

Report of	Meeting	Date
Director of Public Protection, Street Scene and Community	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	9 October 2014

#### **COMMUNITY SAFETY – SCRUTINY OPTIONS**

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. To provide O&S Committee with a theme to be the subject of the committees statutory duty to scrutinise community safety partnerships

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

2. The subject outlined below should be selected for detailed scrutiny.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT**

- 3. The Crime & Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Regulations 2009 require local authorities to scrutinise the work of Community Safety Partnerships at least annually in order to determine that local community safety issues are being dealt with effectively.
- 4. The Chorley and South Ribble Community Safety Partnership consists of a number of key agencies who form a statutorily determined Responsible Authority Group (RAG). In previous years the RAG has met on a quarterly basis to oversee the delivery of the partnerships strategic assessment. In 2014 it was determined that, in an effort to increase partners capacity, the number of meetings would be reduced to one single meeting per year with the ability for any RAG partner to call an extraordinary meeting as necessary.
- 5. An annual meeting and conference is being held in late October where the RAG will review the strategic priorities of the partnership for 2015/16 and determine what action should be taken to address them.
- 6. Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to review these arrangements in terms of:
  - did the conference format work?
  - are partners content with the new format?
  - was the public engagement adequate?
  - has it resulted in a robust strategic assessment for local action?
- 7. Scrutiny of this important aspect of the Community Safety Partnership will ensure that an independent assessment of the Council objectives to involve residents in improving their local area and be an ambitious Council meeting the needs of residents at a local level are being met.

Confidential report	Yes	No
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# **CORPORATE PRIORITIES**

8. This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

Involving residents in improving their local		A strong local economy	
area and equality of access for all			
Clean, safe and healthy communities		An ambitious council that does more	
		to meet the needs of residents and	
		the local area	

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There are no background papers to this report.

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