

EXTRACT FROM CABINET MINUTES 1ST SEPTEMBER 200961 **BRAINTREE DISTRICT STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT & CRIME AND DISORDER ANNUAL PARTNERSHIP PLAN**

Cabinet was reminded of the statutory requirement of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) to provide a Strategic Assessment and to review the annual Partnership Plan. It was noted that the Partnership Plan had previously been produced by consultants, and will now be undertaken by an analyst funded by the CDRP. Reference was made to the six priorities resulting from the Braintree District Strategic Assessment, and the Sub Committees that support each priority and many events are held during the year, including road shows and working in schools. The Braintree CDRP has recently become the best in their Family Group of similar CDRP's (from Home Office statistics).

During the discussion the following issues were raised:

- for 'Hate Crime' not being considered a 'priority' for the Braintree District. Members were advised that this priority was compulsory
- that other higher priorities were appropriate for the Braintree area, e.g. crime on industrial estates, thefts from building sites, that impacts on business and resources. Members noted this issue will be considered at the next Responsible Authority Group (CDRP) meeting, and representatives from Witham Industrial Watch could be invited
- that crime in the rural community also impacts on business
- the importance of partnership working, and opportunities in other areas, e.g. Neighbourhood Action Panels
- the consequence of people's actions and the problems in our societies, e.g. on anti social behaviour, and offenders being aware they will not be prosecuted
- corrections to the report at (i) Item 5, Hate Crime priority and 'disabilities'; (ii) Item 6, third sentence '...that the partnership has not been addressing.....'

DECISION: That it be **RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:-**

That the decision made by the Responsible Authority Group (CDRP) agreeing the Annual Partnership Plan 2009 be supported with the amendment (suggested to the CDRP) for business crime in both urban and rural areas to be included as a priority.