

APPENDIX B – PROPOSED PRIORITY CHANGES

1. Accidents in Commercial Settings

- Change to 'Health and Safety Enforcement'.
- Continue to carry out Health and Safety enforcement visits to support migration schemes.

2. Improved Air Pollution

- Provide air quality monitoring for Wokingham and produce an annual status report within the terms of the new Inter-Authority Agreement.
- Continue the work developed during the Defra grant funded project around air quality around schools to discourage idling of vehicles including engagement with Schools and the wider population.
- Work with school transport teams to look at options to incentivise low and no emission vehicles.
- The Environmental Targets (Fine Particulate Matter) (England) Regulations 2023 were published 31/01/2023 and state that PM2.5 interim target of 12 microgrammes/m³ to be met by end 2027 and long term target of 10 microgrammes/m³ by 2040. This will require additional monitoring in addition to the NO monitoring already carried out.

3. Alcohol and Tobacco Harm Reduction

- Change scope of this to include alcohol, tobacco and vaping.
- Continue to deliver a comprehensive education and enforcement programme around the issue of vaping and the sales of vaping products to under 18s and the sale of illegal vaping products (Operation Tanoak).
- Increase intelligence around illegal vaping product sales.
- Agree a new Tobacco Control Alliance Plan for Berkshire West.
- Continue to work with Bracknell Forest Public Health Team around the extension of existing extremes into Bracknell Forest.

4. Animal Welfare

- Increase significantly the activity around illegal (unlicensed) animal breeding and retailing including further development of problem profiles and, licensing and wider enforcement action.
- New rules around records for animal transportation are set to be brought in.

5. Covid19 Recovery

- Contribute to local and national Covid19 response reviews.
- Once this is complete DELETE this priority area.

6. Doorstep Crime and Mass Marketing

- Change priority name to '[Tackling Fraud](#)'.
- Deliver new grant funded initiative around mass marketing frauds including on-line fraud. Increase capacity within the service to tackle such frauds and to support victims.
- Work with Thames Valley Police to deliver a new operating model for tackling fraud in line with TVP and PPP priorities. This will include victim support and enforcement / intervention and working with the new TVP fraud unit. Joint Operations will be stepped up.
- Continue to seek grant funding to support Level 2 / Level 3 fraud and unfair trading legislation.
- Carry out operations to identify and tackle intellectual property crimes.
- Look at options to share resource to tackle money laundering with other local authorities to increase capacity and resilience.

7. Environmental Protection

- Continue to work with CSAS accredited organisations to develop environmental protections and enforcement whilst developing the CSAS scheme to provide for additional powers.
- Extend existing enforcement of fly-tipping and waste carriage in Bracknell to include other areas of environmental crime such as fly-posting.

- Deliver our advice and enforcement role on the 'Deposit return Scheme for Bottles' should the draft legislation be implemented. This will fall to PPP and the Shared Trading Standards Service.
- The 'single use plastic' ban is expected to be extended in October 2023. PPP will have advice and enforcement responsibility at local level.
- Implement a new enforcement regime around 'minimum energy efficiency standards'.

8. Food Safety and Standards

- Complete the final year of the food safety inspection 'Covid Recovery Plan' as set out by the Food Standards Agency.
- Implement the new food standards risk based inspection regime.
- Deliver an intelligence led food sampling and analysis programme in co-ordination with the Food Standards Agency, Trading Standards South East and the Public Analyst with focus on health claims, food fraud and allergens.

9. Housing Standards in the Private Rented Sector

- Look at extending the work we do around 'empty homes' in Bracknell and West Berkshire with a view to bringing more homes back into use.
- Consider the outcomes and implications arising from West Berkshire Homes Conditions Survey due in early 2023/24 and work with the Housing Service and Energy Team to look at options for improvements and change.
- Continue to support the Homes for Ukraine and other migration schemes with accommodation suitability and safety checks as required.
- Implement the new MoU with Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service around common and shared enforcement. This will include joint visits as required.
- Continue to deliver our new protocols around tackling damp and mould in the home and respond to any government requirements for information.
- Develop further our protocols with Social Landlords.

- Significant numbers of HMO's to be re-licensed in 2023/24. Programme of enforcement to identify and tackle the issues around unlicensed HMO's.

10. Impact of Noise on Communities

- Change to '[Impact of Nuisance on Residents and Communities](#)'.

11. Unsafe Consumer Goods

- Continued implementation of advice and enforcement regime relating to the sale of illegal vaping products.
- Further enforcement work around the sale of counterfeit goods to ensure that unsafe counterfeit goods do not make it onto the local market.
- Advice and Enforcement programme relating to the sale and supply of botox and filler treatments.

12. Nutrition and Childhood Obesity

No Change
