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## Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

Thursday, 11th January, 2024  
at 5.30 pm

### **PLEASE NOTE ROOM CHANGE**

Conference Room 3, Civic Centre,  
Southampton

This meeting is open to the public

### **Members**

Councillor Blackman (Chair)  
Councillor Moulton (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor Evely  
Councillor Y Frampton  
Councillor Galton  
Councillor Greenhalgh  
Councillor Lambert  
Councillor Dr Paffey  
Councillor Quadir

### **Appointed Members**

Catherine Hobbs, Roman Catholic Church  
Francis Otieno, Primary Parent Governor  
Rob Sanders, Church of England

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## **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

### **Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee**

The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee holds the Executive to account, exercises the call-in process, and sets and monitors standards for scrutiny. It formulates a programme of scrutiny inquiries and appoints Scrutiny Panels to undertake them. Members of the Executive cannot serve on this Committee.

### **Role of Overview and Scrutiny**

Overview and Scrutiny includes the following three functions:

- Holding the Executive to account by questioning and evaluating the Executive's actions, both before and after decisions taken.
- Developing and reviewing Council policies, including the Policy Framework and Budget Strategy.
- Making reports and recommendations on any aspect of Council business and other matters that affect the City and its citizens.

Overview and Scrutiny can ask the Executive to reconsider a decision, but they do not have the power to change the decision themselves.

### **Southampton: Corporate Plan 2022-2030 sets out the four key outcomes:**

- **Strong Foundations for Life**.- For people to access and maximise opportunities to truly thrive, Southampton will focus on ensuring residents of all ages and backgrounds have strong foundations for life.
- **A proud and resilient city** - Southampton's greatest assets are our people. Enriched lives lead to thriving communities, which in turn create places where people want to live, work and study.
- **A prosperous city** - Southampton will focus on growing our local economy and bringing investment into our city.
- **A successful, sustainable organisation** - The successful delivery of the outcomes in this plan will be rooted in the culture of our organisation and becoming an effective and efficient council.

### **Procedure / Public Representations**

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<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
10 August	11 January
14 September	01 February
12 October	07 March
9 November	11 April
14 December	

**CONDUCT OF MEETING**

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The general role and terms of reference for the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee, together with those for all Scrutiny Panels, are set out in Part 2 (Article 6) of the Council’s Constitution, and their particular roles are set out in Part 4 (Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules – paragraph 5) of the Constitution.

**RULES OF PROCEDURE**

The meeting is governed by the Council Procedure Rules and the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules as set out in Part 4 of the Constitution.

**BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED**

Only those items listed on the attached agenda may be considered at this meeting.

**QUORUM**

The minimum number of appointed Members required to be in attendance to hold the meeting is 4.

**DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Members are required to disclose, in accordance with the Members’ Code of Conduct, **both** the existence **and** nature of any “Disclosable Pecuniary Interest” or “Other Interest” they may have in relation to matters for consideration on this Agenda.

**DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

A Member must regard himself or herself as having a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter that they or their spouse, partner, a person they are living with as husband or wife, or a person with whom they are living as if they were a civil partner in relation to:

(i) Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.

(ii) Sponsorship:

Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from Southampton City Council) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expense incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

(iii) Any contract which is made between you / your spouse etc (or a body in which the you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest) and Southampton City Council under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed, and which has not been fully discharged.

- (iv) Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of Southampton.
- (v) Any license (held alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of Southampton for a month or longer.
- (vi) Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) the landlord is Southampton City Council and the tenant is a body in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interests.
- (vii) Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of Southampton, and either:
- a) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body, or
  - b) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest that exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

### **Other Interests**

A Member must regard himself or herself as having an, 'Other Interest' in any membership of, or occupation of a position of general control or management in:

- Any public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature
- Any body directed to charitable purposes
- Any body whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy

### **Principles of Decision Making**

All decisions of the Council will be made in accordance with the following principles:-

- proportionality (i.e. the action must be proportionate to the desired outcome);
- due consultation and the taking of professional advice from officers;
- respect for human rights;
- a presumption in favour of openness, accountability and transparency;
- setting out what options have been considered;
- setting out reasons for the decision; and
- clarity of aims and desired outcomes.

In exercising discretion, the decision maker must:

- understand the law that regulates the decision making power and gives effect to it. The decision-maker must direct itself properly in law;
- take into account all relevant matters (those matters which the law requires the authority as a matter of legal obligation to take into account);
- leave out of account irrelevant considerations;
- act for a proper purpose, exercising its powers for the public good;
- not reach a decision which no authority acting reasonably could reach, (also known as the "rationality" or "taking leave of your senses" principle);
- comply with the rule that local government finance is to be conducted on an annual basis. Save to the extent authorised by Parliament, 'live now, pay later' and forward funding are unlawful; and
- act with procedural propriety in accordance with the rules of fairness.

## AGENDA

### **1 APOLOGIES AND CHANGES IN PANEL MEMBERSHIP (IF ANY)**

To note any changes in membership of the Panel made in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.3.

### **2 DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

In accordance with the Localism Act 2011, and the Council's Code of Conduct, Members to disclose any personal or pecuniary interests in any matter included on the agenda for this meeting.

NOTE: Members are reminded that, where applicable, they must complete the appropriate form recording details of any such interests and hand it to the Democratic Support Officer.

### **3 DECLARATIONS OF SCRUTINY INTEREST**

Members are invited to declare any prior participation in any decision taken by a Committee, Sub-Committee, or Panel of the Council on the agenda and being scrutinised at this meeting.

### **4 DECLARATION OF PARTY POLITICAL WHIP**

Members are invited to declare the application of any party political whip on any matter on the agenda and being scrutinised at this meeting.

### **5 STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIR**

### **6 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)**

(Pages 1 - 4)

To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meetings held on 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 and to deal with any matters arising, attached.

### **7 SAFE CITY PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REVIEW** (Pages 5 - 14)

Report of the Chair of the Safe City Partnership providing the Committee with an update for 2022/23 on community safety in Southampton and the Safe City Partnership.

### **8 MONITORING SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE**

(Pages 15 - 18)

Report of the Scrutiny Manager enabling the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to monitor and track progress on recommendations made to the Executive at previous meetings.



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SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 DECEMBER 2023

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Present: Councillors Blackman (Chair), Every, Y Frampton, Galton (except items 27 (part), 28-30), Greenhalgh, Finn and Fitzhenry  
Appointed Member Mr Rob Sanders

Apologies: Councillors Moulton, Lambert, Dr Paffey and Quadir

Also in attendance: Councillor Keogh, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport  
Councillor Fielker, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Housing

39. **APOLOGIES AND CHANGES IN PANEL MEMBERSHIP (IF ANY)**

It was noted that following receipt of the temporary resignation of Councillors Moulton and Paffey from the Committee, the Monitoring Officer, acting under delegated powers, had appointed Councillors Fitzhenry and Finn to replace them for the purposes of this meeting. Apologies were also noted from Councillor Quadir.

40. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes for the Committee meeting held on 22 November, 2023 be approved and signed as a correct record.

41. **PORTSWOOD BROADWAY CONSULTATION – UPDATE**

The Committee considered the report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport regarding the Portswood Broadway Transforming Cities Fund scheme following a second public consultation carried out between August - October 2023.

Councillor Keogh, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport, Pete Boustred, Head of Transport and Planning, Wade Holmes, Service Manager for Integrated Transport, Mr Roger Brown, Chair of Highfield Residents Committee, Ms Karen Edwards, Portswood Residents Gardens and local residents Mrs Lorraine Barter, Mr Ron Meldrum, Mr Crispin Jameson and Mrs Jane Jameson were present and with the consent of the Chair addressed the meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

- (i) That, as he appraises the feedback from the consultation process, the Cabinet Member reflects on the issues raised by the Committee and residents at tonight's meeting when determining the preferred option for the development of Portswood Broadway;

- (ii) That the Service Manager for Integrated Transport provides the Committee with the target for modal shift associated with the TCF programme, and specifically the Portswood Corridor Scheme;
- (iii) That the Service Manager for Integrated Transport clarifies when the referenced traffic survey would be undertaken and whether it would coincide with major roadworks within the vicinity of Portswood Broadway.
- (iv) That, reflecting the Committee's concerns that the detail within the report did not adequately address the request made when the issue was considered by the Committee in February 2023, the Committee recommended that the Cabinet Member and officers clearly demonstrate within the decision-making report, how the proposals would impact on the city's net zero ambitions.

NOTE: Councillors Blackman and Finn declared a personal and pecuniary interest in this item and remained at the meeting.

#### 42. **FORWARD PLAN**

The Committee considered the report of the Scrutiny Manager which enabled the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to examine the content of the Forward Plan and to discuss issues of interest or concern with the Executive.

#### DRAFT HOMELESSNESS AND ROUGH SLEEPING STRATEGY

The Committee considered the briefing paper attached to this item detailing the forthcoming Cabinet decision regarding the new Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024-2029.

Councillor Fielker, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Housing, Jamie Brenchley, Director of Housing and Maria Byrne, Service Lead: Housing Needs and Welfare were present and with the consent of the Chair addressed the meeting.

**RESOLVED** that a report updating the Committee on progress delivering the objectives outlined within the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy was considered on an annual basis by the Committee, commencing after January 2025 to reflect annual survey timings.

#### PROTECTION OF GREEN SPACES/AMENITY SPACE IN COUNCIL HOUSING ESTATES

The Committee received and noted the briefing paper attached to this item detailing a proposed new policy that protects amenity land / green spaces in housing estates and only enables the sale of such land in exceptional circumstances.

Councillor Fielker, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Housing, Tina Dyer-Slade, Head of Corporate Estate and Assets, Ola Onabajo, Service Manager: Asset Management and Lindsay McCulloch, Natural Environment Manager were present and with the consent of the Chair addressed the meeting.

43. **MONITORING SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE**

The Committee noted the report of the Scrutiny Manager which enabled the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to monitor and track progress on recommendations made to the Executive at previous meetings.

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<b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>		OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	
<b>SUBJECT:</b>		SOUTHAMPTON SAFE CITY PARTNERSHIP - ANNUAL REVIEW	
<b>DATE OF DECISION:</b>		11 JANUARY 2024	
<b>REPORT OF:</b>		CHAIR OF THE SAFE CITY PARTNERSHIP	
<b><u>CONTACT DETAILS</u></b>			
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<b>STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY</b>			
N/A			
<b>BRIEF SUMMARY</b>			
<p>This report provides the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC) with an update for 2022/23 on community safety in Southampton and the Southampton Safe City Partnership (SSCP). It includes information on the recently completed Community Safety Strategic Needs Assessment, as well as updates on operational work to tackle priority issues from the Safe City Strategy.</p> <p>The data refers to the period April 2022 to end March 2023 - this is the latest full year data available for analysis.</p>			
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>			
	(i)	That the Committee considers and notes the report.	
<b>REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS</b>			
1.	The Police and Justice Act 2006 requires overview and scrutiny committees to scrutinise Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships, and the partners who comprise it, insofar as their activities relate to the partnership, at least once a year.		
<b>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</b>			
2.	None.		
<b>DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)</b>			
3.	<p>A Safe City Strategy was published in early 2022 and covers the period 2022-27 (“the Strategy”). The Strategy was informed by the findings of the 2019/20 and 2020/21 Safe City Strategic Assessments as well as the annual public Community Safety Survey and sets out the Safe City Partnership’s priorities for keeping Southampton safe over the next five years.</p> <p><a href="https://www.southampton.gov.uk/safe-city-strategy">Safe City Strategy (southampton.gov.uk)</a></p>		

4.	<p>Community Safety Partnerships (“CSPs”) were established in law under sections 5-7 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. In Southampton, the CSP is known as the ‘Southampton Safe City Partnership.’</p> <p>The SSCP is managed by the Council’s Stronger Communities team on behalf of the following statutory partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary.</li> <li>• Hampshire and Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service.</li> <li>• Hampshire, Southampton, and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board</li> <li>• National Probation Service (Southampton).</li> </ul>
5.	<p>Under section 5-7 of the Crime and Disorder Act the SSCP (of which Southampton City Council is a statutory member) has a legal obligation to formulate and implement:</p> <p>(a) a strategy for the reduction of crime and disorder in the area (including anti-social and other behaviour adversely affecting the local environment); and</p> <p>(b) a strategy for combatting the misuse of drugs, alcohol, and other substances in the area; and</p> <p>(c) a strategy for the reduction of re-offending in the area.</p>
6.	<p>The previous Chair, Barbara Swyer from the National Probation Service, changed roles within NPS in April 2023 and was unable to continue as SSCP Chair. Supt Phil Lamb, as Vice Chair, offered continuity and Rob Henderson, Director of Childrens Services, SCC, came forward and was appointed as the new Chair in December 2023.</p>
7.	<p>The Partnership has identified three main priorities for keeping Southampton safe over the five-year period 2022 to 2027. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Priority 1: Keeping people safe from harm</li> <li>- Priority 2: Preventing and reducing offending</li> <li>- Priority 3: Creating safe and stronger communities</li> </ul>
8.	<p>There is a Statutory requirement for CSPs to undertake a ‘Strategic Assessment’ each year. The purpose is to assist the partnership in revising the Community Safety Strategy and as such it should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An analysis of the levels and patterns of crime and disorder and alcohol and drug misuse in the area,</li> <li>• Identification of changes in those levels and why these have occurred,</li> <li>• Views of people living and working in the area,</li> <li>• Recommendations for matters which should be prioritised.</li> </ul>
9.	<p>This report demonstrates how the partnership has aimed to deliver its strategic objectives and responded to local need. It also responds to the latest Strategic Assessment (2022/23) and sets out next steps for the partnership and strategy.</p> <p>This report should be read in conjunction with the Strategic Assessment which can be found at:</p> <p><a href="https://www.southampton.gov.uk/scc/strategic-assessment-2022-23">Safe City Strategic Assessment 2022-23 (southampton.gov.uk)</a></p>

	<b><u>Strategic Assessment</u></b>
10.	<p>Priority areas highlighted as part of the assessment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Theft offences</li> <li>• Sexual offences</li> <li>• Violent crime</li> <li>• Domestic crimes</li> </ul>
11.	<p>Theft offences emerged as a top priority for the first time in 2022/23, given increases in both volume and severity, likely linked to the cost of living crisis, whereas sexual offences, violent crime and domestic crimes have consistently featured among the top priorities in the last five years.</p>
12.	<p>Repeat victimisation and offending remain substantial issues in the city. The impact of wider determinants, such as poverty and the cost of living issues in this period are significant factors, which partners have sought to ameliorate by supporting communities through warm places, food banks etc.</p>
	<b>Community Safety Survey</b>
13.	<p>Analysis of the 2023 Community Safety Survey identified the following key findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confidence in the Partnership remains low: just 14% of respondents in the 2023 survey agreed that the police and other local public services are successfully dealing with crime and anti-social behaviour in their local area.</li> <li>• Feelings of safety after dark remain a substantial issue in Southampton, with females and respondents with a disability feeling significantly less safe after dark in all settings compared to the survey average.</li> <li>• Crime reporting: the majority of respondents indicated that they did not report crimes they had witnessed or been a victim of in the last 12 months.</li> </ul>
	<b>Crime statistics</b>
14.	<p>In 2022/23, Southampton had an overall crime rate of 144 crimes per 1k population, which is significantly higher than the national average and remains the highest amongst comparator CSPs.</p>
15.	<p>Southampton accounted for 20% of total recorded crime across Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary in 2022/23 and has the ninth highest total recorded crime rate among English and Welsh CSPs with a valid crime rate (296 total).</p>
16.	<p>There were 35,485 police recorded crimes in Southampton during 2022/23, which is an increase of +3.8% (+1,296 crimes) compared to the previous year (2021/22). This increase is in line with local and national trends, with Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary experiencing a +2.8% increase and England (excluding Devon and Cornwall Police) a +4.6% increase over the same period.</p>

17.	<p>There have been notable declines in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• overall violent crime (-1.9%)</li> <li>• other sexual offences (-3.8%),</li> <li>• domestic flagged crime (-2.8%)</li> <li>• domestic violence (-4.8%)</li> <li>• residential burglary (- 1.1%)</li> <li>• hate crime (-7.1%)</li> <li>• alcohol affected crime (-10.8%)</li> <li>• modern slavery (-1.6%)</li> <li>• cruelty to children/young persons (-4.9%)</li> <li>• anti-social behaviour offences in Southampton, with a -30.4% decline in the last year (-49.9% since 2019/20)</li> </ul> <p>Similar declines in ASB have been observed across Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary (-23.5%) and all other districts (-28.7% in Portsmouth) in the last year.</p>
18.	<p>From 2021/22 to 2022/23, there were notable increases in the volume of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• sexual offences (+0.8%), particularly rape (+8.3%),</li> <li>• theft offences (+17.7%), especially non-residential burglary (+20.4%)</li> <li>• vehicle offences (+27.9%)</li> <li>• possession of weapons (+17.1%) – police stop and search numbers have doubled, with targeted patrols of hotspot areas</li> <li>• crimes involving a bladed implement (+22.5%)</li> <li>• serious knife crime (+17.9%),</li> <li>• cannabis farms (+19.0%)</li> <li>• drug affected crime (+7.6%)</li> </ul> <p>There have also been increases in the number of firearms offences (+11.1%), although numbers of firearms offences are small and therefore percentage changes should be interpreted with caution.</p>
19.	<p>Notably, declines in total crime between 2021/22 and 2022/23 were seen in the following wards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Millbrook (-11.1%)</li> <li>• Shirley (-10.2%)</li> <li>• Swaythling (-8.0%).</li> </ul>
20.	<p>The largest percentage increases in total crime were in the following wards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Harefield (+22.3%)</li> <li>• Thornhill (17.9%)</li> <li>• Bargate (+10.3%)</li> </ul>

<b><u>Examples of Partnership Responses to SSCP Priorities</u></b>	
	<b>Priority 1: Keeping People Safe from Harm - Operation Defender/Safer Streets 4</b>
21.	Crime data analysis showed the city centre is a hotspot for violent crime and Violence against Women and Girls (VAWG) at weekends, linked to the Night Time Economy (NTE).
22.	In response to this, Operation Defender, chaired by Hampshire Constabulary, is a weekly meeting to debrief the previous weekend and plan for the next and following weekends, including RAG rating weekends based on events in the City.
23.	Key Partners are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SCC Licensing</li> <li>• SCC Stronger Communities</li> <li>• Police Licensing</li> <li>• GO!Southampton</li> <li>• Synergy Security</li> <li>• Street Pastors</li> <li>• Universities</li> <li>• South Central Ambulance</li> <li>• St John Ambulance</li> </ul>
24.	Safer Streets 4 funding of £645K for 22-23 was able to be utilised through Operation Defender to deliver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extra security patrols</li> <li>• Training Police as Behavioural Detection Officers</li> <li>• Bystander training for bar staff</li> <li>• Extra CCTV staff for key weekends</li> <li>• Purchase of five redeployable CCTV cameras</li> <li>• Student safety work with both Universities</li> <li>• Supporting the Safe Places Network (130 premises in Southampton)</li> <li>• 'pop-up' treatment centres with St John</li> </ul> <p>This section of the promotional video covers the NTE:  <a href="#">Safer Streets 4 - VAWG and night-time economy - YouTube</a></p>
	<b>Priority 2: Preventing and Reducing Reoffending – Urban Street Gangs</b>
25.	The 22/23 period saw significant issues of knife crime in Southampton, with a number of stabbings involving young people involved in urban street gangs, the first time recently that groups in the city were defined by police as Urban Street Gangs.
26.	The partnership response was strong and involved the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Police (local and Violent Crime Task Force)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youth Justice Service</li> <li>• Childrens Services</li> <li>• No Limits</li> <li>• Youth Options</li> <li>• Stronger Communities</li> <li>• OPCC Violence Reduction Unit</li> </ul>
27.	<p>Police sent a letter to relevant partners and schools, identifying:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The two urban street gangs declared affiliation with postcode areas</li> <li>• Thirty-eight individuals included in mapping the gangs</li> <li>• Serious violence and criminality linked to the gangs</li> <li>• The majority of members are males aged 11-18</li> <li>• There is a strong likelihood of exploitation of younger males</li> <li>• There is a risk that young females could be exploited.</li> </ul>
28.	<p>A lead officer was identified by Hampshire Constabulary, and a series of coordinated activities between partners led to a formation of a '4 P' plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pursue</li> <li>• Protect</li> <li>• Prevent</li> <li>• Prepare</li> </ul> <p>This led to the prosecution of offenders, safeguarding of those on the periphery of the gangs with the result that the gangs ceased criminal activities.</p>
29.	<p>Operation Meero is an ongoing anti-knife crime partnership group that continues to be developed and refined, involving those key partners. Increased police patrols, better data sharing and use of SCC redeployable CCTV have all been key tactics used.</p>
	<p><b>Priority 3: Creating Safe and Stronger Communities - VAWG and Young People</b></p>
30.	<p>The SSCP VAWG problem profile in 21/22 identified a temporal peak, after the weekend NTE peaks, related to young people leaving school at 3pm.</p>
31.	<p>As part of Safer Streets 4, work was underway with Yellow Door and their male engagement worker to address harmful attitudes against women and girls in secondary schools and universities. This includes breaking down behaviours resulting from toxic masculinity and delivering Active Bystander sessions.</p>
32.	<p>Further work facilitated by Yellow Door, and Solent University, included a Yr9 male peer-led project to address VAWG, with parental engagement and head teacher support. Evaluation of the impact of this project is due in the New Year. However, a gap in support for educators on responding to in-school VAWG issues was identified.</p>

33.	<p>To address the issues around pupil-based VAWG, a Child-on-Child (Peer-on-Peer) abuse toolkit was developed, to encourage a whole school approach to VAWG and bullying behaviours inflicted by peers. The toolkit was created by a multi-agency task and finish group in Southampton, including DSL leads, Child Friendly Policing, SCC Education and Safeguarding leads, and SCC's VAWG Coordinator. It covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- An offence guide</li> <li>- A language guide of how to respond 'in the moment'</li> <li>- A flowchart guide of managing incidents of harmful sexual behaviours in Southampton education settings</li> <li>- Risk Assessment for sexual abuse and harassment</li> <li>- Awareness posters</li> <li>- Parent and carer guidance leaflet</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Safer Streets 4 - Education - YouTube</a></p>
	<p><b><u>Emerging issues for 2023/24</u></b></p>
34.	<p><b>Serious Violence Duty</b></p> <p>The Serious Violence Duty (SVD) response plan is being coordinated by the OPCC Violence Reduction Unit Director, which will deliver the statutory responsibilities of the SSCP and SCC.</p> <p>With a VRU and serious violence problem profile since 2019/20, Southampton has been operating the Public Health approach to tackling serious violence, which is the core requirement of the SVD.</p>
35.	<p><b>Theft / Residential Burglary</b></p> <p>The formation of a Police City Centre Unit in 2023 provides an immediate response to the issues of large scale retail thefts in the City centre, with noteworthy results so early in their deployment.</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="flex: 1;">  </div> <div style="flex: 2; padding-left: 10px;"> <p>Safer Streets 5 funding, secured by SCC, will assist in providing property marking packs to areas that suffer the most burglaries. This will include working with the Universities for the 24/25 academic year. This is also a priority for Hampshire and IOW Constabulary, and we will work with their Crime Prevention team in a coordinated response, as well as the Blue Lamp Trust, who help secure properties of vulnerable or repeat victims.</p> </div> </div> <p>(Example of street sign for use in residential areas where property marking kits are implemented.)</p>
	<p><b>SSCP Strategic Workshop</b></p>
36.	<p>The next SSCP Strategic Group meeting scheduled for 29/1/24 will review:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The current strategy and action plan</li> <li>• Partnership involvement/funding</li> <li>• Partner/National Emerging Issues</li> </ul>
<b>RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>	
<b><u>Capital/Revenue</u></b>	
37.	The Head of Service, Stronger Communities, continues to function as Partnership manager, supported by SCC staff from Stronger Communities (coordination of SSCP Action Plan), Meeting Support (arranging meetings, minute-taking), Consultation Team (Community Safety Survey) and the Data team (production of Safe City Strategic assessment and maintenance of Data Observatory).
38.	The SSCP has no budget allocation from SCC, nor any other partners. Work is underway to itemise SCC staff time in supporting the SSCP, as the burden for the organisational and support sits disproportionality with SCC. Many of the operational activities of partners are 'business as usual' and not exclusively funded to support SSCP objectives.
<b><u>Property/Other</u></b>	
39.	None.
<b>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</b>	
<b><u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u></b>	
40.	The Police and Justice Act 2006 requires overview and scrutiny committees to scrutinise Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships, and the partners who comprise it, insofar as their activities relate to the partnership, at least once a year.
<b><u>Other Legal Implications:</u></b>	
41.	Community Safety Partnerships are a statutory requirement under Section 5-7 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998
<b>RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS</b>	
42.	The Safe City Strategy, Strategic Assessments and the work of the Safe City Partnership are all designed to reduce and mitigate risk related to crime and anti-social behaviour in Southampton.
<b>POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS</b>	
43.	The actions identified in the report contribute to meeting the priorities identified in the Safe City Strategy (2022-2027).
<b>KEY DECISION</b>	No
<b>WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:</b>	None directly as a result of this report
<b><u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u></b>	
<b>Appendices</b>	
1.	None

<b>Documents In Members' Rooms</b>	
1.	None
<b>Equality Impact Assessment</b>	
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessments (ESIA) to be carried out?	No
<b>Data Protection Impact Assessment</b>	
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be carried out?	No
<b>Other Background Documents</b> <b>Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:</b>	
Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
1.	<a href="https://www.southampton.gov.uk/documents/2022/03/2022-23-strategic-assessment">Safe City Strategic Assessment 2022-23 (southampton.gov.uk)</a>
2.	<a href="https://www.southampton.gov.uk/documents/2022/03/safe-city-strategy">Safe City Strategy (southampton.gov.uk)</a>

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# Agenda Item 8

<b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE		
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	MONITORING SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE		
<b>DATE OF DECISION:</b>	11 JANUARY 2024		
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	SCRUTINY MANAGER		
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<b>STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY</b>			
N/A			
<b>BRIEF SUMMARY</b>			
This item enables the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to monitor and track progress on recommendations made to the Executive at previous meetings.			
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>			
	(i)	That the Committee considers the responses from the Executive to recommendations from previous meetings and provides feedback.	
<b>REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS</b>			
1.	To assist the Committee in assessing the impact and consequence of recommendations made at previous meetings.		
<b>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</b>			
2.	None.		
<b>DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)</b>			
3.	Appendix 1 of the report sets out the recommendations made to the Executive at previous meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC). It also contains a summary of action taken by the Executive in response to the recommendations.		
4.	The progress status for each recommendation is indicated and if the OSMC confirms acceptance of the items marked as completed they will be removed from the list. In cases where action on the recommendation is outstanding or the Committee does not accept the matter has been adequately completed, it will be kept on the list and reported back to the next meeting. It will remain on the list until such time as the Committee accepts the recommendation as completed. Rejected recommendations will only be removed from the list after being reported to the OSMC.		

<b>RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>	
<b><u>Capital/Revenue</u></b>	
5.	None.
<b><u>Property/Other</u></b>	
6.	None.
<b>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</b>	
<b><u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u></b>	
7.	The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.
<b><u>Other Legal Implications:</u></b>	
8.	None
<b>RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS</b>	
9.	None.
<b>POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS</b>	
10.	None
<b>KEY DECISION</b>	No
<b>WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:</b>	None directly as a result of this report
<b><u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u></b>	
<b>Appendices</b>	
1.	Monitoring Scrutiny Recommendations – 11 January 2024
<b>Documents In Members' Rooms</b>	
1.	None
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# Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee: Holding the Executive to Account

Scrutiny Monitoring – 11 January 2024

Date	Portfolio	Title	Action proposed	Action Taken	Progress Status
14/12/23	Environment & Transport	Portswood Broadway Consultation - Update	1) That, as he appraises the feedback from the consultation process, the Cabinet Member reflects on the issues raised by the Committee and residents at tonight's meeting when determining the preferred option for the development of Portswood Broadway.	A response will be provided in advance of the 11 January Committee meeting.	
			2) That the Service Manager for Integrated Transport provides the Committee with the target for modal shift associated with the TCF programme, and specifically the Portswood Corridor Scheme.	A response will be provided in advance of the 11 January Committee meeting.	
			3) That the Service Manager for Integrated Transport clarifies when the referenced traffic survey was undertaken and whether it coincided with major roadworks within the vicinity of Portswood Broadway.	A response will be provided in advance of the 11 January Committee meeting.	
			4) That, reflecting the Committee's concerns that the detail within the report does not adequately address the request made when the issue was considered by the OSMC in February 2023, the Committee recommended that the Cabinet Member and officers clearly demonstrate within the decision-making report, how the proposals will impact on the city's net zero ambitions.	A response will be provided in advance of the 11 January Committee meeting.	
14/12/23	Adults, Health & Housing	Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Strategy	1) That a report updating the Committee on progress delivering the objectives outlined within the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy is considered on an annual basis by the OSMC, commencing	A report will be produced annually updating progress against the strategy. The first update will be produced in February 2025.	

Date	Portfolio	Title	Action proposed	Action Taken	Progress Status
			after January 2025 to reflect annual survey timings.		
05/10/23	Adults, Health & Housing	Holcroft House Options – Call in	1) That, at an appropriate time, an update report outlining progress with regards to the implementation of the recommendations within the Cabinet report is shared with the Committee.	On 15/12/23 a briefing paper was circulated to the Committee in response to a request from the Chair.	Completed