2%. The quarterly figure is 7.3% against a target of 6.2%. There are three wards (West Middleton, West Heywood and Hopwood Hall) that are above the target for December. The commissioned provider is already looking at how they deploy staff across the borough to ensure that these wards receive additional resources, while trying to make sure that any changes do not adversely affect other wards

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 6 – REDUCE ADULT RE-OFFENDING

Highlights and exceptions

- Alcohol Treatment Requirement success rate is now 100%
- Intensive community Orders – completion rates remain good but number of new orders is falling

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 7 – DEVELOPING COMMUNITY COHESION

Highlights and exceptions

- The number of Hate Crime incidents reported during this quarter appear to have reduced, but when compared to the same period in 2014/15 it is considerably higher. A number of initiatives to raise awareness of the need to report Hate crime and the different methods in which people can do so have taken place during this quarter.
- New and revised performance indicators have been developed to monitor the number of Channel referrals, open cases and closed cases. During this quarter there were 4

open cases however by the end of the quarter Rochdale Borough had 2 Channel open cases.

- Consultation was also undertaken on the Channel Panel Policy with the key stakeholders through Rochdale Borough's Prevent Steering Group and Rochdale's Channel Panel. This Policy will be placed in the Policy Centre and arrangements will be put in place to raise staff awareness of this policy.
- An audit has been undertaken by RBSAB and RBSCB to assess the arrangements which agencies have in place to meet the new Prevent Duty. The findings of this audit are currently being analysed and a report is being prepared.