

Crime Prevention Committee 2007 - 2008

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for Hampshire & the Isle of Wight

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April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008

Crime Prevention Committee

Hampshire Police Authority

About the Crime Prevention Committee

The Crime Prevention Committee's terms of reference are:

- to consider crime prevention issues in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight and promote best practice in crime risk management and its co-ordination. To include the mitigation of the effects of crime and public reassurance;
- to promote the extension of the multi-agency approach to crime prevention involving the Community Safety Partnerships and other agencies;
- to make grants in support of crime prevention initiatives and receive feedback upon their effectiveness; and,
- to review the annual standing grants on behalf of the Police Authority, including monitoring and evaluation.

Hampshire Police Authority is committed to Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The work of the Crime Prevention Committee contributes significantly by ensuring that the Police Authority does all that it reasonably can to help prevent crime and disorder across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

Chairman's Foreword

By Peter Kent Mason, Chairman
Crime Prevention Committee

2007/2008 has been a busy year for the Crime Prevention Committee.

This year, working with discretionary grants to a maximum of £3,000 each, the Committee has been able to assist 37 organisations.

Visits made by members of the Committee to some of the initiatives financially supported have shown yet again the tremendous dedication, energy and determination amongst organisations both in the statutory and voluntary sectors to reduce crime and mitigate its effect upon victims.

Funding for crime prevention initiatives will always be under scrutiny as budgets become tighter each year. But we remain focussed on helping as many organisations as possible in their fight against crime set against the overall aim of the Police Authority to secure Hampshire and the Isle of Wight as safe places.



Membership of the Committee

Membership of the Committee as at March 31 2008:

Cllr Peter Kent Mason (Chairman)

Mr Ray Palmer (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr John Bryant

Mrs Frances Hoare JP

Mr Bob Purkiss

Cllr Margaret Snaith

Membership of the committee consists of six nominated members of Hampshire Police Authority as follows:

two Conservative councillor members

one Liberal Democrat member

one magistrate member

two independent members

Committee support:

Mr Barrie Saunders (Crime Prevention Consultant)

Mrs Alex Holtby (Committee Clerk)

Representatives from other bodies across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight may attend in a non-voting capacity on an ad hoc basis.

Definitions

Grants awarded or administered by the Committee fall into two categories: standing grants and discretionary grants.

Standing grants are made annually to initiatives of a strategic nature that usually operate across the two counties. They are supported by the Police Authority for their continued contribution to crime prevention and the reduction or the mitigation of the effects of crime on victims. The grants, listed below for 2007/08, are the subject of ongoing monitoring and evaluation. From the 1 April 2008 all standing grants will be the subject of a new application process to ensure their continued effectiveness and value for money.

The Be Your Best Foundation (The Global Rock Challenge)	£ 25,000
Victim Support (Hampshire and the Isle of Wight)	£ 28,000
The Southampton Rape Crisis and Sexual Abuse Counselling Service	£ 2,500
Winchester Area Community Action Rape and Sexual Abuse Counselling Service	£ 3,500
The Basingstoke Rape and Sexual Abuse Crisis Service	£ 3,500
The Portsmouth Area Rape Crisis Service	£ 6,000
The Hampton Trust	£ 15,000
The Bobby Trust	£ 7,500
Hampshire and Isle of Wight Crimestoppers	£ 10,000
Total	£ 101,000

Discretionary grants are generally made on a first come first serve basis to local initiatives in the form of a grant up to £3,000. These grants are awarded entirely on their merit and are made following a formal application process to help start, expand or enhance existing crime prevention initiatives that are supported by the local Police Commander and/or the Local Crime and Disorder Partnership.

Facts and figures

Between 1 April, 2007 and 31 March, 2008 the Crime Prevention Committee considered 42 applications for discretionary grants for crime prevention initiatives based in or across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

The number of applications considered is on target but represents a reduction of 11 on the previous year due to a cutback in the level of finance available to the Committee.

The total amount granted was £93,327, compared to £128,500 in the previous year. Of the 42 applications considered, 37 were successful. Five applications were rejected by the Committee. The average grant in 2006/07 to a discretionary crime prevention initiative was £2,522.

28 grants or 76% were for projects benefiting young people

5 grants or 13% were for CCTV shopwatch and other general security projects

4 grants or 11% were for other crime prevention initiatives including those tackling domestic violence.



Funding from partnership agencies to those in receipt of discretionary grants was £1,238,530 which represents a contribution by our partners of more than £13 for every £1 granted by the Committee.

These figures do not take into account the immense contribution made by volunteers working in the many organisations who were successful in their applications for financial assistance.

Young People Projects

Basingstoke

Street Pastors

Winchester

Carroll Youth Centre

Romsey

Guide Association

North Baddersley

Community Life Project

New Forest

Positive Activities

for young people

Tower project -Totton

Southampton

Cycle Track Thornhill,

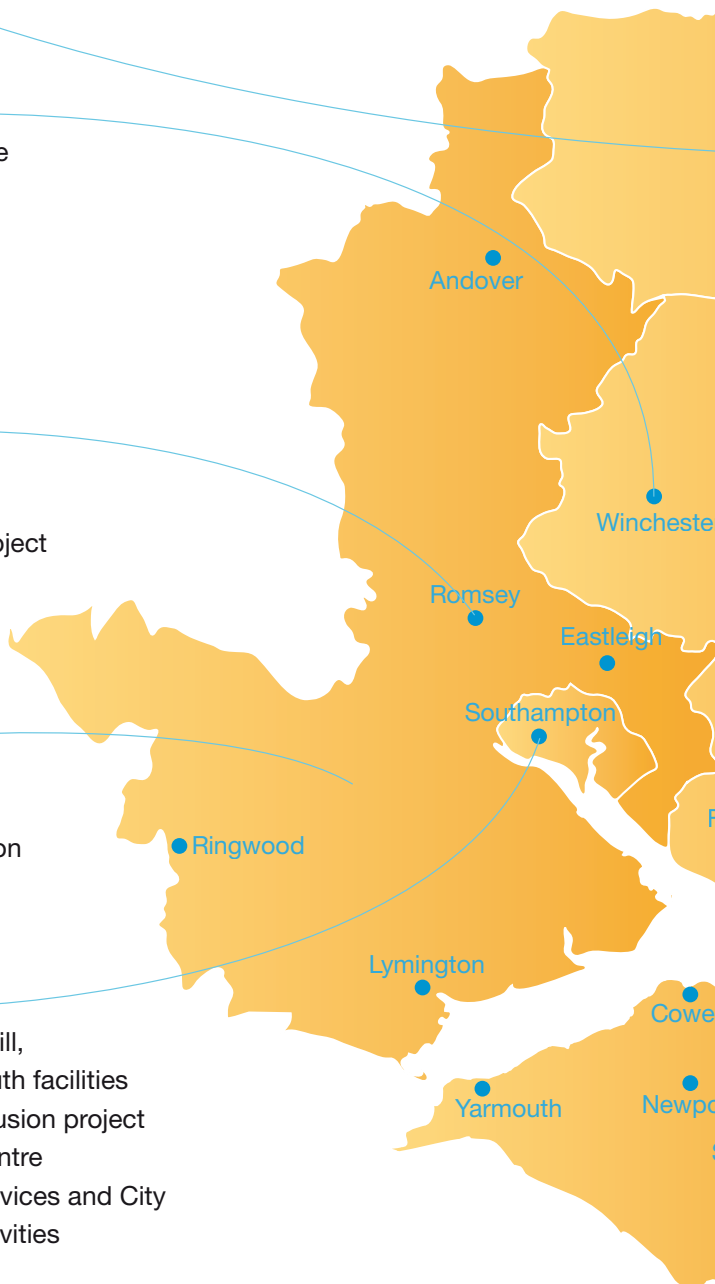
Weston Church youth facilities

Baseline youth inclusion project

Newtown Youth Centre

No Limits youth services and City

Reach summer activities





Farnborough
Music Therapy

Fleet
Smart music initiative

Aldershot
Step By Step
Know Your Limits

East Hampshire
Rezurgence Ltd Work
Bench Project

Gosport
Numerous youth
diversionary projects
Motiv8
Challenge & Adventure

Portsmouth
Street Pastors Motiv8

Isle of Wight
Sandown Multi Purpose
Recreation Area
Soap Box Derby
Snap Discos

**And many more
operating across the
two counties**

Work of the Committee

The role of Hampshire Police Authority is to represent the voice of the public on policing and its aim is to secure Hampshire and the Isle of Wight as safe places. It has additional responsibilities under many pieces of legislation, including the current Crime and Disorder legislation for both the formulation and implementation of a strategy for the reduction of crime and disorder in the 14 local authority areas within the two counties.

In discharging its responsibilities within its terms of reference the Crime Prevention Committee has an important role in promoting best practice, promoting the extension of the multi-agency approach to crime prevention, and in practical terms has the power to make grants in support of crime prevention initiatives and receive feedback on their effectiveness.

Work with young people

Hampshire Constabulary has dedicated a great deal of effort and resources to its Safer Communities initiatives. Under the Safer Streets banner it has made a significant impact by providing resources to tackle anti-social behaviour, whilst at the same time supporting a range of viable and meaningful activities for young people.

The work of Hampshire Police Authority's Crime Prevention Committee has complemented this and the map on pages 10 and 11 highlights some 28 initiatives across the two counties which both supplement and support the work of the Constabulary.

Much work remains to be done in this area, particularly in response to current national and local concerns about the excessive use of alcohol by young people and its impact both on themselves, their families and the wider community.

These issues will be tackled by the Constabulary and our partner agencies, both in the statutory and voluntary sectors. We should, however, remember that tackling the misuse of alcohol by young people is not the sole responsibility of these organisations, but that responsibility also lies with the parents and carers of young people and all those who have legal responsibilities, for example retailers and suppliers of alcohol.

Best Practice

The Crime Prevention Committee of Hampshire Police Authority has the privilege of seeing at first hand the excellent work carried out by many organisations both in the public and voluntary sectors of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, and it receives, as a matter of course, monitoring and evaluation information on the many initiatives it supports, sometimes over many years. This process is enhanced by personal visits to some of the initiatives that have been financially supported by the Committee. We are continually impressed by the vision and commitment of many people who, for little or no reward, work hard to make our communities better and safer places.

Sometimes we see initiatives that did not work. This happens for a variety of reasons and sometimes it is clear the initiative would have succeeded if carried out a little differently, such as at a different time or location.

We are always mindful that many of the initiatives to which we provide financial support could be mirrored elsewhere if tailored to meet local needs.

Therefore, during the past year we have increased the awareness, publicity and promotion of successful initiatives to other practitioners within the two counties.

The Hampshire Police Authority Crime Prevention Award

This award is made to an individual or organisation who has made an outstanding contribution to crime prevention within the two counties of Hampshire and Isle of Wight, including the unitary authorities of Portsmouth and Southampton.

The award is not made annually, but is made purely on merit and in October 2007, it was awarded to the Gosport Police Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Gosport Borough Council's Resident Involvement and Community Safety Teams for their work in the Gosport area.

Over several years the Safer Neighbourhood Teams based at Gosport Police Station, working in partnership with Gosport Borough Council, have developed a number of initiatives to engage and support young people in the area, particularly, but not exclusively, during the school summer holidays. The schemes were designed to divert young people away from crime and at the same time give them the opportunity to develop and achieve in a number of areas of sport and recreation. The schemes, coupled with the day to day work of the Police and the Local Authority resulted in significant reductions in crime and anti-social behaviour and have enhanced public confidence in these organisations.

Success breeds success and it is hoped that the achievements of these initiatives will bring further youth initiatives to many young people in the Gosport area.

Having looked at the accomplishments of the partnership, the Committee came to the inevitable conclusion that the conception, marketing, management, delivery and monitoring of these projects was, and continued to be, an outstanding example of partnership working to the benefit of the whole community, and the Police Authority Crime Prevention Committee was delighted to make the award for outstanding work on behalf of the local community.

In doing so, the Committee acknowledged that the young people themselves who had engaged in the schemes and taken ownership and responsibility for them, had contributed considerably to their success.



From left to right: [Ms Carly Northcott](#), [Mrs Sam Mitchell](#)
[Cllr Peter Kent Mason](#), [PS David Knowles](#)

About Hampshire Police Authority

Hampshire Police Authority is an independent organisation that sets the policing budget and is responsible for overseeing Hampshire Constabulary.

The seventeen members of the police Authority, who are elected councillors, magistrates or members of the public, represent the views of the people of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

Hampshire Police Authority conducts its business in the main through meetings of the full membership of the Police Authority and through committee meetings: Community Affairs, Complaints and Professional Standards, Crime Prevention, Finance, IT and Information Systems Strategy, Personnel, Performance, Standards and Governance.

In any given year, the Police Authority publishes a precept notice issued with council tax bills (March), an annual report (June) and a summary of local policing (August/September). It also publishes the Policing Plan 2008 – 2011.

Hampshire Police Authority sets aims and objectives for itself based on its consultation with the public and on a strategic assessment of the challenges facing policing.

Hampshire Police Authority's vision for equality and diversity is that every person and every employee who receives or is affected by the Police Authority's activities and services should perceive their experience to be fair and equitable.

The Police Authority expects all people of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, whether a resident, visitor or someone who works in the two counties, to be treated with respect, and to be free from harassment, bullying, victimisation or discrimination. The Police Authority wishes to be open and transparent in the way in which its functions, policies, roles and responsibilities are delivered.

Information about Hampshire Police Authority, its members, committees, the amount for policing in the council tax, Police Authority publications and the aims and objectives can be found at www.hampshirepoliceauthority.org. If you do not have access to the internet or require information in an alternative language or format, please contact us.

Additionally, if you believe your crime prevention initiative may be eligible for a grant from the Crime Prevention Committee, please contact us.

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