



To: **Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Thematic Board**

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Report by:

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SAFER AND STRONGER UPDATE ON YEAR 1 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR REPORTING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

1. Summary

- 1.1 The Safer and Stronger Thematic Board has responsibility for co-ordinating and driving multi-agency activity to ensure that we achieve our long term vision that: 'Renfrewshire is known as a safe and tolerant place where residents and visitors enjoy a high level of personal safety and public protection and are free from crime. A culture of fairness, respect and equality exists and vulnerable children and adults are well looked after and protected'.
- 1.2 At the Community Planning Partnership Board in June 2015 it was agreed to delegate responsibility for scrutinising the performance of those impact measures where the year one performance hadn't been reported to the appropriate thematic board.
- 1.3 Five impact measures from the Safer and Stronger Single Outcome Agreement fell within this category:
 - Increase % of adults who agree with the statement "I am satisfied with my neighbourhood as place to live";
 - Reduction in the number of teenagers who report being involved in 4 or more delinquent activities in the past 12 months;
 - Reduction in the number of teenagers who report having committed 4 or more criminal acts in the past 12 months;
 - Increase the perception of secondary school pupils who report their communities are safe places to live (1-4 lower the better);
 - Reduction of secondary school pupils reporting that they are living in communities with many problems.
- 1.4 An analysis of the progress of the first indicator, Increase % of adults who agree with the statement "I am satisfied with my neighbourhood as place to live", is contained in section 3 of this report.



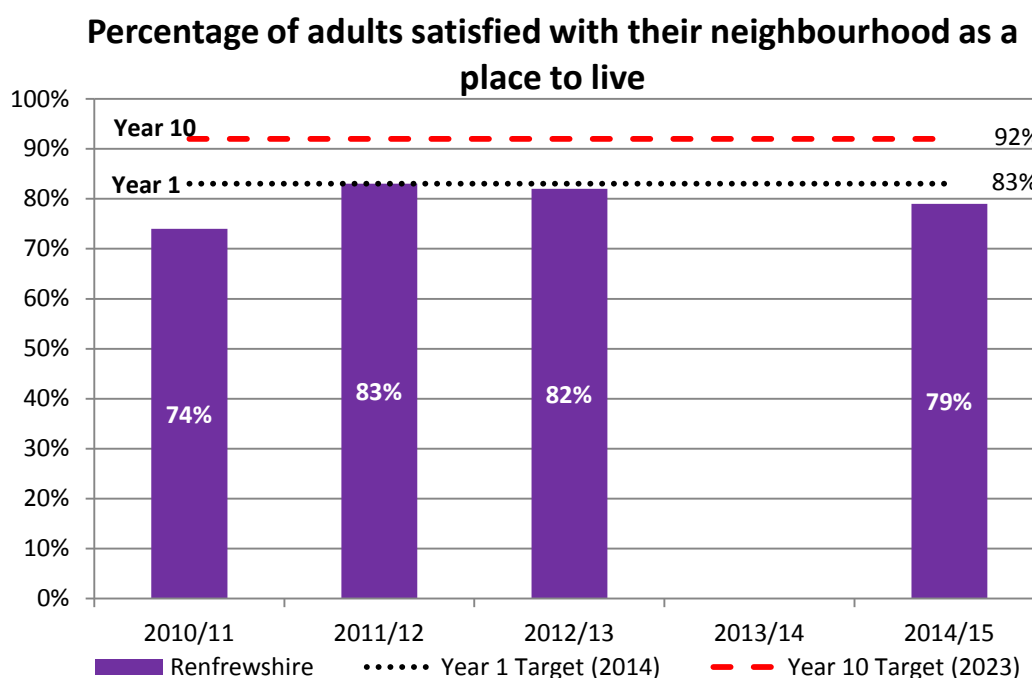
- 1.5 Results from the remaining indicators will be drawn from the second study of need and perception which will be carried out in late 2015/early 2016 using the Social Research Unit epidemiological approach. The results are likely to follow six weeks after the completion of the survey. The study will show the change which has occurred since the baseline study which was carried out in late 2011/early 2012.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Board:
- Notes the update provided on the indicator: Increase % of adults who agree with the statement “I am satisfied with my neighbourhood as place to live”;
 - Notes the position statement of the remaining indicators;
 - Agrees that this update be reported to the Community Planning Partnership at its meeting on 23 September 2015.

3. Background

- 3.1 A safer and stronger Renfrewshire is one of the key themes within Renfrewshire Community Plan, which was approved at the full meeting of the Council in June 2013. In order to achieve a safer and stronger Renfrewshire, the community planning partners have identified four key outcomes which they aim to achieve by 2023:
- Outcome 1: Renfrewshire is known as a place where people living, working or visiting feel safe and secure.
 - Outcome 2: Our communities are living their lives safe from violence and antisocial behaviour and having a responsible approach to accessing and using alcohol.
 - Outcome 3: All members of our community, in particular our most vulnerable children, young people and adults, are living in a safe, inclusive and nurturing environment where they are respected and free from abuse and neglect.
 - Outcome 4: Renfrewshire citizens are positive, supporting equality and valuing diversity to achieve fairness for all within our communities.
- 3.2 The impact measure which reflects the “I am satisfied with my neighbourhood as a place to live”, is an integral measure for the achievement of outcome 1. A target was set within the Safer and Stronger Single Outcome Agreement to achieve a 92% reduction, by 2023, on a baseline figure of 82% from 2012.
- 3.3 The table below shows the progress achieved and provides details of the work which is ongoing to increase the number of adults who stated they were satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live.



Source: Renfrewshire Council Public Services Panel

Context

- This question is asked as part of Renfrewshire Council's Public Services Panel, however it was omitted from the 2013/14 survey.
- In 2014/15 survey, 79% of adults stated that they were satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live. This was a 3% decrease on the previous survey in 2012/13 and was below the Year 1 target of 83%.
- Although performance has decreased from the 2012/13 baseline the decrease did not exceed the 10%, red alert, threshold. The expansion of Street Stuff, the construction of the new integrated control and CCTV network and the partnership highlights listed below, reflect the strong partnership activity taking place across Renfrewshire to improve the performance of this impact measure.

Partnership Highlights

- The Street Stuff initiative provides a programme of activities to divert young people away from possible antisocial behaviour and helps to lower youth disorder rates across the council area. It is a partnership initiative between Renfrewshire Council, St. Mirren Football Club, Engage Renfrewshire, Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue;
- To address antisocial behaviour in our communities, particularly in response to noisy neighbours and rowdy parties, the Community Safety Partnership has extended opening hours for the Noise Enforcement service to 4am on Friday and Saturday evenings and has altered the Wardens shift patterns to ensure sufficient numbers are available at key times;
- Keep Safe forms part of the 'I Am Me' project which aims to give disabled people a 'safe haven' if they are victims of hate crime. Staff in local businesses, shops, and other venues including council premises, have been trained to look out for anyone being victimised in this way. Following training, Police Scotland designates them as Keep Safe premises with a Keep Safe logo being displayed for members of the public;



- The Services of the Community Safety Partnership were showcased as part of 'Your Home Your Street, Our Community' event held at Paisley Town Hall in October 2014. The event highlighted partnership working, both internally and externally, promoting areas of good practice and engagement with the public.

4. Resources

The Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Action Plan identifies the resources requirements for each individual action.

5. Prevention

The work undertaken through the Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Thematic Board helps to plan resources and direct investment towards prevention and early intervention.

6. Community Involvement/Engagement

The Action Plan has been developed through the Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Board and sub groups whereby the third sector is widely represented.

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