2008-2011 Community Safety Plan 2009/10 performance monitoring – exception report

There are a total of 44 targets in the Community Safety Plan for 2008/11. 28 of the targets are on target to achieve (green), four are slightly below expected performance (amber), and seven targets were red and five were not due an update in this quarter.

The amber targets are addressed below under the objective headings.

1. Anti-Social Behaviour

There are six targets in total, out of which three are green, and the remaining three not due an update in this quarter.

2. Drugs

There are six targets, of which four are green and two are amber at the end of 2009/10.

The amber targets are as follows:-

2.5 To support the minimisation of harm to drug misusers and their families and the community at large by achieving at least 100% of needle returns for all needle exchange services. In Q4 there were 59,174 needles distributed, and 50,475 returned, giving a return rate of 85%. This is lower than usual due to the influx of injecting steroids, clients inject in cycles and only return the needle once the cycle is finished. This is prominent at this time of year due to up and coming competitions and the summer period. Staff have all been retrained so we should see an increase in the remaining life of the plan.

The red target is as follows:-

2.1 NI 40 Number of Drug users recorded as being in effective treatment. Using 07/08 as a baseline 1,135 increase by 102 in 2008/09, 59 in 2009/10, 32 in 2010/11. There are 1247 PDU's in effective treatment as per Q3 yearly report. Not likely to hit target of 1296. Working closely with NTA to ensure that NDTMS recording is accurate.

3. Violent Crime

There are 10 targets of which six are green, two amber targets, and the remaining two targets are red.

The amber and red targets are as follows:-

3.7 – Increase supported housing options for victims of DV. Identify from RSL's and THL additional and dedicated properties for DV move on accommodation. Whilst no properties have been identified, Tri-star are trying to identify suitable move on properties in the area around the refuge. 72 properties were assessed and modified in Q4 through the Safe at Home scheme and support work continues through Outreach.

3.9 – Reduce violent crime in and around licensed premises, obtain at least 7 ASBO/CRASBO to ban offenders from Pub Watch Premises during the life of this Plan. No ASBOs granted in Q4, giving a year to date total of three for life time of the plan, still one year left to reach target of seven.

The red targets are as follows:-

- 3.1 Reduce serious violent crime ('Serious Violent Crime' is a nationally defined set of crimes). Using a baseline taken from 2007/08 of 78 crimes reduce by 3% (2.3) crimes per year by 2009. There were 16 SVC in Q4, which gives a year end figure of 85 crimes and a rate of 0.44 per 1,000 population. Although the target has not been met, Stockton remains 5th out of 15 in our MSCDRPs (Jan 10 Mar 10) and significantly below the group average.
- 3.10 To use 2008/09 to identify a baseline, then increase the number of assisted arrests arising from effective monitoring of CCTV by 5% year on year. Baseline identified from 2008/09 of 231, and target for 2009/10 to increase assisted arrests to 243. There have been 26 CCTV assisted arrests for violent offences during Q4. 120 year to date. The target has not been met for this year. Violent Crime however is still on the decrease and 15% lower than this time last year.

4. Criminal Damage

There are five targets, three of which are green, and the remaining two are red targets.

The red targets are as follows:-

- 4.2 Increase the number of incidents reported to the ASB Team by Police Officers, Fire Officers of graffiti, damage and rubbish. 2008/09 baseline of 64 and obtain a yearly increase for 2009/10 and 2010/11. There have been two calls received from Police in the final quarter with a total of 17 calls recorded in 2009/10. This target has not been met this year, but slight chance to improve in the remaining life of the Plan. Criminal Damage figures have significantly reduced since the target was set, and associated environmental factors are also down. All agencies involved to be reminded of this reporting mechanism, to make improvements in the remaining quarters. Further leaflets have been produced and given to police officers.
- 4.3 Increase sanction detention rate by 2% year on year from a baseline of 14.5% 2007/08. There were 515 sanction detections for Criminal Damage in 2009/10, which is a detection rate of 18%, this means we are slightly below target for 2009/10 but still achievable in 2010/11.

5. Diverting Young People from Offending

There are five targets, three of which are green, with two red targets.

The red targets are as follows:-

5.3 - Increase the number of young fire setters identified and receiving joint intervention by 10% year on year based on a baseline from an average taken from three years of 2005/08 of 72, with a target for 2009/10 of 88. Six children received joint intervention this quarter. Eight were referred, but this is a voluntary intervention and two of those children

chose not to engage with the service in quarter four. This gives a total of 64. Target not achieved, this could be due to a reduction in fires with F1 fires falling by 27.1% and F3 fires falling by 29.3%.

5.4- Decrease of the number of 16 to 18 years old not involved in education, employment and training. (NEET). The percentage of 16 to 18 year olds NEET was 11.1% for quarter three. This is a year to date average of 11.5%, the current economic climate is a major contributor to this target.

6. Emerging Issues - Other Theft

There are six targets, four of which are green, and one red and one not due an update.

The red target is as follows:-

6.3:- Increase the number of arrests from shoplifting identified through the Council's control room, using 2008/09 baseline of 13 and increase by 5%. Three offences were identified by the control room in Q4. This gives a year to date total of ten, which means the target has not been reached for 2009/10. However, it is worth noting that shoplifting in Stockton has fallen by 14% in 09/10.

7. Other Targets Monitored

There are six targets, five of which are green and one not due an update in this quarter.