Information about agencies to be shared in 'Making Enquiries under S.42' training

Who are we?

Safer Derbyshire, Community Safety Unit and Community Safety Partnerships



What do we do?

There is a statuary obligation for all Borough and District Council areas to have a Community Safety Partnership (CSP). CSP's are made up of a number of partners, including the District/Borough Council, Derbyshire County Council, the Police, Probation, Clinical Commissioning Group and the Fire and Rescue Service. Within each area there is a support team which, typically, consists of a Community Safety Manager or Officer with other staff who might be entitled Assistant Community Safety Officer or Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Officer.

Safer Derbyshire works at a strategic level and brings partners together to organisation which includes Derbyshire County Council (DCC) Community Safety Unit (CSU), the Safeguarding Boards, Derbyshire Constabulary, the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service, Probation Services and Health Organisations working together on the agenda of community safety.

The CSU is based at County Hall, Matlock and is responsible for developing and implementing community safety strategies and plans which are ratified by the Safer Communities Board, involved in commissioning of some services and involved at a strategic level in many areas of work including Modern Slavery, Child Sexual Exploitation, Prevent (counter-terrorism and extremism), domestic and sexual abuse. The CSU also delivers training in many of these areas of work.

Referral route

Contact can be made directly with the local CSP through the local District or Borough Council, or via the CSU as Senior Community Safety Officers in the CSU liaise with all the partnerships and with DCC departments. Alison Boyce is the liaison officer for Adult Care Alison.boyce@derbyshire.gov.uk

More information about Community Safety can be found on the Safer Derbyshire Website, including training available, and safeguarding and domestic abuse referral forms – www.saferderbyshire.gov.uk

Who do we work with and criteria for accessing the service?

Safer Derbyshire is a Partnership of county organisations involved in all aspects of community safety and operates at a strategic level.

The CSU also operates principally at a strategic level, but is involved in many area of work as identified above and so can be a useful contact to access, practitioners and service providers as well as local CSPs.

The CSPs work locally on issues of crime and disorder. They work to reduce ASB which can impact on vulnerable people but also work locally attending local forums for example Parish Councils and those involving alcohol and substance misuse, domestic, acquisitive crime, offender management and safeguarding. They work locally with the police in regular policing tasking groups and can provide a route to the local Safer Neighbourhood Team, and a useful contact to access different local authority departments and service providers e.g. Housing Providers.

Where geographically do we work?

- CSU county-wide
- CSPs:
 - Amber Valley;
 - Bolsover District;
 - Chesterfield Borough;
 - Derbyshire Dales District;
 - Erewash Borough;
 - High Peak Borough;
 - North East District;
 - South Derbyshire District.

What hours do we work and what level of response can be expected inside and outside of hours?

CSU and CSPs 9am – 5pm, Monday – Friday.

There is no out of hours coverage.

What information do we hold about people?

CSU working largely on a strategic level, so holds very little information on individuals, but may have access to some records regarding ASB and Prevent Referrals, Modern Slavery and CSE information.

CSPs do hold some information, or have access to it, e.g., offender data, ASB information.

All information would governed by information sharing agreements.

Whom should you contact about Safeguarding Enquiries?

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