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# Public Protection Partnership Priorities 2021 to 2023

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## 1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To set out to the Committee the proposed priorities for the Public Protection Service for 2021 to 2023 and to seek agreement from the Committee that the priorities identified in this report form the basis of our Covid recovery plan.

## 2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee consider the 2021/23 Priorities Document and **RESOLVES** that:

- 2.1 The overarching themes identified in the Inter Authority Agreement (IAA) and set out at Appendix C remain relevant and should be retained;
- 2.2 The functional priorities and cross cutting priorities set out at Appendix D inform service delivery for the years 2021/22 and 2022/23 (excluding Wokingham in year 2);
- 2.3 That the Public Protection Manager presents the Committee with an updated Control Strategy at its meeting in September 2021; and
- 2.4 That delivery against the priorities be reported to the Committee as part of the regular reporting cycle and be reviewed and updated no later than June 2022.

## 3. Implications and Impact Assessment

Implication	Commentary
<b>Financial:</b>	<p>All identified activities are undertaken as part of the core work of the PPP within the existing revenue budget, this will be managed by the Strategic Management Team and scrutinised by the Joint Management Board.</p> <p>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</p>

<b>Human Resource:</b>	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. Structural changes will also need to reflect the decision by the Wokingham to leave the Partnership.
<b>Legal:</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>In some areas 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.</p>
<b>Risk Management:</b>	Project Management Methodology will enable early identification of operational risks.
<b>Property:</b>	None specifically arising from these proposals. The issue of accommodation and rationalisation of accommodation remains a priority for the service. As Bracknell and West Berkshire move to a rationalised property strategy and new working styles the service will look at its property requirements and in particular the role that the Theale Office is playing as a central delivery point.
<b>Policy:</b>	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 Committee has approved two previous assessments of priorities. The priorities before the Committee today build on these previous documents and also seek to address the IAA priorities set out at <b>Appendix C</b>

## 4. Executive Summary

The vision of the Public Protection Partnership (PPP) is:

- 4.1 'To protect and support residents and legitimate business through the successful use of information and intelligence, delivering safe and healthy neighbourhoods.'
- 4.2 The Business Plan 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.
- 4.3 The Business Plan requires the Joint Management Team of the PPP to produce a Strategic Priority for consideration by the Committee. The plan was last considered by the Committee in June 2019.

- 4.4 As a result of Covid19 the Committee has received regular updates on both the Covid response and also business as usual / recovery. These latter elements sought to address the priorities identified in 2019.
- 4.5 The Strategic Priorities before the Committee today have been developed taking account of national and local political priorities, national and local data and regional input. They have also been developed in the face of continuing uncertainty around the course of the Covid19 pandemic.

## 5. Conclusion

- 5.1 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 which will come before the Committee in September.

## 6. Appendices

- 8.1 Appendix A – Public Protection Partnership Priorities - Supporting Information
- 8.2 Appendix B – Equalities Impact Assessment
- 8.3 Appendix C – Extracts from the PPP Business Plan and Inter Authority Agreement.
- 8.4 Appendix D – PPP Strategic Assessment

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**Background Papers:** Business Plan – approved by Joint Committee March 2017; 2018/19 Strategic Priorities and Control Strategy approved by JPPC in March 2018.

### 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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