



Winchester
Community Safety
Partnership
at the Heart of your Community

VISION: WINCHESTER COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

Individuals and communities who are vulnerable to, or affected by, crime and disorder will feel supported, listened to, and heard. Those who live, work in, or visit Winchester will feel safe because those placing the greatest demand on partnership resources will be subject to intervention, disruption, and targeted enforcement.

MISSION:

To improve the feelings of safety in public place and tackle high-harm crime by disrupting anti-social behaviour and intervening with those who pose the greatest offending risk against communities and vulnerable individuals.

GOVERNANCE:

The Winchester Community Safety Partnership Strategic Group oversees the performance management, implementation and wider delivery of government directives and proactive responses to statutory and local concerns.

PARTNERSHIP:

Operational delivery is undertaken in collaboration with responsible authorities in conjunction with the third sector and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. The responsible authorities are:

- Winchester City Council
- Hampshire County Council (Youth Justice)
- Hampshire & Isle of Wight Constabulary
- Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service
- Integrated Care Board
- HM Prison
- Probation Service

PARTNERSHIP PRIORITIES 2026/2027

1. HIGH HARM CRIME:

We will:

- Acknowledge the district's unique rural make-up by delivering partnership activity relevant to the location and crime¹.
- Develop and implement a Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) strategy that promotes healthy relationships and addresses abusive behaviours, including technology-facilitated abuse and non-fatal strangulation.
- Disrupt those intent on perpetrating high-harm crime.
- Undertake targeted activity and operations to reduce domestic abuse and violent offences linked to VAWG in public places and around the night-time economy.
- Reduce drug and alcohol related offending through targeted operations and clear signposting for support.
- Deliver targeted activity and operations to reduce criminal behaviour in public places.
- Provide early intervention and prevention support for children and young people who are vulnerable to offending, victimisation, criminality or exploitation.

2. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR/PUBLIC PLACE:

We will:

- Coordinate a multi-agency partnership response to reduce reported incidents of anti-social behaviour (ASB).
- Work with statutory and voluntary sector partners to ensure vulnerable people receive timely support and appropriate intervention.
- Deliver targeted operations that improve feelings of safety, reduce ASB and strengthen public confidence in partnership outcome.
- Take a community-based approach to tackling anti-social behaviour and improving perceptions of safety in a public place.
- Provide intervention and diversion for 10–17 year olds who are coming to attention of partner agencies².
- Use statutory ASB tools and powers to encourage behaviour change and support early intervention.

¹ High Harm Crime includes serious violence, domestic abuse and VAWG related incidents, drug offences and crimes that have a financial or emotional impact on the victim.

² 10-17 year olds are identified nationally as the predominant offender age group in ASB/Public Place.