EXECUTIVE DECISION NOTICE

SERVICE AREA:	OPERATIONS AND NEIGHBOURHOODS Community Safety and Homelessness
SUBJECT MATTER:	COMMUNITY SAFETY STRATEGY
DECISION:	That it be DETERMINED that the Executive Member (Neighbourhoods, Community Safety and Environment) approves the commencement of the consultation for the draft Community Safety Strategy.
DECISION TAKER(S):	Councillor Allison Gwynne
DESIGNATION OF DECISION TAKER (S):	Executive Member (Neighbourhoods, Community Safety and Environment)
DATE OF DECISION:	2 December 2020
REASON FOR DECISION:	The Community Safety Partnership must produce and implement a Community Safety Strategy. Failure to do so could result in the Council acting unlawfully.
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS REJECTED (if any):	None.
CONSULTEES:	Community Safety Partnership.
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: (Authorised by Borough Treasurer)	There are no direct financial implications arising from the report at this stage. Related details will be advised once the consultation has concluded.
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS: (Authorised by Borough Solicitor)	The details of the draft strategy and the consultation process are set out in the main body of the report for Members to consider. Members will be well aware of the Council's legal duties to undertake and consider the results of consultation as part of their decision making process. Failure to do so could result in decisions being challenged and may lose the opportunity to ensure strategy as effective as possible and deliver what is most required for Tameside.
CONFLICT OF INTEREST:	None
DISPENSATION GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE ATTACHED:	N/A
ACCESS TO INFORMATION:	The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting Dave Smith, Partnerships Manager: Telephone: 0161 342 3318 E-mail: dave.smith2@tameside.gov.uk

Signed Dated: 2 December 2020 Councillor Allison Gwynne Executive Member (Neighbourhoods, Community Safety and Environment)

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REPORTING OFFICER:	Emma Varnam – Assistant Director (Operations and Neighbourhoods)
REPORT SUMMARY:	The report is requesting permission to enter a period of consultation for the draft Community Safety Strategy.
RECOMMENDATION:	It is recommended that the Executive Member (Neighbourhoods, Community Safety and Environment) approves the commencement of the public consultation for the draft Community Safety Strategy
JUSTIFICATION FOR THE DECISION:	The Community Safety Partnership must produce and implement a Community Safety Strategy. Failure to do so could result in the Council acting unlawfully.
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS REJECTED (if any):	None
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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Tameside Community Safety Partnership (CSP) is a statutory partnership established in accordance with Sections 5-7 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The Partnership includes senior officers from Tameside Council, Greater Manchester Police (GMP), Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service (GMFRS), Public Health, Housing Associations, National Probation Service (NPS) and third sector partners.
- 1.2 The CSP is required to work together to protect their communities from crime and disorder, re-offending and substance misuse. The overall objective is to make Tameside a safe place to live, study, work and visit.
- 1.3 The duty includes producing a borough Community Safety Strategy, which outlines out how the CSP will respond to local issues and promote the strategic objectives of the GM Deputy Mayor for policing & crime.
- 1.4 The strategy will require an element of consultation prior to the implementation by the Council. This report outlines the basic premise of the strategy and requests permission to start the consultation process.
- 1.5 It is recognised that the Equality Act 2010 places a legal obligation on public authorities to have due regard to the need to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation; to advance equality of opportunity; and to foster good relations between persons with different protected characteristics. In order to ensure compliance with this legislation, an equality impact assessment will be conducted for this strategy.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The draft new strategy is attached at **Appendix 1**. It comprises of 5 key strategic 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
- 2.2 The intention is to carry out a full public consultation for a period of 12 weeks. Following any amendments and further approval by Board, the strategy will then be submitted for approval.
- 2.3 Aspects of the attached draft strategy may be subject to amendment and additions following consultation with partners and the public.

3. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 As set out on the front of this report.