



Overview and Scrutiny February 2024

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Prevent – Pursue - Protect

PREVENT CRIME:

- Work with local authorities and partner agencies
 - Identify patterns and MO
 - Identify vulnerable locations

PURSUE OFFENDERS:

- Identify suspects and arrest
- Use ASB powers to disrupt, including CPW's, CPN's and closure orders

PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY:

- Provide high visibility patrols in hotspot areas alongside the council Joint Enforcement Team
 - Community engagement events
- Close monitoring of ASB incidents, with reassurance to victims.



Successes in 2023

Operation Wisteria

In the summer of 2023 we identified an issue in Merstham involving a group of youths committing thefts and associated ASB, including public place violence. We established a community based approach to tackling the issue. Community tensions were rising, and there was a spike in September of 36 offences recorded at the Co-Op on Portland Drive.



In response we have used a range of powers to tackle the issue, including:

- CPW's and CPN's
- Robust use of arrest powers and criminal justice outcomes
 - Closure orders
 - Warrants executed.

In addition, we have used strong partnership working to ensure that there is suitable diversionary tactics in place for a long-term solution.

The offending of this group has significantly reduced owing to this work.



Operation Flight

We continue to work with East Surrey College in relation to Operation Flight.

The operation is a series of enforcement and engagement event at the College. The objective is to protect those children and young people who may be involved in, or at risk from, county lines and violent gang activity.

We have seen charges obtained for assaults and weapons offences previously.

The continued activity at the college has seen a reduction in violence and ASB associated with the college and has provided valuable safeguarding for those most at risk.



Priorities for 2024

Redhill Town and Clear, Hold, Build.

Using both quantitative and qualitative data from crime statistics, the Redhill Town survey and the PSPO survey, Redhill town has been identified as a hotspot for ASB and crime, relative to other areas.

Clear, Hold, Build and Safer Streets funding will be utilised as a community based, partnership approach, to tackle ASB, VAWG and public place violent crime.

Joint working has already been established for the Clear phase, and the partnership working groups are being established to ensure relevant counter measures are delivered as part of the Hold and Build phase.



Keyless vehicle thefts

Keyless car crime has been identified as a regional issue, with notable impact on the R&B area. Operation Dungeon has been created alongside other law enforcement agencies in the south-east to tackle this issue, with a range of hi-visibility deterrent patrols alongside investigative actions to identify offenders.



Tackling ASB

- Dispersal orders
- CPN/CPW
- Criminal behaviour orders
- Sexual harm prevention orders
- Closure orders
- Drug warrants
- County Lines intensification
- Domestic abuse intensification
- Joint patrols with JET
- Meet the beat
- Enforcing the PSPO
- Weapon sweeps
- Community engagement events







Any questions?



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