

COMMUNITY / NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL STRATEGIES 2002-2005 – YEAR 1 REVIEW

PROGRESS TRACKER SUMMARY – SAFE COMMUNITIES

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The Kensington and Chelsea Partnership steering group agreed that a Year 1 review of the Community and Neighbourhood Renewal strategies should take place. The review should

- identify **achievements** to 31 March 2002
- identify **issues** preventing implementation of particular objectives and actions;
- identify **new opportunities** which have arisen since the production of the strategies;
- Present the **priorities** to be adopted to 31 March 2005.

The main product of the review should be:

- a completed progress tracker for each cluster with updates for each target.
- a progress tracker summary for each cluster on achievements, issues, new opportunities and priorities.
- a brief and easy to read general report covering all the clusters .

This is the Progress tracker summary for Safe Communities

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ACHIEVEMENTS to 31st March 2003(* indicates NRF supported)

- 30 Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) are now working alongside the police in Earl's Court, Colville and Campden. The Local Authority have identified funds to enhance this provision with an additional 15 PCSOs
- Improved street lighting in dark areas including: Peabody, Rootes and St Quintins Estates.
- Allocation of Communities Against Drugs funding towards proactive anti-drug operations, contributing to a 65% increase in arrests for supply. This in turn has contributed towards significant decreases in other crimes, such as burglary and robbery.
- Secured £30,000 of funding from the Basic Command Unit fund for 10 Anti Social Behaviour Orders in 2003/04.
- *Ran a one-week Stay Safe campaign delivering crime prevention messages to 500 older people in the borough.
- *Extended provision of the Sixty Plus 'garden guardians' scheme to cut down overgrown gardens to reduce the risk of burglary to the premises.
- *Domestic violence campaign targeted at the North of the borough via displays on buses.
- *Establishment of the Community Anti-Social Behaviour Action Team (CASBAT).
- *Extension of the Acceptable Behaviour Scheme on a borough-wide basis.
- *Launch of the Crack House Protocol on 02nd December 2002. Closure of 42 Crack houses, mainly in the north of the Borough.
- *200 households and 42 businesses in Golborne and St Charles have benefited from security improvements
- *68% reduction in burglary in Golborne and St Charles.
- *6 projects funded by the Portobello Police Sector Working Group, including diversionary schemes, environmental improvements and employment initiatives.

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ISSUES preventing implementation of particular objectives and actions

- Due changes in personnel the Notting Dale Police Sector Working has been unable to run NRF projects during 2002/03 through the Police Sector Working Group.
- The disbanding of the Worlds End Community Safety Forum has meant a lack of new projects on the Worlds End.

New **OPPORTUNITIES** since 31st March 2002

- The Government has allocated to the Kensington and Chelsea Partnership an additional £1.081m from the Neighbourhood Renewal Fund in 2004/05 and £1.081 million in 2005/06
- Community Safety Action Plan 2002-2005 will be published in June 2003
- Funding has been obtained from the Home Office to supplement activity e.g. the work to reduce crime committed against older people was supported by a Home Office funded publicity campaign on the buses
- £500,000 of external funding from the Home Office and the Basic Command Unit fund is being used to fund crime prevention projects across the borough. e.g domestic violence outreach, racist incident community reporting initiative, funding for all Sector Working Groups and publicity campaigns to promote crime prevention information
- Local Public Service Agreement (LPSA) target approved for reducing domestic burglary in Kensington and Chelsea
- The Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees have carried out a review of the effectiveness of public consultation procedures and practice.
- The release of 'small area' statistics from the 2001 Census of Population, plus subsequent surveys, will allow an updating of the database and profiles of the areas and priority neighbourhoods described in the Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy

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PRIORITIES to 31st March 2005 *indicates new (not in the strategies)

- *Work towards achieving the LPSA target on domestic burglary
- *Identify resources to extend pilot scheme for PCSOs into St Charles and Cremorne wards, prior to any further consultation on whether the scheme should become Borough wide
- *To work with Metropolitan Police Authority to recruit more local residents to become PCSOs in RBKC
- *To consider review of CCTV in the Borough to ensure it is being used effectively as part of the strategy to reduce crime and disorder
- Adopt targets contained within the Community Safety Action Plan 2002-2005.
- Apply Home Office funding to support the range of initiatives contained within the Community Safety Strategy 2002-2005.
- Tackle emerging crime trends as and when they arise.
- To respond effectively to issues that emerge from central government, including imminent directive regarding motor vehicle crime
- Follow-up recommendations of the Council's review of consultation regarding engagement of harder to reach and marginalized groups