

Armagh Banbridge & Craigavon PCSP

Action Plan 2025-26

Introduction

The overall outcome that Armagh Banbridge & Craigavon PCSP wishes to achieve is a safe community where we respect the law and each other.

Armagh Banbridge and Craigavon PCSP is committed to successfully delivering the functions of the PCSP, improving community safety by tackling actual and perceived crime and anti-social behaviour and supporting community confidence in policing.

The partnership intends to make a difference to all the people who live, work and do business in the Borough by delivering:

- Projects aimed at reducing crime and fear of crime across rural and urban communities especially older and vulnerable people by educating and informing the community of steps that can be taken to prevent becoming a victim of crime.
- Projects that aim to reduce the damage to communities caused by anti-social behaviour in the Borough, with an emphasis on problem solving partnership working, early intervention and diversionary activity
- Projects that aim to reduce harm and raise awareness on a range of issues including hate crime, domestic and sexual violence, violence against women and girls, internet safety, and safety on the road.
- Activities that support monitoring of local police performance, and ensure local accountability
- Activities and projects that support community and police engagement
- Activities that build community confidence in the rule of law

The Department of Justice and NI Policing Board have agreed three Strategic Priorities for PCSPs.

Strategic Priority 1 – To ensure effective delivery in response to local need, and improve the visibility and recognition of the work of the PCSP through effective consultation, communication and engagement

through:

- *carrying out meaningful engagement in the district with the local community, relevant statutory partners / agencies, businesses and the community & voluntary sector in the development and implementation of PCSP Action Plans;*
- *ensuring ongoing two-way engagement in the district with the local community, relevant statutory partners / agencies, businesses and the community & voluntary sector to provide a problem-solving forum to identify effective solutions to local issues, ensuring sufficient flexibility to address issues as they emerge, and seeking relevant expertise from the designated organisations as appropriate;*
- *using a range of platforms, including multi-media, to communicate and promote the work of the PCSP; and*
- *increasing awareness of the work of the PCSP.*

Strategic Priority 2 - To improve community safety by prioritising and addressing local community safety issues, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

through

- *utilising the partnership created by the statutory, elected and independent/ community membership of the PCSP to initiate and lead work to improve community safety and tackle ASB locally;*
- *working in partnership to develop outcome and locality focused interventions to address the most pressing crime types and behaviours impacting local community safety, as evidenced by local need, with appropriate targets and indicators so that impacts can be measured;*

- *drawing on best practice, promote early intervention and collaborating effectively to improve PCSP-supported projects and programmes that address the underlying causes of ASB, crime and the fear of crime in the community, including, where appropriate, a focus on changing behaviours;*
- *enhancing safety and feelings of safety, in particular for those who might be more vulnerable;*
- *engaging with partners in the district, to horizon scan in order to respond to and re-direct resources to respond to emerging local community safety issues;*
- *having cognisance of the Community Safety Framework in developing local plans, and providing a feedback loop to the Community Safety Board on local issues in order to inform community safety policy development – and vice versa; and*
- *providing comprehensive community input into decision-making processes about tackling actual and perceived anti-social behaviour and giving feedback to the community on the effectiveness of interventions on meeting outcomes.*

Strategic Priority 3 – *To support confidence in policing, including through collaborative problem solving with communities through*

- *ensuring local accountability through the Policing Committee's role in monitoring police performance;*
- *identifying priorities from the PCSP Plan for consideration in the development of the local Policing Plan which are consistent with the Northern Ireland Policing Plan;*
- *providing views to the District Commander through the Policing Committee and supporting the PSNI to engage with the community to identify and address local problems;*
- *delivering initiatives that link to identified local problems that impact confidence in policing;*
- *carrying out meaningful local events aimed at increasing PSNI engagement with local communities to build and strengthen public confidence in policing;*
- *delivering PCSP initiatives in the hardest to reach communities;*
- *providing a platform for the PCSP and PSNI to engage with young people, including on the themes of upholding the rule of law, and of ways of increasing confidence in policing; and*
- *building community confidence in the rule of law by helping mitigate the harm caused to people and communities by paramilitarism, criminality and organised crime consistent with wider Programme for Government objectives and through use of co-design principles, where appropriate.*

In January 2025 Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon PCSP undertook a Strategic Assessment of Policing and Community Safety in the Council Area. This exercise was undertaken to ensure that the priorities identified continued to reflect priority policing and community safety issues in the borough and was informed by analysis of information provided by statutory partners, as well as the results of borough wide engagement and consultation on policing and community safety across the council area.

In bringing together this plan cognisance was also taken of:

- The Community Safety Framework¹
- The Draft NI Policing Plan 2025-2030²
- CJINI report – Community Safety and Local Policing Arrangements in Northern Ireland³
- Public Satisfaction with PCSPs – NI Life and Times Survey⁴ and the NI Safe Community Survey⁵
- Together: Building a United Community⁶
- The Executives approach to tackling paramilitary activity, criminality and organised crime⁷
- Connected: A Community Plan for Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough 2017-2030⁸

¹ <https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/community-safety-framework>

² [Policing Plan Consultation 2025-2030 \(nipolicingboard.org.uk\)](https://www.nipolicingboard.org.uk/policing-plan-consultation-2025-2030)

³ [CJINI - Criminal Justice Inspection Northern Ireland - Community Safety and Local Policing Inspection](https://www.cjini-ni.gov.uk/reports/community-safety-and-local-policing-arrangements-in-northern-ireland)

⁴ www.ark.ac.uk/nilt/

⁵ [Northern Ireland Safe Community Survey | Department of Justice \(justice-ni.gov.uk\)](https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/northern-ireland-safe-community-survey)

⁶ <https://www.executiveoffice-ni.gov.uk/topics/good-relations-and-social-change/together-building-united-community-tbuc>

⁷ <https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/articles/executive-programme-tackling-paramilitary-activity-and-organised-crime>

⁸ <https://www.armaghabanbridgecraigavon.gov.uk/download/9210/community-planning-2018/24006/connected-community-plan-3.pdf>

Community Safety Consultation 2024

Between September 2024 and January 2025 a community consultation was carried out using a survey with 6 questions designed to establish the main priorities for the work of the PCSP. The questionnaire was distributed at events organised and attended by PCSP staff, via use of a web link distributed through the PCSP's social media accounts, Council email contact list, to established contacts of the PCSP and Text Alert service users.

A total of 370 local people completed the survey and the following local priorities emerged:

Most concerning issues

The three biggest community safety issues selected by respondents were:

Drug and Alcohol misuse (52%), **Anti-social Behaviour** (52%) and **Road Safety** (43%). These were followed by internet safety at 22% and Burglary at 15%.

Most Important Activities for the PCSP and it's partners

When asked to select the most important activities the PCSP and it's partners should concentrate on 47% of respondents said **engaging with the community**, 43% said **working with young people** and 38 % said **crime prevention**. This was followed by reducing the impact of ASB (29%), improving community confidence in policing (26%) and working with our partners to improve community safety 25%.

Confidence in policing Questions 3 and 4 asked for opinions on how good a job the police were doing locally and how much confidence the respondent had in the police. Most respondents said that the police did an excellent job (21%) or a good job (40%). 31% of respondents said the police did an adequate job and 9% said that they thought the police did a poor job.

When asked how much confidence they had in the police locally 32% had total confidence, 61% said they had some confidence and 7% said no confidence.

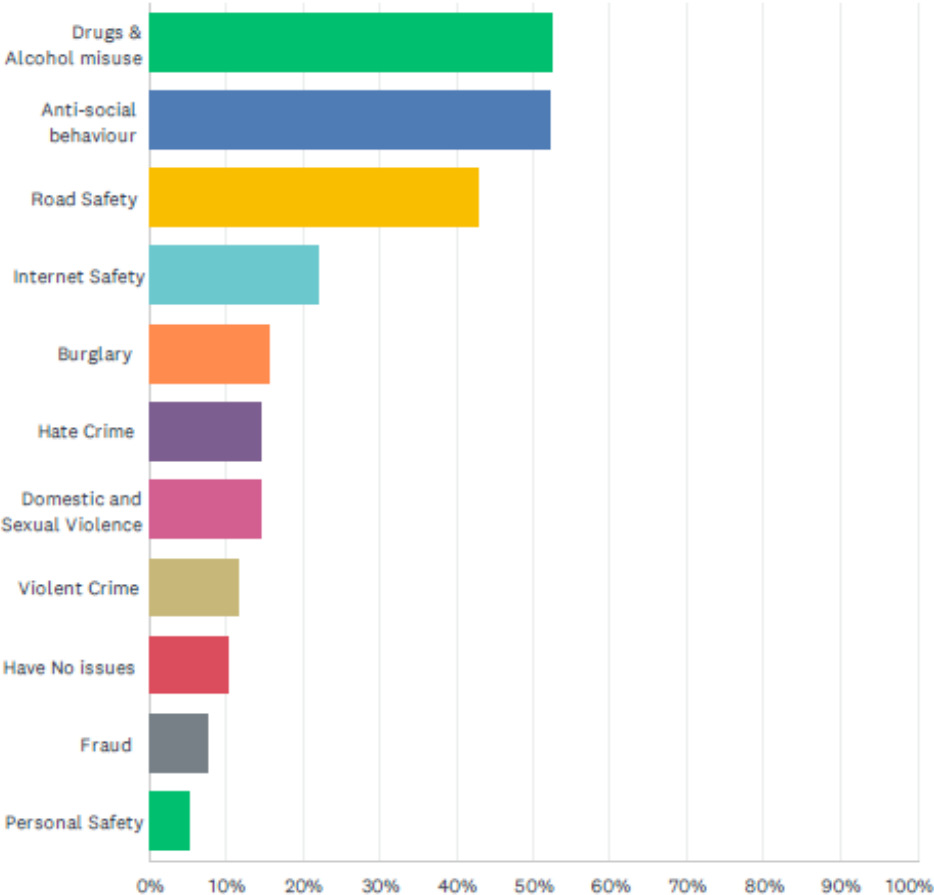
Perceptions of Crime and Safety

When asked at question 5 if they thought crime had risen in the last year where they lived the majority of respondents felt it had stayed the same (54%), 9% said they thought crime levels had fallen and 37% indicated that they felt it had risen.

Most people felt either very safe (28%) or safe (65%) where they lived and a minority felt unsafe (7%) or very unsafe (<1%).

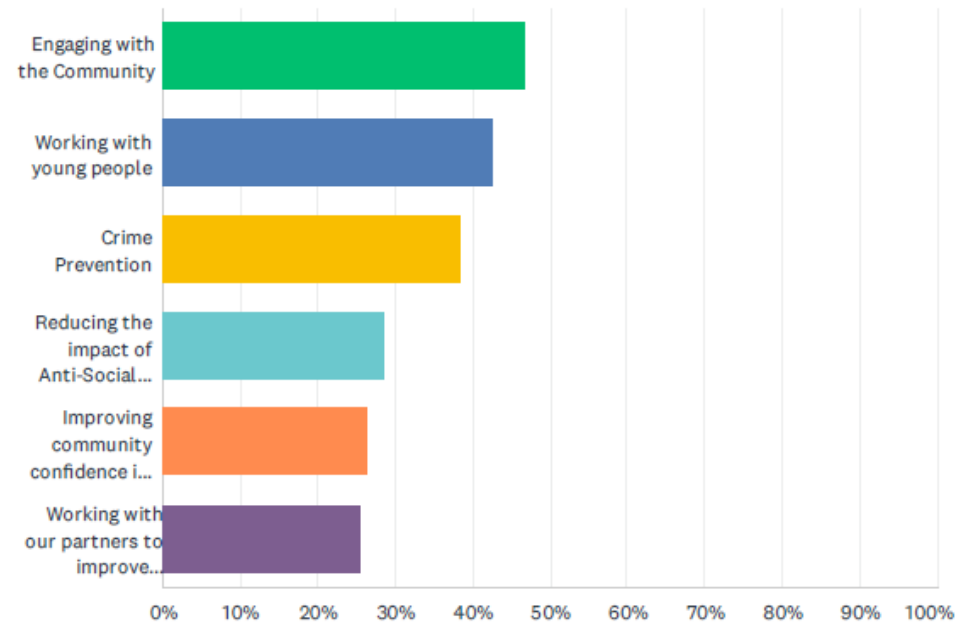
Q1 What do you feel are currently the 3 biggest issues where you live?

Answered: 368 Skipped: 2



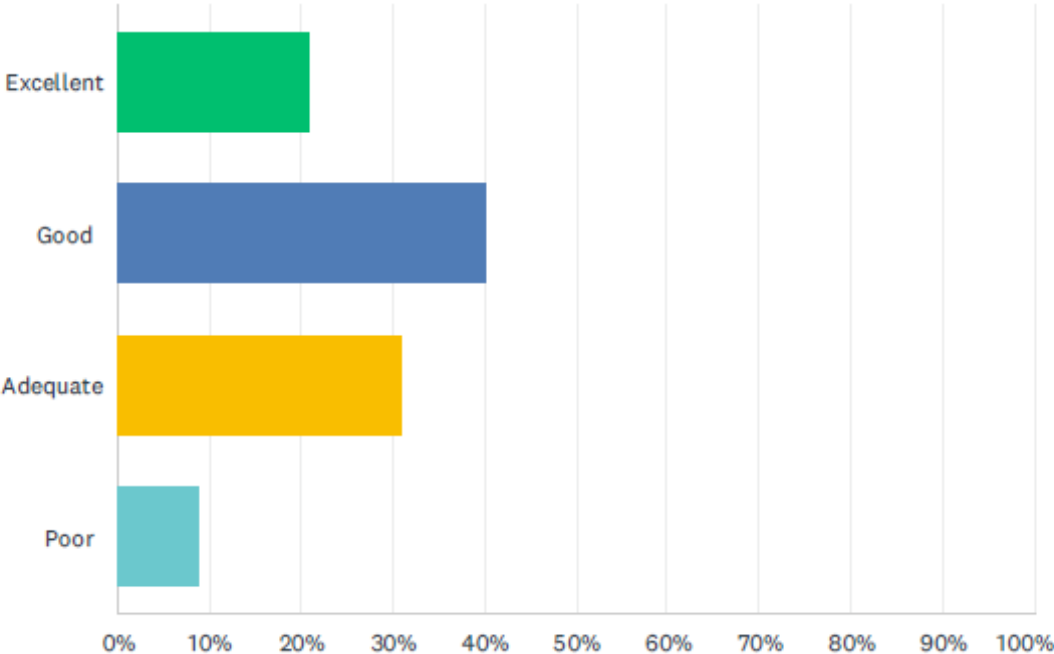
Q2 Please choose the most important activities you think the PCSP and it's partners should concentrate on where you live?

Answered: 364 Skipped: 6



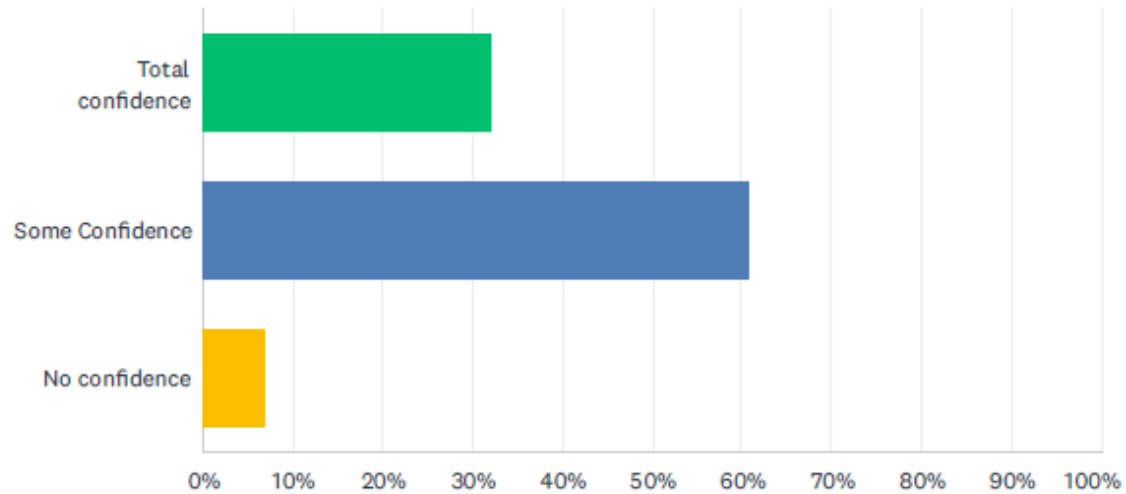
Q3 How good a job do you think the police do where you live?

Answered: 365 Skipped: 5



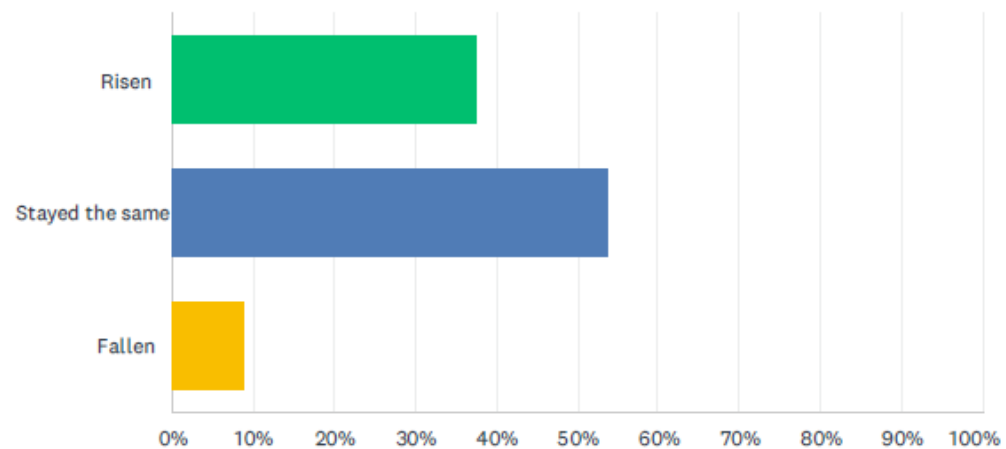
Q4 How much confidence do you have in the Police?

Answered: 364 Skipped: 6



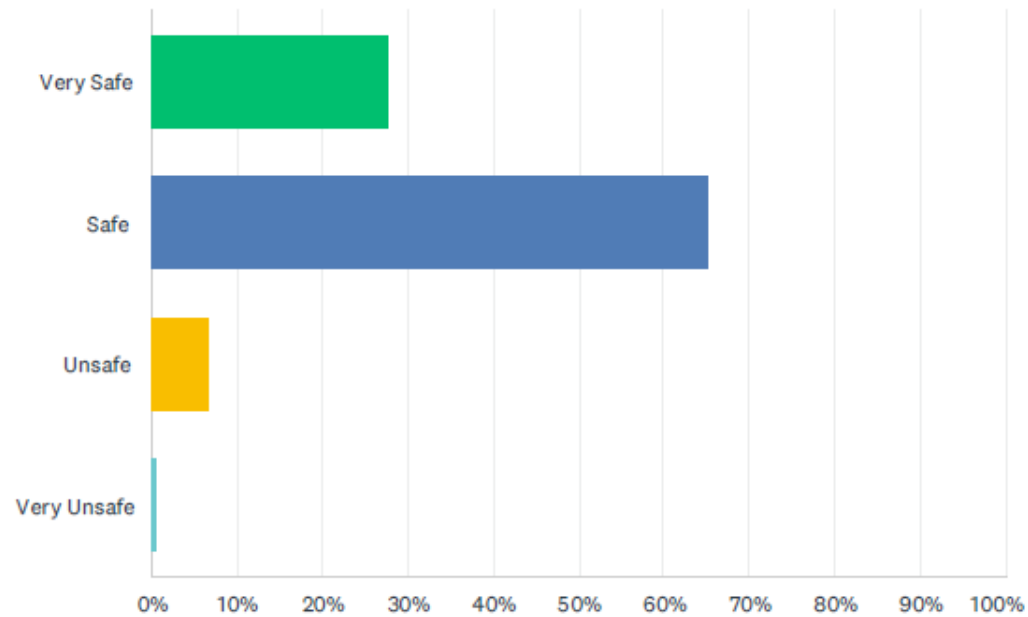
Q5 Do you think crime has risen in the last year where you live?

Answered: 358 Skipped: 12



Q6 How safe do you feel where you live?

Answered: 365 Skipped: 5



A Review of 2024/25

A Turning the Curve Exercise was undertaken in November 2024 to review the 2024/25 PCSP Action Plan to ensure that projects and initiatives adequately contributed towards the overall outcome. Also taken into consideration were the current Departmental Priorities in relation to Community Safety i.e.

- ASB;
- Drugs and Alcohol Abuse;
- Hate Crime;
- Domestic and Sexual Abuse and Violence Against Women and Girls
- Cyber Crime;
- Vulnerabilities from Organised crime (including paramilitary linked criminality).

As a result of the Turning the Curve Exercise the following themes have been confirmed as a local priority.

Delivery the Functions of the PCSP	Facilitation of PCSP private & public meetings and meaningful engagement with local people on matters of community safety and policing. Awareness raising of the work of the PCSP using traditional and social media methods
Crime Prevention	Initiatives including the following; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Home security & scams prevention – with a particular focus Older people• General crime prevention awareness raising• Good Morning scheme• Hate Crime• Business and agricultural Crime Prevention
Anti-social behaviour	Improving community safety and tackling ASB locally by delivering: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ASB Diversionary Programmes

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problem solving partnership working • Intergenerational programmes • Offensive graffiti removal (including the removal of hate crime related graffiti). • Get Home Safe Bus
Reducing Harm	<p>Initiatives aimed at raising awareness on issues including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic & Sexual Violence • Ending Violence Against Women and Girls • Road safety • Problematic Drugs and alcohol use • Engagement with young people on a range of issues which negatively impact them • Provision of Community Safety Warden service
Community Confidence in policing	<p>Monitoring police performance</p> <p>Delivering activities to support community and police engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement with young people and hard-to-reach groups • Text Alert Scheme • Supporting Watch Schemes <p>Supporting local communities to become resilient to harmful influence and coercive control of organised crime.</p>

Turning The Curve Summary - Review of 2024/25 Action Plan

Strategic Priority 1 – To ensure effective delivery in response to local need, and improve the visibility and recognition of the work of the PCSP through effective consultation, communication and engagement			
Theme	Project Name and short description	Short Impact Synopsis and turning the curve result	Decision
PCSP Functions	<p>Facilitation of PCSP consultation & public meetings</p> <p>Raise awareness of the PCSP using traditional and social media methods</p>	<p>Delivery of key service functions is vital to the effective work of the PCSP.</p> <p>Members should continue to be supported and receive appropriate training and development opportunities to enable them to carry out their role.</p> <p>Social media as well as mainstream media is seen as an important instrument, along with other PR approaches, to increase awareness of our brand and success of our work.</p> <p>Developing members profile and encouraging engagement with the community should be a priority.</p> <p>Continue with current approach</p>	Continue

Strategic Priority 2 – To improve community safety by prioritising and addressing local community safety issues, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

Theme	Project Name and short description	Short Impact Synopsis and turning the curve result	Decision
Drugs & Alcohol awareness	Drugs and Alcohol initiatives, workshops and awareness raising.	<p>Drugs and alcohol abuse continues to feature high up as an issue of concern, it continues remain in the top three issues of concern for those who took part in the Community Safety consultation, in fact this year was the top concern (52%). Members felt this was due to accessibility and lack of access to support services.</p> <p>Provision of Rapid Bins has continued this year to help keep unwanted medication from being misused a total of 12 bins are in place with most bins are emptied monthly, others every few months. By the end of quarter 2 over 8322 items had been removed from circulation across the borough.</p> <p>Delivery of drugs and alcohol awareness programmes were well supported this year and by the end of quarter 2 in 2024 430 young people from 3 schools had received Theresa Burke's emotional and hard-hitting presentation. Feedback from participating schools remains positive</p> <p><i>"my daughter came home from school and told us your story at the dinner table and had us all in tears so, mother to mother I want to thank you so so very much for the wonderful selfless work you do I hope you know you make a difference and you are saving lives".</i></p>	Continue

		<p>Members agreed that the PCSP should continue to find practical and interactive ways to raise awareness of these issues in partnership with other agencies. Members thought that there should be more awareness on prescription drugs and the harm it does, more information for parents about signs and symptoms of drugs use and an increase in the number of RAPID bins. It was also suggested that Theresa Burke talks may need to be evaluated more thoroughly and other/different ways to engage on this issue considered.</p> <p>Continue with current style of delivery to develop specific workshops and initiatives according to current need whilst undertaking thorough evaluation of current methods of delivery.</p>	
Domestic & Sexual Violence	<p>Domestic & Sexual Violence awareness raising initiatives</p> <p>Ending violence against women and girls</p>	<p>Domestic violence continues to be a priority in the Borough particularly given the rise in deaths of women due to domestic violence. The Partnership continues to work in partnership with other agencies to improve reporting, awareness of information, resources and support available, and to signpost to available support services as well as supporting regional organisations and highlighting the importance of health relationships to young people. The partnership was able to support domestic violence counselling sessions for male victim by providing funding to the Men's Advisory Project to deliver one-to-one counselling for male victims in the Borough and to support three conferences in partnership with PSNI, Women's Aid and the Southern Domestic and Sexual Violence Partnership.</p> <p>Members were keen that this area of work be continued to raise awareness of support for domestic violence victims, and to encourage those who report to stay in the system to help bring abusers to justice.</p>	Continue

		<p>The recent Framework to end violence towards women and girls was seen as a positive move forward and the partnership should have more focus on education and prevention, on whole society attitudinal change and encouraging healthy relationships.</p> <p>Continue with current approach and find ways to educate and inform at an early stage to challenge negative behaviours and promote positive relationships.</p>	
Road Safety Education and Awareness	Road Safety Education & Awareness Initiatives	<p>Considerable concern continues to be expressed at community meetings around road safety, including driving whilst impaired, speeding (particularly rural roads), use of mobile phones and anti-social driving. Road Safety remained the third highest issue of concern in our annual survey with 43% of respondents stating it as one of the biggest issues in their area.</p> <p>Members agreed that support for road safety education for young and older people should continue, and that road safety messages should be as hard-hitting and impactful as possible. Working in partnership with NIFRS and PSNI does also have the added benefit of increasing engagement of people with local police. It was felt that special educational needs schools/youth groups should also be a focus as well as pre-school and primary school students. Members thought that Kids Court which operates in other areas would be a positive progression for ABC.</p> <p>PCSP continues to support a very active Road Safety Committee in the area which has done some outstanding lobbying (particularly in relation to the A1), as well as</p>	Continue

		<p>outreach and preventative work which should continue to be encouraged. Speed Indicator Devices which are maintained and monitored at over 20 locations in the borough along with 4 mobile Speed Indicator Devices provided to Neighbourhood Policing Teams have been very well received with great community support and provides good, solid information about road safety behaviour at those sites. This is fed back to PSNI and DfI so assist road safety considerations and speeding operations. Members felt that although PCSP is not able to provide more SIDs that PCSP could work with community groups to increase the number of SIDs in areas where community concern is highest.</p> <p>Continue with current approach</p>	
Emerging Issues	Hate Crime	<p>Although levels of reported hate crime in our Borough have not seen the significant rises other areas have members thought that Hate Crime should have its own ring-fenced budget to continue to work with statutory agencies and Good Relations colleagues in council and to be able to respond should this crime type increase.</p>	Continue
Young Peoples Engagement	Safety Awareness Programme for Schools and Youth Groups	<p>Activities to engage with young people, including work with parents and intergenerational projects have been very well received in schools and by youth providers. Over 40% of respondents to the PCSP survey said that working with young people was one of the most important activities that PCSP and its partners should concentrate on.</p> <p>Road Safety, cyber bullying, internet safety, risk taking behaviour such as drug taking/vaping and underage drinking, and healthy relationships were all identified as key areas to focus on.</p>	Continue

		<p>We continue to work with schools and youth providers to deliver workshops in local post primary schools on Drugs and Alcohol, Internet Safety ASB and consequences of becoming involved in the criminal justice system and on road safety being a particular priority for primary age children.</p> <p>Continue to identify opportunities to engage with young people, including those with special needs, to deliver safety and awareness programmes on relevant subjects in partnership with partners including Council Good Relations Department.</p>	
Inter-generational work	Inter-generational Programmes in the Borough	<p>Intergenerational work benefits individuals and the wider community by increasing self-confidence, encouraging a sense of belonging in the community, challenges negative stereotypes and reduces fear between generations. Work in this area increases a sense of empathy between generations including understanding the challenges younger and older people face.</p> <p>Continue to identify suitable target groups and possible delivery/funding partners to deliver Intergenerational Programme throughout the Borough</p>	Continue
Crime Prevention & Home Security	<p>Home security initiatives</p> <p>Scams and Fraud Awareness Raising</p> <p>No Cold Calling Zones</p>	<p>This high impact this very personal crime remains a priority for the PCSP particularly as the cost-of-living crisis may continue to an increase acquisitive crime. Crime prevention was the second highest issue that the community think the PCSP should focus on with just under 40% of respondents to the community safety survey stating it was one of the</p>	Continue

	<p>Crime prevention advice and awareness raising</p> <p>Older Persons Home Security Scheme</p> <p>Good Morning Scheme</p> <p>Business Crime and Agricultural Crime</p>	<p>most important things PCSP and its partners should concentrate on.</p> <p>An increase in the level of crime involving scams or technology seems inevitable with the increased use of technology for banking, shopping, etc and a move away from keep cash at home. Older people are seen as a vulnerable group in this regard but being scammed is not exclusive to this age group. Increasingly sophisticated scammers and ever-changing methods being used by criminals makes this a priority.</p> <p>Home security assessments continue to be delivered to vulnerable older people living with a fear of crime. Consideration will be given to expanding the scheme to domestic violence victims. Requests for scam awareness presentations have significantly increased and are of great benefit to recipients many of whom are particularly vulnerable due to loneliness and isolation.</p> <p>The Good Morning Service is a confidential telephone service for people over 60 in the Borough delivered in partnership with the Southern Trust. The service aims to connect older people and carers with their community, and to help people live safely and independently in their homes. The Confederation of Community Groups (CCG) provides this service and continues to build its client base and volunteer capabilities.</p> <p>Although Agricultural crime continues to remain low Farm Watch, provision of Selecta DNA kits and signage as well as trailer marking is seen as an important practical way to ensure this remains the case particularly in light of the current cost of living crisis and anticipated rise in acquisitive</p>	
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		<p>crime. Members felt it important to continue this in partnership with PSNI colleagues.</p> <p>Members considered that all the projects and initiatives aimed at preventing crime were still relevant and necessary and determined that these should be kept in the 2025/26 plan for delivery.</p>	
Anti-social Behaviour	<p>Removal of offensive or sectarian graffiti</p> <p>ASB Diversionary Programmes and Initiatives</p> <p>Collaborative ASB problem solving with key stakeholders</p> <p>Provision of Get Home Safe bus</p> <p>Community Safety Wardens</p>	<p>Communities continue to express concern about this issue, particularly in some parks and open spaces in the borough, which was joint highest issue of concern amongst the respondents to our survey (52%). PCSP has continued to work with our partners including PSNI and local youth providers to tackle ASB in areas of priority need throughout the Borough in a joined-up fashion. A wide range of targeted diversionary activities were delivered often with the input with PSNI and EA Youth Service. PCSP Officers will continue to work with communities, youth groups and statutory partners to co-design effective interventions which encourage positive behaviours.</p> <p>PCSP has continued to work with local partners and multi-agency cooperation has helped to deal with ASB in hotspot areas such as parks and open spaces and other public areas in town centres.</p> <p>Demand continued in the first 2 quarters of the year for removal of graffiti that deemed racist, sectarian or of a sensitive nature throughout the ABC area with 168 Sq metres of offensive graffiti removed as reported by 26 complainants.</p> <p>Members are keen to continue to deliver this very important work and therefore agreed that projects that aim to reduce the harm of ASB in the Borough should</p>	Continue

		<p>remain a principal part of the 2025/26 delivery plan, with an emphasis on problem solving partnership working and early intervention/diversionary activity in priority areas.</p> <p>The main centre of nighttime economy for the borough is Portadown Town Centre which attracts a large number of patrons in a concentrated area of the town and is now seen as a priority need for the Community Safety Warden Service. Daytime intelligence led patrols focusing on key areas of need identified by a close working relationship with local police, Council departments and other partners continue to be a benefit. This service has been supported with funding from the NIHE.</p> <p>Patrols in ASB Hotspots continue to be well received throughout the borough. Police in particular were grateful of the extra support and business owners and partners report how beneficial this service is. Comments included 'always very friendly and helpful', 'very valuable service' and 'much needed very professional'.</p> <p>Wardens continue to work in an intelligence led manner and partnership with council officers, statutory partners and businesses to address reports of ASB. This project works particularly to assist PSNI to identify and monitor patterns and areas of concern and providing reassurance to residents and businesses.</p> <p>Members felt that this valuable service should be highlighted better in PCSP communications to increase their visibility and showcase the service.</p> <p>The Get Home Safe Bus is a service in Lurgan that helps people get home safely after a night out and reduces the likelihood of violence and street disorder. The bus operates</p>	
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		<p>from William Street in Lurgan each Saturday night. In the first 2 quarters of the year almost 2000 people used the service over 26 nights of service provided. User feedback remains 100% positive.</p> <p>After some debate members agreed that this service should continue but that officers should explore the possibility of introducing a small charge to offset cost.</p>	
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Strategic Priority 3 – To support confidence in policing, including through collaborative problem solving with communities

Theme	Project Name and short description	Short Impact Synopsis and turning the curve result	Decision
Engagement of Local Community and Police	<p>Activities that provide engagement opportunities for local geographic and thematic communities with the police</p> <p>Consultation activities with local communities to identify priorities for local policing</p> <p>Support community engagement and confidence building activities with a focus in particularly vulnerable areas</p> <p>Text Alert Scheme</p> <p>Watch Schemes</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Policing Teams continue to be supported to increase confidence in policing locally. PCSP has a vital role in encouraging engagement between the police and local people, especially in hard-to-reach areas or with hard-to-reach sections of the community.</p> <p>In the 2024 Consultation Survey total confidence in police locally reduced from 43% to 32%, those who said they had some confidence increased from 48% to 61% since the last survey in 2022 and those who felt they had no confidence fell from 9% to 7%.</p> <p>Most respondents said that the police did an excellent job (21%) or a good job (40%). 31% of respondents said the police did an adequate job and 9% said that they thought the police did a poor job.</p> <p>Community engagement meetings continued to be held enabling local people to maintain regular contact with</p>	Continue

		<p>senior officers and allow them to discuss issues important to them and seek help with finding solutions. Members thought these of great benefit but would like to see a more varied attendance.</p> <p>The Text Alert service continues to be utilised by some Neighbourhood teams better than others. Consideration was given to discontinuing the scheme but it was felt that the scheme should be reviewed and if managed better would be important to maintain for those who do not use social media but still need to receive important information. PSNI will continue to be encouraged to use the system and a review of budget available should be carried out in 2025/26.</p> <p>NHW Coordinators continued to be supported by PCSP and local NPTs and Coordinators although PSNI contact has reduced because of recent resourcing issues, it will be even more important for the PCSP to provide support to Coordinators. It was suggested at the workshop that NHW should be rebranded or refreshed. This may not be possible because of the national branding model – however PSNI NPT officers should be encouraged to increase their engagement with coordinators – particularly in line with changes of personnel in Neighbourhood Teams.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Policing Teams have been supported to deliver a wide range of engagement activity involving young people and engagement has been excellent particularly in areas where they are particularly at risk of getting involved in the criminal justice system.</p>	
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		<p>Combatting the effects of organised crime in partnership with other agencies remains a priority and we continue to take part in collaborative working alongside PSNI, other partners agencies, Tackling Paramilitarism Team and Good Relations/Community Development Officers and are committed to supporting local people to resist and remove coercive control from their neighbourhoods.</p> <p>A good working relationship and increased liaison has been established with North Lurgan & Drumgask Community Safety Forum.</p> <p>Continue with current approach</p> <p>Maximise opportunities to enable Neighbourhood Policing Teams to engage with local people to increase public confidence particularly young people in areas where they are most at risk of harm.</p>	
Monitor Local Police Performance	<p>Policing Committee Meetings</p> <p>Development of Local Policing Plan</p>	<p>Members engage well at Policing Committee Meetings and reports from the Area Commander are comprehensive and there is a feeling of transparency and honesty in response to questions from the District Commander.</p> <p>Policing Committee meetings are an important mechanism to not only monitor police performance but to raise issues that are important to local people or are causing concern in communities.</p> <p>Continue to monitor police performance and provide a mechanism for local people to feel they can raise and have a part in solving issues of community concern in relation to how policing is delivered locally.</p>	Continue

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Baseline Information - Indicators the PCSP will contribute to and the baseline the PCSP intends to impact on

Indicator 1: % of people aware of PCSPs,

Indicator 2: % of people very satisfied that PCSPs have increased engagement

Indicator 3: Anti-Social Behaviour Rate

Indicator 4: Recorded Crime Rate

Indicator 5: Road Traffic Collisions

Indicator 6: Do you think crime has risen in the last year where you live?

Indicator 7: How much confidence do you have in the police?

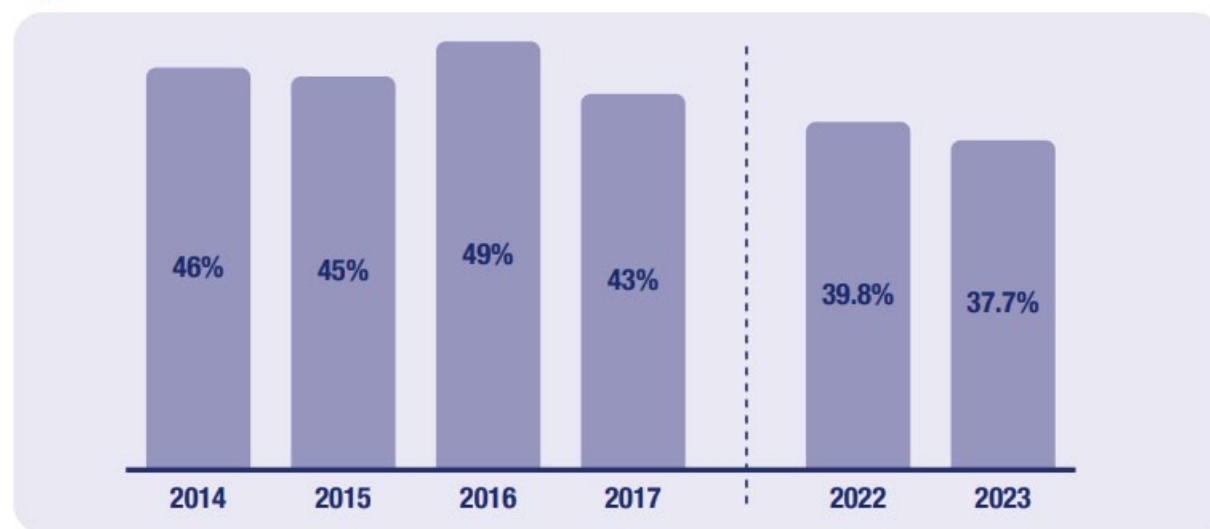
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Indicator 1: % of people aware of PCSPs,

Indicator 2: % PCSPs have improved Local Policing

Awareness of PCSPs



PCSPs have improved Local Policing

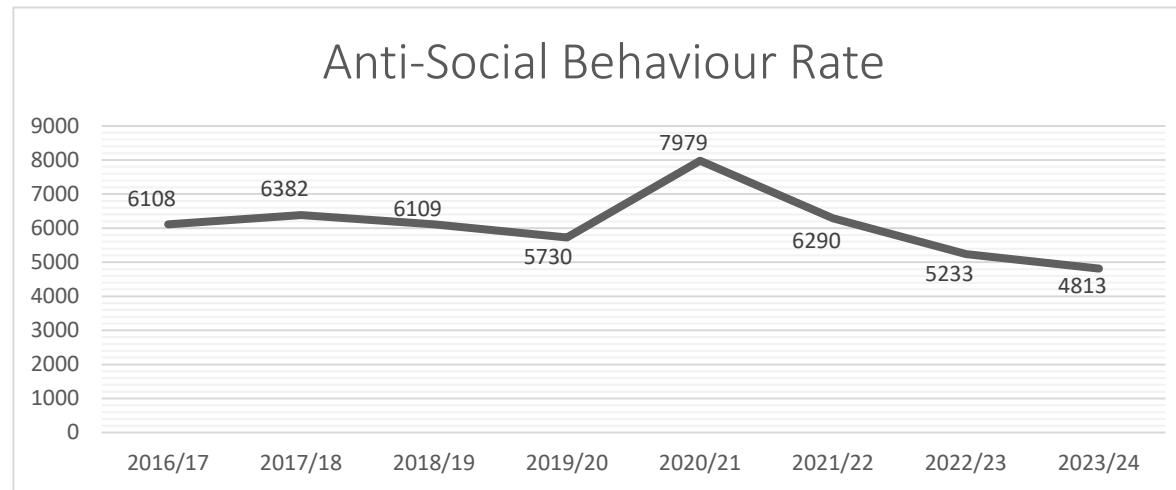
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Yes	38.0%	37.0%	37.0%	41.0%		53.4%	53.4%
No	35.0%	42.0%	39.0%	36.0%		20.4%	25.8%
Don't know	27.0%	21.0%	23.0%	23.0%		26.2%	20.8%

[NI Policing Board Policing Plan Survey 2023](#)

Strategic Priority 2:

To improve community safety by prioritising and addressing local community safety issues, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

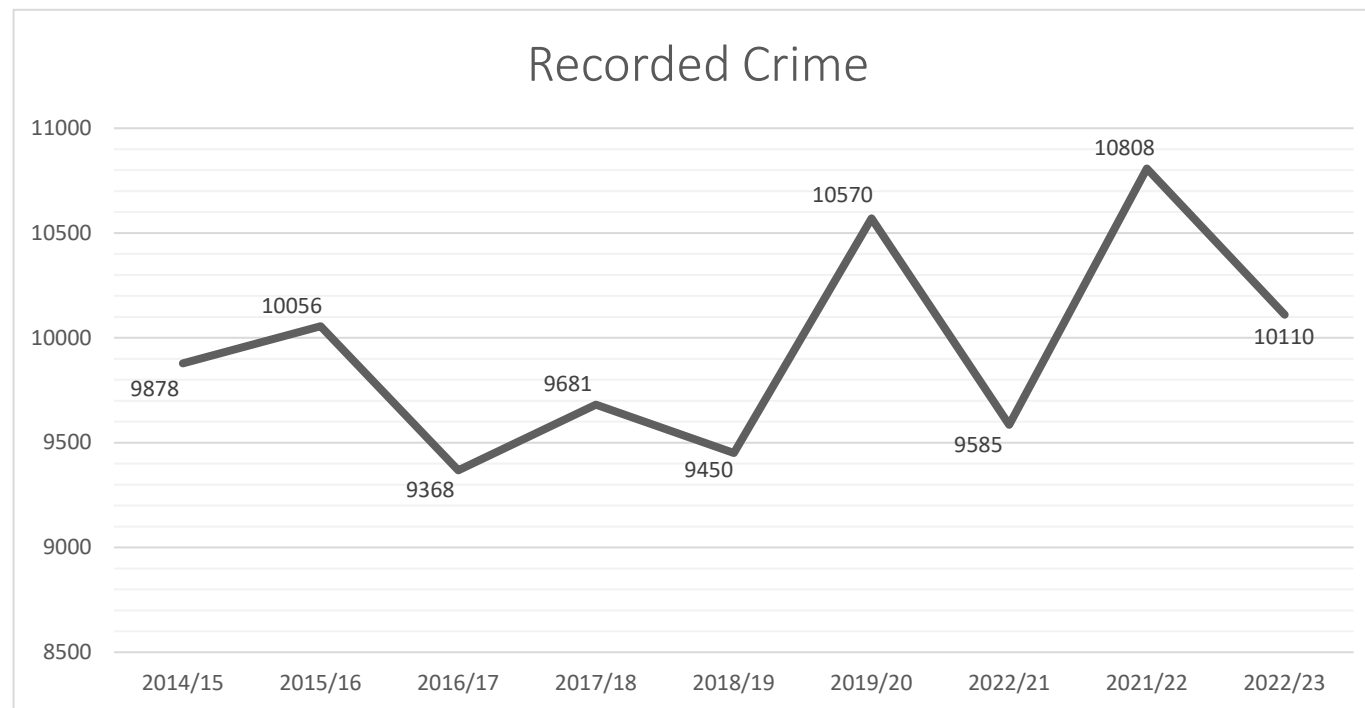
Indicator 3: Anti-social Behaviour Rate



2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
6108	6382	6109	5730	7979	6290	5233	4813

Source: PSNI Statistics

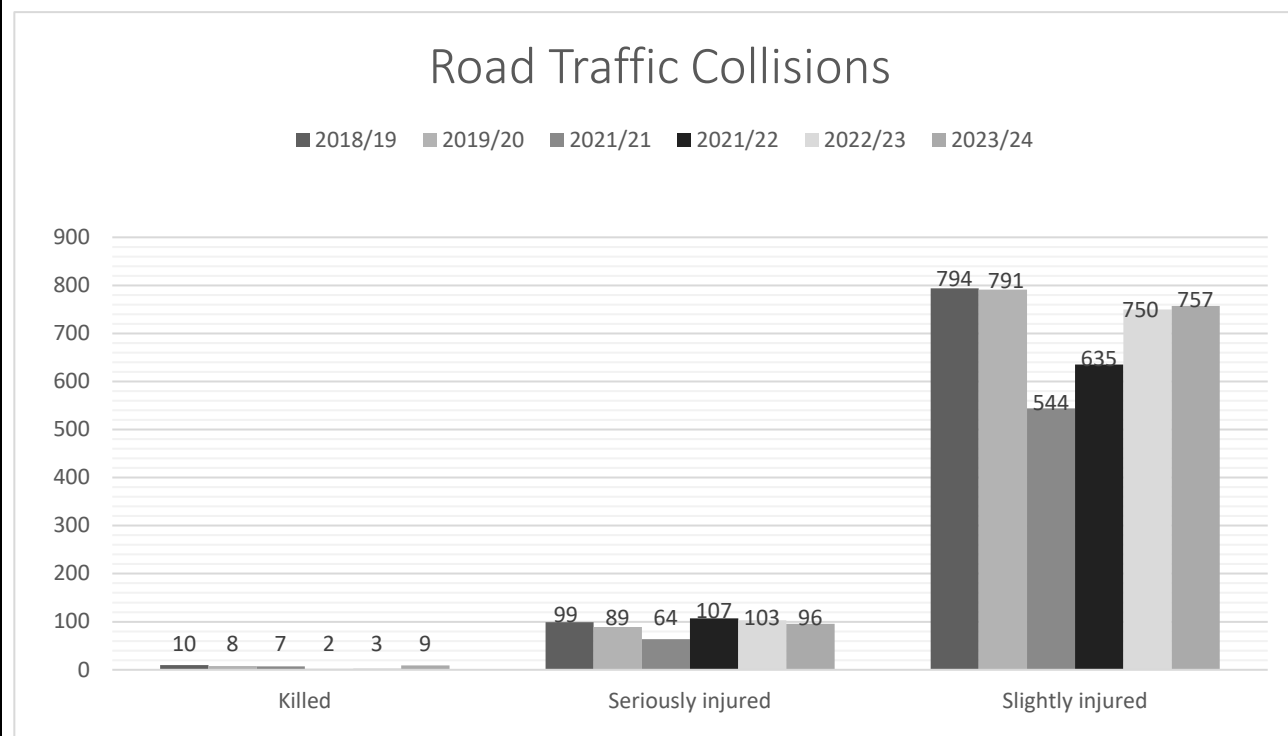
Indicator 4: Recorded Crime Rate



2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2022/21	2021/22	2022/23
9878	10056	9368	9681	9450	10570	9585	10808	10110

Source: PSNI Statistics

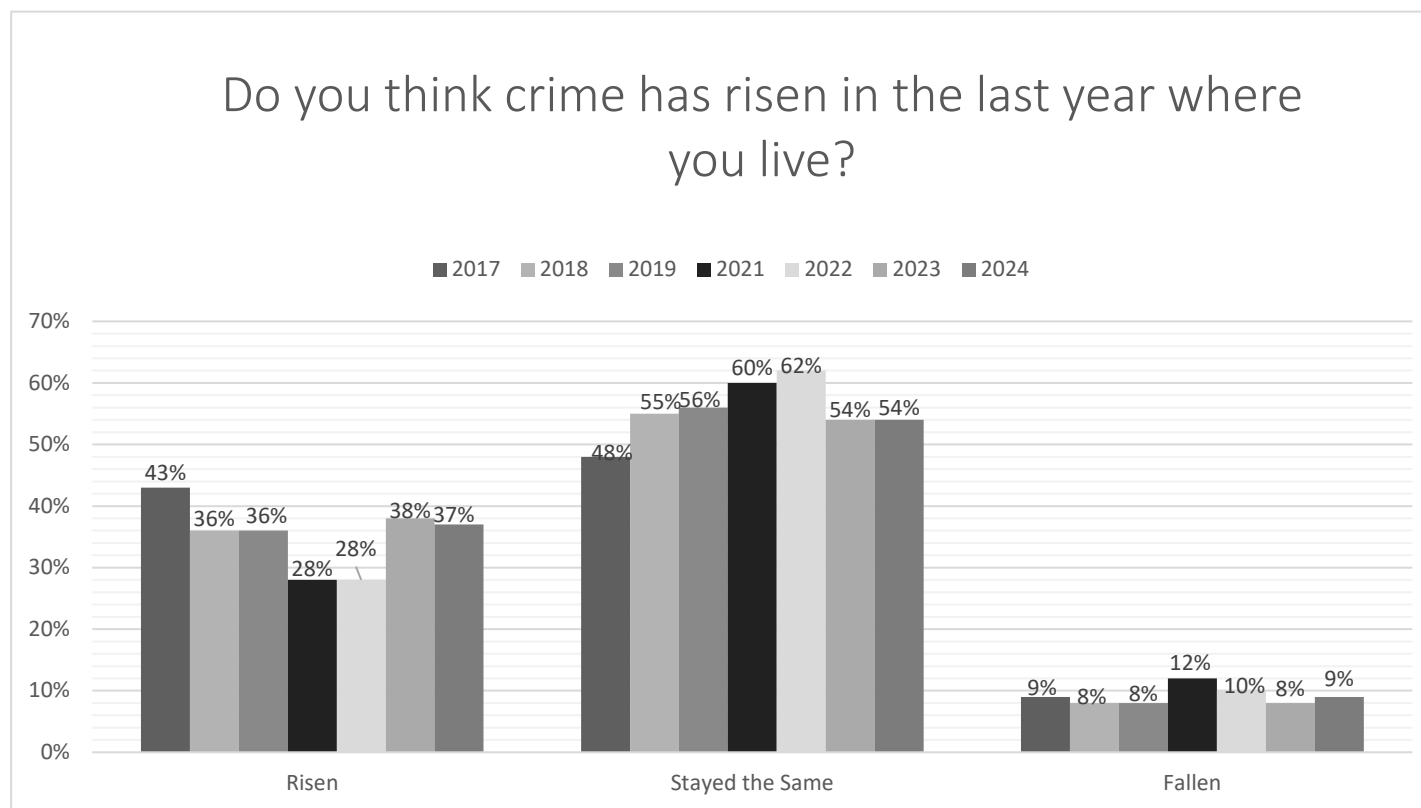
Indicator 5: Road Traffic Collisions



2018/19	2019/20	2021/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
10	8	7	2	3	9
99	89	64	107	103	96
794	791	544	635	750	757

Source: PSNI Statistics

Indicator 6: Do you think crime has risen in the last year where you live?

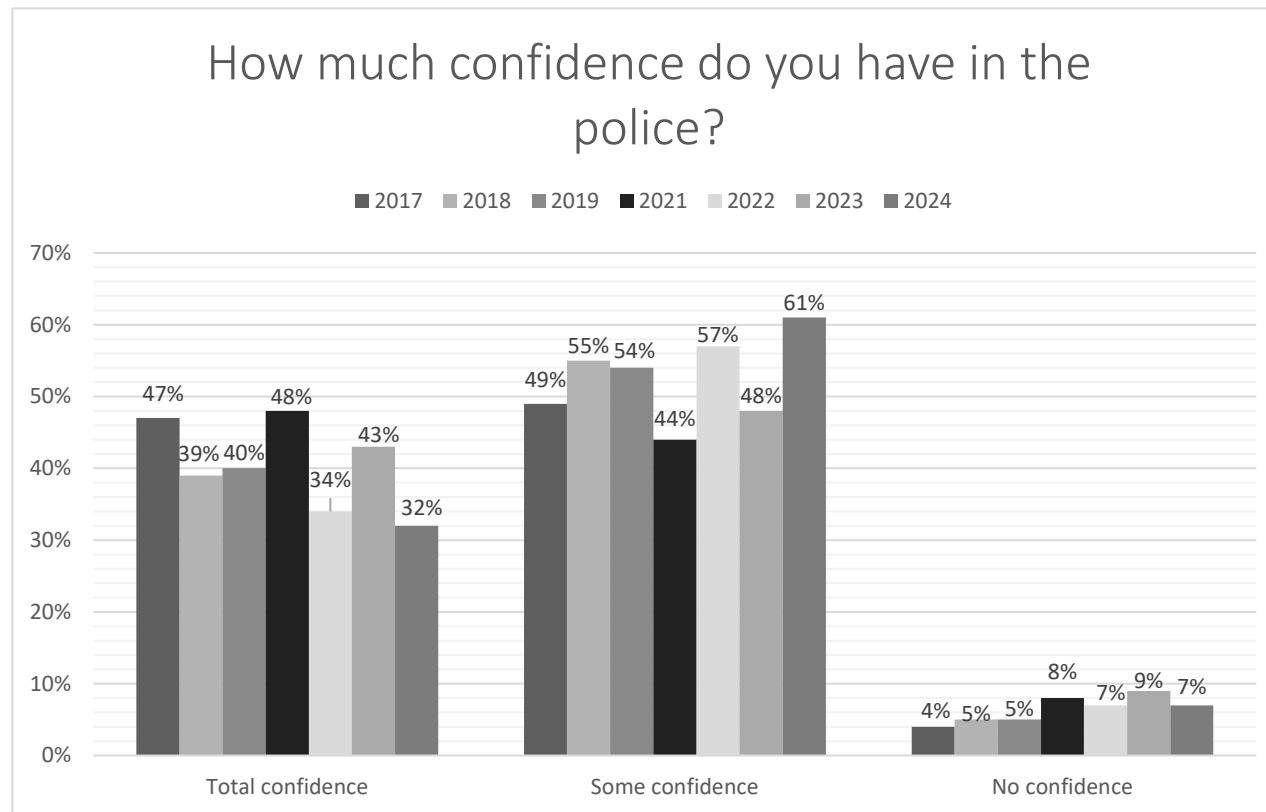


Source: ABC PCSP Community Consultation Survey (2024)

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Indicator 7: How much confidence do you have in the police?



Source: ABC PCSP Community Consultation Survey (2024)

Action Plan 2025/26

Strategic Priority 1 – To ensure effective delivery in response to local need, and improve the visibility and recognition of the work of the PCSP through effective consultation, communication and engagement							
Indicators		Indicator 1: % of people aware of PCSPs, Indicator 2: % of people very satisfied that PCSPs have increased engagement					
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
PCSP Functions	To evidence impact through delivering key service functions of the PCSP	Facilitation of PCSP meetings, consultation & public meetings	April 2025	March 2026	£5000	<p>How much did we do? # of specific consultation events/meetings # of PCSP Meetings, Community Engagement Events held (including PCSP public meetings)</p> <p>How well did we do it? # of members of the public/stakeholders at consultation events/meetings</p> <p># and % of members of the public satisfied with meeting/event</p> <p>Is anyone better off? # and % of attendees who feel they have had their voice heard</p> <p># of attendees at consultation / engagement events with an increased knowledge of the work of the PCSP</p>	2,3, 4

		Raise awareness of the PCSP using traditional and social media methods	April 2025	March 2026		<p>How much did we do? # Specific PR activities delivered # of social media posts</p> <p>How well did we do it? # of Social media likes/followers # of social media reach # Reports in local press and other publications # Amount of Advertising Value Equivalent</p> <p>Is anyone better off? # % of social media likes/followers with improved awareness of the PCSP</p>	2,3, 4

Strategic Priority 2 - To improve community safety by prioritising and addressing local community safety issues, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

Indicators		Indicator 3: Anti-Social Behaviour Rate Indicator 4: Recorded Crime Rate Indicator 5: Road Traffic Collisions Indicator 6: Do you think crime has risen in the last year where you live?					
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
Crime Prevention	To deliver projects aimed	Crime Prevention	April 2025	March 2026	£68,832	How much did we do?	2,3, 4

	at reducing crime, fear of crime and increasing feelings of safety and security especially amongst older and vulnerable people.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General crime prevention awareness raising - Older Peoples Home security Scheme - Scams & Fraud prevention - Business and agricultural crime - Hate Crime 				# of specific crime prevention awareness raising events delivered/attended # of participants engaged at events # Referrals for home visits # home visits conducted # items of home security equipment provided # onward referrals to partner agencies # equipment marking events How well did we do it? #% of participants/partners reporting satisfaction with activities/service Is anyone better off? #% of participants who feel safer #% have increased awareness/knowledge % participants more likely to report crime/engage with police following engagement/activity	
		Good Morning Scheme	April 2025	March 2026	£11,052	How much did we do? # of participants # contact calls made How well did we do it? #% of participants/partners reporting satisfaction with the service Is anyone better off? #% of participants who feel more supported, confident and equipped to live independently in their own homes. #% of referrals to crime prevention and other support initiatives.	2,3, 4

ASB	To deliver projects that aim to reduce the damage to communities caused by anti-social behaviour in the Borough, with an emphasis on problem solving partnership working, early intervention and diversionary activity.	ASB Diversionary programmes	April 2025	March 2026	£23,378	How much did we do? # of participants per activity # activities delivered How well did we do it? #% of participants/partners reporting satisfaction with activities Is anyone better off? # % participants with changed behaviour/circumstances as a result of activity #%partners reporting improved partnership working with other key stakeholders (as a result of their involvement with PCSP) #% participants more likely to engage with PSNI as a result of activity	2,3, 4
		Intergenerational Programmes	April 2025	March 2026	£15,878	How much did we do? # of participants per programme # activities delivered How well did we do it? #% of participants reporting satisfaction with activities Is anyone better off? #% participants with improved awareness/knowledge/understanding of issues identified	2,3, 4

		Offensive Graffiti Removal Scheme	April 2025	March 2026	£15,878	<p>How much did we do? # referrals received # referrals responded to within two working days # of Sq M of offensive graffiti removed. # Referrals received</p> <p>How well did we do it? #% of complainants reporting satisfaction with service % of referrals resolved within two working days</p> <p>Is anyone better off? #% complainants who feel their area is improved/feel safer as a result of graffiti removal</p>	2,3, 4
		Get Home Safe Bus	April 2025	March 2026	£28,878	<p>How much did we do? # of service users # of nights the service is provided</p> <p>How well did we do it? #% of service users/partners reporting satisfaction with service</p> <p>Is anyone better off? #% service users who feel safer as a result of service</p>	2,3, 4

Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
Reducing Harm	To deliver projects that aim to reduce harm, support vulnerable people and raise awareness of the support and information available on a range of issues including drugs and alcohol misuse, domestic and sexual violence, internet safety, hate crime, mental health, personal safety and safety on the road.	Domestic & Sexual Violence awareness raising, support and signposting	April 2025	March 2026	£27,378	How Much? # of users supported How Well? #% of users satisfied with service provided #% of partners satisfied with the service (if applicable) Is anyone better off? #% of users feeling safer/more supported as a result of the service #% of users with a better understanding of services available to them #% partners reporting better partnership working (if applicable) % participants more likely to report crime	2,3, 4
		Ending Violence Against Women and Girls General Harm Reduction Awareness focussing on emerging issues Administrative support to ABC Support Hub				How much did we do? # of participants per activity # activities delivered How well did we do it? # % of participants reporting satisfaction with activities Is anyone better off? #% participants with improved awareness/knowledge	
		Engagement with Young People to raise awareness of the support and information available on a range of emerging issues including Bee Safe	April 2025	March 2026	£18,878	How much did we do? # of participants per activity # activities delivered How well did we do it? # % of participants reporting satisfaction with activities Is anyone better off? #% participants with improved awareness/knowledge	2,3, 4

		Road Safety Education and Speed Awareness initiatives including Speed Indicator Devices	April 2025	March 2026	£17,308	<p>How much did we do? # of participants per initiative # activities delivered # Fixed Speed Indicator Devices in operation. # of temporary speed indicator deployments in the Borough</p> <p>How well did we do it? #% of participants/partners reporting satisfaction with activities</p> <p>Is anyone better off? #% participants with improved awareness/knowledge #% of participants who will apply knowledge to improve road safety # % Local community feel road safety is improved. # % of Local Neighbourhood Teams feel better equipped to respond to community road safety concerns #% of SIDs reporting average reduction in speed (subject to topography).</p>	2,3, 4
		Community Safety Warden Service	April 2025	March 2026	£92,878	<p>How much did we do? # of patrols delivered # patrol hours</p> <p>How well did we do it? #% partners who are satisfied with the level of engagement</p> <p>Is anyone better off? # % partners feeling supported and confident that community safety is</p>	2,3, 4

						improved and crime reduced as a result of the service	
		Drugs and alcohol initiatives, workshops and awareness raising RAPID bins	April 2025	March 2026	£21,378	How much did we do? # of participants per initiative # activities delivered # of RAPID bins in use How well did we do it? #% of participants/partners reporting satisfaction with activities (including RAPID bins) Is anyone better off? #% participants with improved awareness/knowledge # drug items deposited in RAPID bins # type of drugs recovered from RAPID bins	2,3, 4

Strategic Priority 3 – To support confidence in policing, including through collaborative problem solving with communities

Indicators		Indicator 7: How much confidence do you have in the police?					
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
Monitor Local Police Performance	To deliver activities and projects that support monitoring of local police performance, and ensure local accountability	Policing Committee Private/Public meetings Development of Local Policing Plan	April 2025	March 2026	£750	<p>How much did we do? # Private/public Policing Committee meetings</p> <p>How well did we do it? #% attendance at Private Policing Committee meetings</p> <p>Is anyone better off? #% increased knowledge of local policing priorities and changes about how crime is policed</p>	2,3, 4
Engagement of local community and police	<p>To deliver activities and projects that support community and police engagement</p> <p>Support local communities to become resilient to harmful influence and coercive control</p>	<p>Activities that provide engagement opportunities for local geographic and thematic communities with the police</p> <p>Consultation activities with local communities to identify priorities for local policing</p>	April 2025	March 2026	£10,000	<p>How much did we do? # Engagement activities/meetings involving PSNI and local communities</p> <p># Engagement activities to consult with local communities to identify priorities</p> <p># Projects/activities that contribute to embedding a culture of lawfulness</p> <p>How well did we do it? #% of participants reporting satisfaction with activity</p> <p>Is anyone better off?</p>	2,3, 4

	of organised crime gangs.	Support community engagement and confidence building activities especially in particularly vulnerable areas.				<p>#% Increase of people more likely to engage with police and/or have increased community confidence in policing.</p> <p>#% of participants who believe they have been consulted about local policing priorities.</p>	
		Watch Schemes & No Cold Calling zones	April 2025	March 2026	£13,378	<p>How much did we do? # of NHW schemes in operation # of NHW coordinators # of households covered by NHW # Farm Watch premises registered # of No Cold Calling Zones in Borough</p> <p>How well did we do it? #% of watch schemes feeling supported by partners</p> <p>Is anyone better off? # % of NHW Coordinators who believe their area is safer as a result of the scheme # % of NHW Coordinators who have increased confidence in policing #% of registered Farm Watch participants feel safer as a result of their participation #% of Farm Watch participant that have increased awareness/knowledge of crime prevention measures</p>	2,3, 4

						% participants more likely to report crime/engage with police following engagement/activity	
		Text Alert Scheme	April 2025	March 2026	£13,878	<p>How much did we do? # registered users # Number of texts issued</p> <p>How well did we do it? #% of registered users reporting satisfaction with the service # and % increase of registered users from previous quarter</p> <p>Is anyone better off? #% registered users who feel more engaged with PCSP/PSNI #% registered users have increased community confidence in policing. #% of registered users feeling more informed</p>	2,3, 4
TOTAL Operational Cost					£384,722		
Total Admin cost					£28,000		
Total Joint Committee Funding					£412,722		

