



BURNLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO THE FULL COUNCIL

PORTFOLIO: COMMUNITY SAFETY

EXECUTIVE MEMBER: COUNCILLOR CHARLIE BRIGGS

DATE OF REPORT: 9th JULY 2008

1. Progress on Strategic Objectives

PL1 Revitalised communities and balanced housing markets	
Action	Progress
<p>PL1e: Continue to develop balanced approach to Community Safety Issues via strong partnership working</p>	<p>Multi-Agency Task & Co-ordination (MATAC) meetings have commenced with partners including the Police, the Council, Youth Service, Sports Development & Calico to look at short term measures to deal with anti-social behaviour in the Borough through partnership working. The Prevent & Deter Forum meet regularly to co-ordinate intervention for young offenders or those at risk of offending, dealing with 17 cases.</p>
PL2 Higher quality housing conditions and the local environment	
Action	Progress
<p>PL2c: In partnership, continue to develop a balanced approach to delivery of environmental services</p>	<p>From 1st May 08, new enforcement policies and procedures are being trialled for waste in gardens to tie in with Continual Process Improvement (CPI) project. Improved access to information and more robust legal processes should enable better debt recovery by the Council. The officer from the Burnley Fire Reduction Team has helped to prioritise arson reduction. Formal offer letters for WNF funding for neighbourhood teams/ clean teams and park rangers have been received. Work towards embedding MAPS in the new structure is progressing. Enforcement have taken 4 successful prosecutions and issued 5 Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs).</p>

L5 Increased participation in cultural activities	
Action	Progress
L5e: Increase the efficiency by which sanctions are brought against persistent offenders	<p>There will be a review of the Persistent & Other Priorities Offenders Scheme (PPO). This Scheme identifies and targets the most prolific offenders and involves a multi-agency approach. The three strands of Prevent & Deter, Catch & Convict, Re-Settle & Rehabilitate are used to deal with these offenders, depending on the individual circumstances, so as to prevent further offences. In dealing with young offenders, a balanced approach of parenting referrals, backed up by robust enforcement, will continue to be used. The MAPS Team will work closely with the Offender Management Unit (OMU) in Burnley, to increase efficiency and identify opportunities for joined up working. An Anti-Social Behaviour Training Day took place on 25th June 2008 to train operational staff not currently dealing with anti-social behaviour. The next step will be to set up Neighbourhood Teams to embed a multi-agency approach to the delivery of Streetscene services, to increase accountability and help to target resources to where they are most needed.</p>