
Public Protection Partnership Priorities 2019/20 - Summary Report

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1. Purpose of the Report

To set out to the Committee the proposed priorities for the Public Protection Service for 2019/20 and to seek agreement on those priorities as well as the outline work plan to deliver against the identified priority area. These key documents have been developed to inform and direct our proactive project, intervention and enforcement activities as part of our adaptation of the National Intelligence Model

2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee consider the 2019/20 Priorities Document and resolve that:

- a) The overarching themes identified in the Inter Authority Agreement (IAA) and set out at Appendix C remain relevant and should be retained;
- b) The functional priorities and cross cutting Priorities set out at Appendix D inform service delivery for the coming year; and
- c) The draft Work Plan at Appendix E form the preventative, information gathering and enforcement activities of the Public Protection Service for the coming year.

3. Implications

- 3.1 **Financial:** All identified activities are undertaken as part of the core work of the PPP within the existing revenue budget, this will be by the Strategic Management Team and scrutinised by the Joint Management Board. Where appropriate grants such as support for public health related activity or investigations will be sought and used to deliver the key work streams set out in the Work Plan. Working with other authorities as part of shared working arrangements to deliver efficiencies and effectiveness will also feature as a key priority.

- 3.2 Policy:** It is a key responsibility of the Joint Committee as set out in the IAA to set the strategic direction and priorities for the service. The first set was the approval of the Business Plan in March 2017 which laid out the operating model which included the production of a Strategic Assessment and Control Strategy. The documents before the Committee today are those documents although now titled PPP Priorities and PPP Work plan. These have been drafted in such a manner as to track back to the IAA priorities set out at Appendix C.
- 3.3 Personnel:** There are no specific personnel issues arising out of this decision. If approved the Joint Management Board will consider the most effective structure to deliver against the priorities. Where any implications arise from this a further decision making paper will be brought to the Committee.
- 3.4 Legal:** The functions delegated to the Joint Committee by the Councils have their basis in statute. In this respect many are statutory duties placed on the Councils. In some areas (such as food safety and standards, health and safety etc.) there is a high level of prescription about how elements of the service are delivered. In much though there is a high degree of flexibility for local policy making. The draft PPP Priorities Document invites Members to consider how the service will be prioritised in the coming period and the work plan sets out the manner in which the Councils will deliver the service.
- 3.5 Risk Management:** The emphasis on local drivers may not align with those national regulators which have an oversight function in an area of law. Where there is any divergence from national drivers these will be documented in individual project plans to ensure we can justify and defend robustly any challenges to our methodology and priority setting. Project Management Methodology will enable early identification of operational risks.
- 3.6 Property:** None specifically arising from these proposals. The issue of accommodation and rationalisation of accommodation

remains a priority for the service. Members have previously considered this matter. Work continues in this area but in order to deliver an effective service teams where possible are being co-located following staff consultation. Local delivery remains a high priority.

3.7 Other: None

4. Other options considered

None, the IAA commits the partnership to an intelligence focused delivery model

5. Executive Summary

- 5.1** The vision of the Public Protection Partnership (PPP) is:
‘To protect and support residents and legitimate business through the successful use of information and intelligence, delivering safe and healthy neighbourhoods.’
- 5.2** The Business Plan approved in March 2017 expanded on how the Vision and Aims of the PPP will be delivered through its Operating Model, an adaptation of the National Intelligence Model. An integral part of this model is the production of the Strategic Assessment to inform the setting of priorities
- 5.3** The Business Plan requires the Joint Management Team of the PPP to produce a Strategic Assessment for consideration by the Committee annually
- 5.4** The Control Strategy informs and directs our proactive project, intervention and enforcement activities
- 5.5** Communicating with our Stakeholder Audience is key to delivering the outcomes of our Control Strategy and our Business Plan, this is achieved by following our 2018-2020 Communication Strategy.

6. Conclusion

6.1 The PPP Priorities and PPP Work Plan meet the governance requirements of the IAA and Business Plan with regard to priority setting for the delivery of the PPP services across the member authorities. They also set out along with the Food and Feed plan also before Committee today how the Councils will deliver their statutory functions.

Appendices

Appendix A – Supporting Information

Appendix B – Equalities Impact Assessment

Appendix C – Inter-Authority Agreement Priorities

Appendix D – PPP Priorities

Appendix E – PPP Work plan

PPP Strategic Aims and Priorities Supported:

The proposals will help achieve the following Public Protection Partnership aims as stated in the Inter Authority Agreement:

- 1 – Community Protection**
- 2 – Protecting and Improving Health**
- 3 – Protection of the Environment**
- 4 – Supporting Prosperity and Economic Growth**
- 5 – Effective and Improving Service Delivery**

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