



INTRODUCTION

For the fourth year running, in 2012/13, North Tyneside was the safest metropolitan borough in England. Our new 2014-2019 Community Safety Strategy will help Safer North Tyneside to maintain this achievement.

Every year a number of surveys are carried out in our borough to ask residents about their community safety concerns. Two of these surveys are North Tyneside Councils Residents' Survey and the Northumbria Community Safety Survey – this survey is conducted by telephone.

The results of these surveys have been used, along with crime and disorder information provided by our Partners (Northumbria Police, North Tyneside Council, Northumbria Probation Trust, Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service and Northumbria Health Care Trust), to help Safer North Tyneside identify local community safety priorities.

This strategy covers the big things that we need to do to improve community safety. The following priorities have been identified to help us reduce crime, disorder and offending and to tackle our communities concerns.

To make sure that Safer North Tyneside is focusing on the priorities that matter most to our communities, the Partnership shared their proposals with residents and listened to what they were saying. What you told us has helped to shape our final proposals.

Alongside this strategy our Partners will continue to deliver high quality, value for money services. Cuts in government funding over the next five years will mean that partners need to prioritise what they will do. This strategy will help us all to do that.

However, I know that there is a lot that we can do and that together we can keep Our North Tyneside safe.

Councillor Carole Burdis
Chair, Safer North Tyneside



OUR SAFER NORTH TYNESIDE PRIORITIES

Crime – we will make a difference by:

- Safeguarding our most vulnerable residents
- Tackling violent crime, sexual violence and domestic abuse, particularly that which is alcohol related.
- Tackling Hate crime

Disorder – we will make a difference by:

- Tackling anti-social behaviour
- Tackling criminal damage and deliberate fires
- Providing priority support to vulnerable and repeat victims and witnesses of anti-social behaviour

Offending – we will make a difference by:

- Ensuring the right targeted interventions are in place to deter offenders
- Ensuring young offenders have access to a range of services designed to assist them to reach their true potential

Community Concerns and Confidence – we will make a difference by:

- Listening to our communities
- Tackling problems that matter at a local level
- Communicating progress and results to promote reassurance and confidence



HOW WILL WE KNOW IF WE ARE BEING SUCCESSFUL?

Crime

1. We will be the safest metropolitan borough in England
2. There will be a reduction in repeat victimisation.
3. We will have improved case closure satisfaction scores for victims of anti social behaviour and hate crime.
4. Young people will be more likely to recognise domestic abuse in their own relationships and seek support.
5. Victims of domestic abuse will be identified, supported and safeguarded.

Disorder

1. We will have improved the satisfaction of victims of anti social behaviour.
2. There will be a reduction in incidents of anti social behaviour

Offending

1. There will be a reduction in reoffending by an identified cohort (based on cohort identified on 1st April 2014)
2. There will be an increase in referrals and successful completions in relation to Alcohol Treatment Requirements and Drug Rehabilitation Requirements for those offenders identified with a substance misuse issue
3. We will increase the proportion of young offenders in suitable education, training or employment upon completion of intervention.
4. We will increase the proportion of young people that successfully complete a Community based Criminal Justice Intervention.
5. There will be a reduction in first time entrants into the Criminal Justice System

Community Concerns and Confidence

1. More residents will feel safe in the borough
2. We will have anti social behaviour procedures focussing on supporting victims and taking robust action against perpetrators.
3. We will have improved crime and anti social behaviour perception levels.