

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Agenda Item 55

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Performance against Indicators NI 15 (Serious Violence) and NI 30 (Re-Offending by Prolific and Priority Offenders)

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Wards Affected: All

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The special circumstances for non-compliance with Council Procedure Rule 7, Access to Information Rule 5 and Section 100B (4) of the Local Government Act as amended (items not considered unless the agenda is open to inspection at least five days in advance of the meeting) were that the performance information necessary for the completion of the report was not available in time to meet the standard publication deadline.

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

1.1 This report provides information on the council's performance of two indicators that are part the National Indicator Set. The National Indicator Set is a basket of indicators which all authorities are monitored against as part of the national performance framework. The indicators are:

- NI 30 Re-offending by Prolific and other Priority Offenders
- NI 15 Serious Violence Crime Rate

These are both APACS¹ indicators (indicators which are part of the Police performance management framework). The council work with partners across the city to manage these indicators.

¹ Analysis of Policing and Community Safety

- 1.2 The reports outline the indicator details, the indicator results and how performance against them is being managed including past, present and future actions.
- 1.3 Performance against NI 30 has improved and is on track to meet target for 2009/10. NI 30 has been identified as a priority by the Brighton and Hove Local Strategic Partnership and has been included in the Local Area Agreement. A performance reward grant is attached to performance against NI 30 over 2009/10 and 2010/11, although reward amounts are substantially lower than in previous years.
- 1.4 Performance against NI 15 is not improving. However the targets against NI 15 are currently being re-evaluated as outlined in section 3.1 of Appendix 1.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (1) The committee are invited to review the performance and measures in place for these indicators to check progress and where necessary, recommend additional action or reporting
- (2) That the committee suggest their views on the effectiveness of performance information being delivered in this style.

3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 It was decided to look at National Indicators in greater detail to give ECSOSC the opportunity to look at performance issues within the council.
- 3.2 The information in this report has been provided by Ruth Condon, Performance Manager for the Partnership Community Safety Team, who works on behalf of the Community Safety Partnership (formerly the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership). The CSP brings together a wide range of partners from different sectors, including those who work together to impact on these particular indicators
- 3.3 The two specified indicators were chosen as they are two of the five indicators which under-performed against target in 2008/09.

4. CONSULTATION

4.1 None

5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

5.1 Evidence of performance against the National Indicators and delivery of Value for Money will be key elements of the Comprehensive Area Assessment. Successful achievement of the LAA outcomes 2008-2011 will attract performance reward grant payable in 2011/12 and 2012/13.

Legal Implications:

5.2 The report sets out information as to how the council are performing in respect of local and national indicators and Local Area Agreement targets. Individual reports presented to Cabinet, CMMs and Project Boards relating to specific projects and proposals always include legal implications and it is not considered necessary to reproduce that advice here, given the context of the report.

Equalities Implications:

5.3 The proposed new performance management framework aims to incorporate monitoring of progress against equalities and inclusion outcomes in the city.

Sustainability Implications:

5.4 The proposed new performance management framework aims to incorporate monitoring of progress against sustainability outcomes in the city.

Crime & Disorder Implications:

5.5 Reducing crime and disorder is a central theme of the Local Area Agreement and monitoring progress against these outcomes is a key element of the proposed new performance management framework.

Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

5.6 The management of performance is important and contributes to avoiding the risk that the councils improvement priorities will not be delivered. Progress against performance indicators informs our risk and opportunity management assessments.

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

5.7 TMT have a performance focus session each month, this is recognised as good practice and allows for both a quarterly overview of the organisations performance against the LAA and more spotlighted discussions on areas that require additional discussion. These

discussions will feed into the service planning timetable and establishment of a new Corporate Plan in the future. This is an essential part of the council's performance management framework, providing the link between the 3 year Corporate Plan and annual directorate and Team plans.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. NI 15 Serious Violence Crime Rate – managing partnership performance
2. NI 30 - Re-offending by Prolific and other Priority Offenders - Managing partnership performance