

Overview and Scrutiny Committee acting as the Crime and Disorder Committee – 21 February 2023

Safety in the Town Centre Review – Briefing Note

The Committee commenced its review into Safety in the Town Centre in October 2022. It met twice in October and once in December to continue the review.

The aim of the review was to:

'review existing [safety] measures to identify any required changes'

To complete the review and allow its submission to the Executive before the end of the Municipal Year, the Committee will need to produce any recommended actions and intended outcomes during the 21 February 2023 meeting.

A range of supporting written and verbal information has been provided by internal and external stakeholders throughout the review. To review this, please use the links provided in the 'background information' section of this note.

To support the Committee, a summary of the evidence provided, and Committee sentiment expressed across the above-mentioned meetings has been included as Appendix 1. The Communications and Community Protection Teams have also provided suggestions for the Committee to consider if it wishes to.

Appendix 2 includes a guidance note on recommendations, following the Committee's previous comments on producing recommendations with greater direction and achievable outcomes.

Appendices:

Appendix 1 – Summary of review evidence and Committee sentiments.

Appendix 2 – Guidance Note on Recommendations.

Appendix 3 – Scope of the Review

Background Information:

6 October 2022 Meeting, Agenda papers and minutes:

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18 October 2022 Meeting, Agenda papers and minutes:

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20 December 2022 Meeting, Agenda papers and minutes:

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