

Bromley Community Safety Partnership Strategy 2020-2023

2023/24 Quarter 1 (April – June 2023) Update

Priority 1 – Safer Neighbourhoods

Aim: To achieve reductions in the following crimes that are deemed by MOPAC, the Police and residents to be local priorities:

- Non-domestic violence with injury
- Crime against the elderly and vulnerable (financial abuse)
- Residential burglary
- Anti-social behaviour

Update

- During Q1 the Council Trading Standards Team received 49 complaints from residents in respect of doorstep crime and scams. The total consumer detriment associated with these cases was £132,295.
- A total of 27 calls were made to the Doorstep Crime Rapid Response number, resulting in 3 urgent responses to residents who were at immediate risk of losing money to a scam or rogue trader. One intervention saved a vulnerable consumer £1,650.
- Twenty advice and education talks have been delivered to local community groups and partners on how to recognise a scam, with a total of 350 people in attendance.
- The total estimated saving in Q1 in relation to healthcare and health related quality of life, together with estimated future savings following the intervention of the Council Trading Standards Team are £130,835.
- The CCTV Control Room actively support the police with 94 arrests in Q1, they also provided 94 evidence packs to the Police and 41 evidence packs for other regulatory activity.
- Partnership Community Impact Days (CIDs) have taken place each month to address hot-spot areas and reduce the number of reports for ASB, fly-tipping, arson, graffiti, weapons, nuisance vehicles. Agency representatives from the Council Environment and Public Protection Division and Police Safer Neighbourhood Teams regularly attend and they are joined by other agencies as appropriate to the area. The CID's have been well attended by the public.
- The ASB Panel continues to meet and provide a multi-agency approach to tackling problem behaviours by individuals leading to ASB. Standing members are the South East London Integrated Care Board (SEL ICB) Police Safer Neighbourhood Teams, registered social landlords (RSLs), mental health support services (Oxleas), Adult Safeguarding, Children's Services, Change Grow Live, Public Protection.

- The Police Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) have provided advice and equipment to people who have been victims of crime e.g., Smart water, Catalytic Converter marking, home security advice, Crime prevention events & working alongside 'Designing Out Crime' teams.
- The SNTs have also undertaken school visits, safer schools interventions and provided access to activities for young people to help them make good choices and divert them from ASB and crime.
- The Police, Council and LA & BDAS continue to monitor, sign-post and safeguard vulnerable individuals at risk of alcohol or substance misuse.

Priority 2 – Violence Against Women and Girls

Aim: To reduce violence against women and girls, change the culture that allows this to happen, and empower them to take control, in doing so we will:

- Better protect women and girls
- Improve support for those affected
- Target offenders

Update:

- Recommissioned victim survivor service BCWA with an increased budget.
- Developed LBB DA web pages to include services, advice and guidance to victims, parents of victims, perpetrators and professionals. This includes a safety button on all LBB websites DA pages for safe exit. [What is domestic abuse? \(bromley.gov.uk\)](#)
- Developed a professionals directory available on LBB sister sites- Parenting hub, BSAB and BSCP. [Domestic Abuse Professional's Service Directory - Bromley Parenting Hub](#)
- Developed the training package further by identifying and sourcing specialist training: Protection orders, working with perpetrators, sign health, Gypsies and Travellers, Harmful practices: supporting women and girls at risk of forced marriage and FGM in the style of lunch and learns to increase accessibility to staff.
- DA training is now mandatory across Children's Social Care.
- Engaged victim service BCWA with Community Safety Impact Days to broaden reach and support partnership working
- Successful 'Walk and Talk' initiatives have been conducted in the High St, alongside Bromley Town Centre Team officers which resulted in positive public engagement with this campaign, providing feedback to officers about ASB issues, and, specifically, how to help blind females. Work is progressing on further events which will focus on providing friendly and safe environment for females and their families at football matches.
- Two Op Vigilant events have been held in Bromley Town Centre and Beckenham High Street. Utilising the resources available from the TAC teams & licensing

teams to target potential suspects from harassing women during night-time economy periods. Further Op Vigilant initiatives towards Autumn/Xmas periods.

- Multiple agencies attended Ask 4 Angela training held at the Churchill Theatre – this was arranged in partnership with Bromley BID & the Safer Business Network.
- Across the South London Police Area (Bromley, Croydon and Sutton) 47 Domestic Violence Protection Orders (DVPO) and 21 Stalking Protection Orders (SPO) have been issued at court.
- A series of 'Lunch & Learn' domestic abuse awareness raising sessions are being planned a range of agencies invited to attend.
- Point of Contact stall held in Bromley High Street open to the public who were able to stop and chat to officers about VAWG concerns in the area in confidence.
- SEL ICB (Bromley) has funded the Identification and Referral to Improve Safety (IRIS) Service in Bromley. IRIS is a programme of evidence-based, effective and cost-effective intervention to improve the general practice response to DA and is nationally recognised. The IRIS Service delivered education and training to Bromley GP practices on the identification and appropriate referral of victims of DA.
- SEL ICB additional commissioned an IRIS GP Clinical Lead to support local GP practices by promoting DA services and to attend appropriate steering groups, and professional DA forums, including the Bromley MARAC meetings.
- The SEL ICB Safeguarding Team continues to chair and manage the DA Health Forum attended by health provider representatives. The forum's purpose is to build a whole Health model of responses to DA in Bromley through:
- Acknowledging that DA is an issue deserving of a whole Health partnership approach.
- Having oversight of the local response to DA in Health.
- Mapping provision of DA support across the local health economy, identifying gaps and escalating accordingly.
- Providing a platform to optimise multiagency Health partnerships to achieve safe responses for victims/survivors.
- Providing the means for members to share good practice, including the identification of funding opportunities.
- A Safeguarding Adults Review (SAR) highlighted risk factors relating to the Domestic Abuse of Older Persons. The GP practice where the patient who was the subject of the review was registered, implemented a practice led learning event led by the Independent Domestic Violence Advocate (IDVA) of the Bromley ICB commissioned IRIS service.

Priority 3 – Keeping young people safe

- Aim:** To improve outcomes and life chances for children and young people in contact with the youth justice system, or at risk of becoming involved in crime and anti-social behaviour by:
- Reducing the number of first-time entrant children in the youth justice system, and reduce re-offending.
 - Reducing the number of knife crimes, by volume and repeat victims and reduce levels of serious youth violence.
 - Preventing and reducing substance misuse.

Update:

- The Police have;
 - appointed a single Safer Schools Inspector (Gary Allen) to ensure strategic oversight and consistency in relation to the Safer School Partnership. Previously this was a shared role across the South London BCU.
 - Rolled-out of the 'look up, look out' robbery initiative with BRIT team, utilising social media platforms and digital displays in key areas.
 - Recognising some of the issues of youth disorder a partnership working group has been formed with the objective of keeping young people safe. The group meet regularly at key times throughout the academic year forming a collaborative approach to minimise further occurrences in key locations, such as Bromley Town Centre and the Glades.
 - Offering Selecta Smart DNA marking kits to Year 7 pupils at key location to reduce the risk of personal robbery.
- The Police Safer Neighbourhood Teams have;
 - Worked with BDAS and Bromley Changes in schools to educate young people on preventing and reducing substance misuse.
 - Worked with Bromley Mentoring Initiative (BMI) to divert children from crime and ASB.
 - Attended school assemblies focusing on knife crime/crime prevention/robberies - educating YP on consequences of criminality.
- The SEL ICB has Designated Professionals for Children and Children Looked After, as senior professionals, clinical experts and strategic leaders, are a vital source of safeguarding advice and expertise for all relevant organisations and agencies but particularly the Integrated Care Board, NHS England, and the local authority, BSCP and for advice and support to other health practitioners across the health economy. The Designated Professionals (CYP) contribute to multi agency subgroups and work on the strategic priorities of the Borough and SEL.
- A number of multi-agency panels continue to meet to ensure effective strategies are adopted to safeguard children and young people, these include the Multi-agency Child Criminal Exploitation (MACCE) and the Missing, Exploitation and Gang Affiliation (MEGA) Panel. These meetings are attended by various Council, Police and Health representatives.

- The Health Forum provides a professional network for Named Safeguarding Professionals (Nurses and Doctors) across the NHS and Private Sector and has attendance from public health colleagues including Change, Grow, Live where themes, trends, workstreams are discussed.

Target offenders

- LBB are now coordinating the Domestic abuse perpetrator panel (DAPP) and developed a new model to align with Bromley needs
- Supporting the roll out of the pan London Drive model
- Identified specialist training for staff working with perpetrators and added to the DA training package.
- Delivered workshops to DA partnership to support understanding of diversion work with perpetrators

Priority 4 – Stand together against hate crime and extremism

Aim: To improve reporting of hate crime and to reduce repeat victimisation of victims of hate crime.

Update:

- The Police are undertaking daily calls to victims of Hate Crime following victimisation / criminal allegations being made, focusing on quality-assurance and Victim Care. Working with partners such as Housing Authorities, Social Care and the LA, and organisations who specialise in Hate Crime such as CATCH and Broken Rainbows, to achieve the best outcome for all victims of hate crime and extremism.
- Quarterly GP Practice Lead Forums delivered by ICB Adult and Child GP Safeguarding leads are held to deliver topics including Prevent.