

Item No. 1.	Classification: Open	Date: 12 May 2004	MEETING NAME Environment & Community Support Scrutiny Sub-Committee
Report title:		Quarter 3 Performance Report – Community Safety & Domestic Violence/Hate Crime – Report Backs	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		N/A	
From:		Head of Overview & Scrutiny	

INFORMATION REPORT

QUARTER 3 PERFORMANCE REPORT – COMMUNITY SAFETY

1. At its meeting on 21 April, the Environment & Community Support Scrutiny Sub-Committee considered the Quarter 3 Performance Report which had previously been considered by the Executive on 13 April 2004.

2. The Sub-Committee agreed:

That the Executive be asked to take appropriate action to address the failure to achieve targets in respect of reducing crime rates in Southwark, specifically:

- Violent crime, including knife related crime and rape/sexual assault; and
- Street crime.

That this is taken account of in consideration of the Council's Corporate Plan (Best Value Performance Plan).

3. The Executive considered the Committee's decisions on 4 May 2004. The Executive agreed:

- The Executive notes the comments of the Scrutiny Sub-Committee in respect of the above and confirms an action plan is already in place to address the issues relating to violent crime, street crime and rape/sexual assault;
- The issue of increases in crime in certain areas has been discussed in detail at the Safer Southwark Partnership and positive action is being progressed by the relevant Sub-Group. Regular updates will be made to the executive Member;
- The Executive confirms that the issues raised are taken into account in the Council's Corporate Plan.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/HATE CRIME

4. On 4 November 2003 the Sub-Committee received a briefing from the Head of Community Safety.

5. The Sub-Committee agreed that the Head of Community Safety be asked to report back to the Sub-Committee on how the Hate Crime Sub-Group has been organised to respond to the increased profile of domestic violence issues and the Domestic Violence Support Worker be asked to comment on her work in this context.

6. The Safer Southwark Partnership's Hate Crime Strategy Brief 2004 is attached for the Sub-Committee's information.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Environment & Community Support Scrutiny Sub-Committee – Agenda & Minutes	Scrutiny Team Town Hall	Peter Roberts 020 7525 7229
Executive – Agenda & Minutes	Constitutional Team Town Hall	Everton Roberts 020 7525 7221

APPENDIX A

Audit Trail

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