Cheshire West & Chester
Community
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Partnership

West Cheshire Community Safety Partnership Plan 2025-26

Introduction

The terms of reference for the West Cheshire Community Safety Partnership (CSP) describe its role, working practices and the duties the partnership is required to carry out.

They include:

- Producing an annual Strategic Assessment (SA), using intelligence, data and indicators to identify root causes, areas of risk and identify emerging themes and challenges for the CSP for the next 12 months.
- Creating an annual CSP Plan for the delivery of partnership services.
- Managing and monitoring annual funding opportunities.
- Allow partners to share relevant information and support the work of other Strategic Boards to address issues and concerns.
- Conducting Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHR's).
- Administering Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Case Reviews.

This report details the agreed priorities of the West Cheshire CSP and its annual plan for 2024-25.

The CSP has established several subgroups within its governance to lead on priorities and associated areas of practice. In addition to those directly within the CSP's governance the Substance Misuse priority is delivered through the local Combating Drugs Partnership, and the Serious Violence priority through the Local Criminal Justice Board on a pan Cheshire basis. The West Cheshire board governance can be seen below:

West Cheshire Board Governance Mapping
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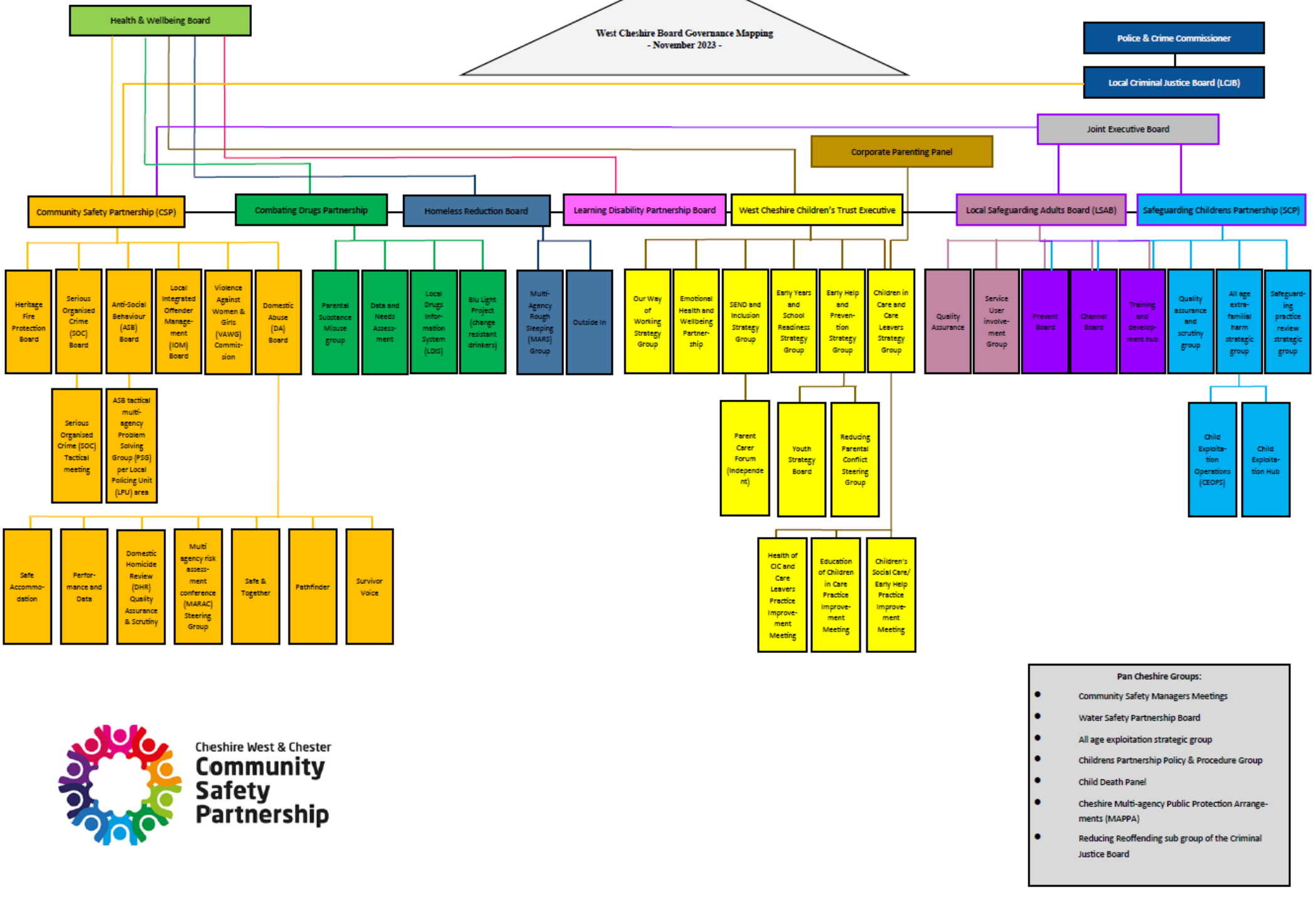

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Pan Cheshire Groups:

- Community Safety Managers Meetings
- Water Safety Partnership Board
- All age exploitation strategic group
- Childrens Partnership Policy & Procedure Group
- Child Death Panel
- Cheshire Multi-agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA)
- Reducing Reoffending sub group of the Criminal Justice Board

CSP Priority	Lead Agency	Key Actions to Explore and Develop
Prevent and Reduce Reoffending For partners to contribute positively to projects designed to promote and encourage change in individuals so that their risk of reoffending reduces. ……. **Police and Crime Plan 2024-28** Tackle the root cause of criminality by supporting the rehabilitation of people who have offended or who are at risk of doing so. Maximise the use of behaviour changing programmes for perpetrators of domestic abuse and stalking. Embed a prevention-first culture by working proactively to prevent crime through community partnerships and stakeholder engagement.	Probation	**Prevent** – Prevent reoffending. • Ensure the continued robust joint management of Registered Sex Offenders and refresh the associated local arrangements, building on existing good practice and learning from Serious Further Offences. • Continue to deliver the robust multi agency management and identification of those who commit Domestic Abuse offences. • Enhance awareness of interventions and opportunities for, and the subsequent use of, Community Payback / unpaid work by CSP partners. **Pursue** - detect, disrupt and prosecute those who reoffend within our communities. • Integrated Offender Management (IOM) programme to continue to work with the CSP and ensure robust local governance is in place and local partnership engagement. • Utilise partnership data to deliver the local IOM scheme and evaluate performance.

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Serious Organised Crime (SOC) For partners to work together to tackle serious and organised crime and to identify, prevent, and support those at risk of criminal exploitation. ……. **Police and Crime Plan 2024-28** Embed a prevention-first culture by working proactively to prevent crime through community partnerships and stakeholder engagement. Quick and efficient response to incidents and concerns, with timely follow up reports. **……** **Borough Plan 2024-2028** Resilient people living their best lives - Local people are enabled to flourish, be	Cheshire Police Cheshire West and Chester Council	**Prevent** – prevent people from participating in SOC within our communities. • Use the Local Profile and SOC Dashboard to target strategic and operational responses to SOC. • Raise awareness about SOC and criminal exploitation to people recognise the associated risk and harm, seek support, and make informed choices. **Pursue** - detect, disrupt, and prosecute those who are involved in exploitation or SOC within our communities. • Continue to embed our multiagency approach and use of our collective powers to frustrate or dismantle organised crime within our communities. • Collectively use the Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA) to ensure that criminals don't financially benefit from SOC. **Protect** - recognise vulnerabilities exploited by SOC and criminal exploitation activity and seek opportunities to reduce risk.

healthy, happy, and independent for longer in supportive communities. Opportunity in a far local economy – Local people and businesses contribute to and benefit from a strong and fair local economy. Neighbourhood pride - Residents live in well maintained, connected and safe places with good and affordable homes.		• Raise awareness of SOC and criminal exploitation within the multiagency workforce and vulnerable or at-risk communities to reduce vulnerability and aid in identifying threats and how to protect against them. **Prepare** - Stop SOC and exploitation quickly and mitigate the impact of it on our communities where it occurs. • Continue to embed our multiagency arrangements for tactical SOC meetings that enable partners to respond robustly across all age groups.

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Anti-social behaviour To Increase Community Confidence through the prevention and reduction of Anti-Social Behaviour. ……. **Police and Crime Plan 2024-28** Embed a prevention-first culture by working proactively to prevent crime through community partnerships and stakeholder engagement. Ensure the local community has a voice in how policing is delivered in the local area. Regular engagement with the community and being easy to reach. Quick and efficient response to incidents and concerns, with timely follow up reports.	Cheshire Police Cheshire West and Chester Council (Community Safety Team)	**Prevent** – prevent people from causing ASB within our communities. • Work with partners to deliver multiagency events to deter and reduce ASB. • Work with partners in the Water Safety Partnership to reduce the risk of harm posed by water. • Work with partners to develop an enhanced commitment and opportunities for diversionary work. **Pursue** - detect, disrupt, and use relevant tools and powers to take action against those who cause ASB within our communities. • Use partners collective tools and powers, including preventative orders, to deliver targeted interventions to those who engage in ASB. • Strategically review the use of Community Protection Warning and Notice powers on a multiagency basis to enable officers intervene at the earliest opportunity. • Embed the new borough wide Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) and deliver effective training to practitioners. **Protect** - recognising the causes of ASB and then identifying the measures to reduce risks.

Address what is most concerning to communities and tackle these issues.

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Greener communities – Individuals, public services and businesses take action to move to tackle the climate emergency, achieve net zero, protect the natural environment and adapt to the impact of climate change.

Prepare - Stop ASB quickly and mitigate the impact of ASB on our communities where it occurs.

- Deliver partnership ASB Board with agreed priorities and actions.
- Use the ASB Board multiagency dashboard to target strategic and operational responses to ASB.
- Deliver an effective ASB Problem Solving Group (PSG) for each Local Policing Units (LPUs) area to coordinate multiagency problem-solving to localised issues, including giving structure and accountability to partner agencies for ASB case work.

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Combating Drugs and Alcohol abuse To prevent and reduce the harms caused by substance misuse and understand the drugs profile for Cheshire West through delivery of the local Combating Drugs Partnership Board (CDPB). ……. **Police and Crime Plan 2024-28** Tackle the root cause of criminality by supporting the rehabilitation of people who have offended or who are at risk of doing so. Embed a prevention-first culture by working proactively to prevent crime through community partnerships and stakeholder engagement.	Cheshire West and Chester Public Health	**Continued improvement of treatment and recovery services.** • Increase the percentage of prison leavers accessing treatment. • Increase the numbers accessing inpatient detoxification. • Increase engagement in substance misuse treatment. **Reduce drug related crime and drug supply.** • Maximising engagement with the criminal justice system to enhance opportunities for the use of positive requirements such as: Drug Rehabilitation Requirements (DRRs), Alcohol Treatment Requirements (ATRs) and Criminal Behaviour Orders (CBOs) to require offenders to engage with drug and alcohol services. • Disrupt and dismantle organised crime groups (OCGs) including 'county lines', involved in the transport and supply of controlled substances.

Ensure victims of crime receive the highest level of care, respect and support. Drive efficiencies and investigative capacity by using technology such as AI and data analytics. **……** **Borough Plan 2024-2028** Resilient people living their best lives - Local people are enabled to flourish, be healthy, happy, and independent for longer in supportive communities. Neighbourhood pride - Residents live in well maintained, connected and safe places with good and affordable homes.		**Reduce drug and alcohol related deaths and harm** . • Maintain a Local Drug Information System (LDIS) to share information with practitioners and issue warnings for local and national risks. • Maintain strong links with pan-Cheshire the Drug and Alcohol Related Death (DARD) panel. • Implement a 'Blue Light Approach' to support in tackling high impact change resistant drinkers. • Increase engagement in using Naloxone to reduce overdoses within opiate users. • Focus on reducing harm from Ketamine use.

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Domestic Abuse Intervene to prevent or reduce repeat experiences of Domestic Abuse. ……. **Police and Crime Plan 2024-28** Tackle the root cause of criminality by supporting the rehabilitation of people who have offended or who are at risk of doing so. Maximise the use of behaviour changing programmes for perpetrators of domestic abuse and stalking. Ensure victims of crime receive the highest level of care, respect and support. Commission specialist services which provide counselling, advocacy, and practical support to create a path to recovery.	Cheshire West and Chester Early Help and Prevention Service Cheshire Police	**Prevention** – raise awareness of the causes of domestic abuse and then identifying measures to reduce risk. • All Partners to continue to meet the requirements of the Domestic Abuse Act. • In accordance with statutory guidance, including any revised guidance ensure that Domestic Homicides Reviews (DHRs) are considered and carried out where required. • Review the Local Authority Open Access model. • Work with Charity and Voluntary agency to maximise the support available. • Provide support to those who harm through evidence-based approaches. • Finalise the Domestic Abuse Strategic Needs Assessment • Refresh the Domestic Abuse Strategy • Refresh the Domestic Abuse Action Plan **Pursuing people who harm** - detect, disrupt and prosecute. • Maintain an intelligence picture to prioritise prosecutions and appropriate interventions for

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those causing the most harm within our communities.

- Reduce the prevalence of domestic abuse across Cheshire West and Chester by disrupting and taking positive action against those who cause harm.

Supporting people harmed - Stop domestic abuse quickly and support people who are harmed.

- Implement, monitor, and review new a partnership Domestic Abuse Action Plan linked to the refreshed strategy and the Home Office Domestic Abuse plan.
- Ensure that the local authority meets its legal duties set out in the Domestic Abuse Act 2021 for Safe Accommodation.
- Prioritise IDVA support to the most vulnerable who have been subject to the highest levels of harm within our communities.

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Violence Against Women & Girls (VAWG) To prevent and reduce the number women and girls subject to violence within west Cheshire. ……. **Police and Crime Plan 2024-28** Tackle the root cause of criminality by supporting the rehabilitation of people who have offended or who are at risk of doing so. Maximise the use of behaviour changing programmes for perpetrators of domestic abuse and stalking. Ensure victims of crime receive the highest level of care, respect and support. **……** **Borough Plan 2024-2028**	Cheshire Police Cheshire West and Chester Council	**Understanding VAWG**- Understand the causes of violence against women and girls. • Explore and analyse the data relating to the prevalence VAWG and other related crimes. • Work with the cooperative council innovation network to share learning and best practice and develop progressive cooperative models to reduce VAWG within our communities. • Work with victims of VAWG to understand the availability and effectiveness of support services. **Prioritising Prevention** - engaging with boys and men to prevent violence against women and girls. • Develop a plan to change local attitudes towards VAWG and raise awareness amongst victims. • Create an environment where women and girls are not fearful or subjected to violence or public sexual harassment. • Work with expert organisations such as White Ribbon to engage men and boys as allies. **Supporting people harmed** - Support victims of violence to fully recover from VAWG where it occurs.

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Serious Violence To work in partnership to understand how violence is affecting communities and develop appropriate plans to prevent and reduce serious violence **…….** **Police and Crime Plan 2024-28** Embed a prevention-first culture by working proactively to prevent crime through community partnerships and stakeholder engagement. Quick and efficient response to incidents and concerns, with timely follow up reports. Address what is most concerning to communities and tackle these issues. Drive efficiencies and investigative capacity by using technology such as AI and data analytics.	Cheshire Police	**Prevent** – Prevent people from causing serious violence to our communities. • Work with partners to deliver against the serious violence duty through the CSP. • Invest in the professional workforce to increase the understanding of the causes, impact, and practical approaches to serious violence. • Identify relevant communities and establish place-based interventions to improve outcomes for those most at risk of involvement in serious violence. • Continue to deliver a Sport and Violence Prevention Partnership to leverage sports as a tool for reducing community violence and increase third-sector involvement. **Pursue** – Detect, disrupt, and prosecute those who cause serious violence within our communities. • Implement targeted interventions to reduce the risk of serious violence on our communities. • Maintain an intelligence picture to prioritise prosecutions and appropriate interventions for those causing the most harm within our communities.

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