

Safer
Essex

COMMUNITY SAFETY AGREEMENT
2008/09

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SECTION ONE

Background

*People want to be safe and healthy.
These are basic needs. We want our citizens to live healthy lives,
free from the fear of crime. **Our ambition is to make Essex the
safest place to live in England.***

(Pam Challis Chair of Essex Partnership Forum :Essex Strategy April 2008)

This Community Safety Agreement will help us to achieve this.

Community Safety Agreements (CSA) are now a statutory requirement under the Crime and Disorder Act (1998). Revised in 2007, new legislation introduced a number of new requirements and duties for Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships (CDRPs), including the requirement to produce a CDRP strategic assessment and corresponding 3 year, annually updated Partnership Plans.

In two tier areas a county CSA is also required to identify the key community safety priorities for the county, drawing from the priorities identified in each of the CDRP Partnership Plans. CSA priorities are intended to inform Local Area Agreements and other strategic planning arrangements as appropriate. Specifically the CSA must identify:

Ways of co-ordinating across the county to address priorities and how the responsible authorities might otherwise contribute to reducing crime, disorder and substance misuse through closer joint working across the county.

Guidance also suggests that the CSA considers:

- *how to tackle more serious crimes that would benefit from a county-wide approach*
- *using delivery mechanisms at the county-level to address priorities making use of economies of scale in tackling priorities that are likely high volume across other districts in order to deliver better value for money and*
- *accessing opportunities for county-level funding*

It is important to recognise that a key aim of the CSA is to identify where added value can be achieved and where this can enhance the good work that is already a mainstream activity by all the partner agencies

The legislation also introduced the duty for two tier areas like Essex to form a County Strategic Group with defined statutory membership deriving from key partner agencies. In addition, the membership must include the county council's elected member with strategic responsibility for Crime and Disorder and the Chairs of each CDRP. One of the key responsibilities for the county level group is to develop the CSA each year.

Safer Essex has been established to fulfil this function.

Community Safety in its broadest definition will also include emergency planning, road safety, fire safety and environmental crime. Whilst these issues are still priorities different delivery mechanisms have been set up to respond to the challenges they present. These are referred to in the document but not developed in detail.

In addition *Safer Essex* is a combined Community Safety and Drugs and Alcohol Strategic Partnership. This approach is in line with best practice. *Safer Essex* has indicated that for the future it would like to see, where possible, a single strategic document that more directly links the two agendas without losing the very important prevention and treatment agenda that is an essential part of the drugs and alcohol agenda. This year, however, there is a separate Drug and Alcohol Strategic Plan (DASP), but both the CSA and the DASP are closely aligned around shared targets.

Introduction

Essex as a County

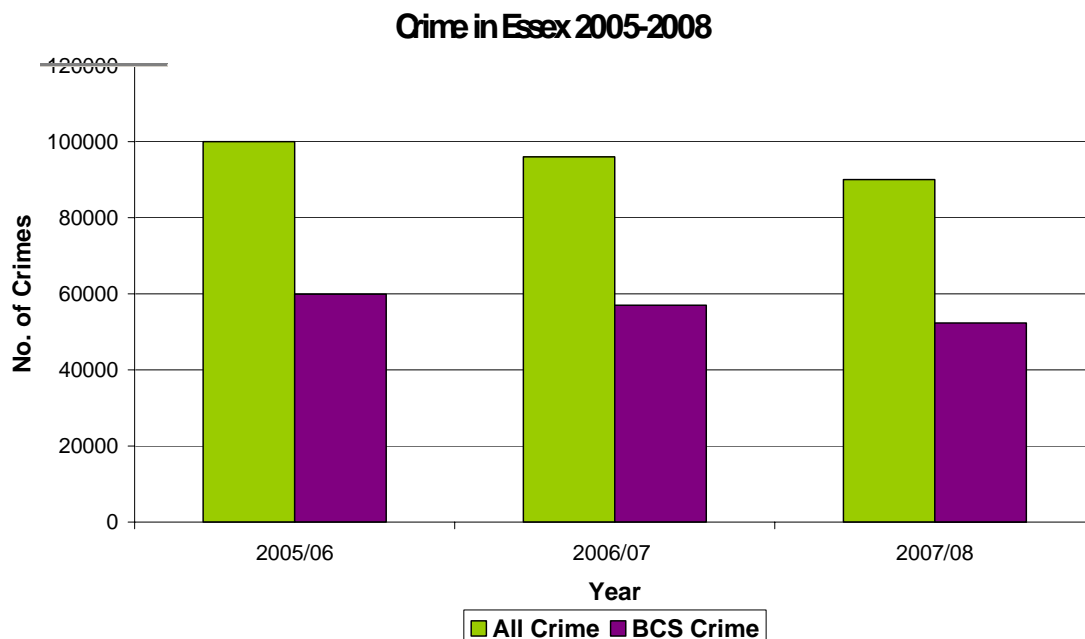
Essex is a large county covering 1300 square miles bordering Suffolk and Cambridgeshire in the north; Hertfordshire in the West and four London boroughs in the South. It is the second most populated county in England with a population of 1.36 million people¹ excluding the Unitary Councils of Southend and Thurrock, (1.67 Million including Southend and Thurrock). Many service providers, for example Essex Police and the Essex Probation service cover the whole of Essex. 75% of the area of Essex is identified as agricultural, however Essex also has three large towns with populations of over 100,000 (Basildon, Colchester and Chelmsford) as well as busy transport networks including a large International airport (Stansted). The contrast between the rural north of the county and the urban south is marked.

There is also a boundary overlap in the provision of health care with 3-4 districts, sometimes including, Unitaries making up a Primary Care Trust boundary. Subsequently, both Unitary CDRPs are invited to become part of the membership in the broader Essex county strategic group.

Crime in Essex

In Essex crime levels are low and falling, but as in England generally, public perception of crime and fear of crime represent a challenge for the Partnership.

Chart 1: Crime in Essex 2005-2008 (source: Home Office)



¹ Mid-2006 ONS Population estimate

Chart 2: Crime per 1,000 population across each district from 2004/05-2007/08

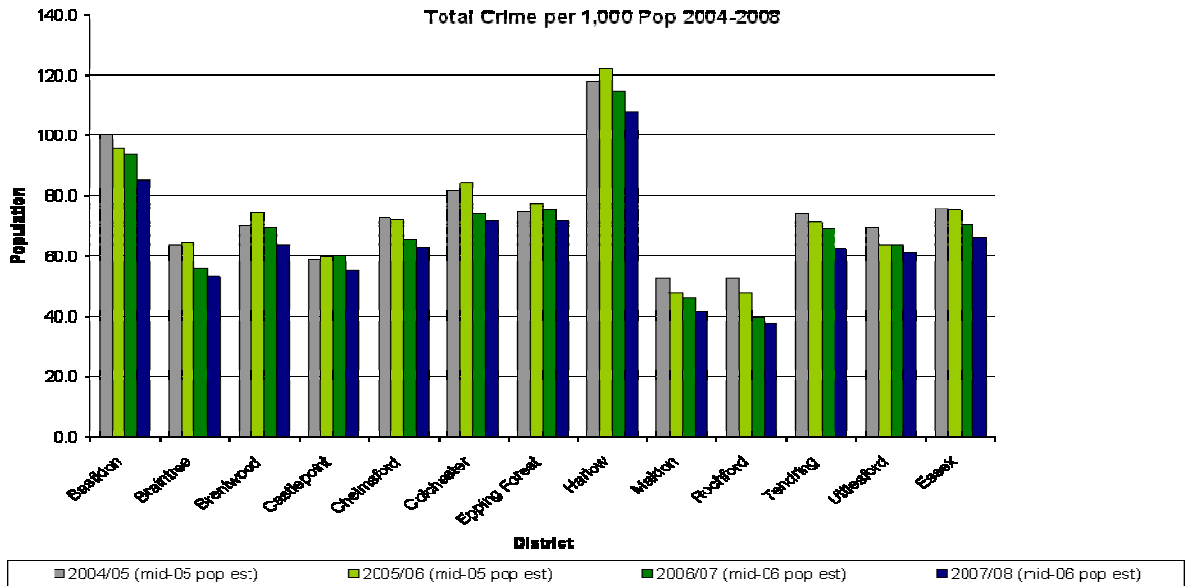


Chart 3: Essex and Most Similar Family Group April 2008

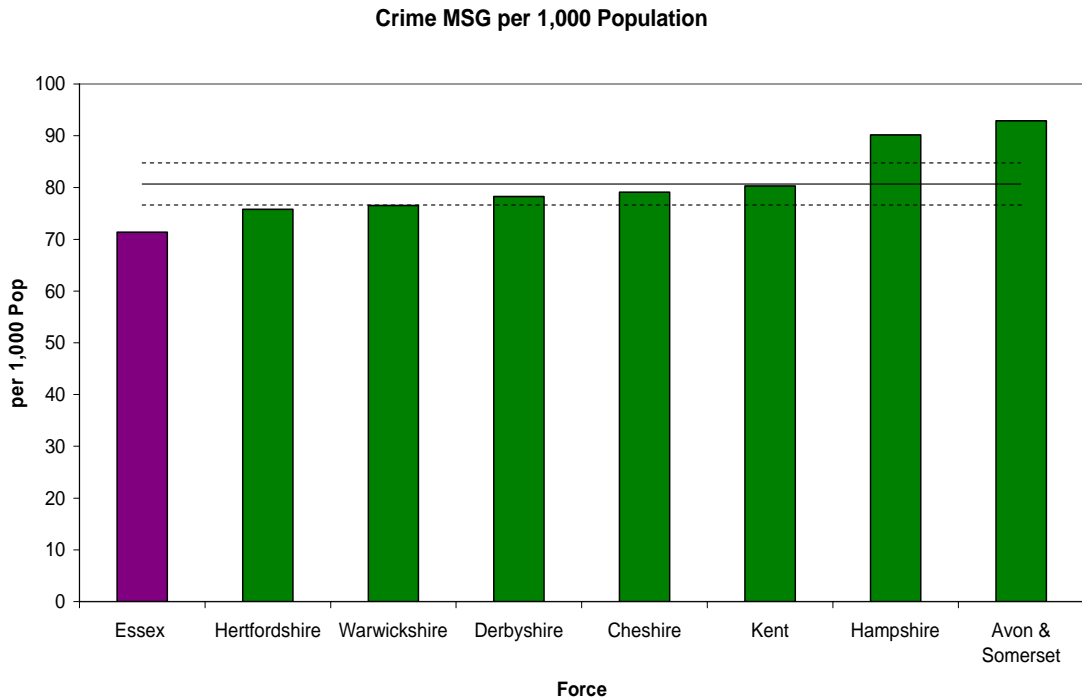


Chart 3 highlights that Essex has the least amount of crime compared to its Most Similar Family Group as at April 2008. It is important to note that this chart analysis is at Police Force level and includes figures for Southend and Thurrock.

Chart 4: British Crime Survey (basket of 10 key crimes) Reductions achieved since 2003/04 by CDRP

CDRP	% Reduction From 2003/04 Baseline
Rochford	33
Basildon	27
Harlow	25
Maldon	22
Castle Point	21
Braintree	20
Colchester	17
Chelmsford & Tendring	18
Uttlesford	15
Epping Forest	12
Brentwood	10

More detailed information on performance of each CDRP is available via the respective District Council and or CDRP websites; however, chart 4 highlights the % reductions achieved for BCS crime according to CDRP. Overall, a 19.9% reduction in crime was achieved for Essex.

SECTION TWO

Executive Summary

Background:

Essex is a safe place in which to live and work, but it is clear that to keep it that way, reduce crime further and have an impact on the fear of crime, continued focus is required by all partner agencies in the county.

The complexities of the county arrangements for democratic and agency boundaries make the task harder but there is a keen commitment by partners to overcome any difficulties that arise and re-enforce the partnership arrangements that are now in place or being developed.

The Community Safety Agreement (CSA) is a statutory requirement which draws on the Strategic Assessments and Partnership Plans from the 12 Essex Crime and Disorder Partnerships (CDRPs) and identifies key priority areas where by adopting a strategic approach significant benefits can be achieved for Essex residents.

The CSA is developed and owned by Safer Essex which is a combined strategic partnership between the Community Safety Partners and the Drug and Alcohol Action teams (DAAT). This is in line with best practice and takes account of the linkages between the two areas of work whilst recognising that not all of those with drug and alcohol abuse problems are responsible for criminal or anti-social acts. Prevention and Treatment actions are equally important and recognised in the DAAT treatment plan strategies that have been adopted.

Developing the Agreement:

In developing this Community Safety Agreement it has not been possible, this year, to fully integrate the Community Safety and DAAT plans. There is a clear intention to do so for the future and where appropriate targets and priorities have been included that re-enforce delivery of each plan's key objectives.

The key linkages that have been identified for this agreement are as follows :

- Essex Strategy
- Essex Local Area Agreement 2 (Liberating Potential)
- Agency Corporate Plans and strategies
- Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership Plans and Strategic Assessments
- Essex Drug and Alcohol Strategic Plan

All of these are underpinned by Essex-wide community consultation where the key public priorities have been identified.

Headline Priorities:

The headline priorities and outcomes for this agreement are:

1. Reducing Re-offending
2. Reducing Crime
3. Reducing Substance/Alcohol misuse
4. Reducing Fear of Crime (Feeling Safe)

5. Reducing Perceptions of Anti-social behaviour as a problem

Outcomes for elements of all of these priorities have been identified and agreed. Target leads have also been identified for those elements that relate to the LAA who will lead on delivering the objectives for their respective areas.

A crucial element of this agreement is that it is not about the ongoing activities of each agency but more importantly where a more effective partnership approach can be achieved and resources targeted more appropriately.

Each Target Lead has reviewed and identified where such an approach would be most effective and appropriate. Those findings have been incorporated within the headline and detailed action plans which are being developed.

Target Area	Target Lead
Adult Re-offending:	Alex Bamber, Essex Probation Service
Assaults causing injury	ACC Carmel Napier, Essex Police
Domestic Abuse repeat incidents	ACC Carmel Napier
First time entrants to Youth Justice System	Tanya Gillett, Youth Offending Service Manager
Alcohol admission rates	Clare Butler, EDAAT
Substance misuse by young people	Clare Butler, EDAAT
Feeling Safe	Samantha Grant, Essex County Council
Perceptions of ASB	ACC Carmel Napier

Not all of the elements of priorities identified can be targeted this year and in years 2 and 3 it will be necessary to review progress made and identify any new actions required arising from the refreshed strategic assessments and partnership plans.

Actions and Activities for 2008/09

Of the actions identified in this agreement 7 specific projects are highlighted for delivery in 2008/09. These are :

- The launch of the Bridge Project led by Essex Probation Service
- Development of Unpaid Work project linking in with communities
- The development of a Night Time Economy response
- The development of an Information Sharing Hub solution to exchange data between key agencies
- The launch of the Integrated Drug Treatment Service
- The roll out of Multi Agency Risk Assessment Panels (Domestic Abuse)

The other actions and activities are also important and progress will be monitored at each Safer Essex meeting.

A strategic fund of £113,000 has been identified to assist with delivering against these priorities.

Monitoring

Progress against the CSA will be monitored in a variety of ways but within the overall governance arrangements for the Essex Partnership. **Safer Essex** is identified as a thematic partnership for the purposes of the LAA2. The Chair of **Safer Essex** is a member of the Essex Partnership Forum and is responsible to that Forum for overall delivery of the agreement.

SECTION THREE

Essex Community Safety Agreement (CSA) Development

From October 2007 to April 2008 CDRPs developed their Strategic Assessments and Partnership Plans. Templates were collectively developed and a standard approach adopted, drawing from information obtained from the public, Police and other partners.

During this time the new county partnership “*Safer Essex*” was formed in line with the new requirements. A decision was taken to make this Partnership the Thematic Group for the purposes of leading on the community safety targets of the Essex Local Area Agreement. It was also agreed that the Group would have a dual responsibility and take on the role of the Essex Drug and Alcohol Partnership. This amalgamation reflects the linkages between drugs, alcohol and crime and aligns treatment and general wellbeing agendas.

Safer Essex has developed this CSA after considering the key priorities identified by the individual CDRP Partnership Plans and where added value can be brought across CDRPs. £113,000 as a Strategic Fund has been identified to assist with this work.

Priorities identified within CDRP Partnership Plans relating to Road Safety and Environmental crime are within the remits of the Essex Casualty Reduction Board and Sustainable Essex Partnership respectively.

Safer Essex has representation which fulfils the statutory requirements but in addition membership also includes:

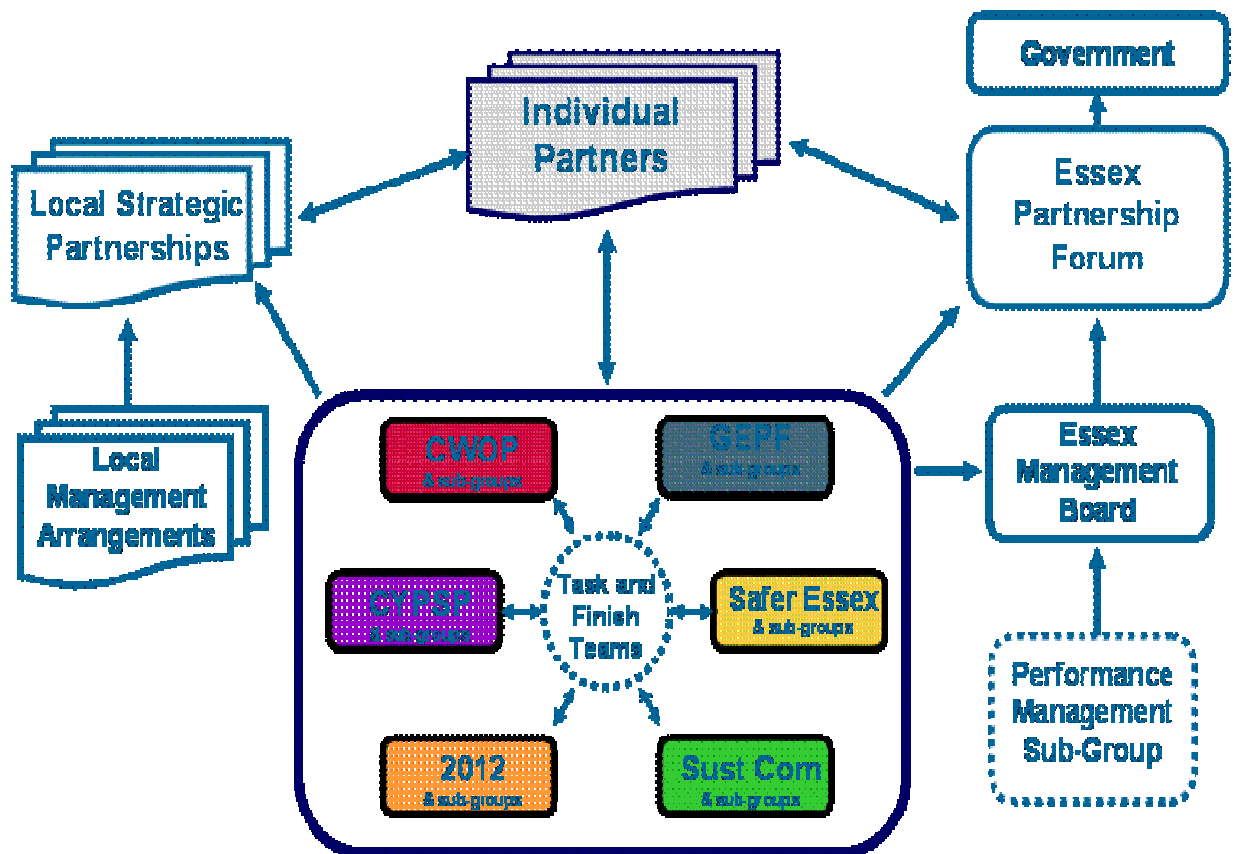
- a. Essex Criminal Justice Board
- b. Essex Children and Young Persons Strategic Partnership
- c. The Chair of *Safer Essex* is also a member of the Essex Partnership Forum ensuring a strong linkage is maintained.

It is acknowledged that there are significant overlaps of responsibility between the various strategic partnerships. This recognition will ensure that actions identified are dealt with jointly where appropriate, reducing duplication and using resources more efficiently. Opportunities will be identified for joint problem solving and development of action plans.

There is a strong correlation between the CSA priorities and those included in the LAA and Essex Strategy. However the CSA includes additional priority areas for attention and action.

CDRP Strategic Assessments and Partnership Plans for 2009/10 are targeted for completion by December/January 2009, giving opportunity to produce the next CSA by April 2009.

Diagram 1 LAA Accountability and Structure Diagram



Key :

CWOP	The Community Wellbeing and Older People's Partnership
2012	The Essex Strategic Board for the London 2012 Olympic and ParaLympic Games
CYPSP	The Children and Young People's Strategic Board
GEPF	The Greater Essex Prosperity Forum
Safer Essex	The Essex Community Safety, Drugs and Alcohol Strategic Partnership
Sustainable Essex	The "Sustainable Essex" Partnership

The Essex Casualty Reduction Board is incorporated within the *Safer Essex* element of this structure diagram.

SECTION FOUR

Governance Arrangements

As part of the Essex Partnership *Safer Essex* is identified as one of 6 Thematic Partnerships which have primary responsibility for delivering LAA2 targets. It is directly accountable to the Essex Partnership Forum (EPF) and individual partners for the delivery of LAA targets. (See diagram 1 on previous page)

The EPF is the overarching partnership body for Essex.

The Chair of *Safer Essex* is a member of EPF.

The EPF has an Executive Management Board (EMB), which has the authority to commission the thematic partnerships to undertake various activities that will help achieve LAA objectives. The EMB also has the responsibility for performance monitoring for the LAA and can challenge the progress of each of the Thematic Partnerships if LAA targets are not being met.

Key functions of *Safer Essex* in the delivery of identified priorities are:

- To prepare a “Community Safety Agreement” for Essex, drawing from the priorities outlined in each district’s Partnership Plans where added value can be brought.
- To convene as the Essex Drugs and Alcohol Partnership (EDAP) and specifically to be the statutory body
- To act as an effective co-ordinating body, ensuring that there is a strong voice for district level priorities and interests on other partnerships such as the Local Criminal Justice Board and Local Strategic Partnerships.
- To ensure that Crime and Disorder issues for Essex are appropriately fed into the new Essex Local Area Agreement (LAA2).
- To monitor performance for all county level community safety priorities
- To lead on the agreed strategic objectives and consider progress against these objectives
- To take a strategic overview of resources including financial and recommend allocation of these resources to the funding bodies for projects and services that fulfil identified strategic needs.

SECTION FIVE

Commitment of Partners

Each partner agency has agreed the priorities and outcomes in this agreement and undertakes to:

1. Support operational activities which deliver priorities including:
 - a. Joint working at operational level
 - b. Information sharing subject to agreed protocols
 - c. Attendance at the key partners meetings, providing a proactive link to/from their organisations
 - d. Joint promotional/communication activities where opportunities are identified
2. Undertaking and supporting the development of CDRP Strategic Assessments and Partnership Plans.
3. Aligning organisational Corporate Plans and Strategic plans.
4. Identifying resources to achieve priority actions.
5. Recognise that in addition to the key Essex CSA priorities there may be additional local/CDRP priorities and objectives.

SECTION SIX

Identification of Priorities

Each CDRP Partnership Plan identified the local CDRP's top 5 priorities as identified from the strategic assessment analysis. These priorities have been cross-referenced and considered according to how they align with the broader priorities identified as part of the Essex Community Strategy development.

Public consultation for LAA2 and the Essex Strategy has been carried out from Autumn 2007 into early 2008.

CSA Priorities:

The CSA's 5 headline priority outcome areas identified from the Partnership Plans are:

1. Reducing Re-offending
2. Reducing Crime
3. Reducing Substance/Alcohol Misuse
4. Feeling Safe
5. Improving perceptions of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

Specific performance indicators were identified according to each headline priority area and are listed below according to those most commonly identified by CDRPs as priorities in their areas.

This list of indicators and priorities form the basis of the Essex CSA.

Table 1: Community Safety Agreement Priorities

Priority/Indicator	National Indicator	Leads Identified
1. Reducing Re-offending		
Rate of proven re-offending by young offenders	NI 19	Youth Offending Service
Adult re-offending rates for those under probation supervision	NI 18/LAA	Essex Probation Service
2. Reducing crime and Violent crime		
Serious acquisitive crime (incl. Burglary, robbery, vehicle crime)	NI 16	Essex Police (tbc)
Repeat incidents of Domestic violence	LAA/Local	Essex Police
Assault with Injury crime rate (ABH; other less serious wounding; excludes GBH)	NI 20/LAA	Essex Police
Criminal damage incl. graffiti	Local	Local CDRPs
Young People as victims of crime	Local	CYPSP
First time entrants to Youth Justice System	NI111/LAA	Youth Offending Service
Business Crime		Local CDRPs
3. Reducing Substance/Alcohol misuse		
Substance misuse by young people	NI 115/LAA	EDAAT

Alcohol harm related hospital admission rate	NI 39/LAA	EDAAT
Drug users in effective treatment	NI 40	EDAAT
Drug related (class A) offending rate	NI 38	EDAAT
4. Feeling Safe		
Feeling Safe outside after dark	LAA/Local	ECC
5. Perceptions of ASB		
Perceptions of ASB	NI 17/LAA	Essex Police
Improved street and environmental cleanliness (graffiti)	Ni195/laa	Sustainable Essex Partnership
Perceptions of drunk or rowdy behaviour as a problem	NI 41	EDAAT
Perceptions of drug use or dealing as a problem	NI 42	EDAAT

Each CDRP has plans in place to respond to their locally determined priorities. However, particular countywide issues have been identified as requiring further study and development to encourage more efficient and effective partnership working across key partner agencies. Leads have been identified to develop proposals and action plans for each of these areas.

Links with LAA 2 Priorities

8 LAA targets within Priority 7 'Essex is a safe place to live' are incorporated into the CSA. Target NI 195, "environmental crime related issues" is also a priority but falls within the remit of the Sustainable Essex Partnership. In addition targets relating to road safety are covered by the Essex Casualty Reduction Board

Table 2: LAA2 Priority 7 Indicators and Targets

LAA Priority	NI/LAA	Baseline	County Target 2010/11	Target Lead
Perceptions of ASB	NI 17	21.5% (2006 LGUSS survey)	19.4%	Essex Police
Adult Re-offending Rate	NI 18	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	Essex Probation Service
Assaults causing Injury per thousand population	NI 20	8513 (2007/08)	10% reduction (7366)	Essex Police
Alcohol-harm admission rates: to slow the rate of increase	NI 39	1153 (07/08)	1337	EDAAT
First time entrants to the Youth Justice System Aged 10-17 years	NI 111	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	Youth Offending Service
Substance misuse by young people	NI 115	20.7%	20.1%	EDAAT
Repeat incidents of Domestic Violence	Local Indicator 7.1	5105 (2007/08)	10% reduction (4522)	Essex Police

Feeling Safe (% of people feeling safe outside after dark)	Local Indicator 7.2	44.9%	50.8%	Essex County Council
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For the current CSA only LAA2 Priority 7 indicators have been included, however the Target Lead studies will identify any gaps or linkages to other LAA2 priorities and reflect these links in the LAA action plans. It will also be necessary to identify a programme of action to address the priorities over a 3 year period.

Linkages with Partners' Strategic Plans²

Whilst the Essex Strategy is all encompassing, each organisation or Partnership also has its own strategies, corporate plans and delivery mechanisms. Members of the group will therefore play a crucial role in ensuring that this work is co-ordinated in order to enhance the success of this CSA. Where possible the CSA strategic outcomes are linked and targets have been aligned to ensure maximum impact.

The strategies and plans referred to above include, for example, the Essex Policing Plan, Essex County Council's "Essex Works" Pledges, and Essex Probation Business Plan. Appendix 2 identifies key linkages.

² Refer Appendix 2 for more detail.

SECTION SEVEN

Key supporting actions to achieve priorities

1. Essex County Council has made available a strategic fund of £113,000 in 2008/09 for use by *Safer Essex* to develop county-wide and multi-area responses to key priorities in addition to local CDRP and DAAT and other partners funds
2. Target leads have been identified to drive performance to ensure the achievement of outcomes, objectives and targets.
3. The priorities align with the Local Area Agreement (2008-11) and key Partner Corporate Plans so the CSA will benefit from the application of corporate resources.
4. Membership of *Safer Essex* has been expanded beyond the legal minimum requirement to include additional representatives of strategic planning bodies such as the Children and Young Persons Strategic Partnership (CYPSP) and Essex Drug and Alcohol Partnership.
5. Key actions for 2008/09 are set out in section 8.
6. A Partnership Information Hub is being developed, linked to a GIS mapping system to facilitate more effective information sharing and analysis of partnership data. This will greatly facilitate the adoption of a strategic “intelligence led” problem solving capacity both at the countywide and district CDRP level

SECTION EIGHT

Target Lead Findings and key activities required

This section sets out to identify where “added value” can be achieved for the Partnership. Each of the target leads have considered their target areas and identified those key activities that will be most beneficial. It does not set out a detailed action plan for each. These action plans are either in place or being developed and are the responsibility of each identified Lead.

It has been identified by target leads that in all areas of activity significantly improved outcomes will be achieved if there is better developed joint working through clearly identified protocols and working practices. This is particularly relevant for re-offending.

CSA Priority 1: Reduce Re-offending

Actions 2008/09:

1. Promote and Support the Bridge Project :
The Bridge Project is being developed to provide courts with more appropriate options other than custodial sentences for less than a year. In Essex Magistrates Courts have consistently been in the top five of the forty-two Criminal Justice Areas in terms of the proportion of all those sentenced going immediately into custody.
The Bridge Project seeks to provide more viable Community Service options for sentencers to help reduce the number of short custody terms and in turn reduce re-offending rates. By adopting this action within the CSA partners can work to provide effective additional activities to be included in options for the Community Service Orders. This will be the first time that this offender group will have been targeted in this way.
2. Develop provision of Unpaid Work for offenders within communities
- 3 Launch Integrated Drug Treatment Service.
4. Development of links with education, training and skills programmes for offenders to increase life chances and better match the demands of the Essex economy.

CSA Priority 2: Reducing Crime & Violent Crime

These issues remain core business for partnerships but with a particular emphasis around violent crime and youth crime.

Actions 2008/09 :

1. Develop a Youth Crime Strategy that includes a “menu” approach on a locality basis with a single point of referral for young people at risk of offending.

2. Develop a multi agency Information Sharing hub with arrangements for data analysis to provide a more robust evidence base for partnership activity.
3. Develop a multi-agency “Night-time Economy Plan” that can be utilised in areas of the county as required.
4. Target repeat incidents of Domestic Abuse and continue the roll out of Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARACs) across Essex.
5. Finalise review of county DV Services to include gap analysis and a cohesive progressive plan for the county.

CSA Priority 3: Reducing Substance/Alcohol misuse

The move towards the strategic merging of these areas of work with the crime and disorder and Children and Young Persons agendas give opportunity for more effective joint initiatives that take account of and build on the geographical and demographic diversity in Essex.

Actions 2008/09:

1. Agree the EDAP Strategic Plan for 2008-2011.
2. Develop and Introduce single multi-agency alcohol strategy and delivery plan
3. Re-appraise and develop proposals for Young Persons Treatment and advisory services.
4. Redesign treatment services to reflect current needs

CSA Priority 4: Feeling Safe

This issue remains crucial for agencies to address to ensure that the public are able to actually feel safe as well as being safe living and working in Essex. Informing and involving the public are identified as key activities in this respect.

Actions:

1. Analysis on feeling safe to be used to inform neighbourhood actions.
2. A countywide campaign to feature the work of Safer Essex, ‘*Safer Essex – Safer Neighbourhoods*’
 - o Promote key ‘county’ activities for 2008/9
 - o Consider ‘Neighbourhood award schemes’
3. Specific activities targeting identified groups where there is evidence fear of crime seriously impacts on the quality of life.

4. To approach Sustainable Essex Partnership, and seek agreement to develop a joint action plan between Safer Essex and SEP linking the 'feeling safer' outcome and 'Improved street and environmental cleanliness (levels of litter, detritus, graffiti and fly posting)' outcome in LAA2.

CSA Priority 5: Improving Perceptions of ASB

Actions 2008/09 :

1. More detailed research and analysis.
2. More effective media campaigns linked to feeling safe.
3. Police operations linked to partnership priorities to tackle identified ASB issues.
4. Community work to focus targeted action on hot spot areas.
5. Identify resources to support education campaigns and work with partners, including the business community, to make town centres a safe environment, reduce crime in the night time economy, reduce alcohol misuse, and encourage sensible drinking.

Programme for key activities

1. The CSA is for 2008/09 but looks forward for 3 years being informed each year by the rolling CDRP Partnership Plans
2. Specific targets have been set for years 1, 2 and 3 of the Local Area Agreement and each agency has these targets set within their individual plans. Where performance to achieve targets slips this should be addressed by *Safer Essex* to ensure that the time-frame is met.
3. The work undertaken by Target Leads identifies specific actions required to meet gaps and a timeframe for these actions to be completed.
4. Actions for Year 1 have been established and set out below with indications of activity for Year 2 where known subject to further development and agreement.

Key Activities Year 1 – to March 2009

Ref	Action	Resources	Lead
CSA1/1	Launch IDTS	Existing	Chelmsford Prison & DIP
CSA1/1	Launch Bridge Project		EPS

CSA1/1	Develop Pathways and Protocols for Prevention of Re-offending services	Multi-agency agreemer	EPS
CSA1/2	Develop Youth Crime Strategy	Multi-agency	YOS
CSA1/2	Strategically review arrangements and resources available for Domestic Abuse	Multi-agency	Essex Police
CSA1/2	Roll out MARACS across the County	Multi-agency	Essex Police
CSA1/2	Develop Night-time Economy Strategy	TBC	Essex Police
CSA1/2	Finalise Info Sharing Database project	TBC	ECC
CSA1/3	Approve the EDAP Strategic Plan	Multi-agency	DAAT
CSA1/3	Introduce single multi-agency alcohol strategy and delivery plan	Multi Agency	ESSEX DAAT

SECTION NINE

POTENTIAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES SUMMARY

1. Financial resources available to *Safer Essex* in 2008/11 are set out in the table below

Funding source	2008/09 £	2009/10 £	2010/11 £
ECC allocation from Area Based Grant Revenue	1,236,586	1,236,586	1,236,586
ECC allocation of Aggregates Sustainability Levy Fund (from ABG)	113,000	-	-
Capital	375,660*	375,660	375,660
Pooled Treatment Budget	5,739,128	tbc	tbc
Drug Intervention Programme (DIP)	839,143	tbc	tbc
Children and Young Persons Substance Misuse Grant	908,942	tbc	tbc

**(Agreement now in place for capital to be used as revenue)*

2. The funding has been allocated for 2008/09 in the following way :

Allocated funding	2008/09 £	Performance Reward Grant Indicative amount LAA2 "Safer Essex"
CDRPs (revenue)	1,127,821	Total : £733,069 (capital & revenue) ➤ Feeling Safe - £123,051 ➤ Crime and ASB – £201,594
DAAT	108,765	
Strategic provision <i>including</i> ➤ <i>Target Lead studies Provisi</i>	113,000	

of £10,000 ➤ £40,000 DV Co-ordinator post		➤ Adult Re-offending -£123,051 ➤ Substance misuse - £162,322
Capital to CDRPs*	375,660	Essex Casualty reduction Board ➤ Killed and Seriously Injured- £123,051
Pooled Treatment Budget	5,739,128	
DIP	839,143	

SECTION TEN

Monitoring Arrangements

1. Delivery of this agreement will be monitored in a variety of ways and forums. *Safer Essex* will receive high level performance monitoring and action progress reports at each meeting. The Chair of *Safer Essex* is accountable to the wider Essex Partnership Forum. There will also be specific focus on the LAA elements of the agreement through the formal arrangements in place to monitor the LAA.
2. 3-year LAA targets have been set and progress towards achieving these targets will be measured regularly.
3. Each target has an identified lead agency and individuals representing those organisations at *Safer Essex* will be asked to report on progress against the action plan. Where issues exist, these must be highlighted and resolved through broader partnership engagement.
4. In addition, account will be taken of the Essex performance against its most similar "Family Group" where appropriate.
5. The Crime and Disorder Network Executive, is aligned to the membership of *Safer Essex* at officer level and is charged with delivering against the action plan objectives. The Chair of this executive group will report to *Safer Essex* as necessary.
6. The EDAP Strategic Manager will report to *Safer Essex* against drug and alcohol targets and delivery of the drugs and alcohol strategic plans.

APPENDIX 1:

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR COUNTY COMMUNITY SAFETY, DRUGS AND ALCOHOL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP GROUP “*SAFER ESSEX*”

Purpose and Key Activities

1. To prepare a “Community Safety Agreement” for Essex, drawing from the priorities outlined in each district’s Partnership Plans.
2. To convene as the Essex Drugs and Alcohol Partnership (EDAP) and specifically to be the statutory body :-
 - a. To take the strategic lead and own the 3 key strands of the Drug and Alcohol Agenda i.e. Prevention, Treatment, Enforcement and to ensure that these areas of work are reflected within the EDAP Strategic Plan and the Essex-wide partnership locality working.
 - b. To approve the annual EDAP Delivery and Treatment Plans.
 - c. Oversee appropriate EDAP budget and performance monitoring.
3. To act as an effective co-ordinating body, ensuring that there is a strong voice for district level priorities and interests on other partnerships such as the Local Criminal Justice Board and Local Strategic Partnerships.
4. To ensure that Crime and Disorder issues for Essex are appropriately fed into the new Essex Local Area Agreement (LAA2).
5. To consider and recommend priorities for community engagement and other related issues for LAA2.
6. To monitor performance for all county level community safety priorities.
7. To lead on the agreed strategic objectives and consider progress against these objectives.
8. To take a strategic overview of resources including financial and recommend allocation of these resources for projects and services that fulfil identified strategic needs.

Arrangements Chairing of Meetings

1. The Chair of the partnership group shall be appointed for one year and shall be selected from the Responsible Authorities.
2. A vice chair shall be appointed and the Vice Chair will become Chair after serving the one year term.

- Administration for the group will be provided by Essex County Council CDRU.

Frequency of Meetings

- There will be a minimum of 4 meetings per year.
- Each meeting will include a section where it becomes the Drug and Alcohol Partnership.

Declaration of Pecuniary or other interests

In view of the nature of some of the responsibilities of this partnership meeting it is deemed prudent to have a standing item on the agenda that invites declarations of pecuniary or other interests in items to be considered on the agenda.

Review of Terms of Reference (TOR)

Initially these TOR are to be reviewed after 6 months but it is recognised that as circumstances change in terms of legislation, changing structures and governance arrangements across the whole spectrum of activity undertaken by this Partnership the TOR will need to be reviewed and changed to reflect Partnership needs.

Membership

The partnership will comprise membership as set out in appendix (a):

Appendix A. (shaded in Grey are required by legislation)

Organisation	Position
Basildon CDRP	Chair
Braintree CDRP	Chair
Rochford CDRP	Chair
Brentwood CDRP	Chair
Castle Point CDRP	Chair
Chelmsford CDRP	Chair
Colchester CDRP	Chair
Harlow CDRP	Chair
Maldon CDRP	Chair
Tendring CDRP	Chair
Epping Forest CDRP	Chair
Uttlesford CDRP	Chair
Essex County Council	Cabinet Member Community Safety remit
Fire and Rescue Service	Chief Officer
Essex Police Authority	Chair
Essex Police	Assistant Chief Constable
Essex Probation Service	Chief Officer level
West Essex PCT	Director level

Mid Essex PCT	Director level
South East Essex PCT	Director level
North Essex PCT	Director level
South West Essex PCT	Director level
<i>Other Members to reflect EDAP requirements and good practice:</i>	
South Essex Partnership Trust	Chief Executive
North Essex Partnership Trust	Chief Executive
Essex Criminal Justice Board	Chair
Essex CPS	Chief Officer
Essex Drug and Alcohol Partnership	Strategic Manager
HM Courts	Chief Officer
County CYPSPs and Director of Schools, Children and Families	Chair
HM Prisons	Governor Chelmsford Prison
Southend CDRP	Chair
Thurrock CDRP	Chair
Essex YOT	Chief Officer level
ECC Director for Adult Social Care	Director level
GO-EAST	Sue Howl/Caron Brooks
Essex Voluntary Service	As nominated
<i>Other organisations for consideration either as members, co-optees or as required or for specific elements of the agenda</i>	
Essex Ambulance Service	
Essex/Southend/Thurrock Connexions	
Chairman of County Neighbourhood Watch group	
Essex Victim Support	
Essex Against Domestic Violence	
Essex Racial Equality Council Chair	
EDAAP Service User	

Appendix 2: Linkages with Partners' Strategic Plans (note: need to add fire, PCTs etc)

Essex Strategy "Our ambition is to make Essex the safest place to live in England."					
'Essex is already one of the safest places in the country with comparatively low levels of crime. However, we want to make Essex even safer. Through the effective use of community-based partnerships we will deliver initiatives that will tackle persistent crime and disorder problems, including anti-social behaviour, and address the causes of crime through early intervention initiatives across our service areas. We will also help to make Essex feel safer by communicating our community safety successes to the public'					
Priority Areas Organisation	Re-offending	Reducing Crime & Violent Crime	Drugs and Alcohol	Fear of Crime	Perceptions of ASB
ECC Essex Works	"Our World" Making Communities Safer				
Essex Police	"Policing Plan" Key objectives 2008/2009				
The priorities that Essex Police will make a significant contribution to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protecting vulnerable people • Reducing youth offending • Reducing violent crimes including domestic abuse, assaults and sexual offences • Making the people of Essex feel safer 	Continue to reduce overall crime. Continue to increase sanction detection rates. Continue to bring more drug supply offences to justice.	Continue to bring more drug supply offences to justice. In conjunction with our crime and disorder partners, Essex Police will target identified 'hot spots' and deal vigorously with alcohol-related disorder. As part of our on-going drive to prevent the sale of alcohol to under-age people, we will act on intelligence, working with Trading Standards to carry out 'test purchase' operations. Essex Police continues to support an extensive programme involving schools and other partners	Enhance public confidence and reassurance.	Tackling anti-social behaviour is a key priority for Essex Police. We will work with our partners to identify, resolve and reduce anti-social behaviour and nuisance and disorder issues at a local level. Our relationship with partners, external agencies and CDRPs provides a cohesive, problem solving approach to local concerns. Essex Police also works alongside partners and contributes to a number of projects that seek to bring about long term changes in the behaviours of families and individuals causing	

			that educate young people about the risks associated with drugs and alcohol.		disproportionate problems in the community.
Essex Probation	Business Plan				
Essex Criminal Justice Board <i>“Working Together to cut crime and deliver Justice”</i> <i>Strategic Plan 2008/11</i>	Promoting a joined up approach to tackling prolific and other priority offenders	Tackling Domestic Violence and violent sexual crime. Developing the Youth Justice System, punishing the guilty, but keeping as many young people on the ‘straight and narrow’ as possible. Working closely with CDRPs and ensuring where possible a shared sense of local priorities across the criminal justice system and crime reduction agendas.		Engaging with local communities and driving up confidence in the Criminal Justice System.	
Youth Offending Service	“Youth Justice Plan 2007/08”				