

Item 12 – Sevenoaks District Community Safety Partnership 2024/25 Strategy & Action Plan

The attached report was considered by the People & Places Advisory Committee on 5 March 2024. The relevant Minute extract is below.

People & Places Advisory Committee (5 March 2024, Minute 39)

The Health & Communities Manager presented the report, which set out the Community Safety Partnership Strategy and Action Plan for 2024-25. A strategic assessment had been undertaken in December 2023, in partnership with the voluntary sector, housing associations, the police, council officers, and other partners. The officer outlined the priorities within the Strategy, noting that a new priority relating to business crime, such as abuse to shops and staff, had been introduced. The actions for each priority were reviewed every three months. Roughly £34,000 of funding had been received from the Police and Crime Commissioner, to be spread across the priorities. £11,000 of this was reserved in a tactical fund, to be deployed where most necessary.

In response to questions, the officer explained that the community wardens service would be shared with Tunbridge Wells, for reasons of resource. The same areas would be covered under this service, but it was anticipated that response times may increase.

Resolved: That it be recommended to Cabinet that the Sevenoaks District Community Safety Partnership Strategy and Action Plan 2024-25, be approved.