## **Chiltern & South Bucks Policing Issues Forum**



### **Survey of Residents' Concerns July 2023**

# Survey Overload?

### **Community Safety Partnership**

- Annual, run by Buckinghamshire Council for multi-agency partnership
- Covers Buckinghamshire
- Feeds 3-yearly strategy cycles, updated annually
- 1264 respondents Nov 2022
- 2023-2026 Priorities:
- 1) Neighbourhood crime
- 2) Anti-social behaviour
- 3) Serious violence
- 4) Violence against women and girls
- 5) Exploitation of vulnerable people

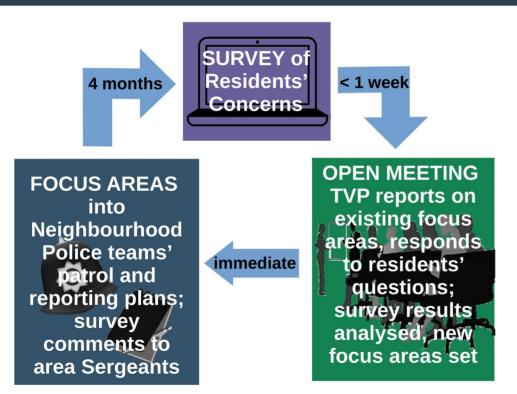
**Police & Crime Commissioner** 

- Rolling
- Covers Thames Valley
- Includes perceptions of Police, feelings of safety, criminal justice system, funding
- >8,000 respondents, 1,532 in Bucks ex MK (to May 15<sup>th</sup>)
- N'hood Policing #1 in use of Council Tax funding
- Top 3 crimes identified as issues within respondents' areas:
- 1) Speeding, dangerous driving
- 2) Criminal damage, graffiti, flytipping
- 3) Drug dealing

### Chiltern & S Bucks Policing Issues Forum

- 3x a year
- Covers 7 Community Boards, 6 Neighbourhood Policing areas
- Focussed on categories relevant to Neighbourhood Policing:
- "Would this realistically be a candidate to be included on the Neighbourhood Police officers' daily work schedules?"
- "Is this category already a national or Force priority?"
- 3) "Is action on this category primarily the responsibility of another body?"

# Engagement is good, but MUST lead to Action

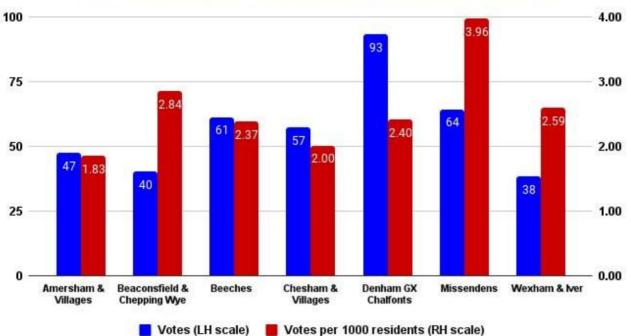


- Survey of residents to establish concerns that they would like to see as focus areas for TVP Neighbourhood Policing teams.
- Discussion and questions at meeting, including TVP reports on previous focus areas.
- Focus areas set, communicated to TVP Neighbourhood Teams, become part of their daily routine and reporting plans.
- Emphasis on speedy turnaround and transparency.

### **#NotJustAnotherSurvey**

## Engagement – July 2023 Survey

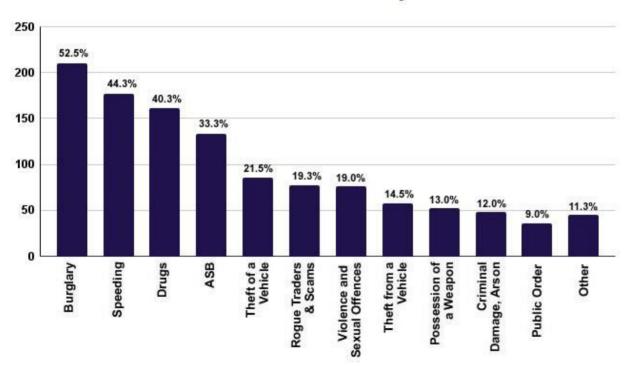
#### CSB Forum July 2023 Survey - engagement by CB Area



- Survey held from 1st to 23<sup>rd</sup> July 400 responses (582).
- Higher engagement in previous survey driven by strong local issues, in particular Burglary.
- Drops in all CBs bar Beaconsfield, greatest falls in Amersham (-59 respondents) and Denham GX and Chalfonts (-61).
- Population-adjusted engagement highest in Missendens.
- 33 responses from under 18s (44).
- Distributed via Neighbourhood Alerts, TVP Alerts, social media, direct mailing.

## **Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas – July 2023 Survey**

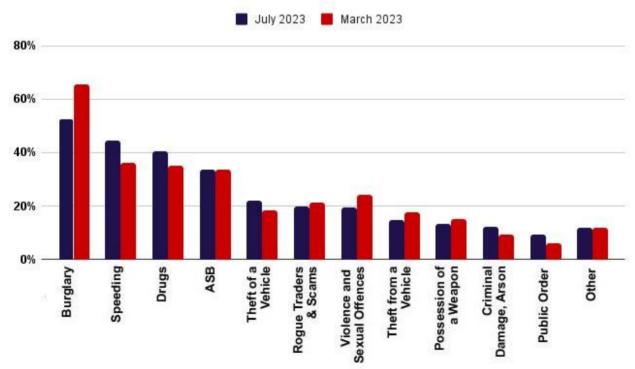
#### Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas July 2023 - All CB Areas



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- SPEEDING a clearer #2 from 36% to 44%, top in 3 of 4 CB areas
- DRUGS also up from 35% to 40%
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## Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas – July vs April 2023

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# Main Concerns by Community Board Area – March/April 2023

Top Residents' Concerns by Community Board Area - March/April 2023 Survey							
Amersham	106	Burglary (84%)	Drugs (36%)	Violence & Sexual Offences (29%)			
Beaconsfield	37	Burglary (57%)	Drugs (43%), Speeding (43%)				
Beeches	75	Burglary (57%)	Drugs (39%)	Weapons Possession (27%)			
Chesham & Villages	71	Burglary (62%)	Speeding (45%)	Drugs (42%)			
Denham, GX and Chalfonts	155	Burglary (75%)	Antisocial Behaviour (46%)	Drugs (28%)			
Missendens	75	Speeding (59%)	Burglary (48%)	Antisocial Behaviour (35%)			
Wexham & Ivers	63	Burglary (48%)	Speeding (41%)	Antisocial Behaviour (35%)			
Under 18s	44	Burglary (57%)	Drugs (46%)	Rogue Traders & Scams (32%)			

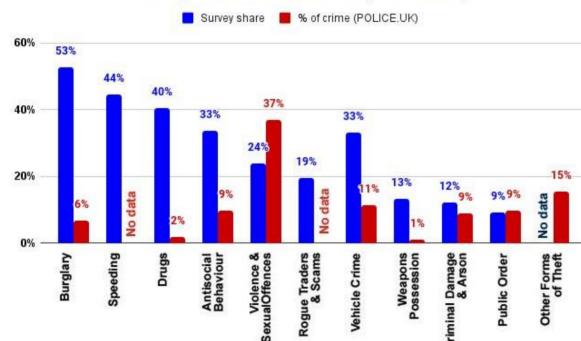
- **Burglary** concern top in all but one area.
- **Speeding** #1 in Missendens, #2 in Beaconsfield, Chesham, Wexham & Ivers.
- **Drugs** top 3 in 5 of 7 CB areas, and with Under 18s.
- Antisocial Behaviour likely to increase in summer months.

# Main Concerns by Community Board Area – July 2023

Top Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas by Community Board Area - July 2023 Survey						
Amersham	47	Burglary (70%)	Drugs (34%), Violence & Sexual Offences (34%)			
Beaconsfield	40	Burglary (50%)	Drugs (45%)	Antisocial Behaviour (42%) Speeding (42%)		
Beeches	61	Burglary (59%)	Speeding (34%)	Antisocial Behaviour (29%) Theft from a Vehicle (29%)		
Chesham & Villages	57	Speeding (63%)	Drugs (61%)	Antisocial Behaviour (44%)		
Denham, GX and Chalfonts	93	Burglary (73%)	Drugs (37%)	Theft of a Vehicle (35%)		
Missendens	64	Speeding (64%)	Antisocial Behaviour (48%)	Drugs (47%)		
Wexham & Ivers	38	Speeding (53%)	Burglary (34%), Theft from a Vehicle (34%)			
Under 18s	32	Speeding (47%)	Theft from a Vehicle (37%)	Drugs (34%)		

- **Burglary** concern top overall, and in 4 CB areas.
- **Speeding** now top in 3 of 7 CB areas.
- **Drugs** notably strong in town areas.
- Vehicle Crime relatively high in S Bucks areas.

# How do Residents' Concerns match recorded Crime Types?

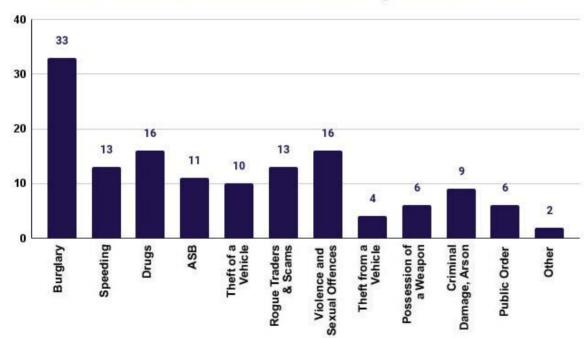


Survey share and % of crime (POLICE.UK)

- Crime data from POLICE.UK, showing share of recorded crime types across Chiltern & S Bucks over past 12 months.
- No data for Speeding and Rogue Traders and Scams, but the latter including online accounts for ~40% of crime nationally.
- Survey data for 'Theft from' and 'Theft of' Vehicles aggregated removing duplications.

## **Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas – Amersham**

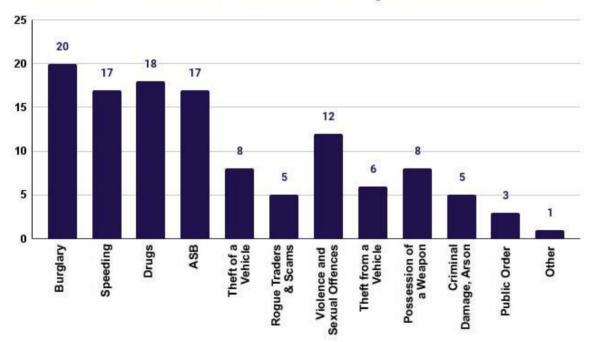
#### Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas July 2023 - Amersham



- 47 respondents, down from 106
- 70% nominated Burglary as a top 3 concern (from 84%)
- 34% Drugs
- 34% Violence & Sexual Offences
- 28% Speeding
- 28% Rogue Traders

## **Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas – Beaconsfield**

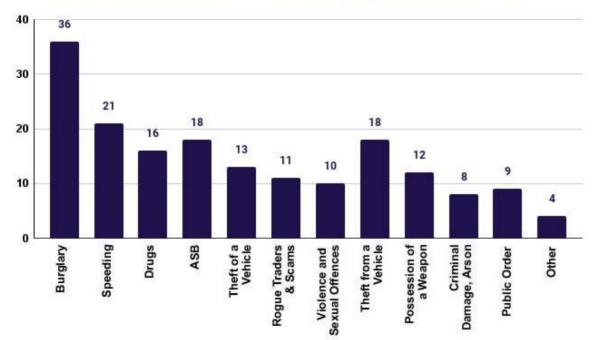
#### Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas July 2023 - Beaconsfield



- 40 respondents (from 37)
- 50% Burglary (from 57%)
- 45% Drugs
- 42% Antisocial Behaviour
- 42% Speeding
- 30% Violence & Sexual Offences

### **Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas – Beeches**

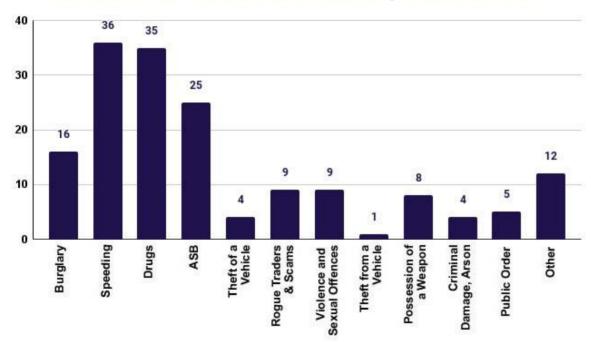
#### **Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas July 2023 - Beeches**



- 61 respondents (from 75)
- 59% Burglary (from 57%)
- 34% Speeding (from 25%)
- 29% ASB
- 29% Theft from a Vehicle
- 26% Drugs

## **Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas – Chesham**

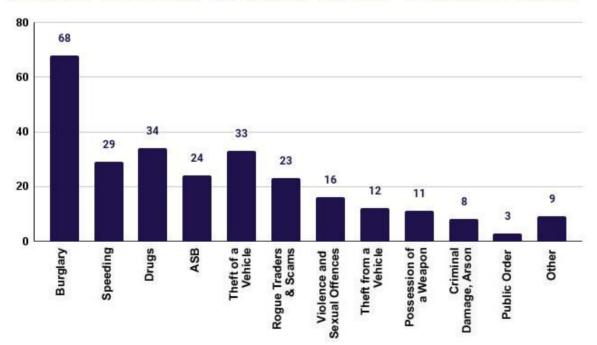
#### **Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas July 2023 - Chesham**



- 57 respondents (from 71)
- 63% Speeding (from 45%)
- 61% Drugs (from 42%)
- 44% Antisocial Behaviour (from 37%)
- 28% Burglary (from 62%)

## Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas – Denham, GX Chalfonts

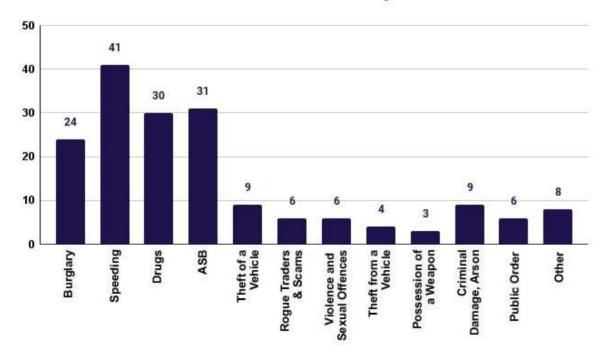
#### Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas July 2023 - Denham GX Chalfonts



- 93 respondents (from 155)
- 73% Burglary (from 75%)
- 37% Drugs (from 28%)
- 35% Theft of a Vehicle
- 31% Speeding (from 27%)
- 26% Antisocial Behaviour (46%)
- Continuing comments relating to Pony & Trap Racing, but with recognition of recent TVP efforts.

## **Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas – Missendens CB**

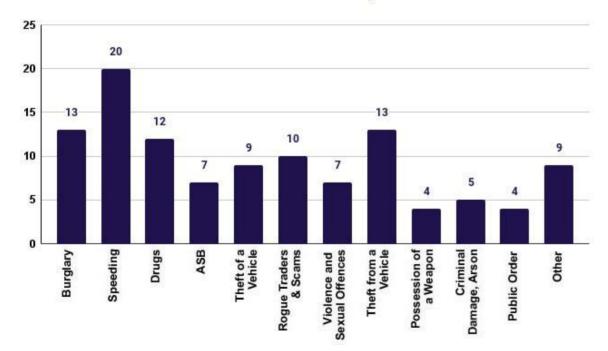
#### **Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas July 2023 - Missendens**



- 64 respondents (from 75)
- 64% Speeding (from 59%)
- 48% Antisocial Behaviour (35%)
- 47% Drugs (33%)
- 37% Burglary (48%)

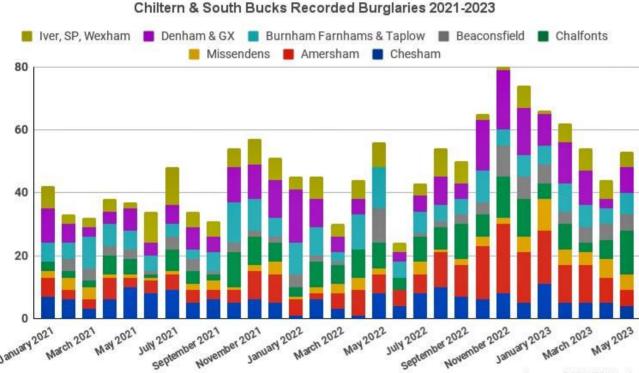
## **Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas – Wexham & Iver CB**

#### Residents' Votes for NHP Focus Areas July 2023 - Wexham & Ivers



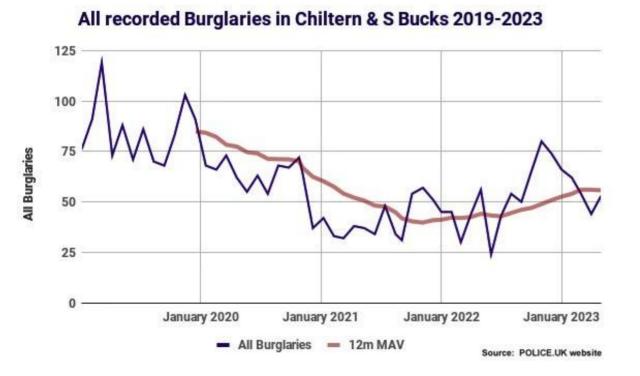
- 38 respondents (from 63)
- 53% Speeding (from 41%)
- 34% Burglary (48%)
- 34% Theft from a Vehicle (33%)
- 32% Drugs (33%)
- 26% Rogue Traders

# Burglaries – January 2021 to May 2023



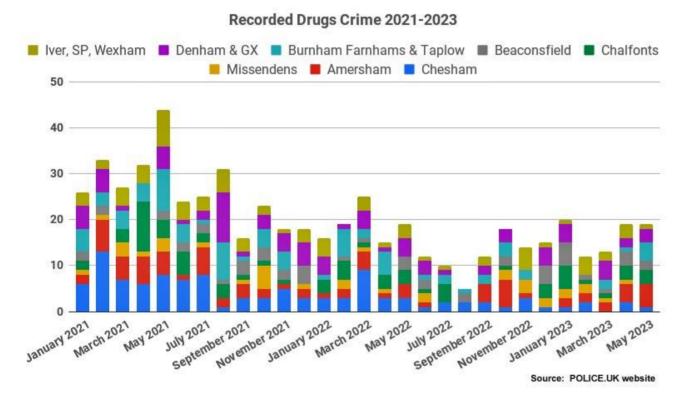
- Acute concerns at spike in Burglary numbers were certainly reflected in March/April survey
- Drop in share of latest survey less anxiety about burglaries, or greater anxiety elsewhere?
- Still >70% in Amersham and Denham, Gerrards Cross & Chalfonts
- 5 arrests made in March of group believed to be involved in GX spike in burglaries Nov 22-March 23.

## Burglaries – longer term perspective



- Total burglaries 12-month moving average rising for the past 18 months.
- Recent peak November 2022

### Drugs – a conundrum



- Continued strong perception that Drugs is a problem:
- Now a clear #3 at 40% of votes (35% in previous survey).
- Relatively low recorded crime: average of 14 per month across Chiltern & S Bucks last 12 months.
- Concern that Drugs promote further harms
- A 'focus area' for NHP since April. Neighbourhood Newsletters report on approach and actions.

# Speeding

"Whilst speed enforcement is not principally owned by Neighbourhood Policing Team (Roads Policing owns road safety), we do play our part with the deployment of our own approved devices."

from Chesham Neighbourhood Policing newsletter, March 2023

No POLICE.UK data on Speeding. All latest Neighbourhood Newsletters on Forum website – with information on Roads Policing activity and Neighbourhood teams' local operations.

TVP Community Speedwatch newsletters also on Forum website.

Community Speedwatch gives residents the tools to help make an impact on Speeding in their localities.

How to join up is explained clearly on https://www.csbforum.org/community-speedwatch-getting-involved/



https://www.communityspeedwatch.org/ navigate to 'Register'. Links to register with an existing Community Speedwatch Group, or to set up a new one.

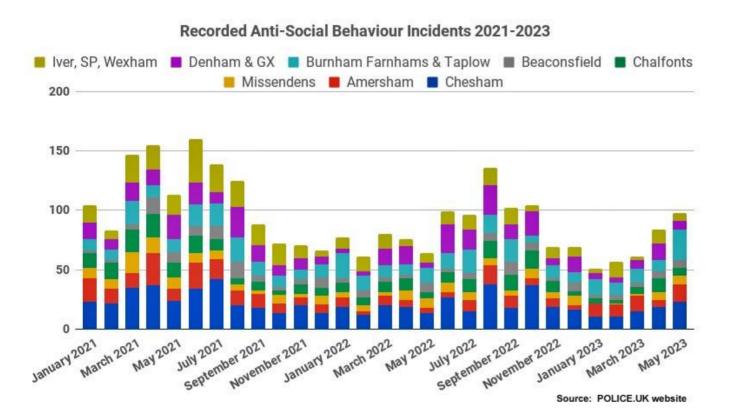
# Speedwatch Schemes within Chiltern & S Bucks

#### **COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH GROUPS - CHILTERN & S BUCKS**

Source: communityspeedwatch.org			
AMERSHAM	Hyde Heath	DENHAM	Denham
	Penn Street	FARNHAM COMMON	Farnham Common
	Old Amersham	FULMER	Fulmer Village
BEACONSFIELD	Penn Road Beaconsfield	GERRARDS CROSS	Chalfont St Peter
BURNHAM	Dropmore	HOLMER GREEN	Holmer Green
CHENIES	Chenies	HUGHENDEN	Greater Hughenden
CHESHAM	Chesham CSW	JORDANS	Jordans & Seer Green
	Chesham Old Town	PRESTWOOD AND GREAT MISSENDEN	Prestwood and Great Missenden
	Latimer & Ley Hill	STOKE POGES	Stoke Poges
	Asheridge, Bellingdon & Cholesbury	THE IVERS	The Ivers
	Ashley Green		

### No new schemes since the Forum's last meeting despite obvious frustration of residents

# Antisocial Behaviour – the 'usual' seasonal pick up?



- Strong seasonal pattern increased ASB in summer months.
- A catch-all category.
- Steady in the survey at #4 and 33%.
- ASB complaints in Denham GX and Chalfonts often reference Pony & Trap Racing on A413

# **'Other' Category**

PARKING. Especially on pavements and around schools Pony & trap racing on A413 Fly tipping and litter Lack of visible Police presence, want more direct engagement Underage drivers Aggressive, intimidating driving HGVs on weight limited roads Untaxed, no MOT or insurance vehicles Vehicle Noise eScooters Graffiti Wildlife crime Dog Fouling All comments are passed on to appropriate area Sergeants for whatever action may be possible/appropriate

# Twitter: Time to say 'Goodbye'



### Nothing to see here - yet

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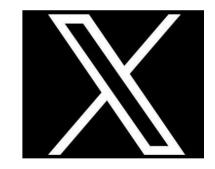
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Working with Thames Valley Neighbourhood Policing and residents in Chiltern and South Bucks. Our goal: safer, healthier communities

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761 Following 664 Followers

- Engaging local communities is essential to a platform like the Forum
- During 5 years of consistent effort we have never really achieved much engagement via Twitter
- Elon Musk has a different agenda for Twitter no interest in community players like us, no sense of partnership
- WHO WOULD LIKE TO HELP US STRATEGISE ENGAGEMENT IN A POST-TWITTER WORLD?



### **Thank You**



#### Web: www.csb-forum.org

Twitter: @CSBForum Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/ groups/csbforum - supporting the process for identifying and setting areas of focus for the Chiltern & South Bucks LPA Neighbourhood Police teams.

- promoting meaningful engagement between local residents and Neighbourhood Police teams.

- encouraging community engagement, by individuals, businesses and other stakeholders.

- our overall goal is to help make the Chiltern & South Bucks community more resilient, and for Chiltern and South Bucks to be a better, safer place to live and work.