# **Community Safety**

#### **Building Stronger Communities**









## **Community Safety Issues**

- Crime
- Anti-social behaviour
- Domestic abuse
- Child sexual exploitation
- Child criminal exploitation
- Community Cohesion
- Violence
- Terrorism/Extremism
- Road safety
- Mental health



- Homelessness & rough sleeping
- Social isolation
- Drug & alcohol misuse
- Modern Slavery
- People trafficking
- Organised crime
- Online safety
- Fire Safety
- Neighbourhood Watch



## **Community Safety Strategy**

- The Community Safety Strategy will:
  - Incorporate the themes of the GM Police and Crime Plan Standing Together
  - Set priorities around the local needs of the community
  - Address emerging issues
- The Community safety has 5 key priorities:
  - Building stronger communities
  - Preventing and reducing violent crime, knife crime & domestic abuse
  - Preventing and reducing crime & anti-social behaviour
  - Preventing and reducing the harm caused by drugs & alcohol
  - Protecting vulnerable people and those at risk of exploitation







- Overarching objective of the Community Safety Strategy is 'Building Stronger Communities' to make Tameside a safer place to live, study, work and visit
- To achieve this objective the Local Authority and Greater Manchester Police will work in partnership through a joint Neighbourhood Strategy focussing on local needs/priorities





## Independent Advisory Group (IAG)

- Developed nationally by police forces and police authorities to provide independent advice in understanding the role and impact of the police in diverse communities
- In Tameside we are seeking to do this in a more co-operative way, and to establish an IAG for the Community Safety Partnership as a whole.
- IAGs aim to:
  - Improve the services provided by partners to all communities
  - Build public confidence in these services
  - Ensure that services respond sensitively to the needs of communities when critical incidents occur





## Independent Advisory Group (IAG)

- The Tameside IAG was formed in February 2020 just before the Covid-19 pandemic hit
- The group is diverse in its membership with members from all faith groups, voluntary sector, community groups and charitable organisations with an independent Chair Reverend Joanna Farnworth
- The group haven't been hindered by the pandemic, in fact the opposite meeting online every week
- Senior Police support attending every meeting
- Guest speakers attend and provide inputs





#### **Anti-social Behaviour**

- The Covid-19 pandemic has seen a rise in Anti-social Behaviour complaints, this has made an increase in demand on the service, particularly around neighbour disputes
- Boosted the support of the team
- Proactive approach to dealing with serious Anti-social Behaviour issues
- Two recent Injunctions obtained through the courts
- Two recent Closure Orders authorised through the courts where the premises concerned were the cause of Anti-social Behaviour and Covid-19 breaches







#### **Anti-social Behaviour**



Recent Closure Order authorised through the Magistrates Court for an AirBnB premises in Droyslden that had been the cause of Anti-social Behaviour and breaches of Covid regulations.

Reported on in the Manchester Evening News;

https://www.manchestereveningnews.c o.uk/authors/stephen-topping/airbnbhouse-closed-court-after-20209300





### Neighbourhood Watch

- Aim of creating a safer, stronger, and active community where crime and anti-social behaviour is less likely to happen
- Working in partnership with the Police, Local Authority, voluntary organisations and individuals and families who want to make their neighbourhoods better places to live
- Pro-active partnership approach locally with Neighbourhood Watch leaders
- Contributing to a sense of community
- <u>www.tamesidenwa.co.uk</u>









## **Youth Service**

- The value of engagement with our communities youths and the support provided to them cannot be underestimated
- The Covid-19 pandemic meant that all Youth Centres had to close, with the potential of leaving many young people feeling they may not get the support they require



- The Youth Service were dynamic in their approach when responding to the pandemic. Moving to street-based and outreach delivery of their service, they were able to continue to engage, support and reassure young people in our communities
- The outreach work was continuous from March 2020 November 2020. A feat matched by only one other borough in the Greater Manchester region
- As restrictions eased, 4 of the boroughs Youth Centres opened, with outreach work continuing to date





### **Youth Service**

- The service has supported so many young people who have experienced loss and grief and many young people who have struggled with their mental health and well-being throughout the pandemic
- The feedback from parents is the service has been invaluable to the young person and the family throughout the pandemic
- The service is committed to developing safe spaces where young people can have fun and participate in a wide range of opportunities
- As schools have re-opened the delivery of 'Safe Squad' has commenced aimed at year 6 pupils in 31 primary schools across the borough where young people participate in workshops themed around Anti-social Behaviour, Online Safety, Fire Safety in the home and First Aid





### Thank you

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