



# Community Safety Partnership Plan 2018-19

Making Eastbourne an even safer place to live, work and visit

## Introduction and Background

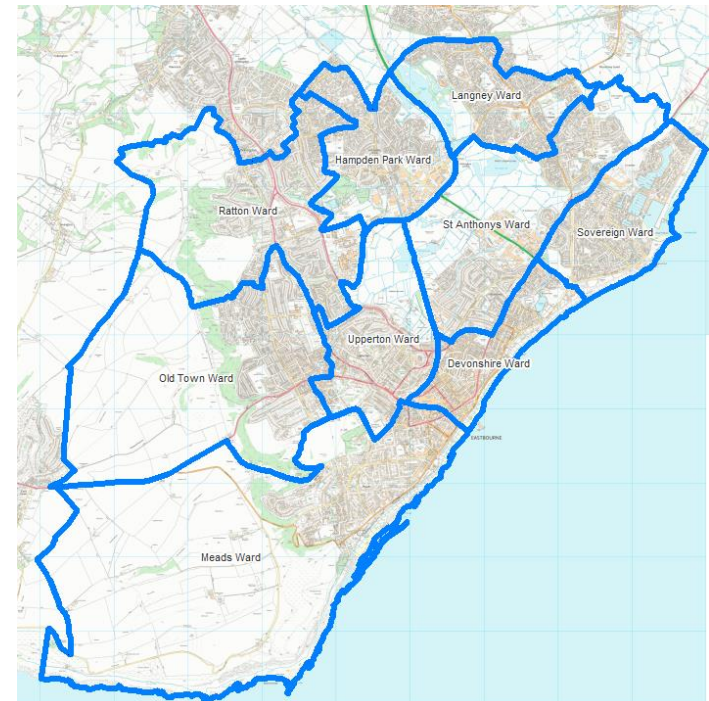
Eastbourne encompasses both seaside and rural areas covering 44 square kilometres. It is a seaside town and derives a large and increasing income from tourism. Eastbourne's limits include Langney, Hampden Park, Inner areas (such as Rodmill, Ocklyenge, Seaside, Bridgemere, Roselands and Downside), Town Centre and Sovereign Harbour.

There are around 103,000 people living in Eastbourne and there are just over 45,000 households in the Borough, 36% are single person households and 56% are family households. Around 88% of the housing stock is privately owned.

## Eastbourne Community Safety Partnership Priorities for 2018 to 2019

The Eastbourne Community Safety Partnership has selected the following issues as their priorities for the year ahead, based upon crime data and importance placed on them by the public:

- 1. Anti-Social Behaviour**
- 2. Street Community**
- 3. Proactively Respond to Emerging Threats and Priorities Based on Threat, Risk and Harm**
- 4. Contributing to the Work of Agencies and Partnerships that have a Leading Role in Working with Victims and Offenders**



## Countywide Priorities

The Eastbourne Community Safety Partnership will work with the East Sussex Safer Communities Partnership to take forward their 2017-2020 priorities, which are:

1. **Serious Organised Crime: Vulnerable victims of fraud and rogue trading associated with serious organised crime** – identify vulnerable adults at risk of fraud and rogue trading and develop targeted preventative support.
2. **Serious Organised Crime: Cybercrime** - begin to explore cybercrime with a focus on cyber bullying and online safety
3. **Serious Organised Crime: Vulnerable young people being exploited and recruited by organised crime groups** – explore further opportunities for partners to engage in early preventative work in relation to County Lines, organised crime and the exploitation of young people.
4. **Serious Organised Crime: Modern Slavery** – gain a better understanding of the risk of modern slavery.



## **Policing and Crime Objectives of the Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner (Police and Crime Plan 2017 – 2021)**

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Sussex has set four key strategic objectives which will also guide the Eastbourne Community Safety Partnership

### **1. Strengthen local policing**

- Ensure local policing services are accessible;
- Provide effective specialist capabilities to support local policing;
- Maintain engagement in the delivery of local policing services to improve public confidence.

### **2. Work with local communities and partners to keep Sussex safe**

- Encourage and support local communities to prevent crime and disorder;
- Work with partners to reduce offending and reoffending;
- Catch criminal and prevent serious and organised crime and terrorism.

### **3. Protect our vulnerable and help victims cope and recover from crime and abuse**

- Commission high-quality services which support victims;
- Priorities access to services for vulnerable victims;
- Enhance our understanding and meet the needs of victims in Sussex.

### **4. Improve access to justice for victims and witnesses**

- Ensure victims and witnesses have the most positive experience of the criminal justice system;
- Support vulnerable victims and witnesses;
- Maximise the use of technology to improve access to justice for all.



**Sussex  
Police & Crime  
Commissioner**

## General Data

### Reported Crime in Eastbourne

	April	May	June	Q1 Total	July	Aug	Sept	Q2 Total	Oct	Nov	Dec	Q3 Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Q4 Total	Total	Change
<b>2014/15</b>	527	487	537	<b>1551</b>	572	594	616	<b>1782</b>	651	596	536	<b>1783</b>	529	482	594	<b>1604</b>	<b>6720</b>	-
<b>2015/16</b>	529	578	529	<b>1636</b>	588	568	563	<b>1719</b>	581	558	563	<b>1702</b>	500	503	572	<b>1575</b>	<b>6632</b>	-1.3%
<b>2016/17</b>	568	634	601	<b>1803</b>	715	662	595	<b>1972</b>	715	637	708	<b>2060</b>	611	610	704	<b>1925</b>	<b>7760</b>	+17%
<b>2017/18</b>	685	793	810	<b>2288</b>	792	825	686	<b>2303</b>	762	786	638	<b>2186</b>	675	634	675	<b>1984</b>	<b>8761</b>	+13%

### Delivery of the Eastbourne Community Safety Partnership Priorities

The Joint Action Group is responsible for delivering the priorities listed on page 2 of this document. Each priority has been broken down into a number of objectives, as listed on the following pages.

## Priority 1 – Anti-Social Behaviour

Anti-social behaviour (ASB) is defined in the Crime and Disorder Act (1998) as acting: ‘in a manner that caused or was likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress to one or more persons not of the same household as the perpetrator.’

Partners of the Eastbourne Community Safety Partnership carry out on-going work to address anti-social behaviour in all its forms, including: dog fouling, fly-tipping, littering, nuisance neighbours, street drinking and careless or inconsiderate driving.

However, Anti-social behaviour is a key priority for residents of Eastbourne and the Eastbourne Community Safety Partnership has a leading role in addressing the impact that it has on our residents, businesses and visitors. It recognises that there are areas where we can work together to find long lasting solutions to more complex anti-social behaviour.

<b>Priority:</b>	<b>Anti-Social Behaviour</b>
<b>Lead:</b>	<b>Sussex Police and Lewes District and Eastbourne Councils</b>
<b>Objectives:</b>	
Coordinate and support multi-agency responses to geographically based anti-social behaviour through the Eastbourne Joint Action Group, based on Threat, Risk and Harm.	
Increase reporting of incidents of Personal ASB to encourage early intervention, utilising powers under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.	
Grant funding organisations that work with individuals, families and communities to reduce anti-social behaviour, focusing on youth related anti-social behaviour.	

## Priority 2 – Street Community

Anti-Social Behaviour related to the Street Community is a key concern of Eastbourne residents, businesses and visitors.

However, the Eastbourne Community Safety Partnership recognises that members of the Street Community are amongst the most vulnerable in our community and often have multiple and complex needs.

The Partnership has a leading role in tackling the anti-social behaviour related to the Street Community but also has a role in supporting the agencies and partnerships that provide the necessary help to address the multiple and complex needs of individuals.

<b>Priority:</b>	<b>Street Community</b>
<b>Lead:</b>	<b>Sussex Police and Lewes and Eastbourne Councils</b>
<b>Objectives:</b>	
Coordinate and support multi-agency operational response to anti-social behaviour related to the Street Community in Eastbourne	
Support the work of the Eastbourne HUB in addressing the multiple and complex needs of the Street Community	
Identify and agree the long-term approach of the Community Safety Partnership in addressing the impact of the Street Community on residents, businesses and visitors	

### Priority 3 – Proactively Respond to Emerging Threats and Priorities Based on Threat, Risk and Harm

The nature of crime continues to change and this presents a number of challenges to the Eastbourne Community Safety Partnership.

There is a need to be able to support out most vulnerable and react to and address the concerns of the community, not only dealing with crime and anti-social behaviour but managing the perception of it.

<b>Priority:</b>	<b>Proactively Respond to Emerging Threats and Priorities Based on Threat, Risk and Harm</b>
<b>Lead:</b>	<b>All</b>
<b>Objectives:</b>	
Highlight emerging threats and priorities and deliver a multi-agency response through the Joint Action Group	
Review National policy and strategy and carry out research to identify areas that may have a future impact on the partnership and the communities it serves	
Develop the membership of the Joint Action Group to ensure it is best equipped to deal with emerging threats and priorities	
Proactively engage with the communities of Eastbourne to address and identify local priorities and concerns	



## **Priority 4 – Contributing to the Work of Agencies and Partnerships that have a Leading Role in Working with Victims and Offenders**

There are a number of agencies across East Sussex that provide a broad range of support services to victims and offenders, across a number of different crime types.

Where the Eastbourne Community Safety Partnership does not have a leading role in delivering these services, it can play a vital role in supporting its Members and other agencies and partnerships in raising awareness of these services.

<b>Priority:</b>	<b>Contributing to the Work of Agencies and Partnerships that have a Leading Role in Working with Victims and Offenders</b>
<b>Lead:</b>	<b>All</b>
<b>Objectives:</b>	
To increase awareness of the services available to victims and offenders through engagement events	
To provide training to frontline staff to increase awareness, encourage safeguarding and the reporting of offences	
Communicate with residents and businesses through channels such as social media and e-bulletins to promote the community safety message and change and challenge perceptions of crime and anti-social behaviour in the district.	