

**ORIGINATOR: WAVENEY COMMUNITY  
SAFETY PARTNERSHIP**

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**SUBMITTED TO: ACCOUNTABILITY AND PERFORMANCE PANEL –  
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**SUBJECT:** To report on Waveney Community Safety Partnership progress against Action Plan priorities funded through the Police & Crime Commissioner.

**SUMMARY:**

This is the quarter four report of the Waveney Community Safety Partnership (WCSP) being presented to the Police and Crime Commissioners Accountability and Performance Panel.

To progress its work for 2013-14 the Partnership produced a joint Action Plan with Suffolk Coastal Community Safety Partnership (see Appendix A attached) covering – Night Time Economy, Emerging Crimes and Protecting Young People/Vulnerable Families. The Action Plan takes into account the needs and key priorities contained within the Annual Strategic Assessment and the Police & Crime Commissioner's Police and Crime Plan.

The Partnership was awarded £31,932.50 from the Police & Crime Commissioner to commission projects and pieces of work to directly and indirectly address the priorities identified within the Action Plan.

Waveney and Lowestoft in particular have one of the highest crime rates in the county. The Partnership has acknowledged that it has a significant role to play in commissioning and supporting work/projects around prevention with young people, recognising the benefits and value in promoting and delivering preventative work to young people through schools and non-mainstream channels to complement the work of the police. This has led the Partnership to support projects to help deal with their risk-taking behaviour and help to support and inform them to address root causes and underlying issues which affect their lives and the communities they live in, which can also prevent them from reaching their full academic or vocational potential. This work is not carried out in isolation but links with other positive schemes and projects delivered and funded outside the Community Safety Partnership, aimed at providing young people with positive out of school activities. By supporting the 'a happy child is a learning child' principle assists in supporting wider outcomes e.g. Raising the Bar. These projects have helped deliver positive outcomes, including improved personal safety, good citizenship and provide a positive role model experience for many children lacking a positive family influence.

Particular work in regards to troubled families (Suffolk Family Focus) in Waveney has recognised that there are a number of dysfunctional families residing across our district, particularly in deprived areas. In this last quarter we have been working with 5 families that involve 21 individuals. During the last 12 months there has been a total of 9 families supported involving 42 individual family members.

This report outlines progress on the work of the Partnership to achieve this. Appendix B lists the grants awarded during the year, progress made and outcomes achieved. Some of these projects are in the design and planning stage; some projects are well underway and will continue to run into 2014-15.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Accountability and Performance Panel note the information in this report and endorse the progress made to date.

**DETAIL OF THE SUBMISSION**

**1. KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION:**

Appendix B details the current update of projects commissioned and funding allocated.

**2. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Appendix B details projects commissioned and funding allocated. Monitoring and evaluation of each funded project has been completed by the Partnership and is available on request.

**3. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

To mitigate risk of the project failing, monitoring will be required on a regular basis and reported to each quarterly Community Safety Partnership Responsible Authority Group meeting. If concerns are identified the Partnership will work with the project leads and partners to identify, agree and implement corrective action or if necessary close down the project and take steps to recover the project funding.