

appropriate referrals will be submitted via Police Scotland to EEI for appropriate disposal, home visits, or joint working with partner agencies at the earliest possible time to ensure effective early intervention



## **NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT: CRIME WITHIN THE CALTON WARD**

### **Purpose of Report:**

To provide an update on the work of the Multi Agency Tasking and Coordinating (MATAC) Group in tackling crime within the Calton Ward.

### **Recommendation:**

The Area Partnership is requested to note the contents of the report.

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Police Scotland has been working in partnership with Community Safety Glasgow to tackle a range of issues in the Calton Multi Member Ward area including Anti Social Behaviour, Youth Disorder, Prostitution, Drugs Misuse/Dealing and Environmental Issues. Calton has a range of different hot spots ranging from Abercrombie Street, Gallowgate, Glasgow Green including Monteith Row and Parsonage Square.

The former St James Street Primary School has been a gathering point for large numbers of youths congregating on a nightly basis for the purpose of street drinking and disorder. It is thought that these individuals are also responsible for a spate of vandalisms to nearby public houses. In response to this, there have been daily patrols from Community Enforcement Officers and mobile CCTV patrols for the purpose of deterring this activity whilst attempting to identify those responsible for further action from Police Scotland. Work is ongoing with Police Scotland and Councillor Redmond to have a cycle shelter re-designed/removed as this is the area where local youths regularly congregate.

Parsonage Square has seen a recent increase in complaints ranging from rough sleeping to legal highs and drugs misuse in the vicinity of Clydesdale House and within the common close areas. Community Safety Glasgow has deployed daily patrols in to this area and visits have been carried out to residents, Police Scotland has also been extremely active in this area using high visibility patrols to deter those intent on causing issues for the community.

Monteith Row has seen an increase in drugs paraphernalia being discarded near to the bin areas, and evidence of

prostitution at this locus. Multi agency site visits have been carried out with Public Health and Land and Environmental Services and referrals have been submitted to the CSG Routes out of Prostitution team to carry out outreach engagement work in this area.

A summary of interventions delivered in to the area and deployed are as follows:-

- Re-deployable camera has been placed at London Road opposite the Calton Bar and at Monteith Row.
- Daily Community Enforcement Patrols and mobile CCTV patrols.
- High visibility police patrols
- Referrals to Routes out of Prostitution.
- Regular referrals to LOWG (Local Operations Working Group) re environmental matters.
- Re-deployable camera placed at Arcadia Street/McPhail Street to monitor for ASB and house breakings.
- Community Engagement re the Barras and wider Calton MMW area including the launch of 'Your Community' website and app to enable easy reporting of issues in the area.
- Enforcement of counterfeit legislation resulting in excess of £6 million counterfeit goods being seized and an additional £500,000+ seized under POCA Legislation
- CSG HIT mobile resources have been deployed in to the MUGA at St James Primary School to focus on youth disorder and ASB, after several months at Bridgeton CLC.

Calton with particular emphasis on the Parsonage Square area remains a MATAC priority and once individuals have been identified through offences or intelligence, then where