



Western Suffolk Community Safety Partnership Plan 2023-2026

The Western Suffolk Community Safety Partnership (WSCSP) is a statutory body with a responsibility to:

- Make an assessment of community safety issues
- Produce a plan which responds to those issues
- Review and report on progress against that plan
- Carry out Domestic Homicide Reviews

The Partnership is made up of statutory representatives from the named Responsible Authorities and include local councils in West Suffolk, Mid Suffolk and Babergh, Suffolk Police, Suffolk County Council, National Probation Service, Integrated Care Boards (ICB) and Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service.

Registered Social Landlords, Youth Offending Service and Education are co-opted as additional non statutory members of the WSCSP.

The WSCSP works to support community/voluntary groups to secure funding to deliver projects/initiatives which meet an identified community safety issue, which are a threat or risk or will cause the greatest harm to the community.

How does this work?

WSCSP has a duty to consider the more strategic overarching issues which are affecting community safety in Western Suffolk. These are issues which may not affect our communities on a day-to-day basis but are a threat to overall safety in

Suffolk and undermine families and communities. These will be identified by making an assessment of crime and community safety in partnership with Suffolk County Council and Suffolk Police.

Who we work with?

In addition to the statutory agencies of the partnership working together, we also have strong links with the following groups.

Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC):

The PCC is fully supportive of CSPs and their work and in turn, CSPs have a duty to take due regard of the Police and Crime Commissioner's Police and Crime Plan. The WSCSP plan reflects those issues in the PCP which result in producing the greatest threat, risk and harm to our communities.

Safer Stronger Communities Board (SSCB):

The Safer Stronger Communities Board (SSCB) provides strategic direction and leadership on wider issues and determinants arising from agreed priorities.

The SSCB meets quarterly, and membership includes senior elected members and officer roles from a range of organisations including County, District and Borough 2 councils, Suffolk Police, Police and Crime Commissioner, Community Safety Partnerships, Integrated Care Boards, Probation Service and Safeguarding Partnership.

It is supported by a programme office that oversees the delivery of issues that present the greatest threat, risk, and harm to Suffolk residents, and reports regularly to Suffolk Public Sector Leaders and Community Safety Partnerships.

Priorities for WSCSP

A strategic assessment has been undertaken. This is an assessment of all crime and disorder and substance misuse problems that Western Suffolk faces. This assessment assists with the most effective use of available resources in a way which will have the greatest impact on the most relevant problems. It is not intended that the issues identified are the ONLY issues which are addressed throughout the year, but that the issues highlighted are prioritised when resources are available for allocation.

The following data sources have been used to determine this assessment:

- Crime and Disorder data and reports from Suffolk Police
- Ambulance call out data
- Substance misuse data from Public Health England
- Iquanta performance data

Open-source research has also been undertaken where relevant to identify emerging national policy developments.

The following priority areas of work have been identified as the focus for the WSCSP:

- 1) Violence against women and girls
- 2) Prevent
- 3) Hate Crime
- 4) Modern Slavery
- 5) Criminal Exploitation
- 6) ASB
- 7) Domestic Homicide reviews. This will include ensuring that the WSCSP continues to carry out reviews, refines processes, and shares learning.

The intention is not to duplicate any work that individual agencies may be doing but to understand the relevance to Community Safety for residents in Western Suffolk and maximise the opportunities for coordinating a response and intelligence between agencies in the West.

Western Suffolk Community Safety Partnership Action Plan 2025-2026

Objective	Priority	Partners	Project / activity	Location
Awareness raising	All	All	Support national awareness raising campaigns	All
	All	All	Promote reporting routes for all forms of crime as widely as possible	All
	Fraud	All	Share information and training about fraud both internally and into our communities, supporting Trading Standards	All
	Prevent, CE, VAWG	All	Deliver/promote key training offers internally and externally: Prevent, CE, Domestic Abuse champions	All
Problem solving	Criminal Exploitation	Police, District, VCSE, local community	Deliver Clear Hold Build project to eliminate criminal exploitation and reduce drug activity in Western Suffolk	NKT
	ASB	ESC, Police	Deliver year 2 of Safer Streets: ASB interventions and new CCTV network	West Suffolk, Mid Suffolk and Babergh
	VAWG	All	SCC to ask CSP partners for specific support in delivering VAWG action plan	All
	VAWG	District and SCC	Support for local domestic abuse forums (where established)	West Suffolk, Mid Suffolk and Babergh

	CE, MS	All	SCC to ask CSP partners for specific support in delivering Criminal Exploitation and Modern Slavery action plans	All
	Prevent	All	SCC to ask CSP partners for specific support in delivering Prevent action plan	All
	VAWG, CE, Theft	Probation	Work to support probationers to reintegrate into communities to reduce risk of reoffending	All
	All	All	Identify projects to be supported through CSP and MACE funding (through application to the WSCSP)	All
	ASB	Police, SCC and District	Deliver relevant elements of the ASB action plan	All
Community engagement	All	ALL	Identify opportunities to engage with the community in relation to Community Safety	All
	ASB, theft, MS and CE	ALL	Identify opportunities for joint impact events and enforcement	ALL
	VAWG	SCC	VAWG insight project	All
	All	Probation	<i>Partner to outline their community engagement activity</i>	
	All	Fire service	<i>Partner to outline their community engagement activity</i>	
	All	Health	<i>Partner to outline their community engagement activity</i>	
Information sharing	Hate crime	Police, SCC and District	Police to share live hate crime data so that CSP can support local communities	n/a

	Serious violence	SCC	SCC to share details of funded projects and outcomes from SVD fund	n/a
	SSCB Priorities	SCC	SCC to share details of SSCB priorities, actions and activities influencing the wider Suffolk system	
	Criminal Exploitation Hubs	CE Hubs Area Lead	CE Hub leads to share an overview of the trends being seen in the locality as well as examples of work being delivered	
	Fire and Rescue	Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service	SFRS to share data relating to fires, rescues and preventative action taken in the locality	
	All	PCC	PCC to share details of funded projects and outcomes	n/a
	All	District	share details of funded projects and outcomes from funding	n/a