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# Exeter Community Safety Partnership

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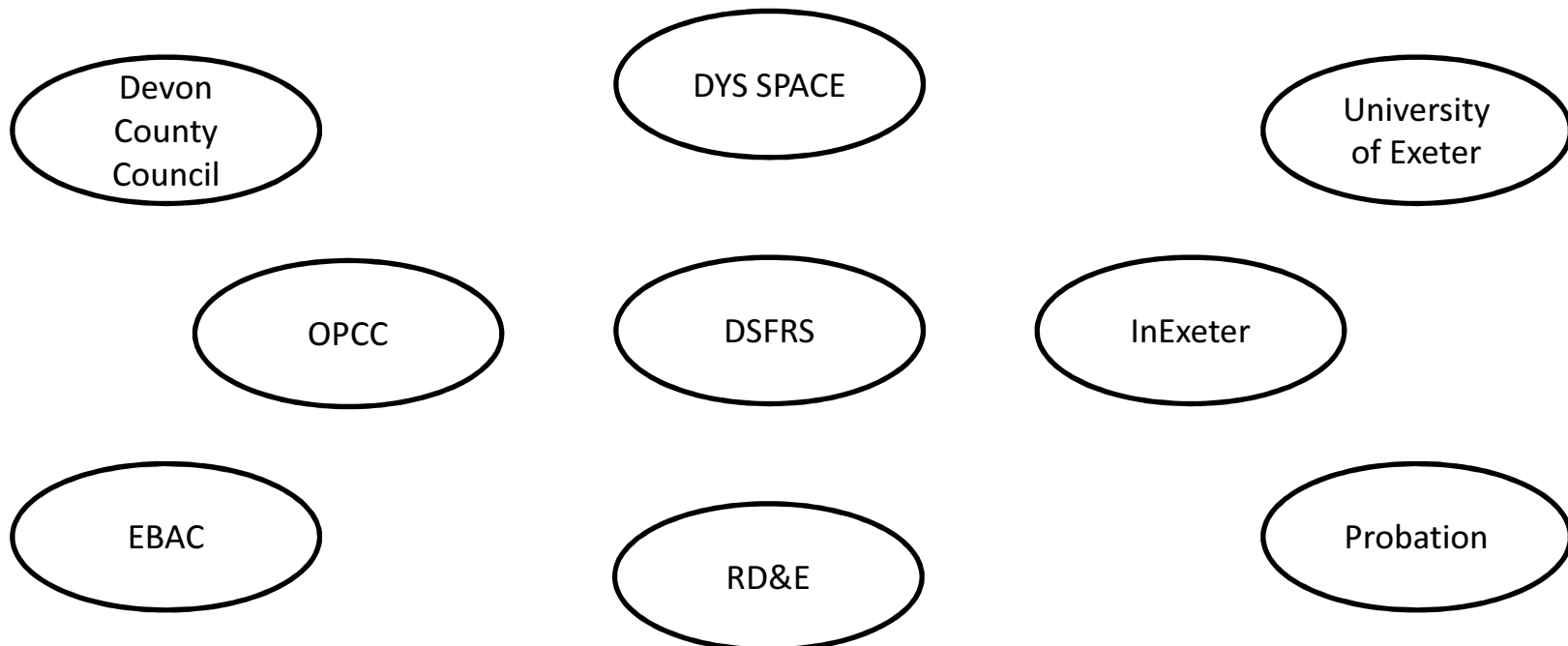




# Who is on the CSP?

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- Chair: Antony Hart (Devon and Cornwall Police)
- Deputy chair: Jeanie Lynch (CoLab)
- Deputy chair: David Bartram (Exeter City Council)





# Current priorities

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1. Hate Crime and Extremism
2. Locality Based Anti-Social Behaviour Problem Solving
3. Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence and Abuse
4. Reducing Serious Violence and Organised Crime including County Lines



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# Hate crime and extremism

# Hate crime

- Close working between ECC, University and Police to tackle racial harassment.
- Zero Tolerance to Hate Crime campaign promoted widely.
- Intervention Clinic being piloted for young people who commit hate crime for the first time.
- Work with local food establishments and taxi drivers to encourage reporting.





# Preventing violent extremism

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- The threat from terrorism remains 'substantial'.
- The threat of online radicalisation continues to increase particularly under lockdown.
- Range of ideologies including international terrorism and extreme right wing - extremists have actively used COVID-19 and Black Lives Matter to promote hate and extremist narratives.
- Conference in October 2020 delivered to 200 professionals across Devon looking at links between radicalisation and hate crime.



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# Locality based anti-social behaviour problem solving



# Neighbourhood ASB

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- Monthly ASBAT meetings discussing between 50 to 60 cases.
- Over 1174 noise complaints investigated
- 160 Abandoned Vehicle reports
- 250 other ASB issues
- 1 remote CCTV camera that is deployed to high risk cases



# Public Spaces Protection Order

- PSPO (came into effect in June 2017)
- Covers intoxicating substances, street urination, aggressive begging and ASB in groups

**NEW POWERS TO HELP DEAL WITH UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR IN THIS AREA**

Exeter City Council has made a Public Spaces Protection Order effective from the 1st June 2017 under section 59 (4) of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act 2014.

- Directed to leave the area for up to 6 hours
- Issued with a fixed penalty notice
- Prosecuted in court (fines not exceeding Level 3 on the standard scale - currently at £1,000)

From the adoption of the PSPO until the end of 2020:

- 48 Fixed Penalty Notices issued for street urination.
- 366 people have been dispersed using the powers.
- 20 prosecutions have been taken for breaches of the PSPO prohibitions.
- 2 cautions were also issued for a breach of PSPO prohibition
- The powers of surrendering alcohol are used on a daily basis



Further information about this order can be found at: [www.exeter.gov.uk/pspo](http://www.exeter.gov.uk/pspo)



# Street marshal pilot

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- Funded by the Police and Crime Commissioner
- 2 localities – City Centre and The Quay
- 1100 reports logged over a 10 week period
- Reports linked with key partners
- Interventions included aggressive begging, drug related issues, youngsters swimming in the canal and river, homeless interaction, helping with medical issues and educating around street drinking



# Community Safety Partnership actions

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- Develop a strategy around individual action plans
- New mobile CCTV camera for the CSP
- Review of the Public Spaces Protection Order
- Devise a scheme to look at tackling high strength alcohol in the city
- Establish a sustainable model for the 'help-zone' for the ENTE
- Look to promote and expand the current alternative giving scheme
- Look at an outcome based measures to judge success



# Freshers' Week

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- Multi partner approach
  - University – through Welcome Team and Estates Patrol
  - Police
  - Environmental Health and Licensing
  - Licensed Trade
- Operation aimed at being more residentially focused
- Backed up by the Help Zone / Street Pastors on some nights



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# Sexual violence and domestic violence and abuse (SVDVA)



# SVDVA

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- Exeter, East and Mid Devon Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence and Abuse Forum meets quarterly – includes local support agencies, police and Early Help etc
  - Local agencies report higher referral figures than police for both sexual and domestic violence and abuse
  - Agencies seeing more complexity in referrals
  - Response to Covid 19 impact:
    - Safe Spaces in pharmacies and local supermarkets
    - Radio Exe campaign over November and December 2020 to raise awareness that services are available



# SVDVA

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- Devon County Council leading on strategy refresh – local forums involved – and response to Domestic Abuse Bill (expected to become law in April)
  - Bill puts a new duty on tier 1 councils (DCC) to provide domestic abuse support to victims and their children who are living in safe accommodation
  - Domestic Homicide Reviews – responsibility of CSP but coordinated by SDP and funded by PCC
  - Priorities for next year include supporting work by CoLab to understand the nature of exploitation of vulnerable women especially those street homeless – links to County Lines



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# Reducing serious violence and organised crime including county lines



# Overview

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- Dangerous Drugs Networks (DDN) and associated serious violence are priorities within DCP's 'Control Strategy'
- These offences are high-harm but often 'little seen' by the majority of the public
- Significant partnership working is committed to a '4 P' approach



# Violence

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- Intelligence-led approach – Primary tasking
- Op Sceptre – Knife crime
  - Knife amnesty
  - Test purchasing with Trading Standards
  - Educational inputs
  - Home visits and weapon seizures
- Op Protractor – Youth ASB and violence
  - Targeted and diversionary activity ‘fed’ by the multi-agency Youth Vulnerability meeting



# Violence

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- Evening and night-time Economy link
  - Multi-Agency ENTE meeting
  - Licensee 'ownership' of safety standards – Best Bar None
  - Licensing checks/reviews and intelligence sharing
  - Targeted patrols



# Drugs

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- Organised crime encapsulates a number of crime types. In Exeter 'County Lines' is the biggest threat (*'the'* hotspot in D&C), creating:
  - Cuckooing of vulnerable people
  - Recruitment of children as dealers
  - Violence
  - Detrimental impact on specific locations - due to dealing, use of class A drugs & begging



# Drugs

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- '4 P' approach to addressing County Lines
  - Protect - Partnership working , MACE, NRM, St Giles Trust
  - Prepare -Education – Hotels, schools, business, awareness other statutory agencies
  - Prevent – ‘phone attribution; national operations, vulnerability checks
  - Pursue – Op Tarak, Proactive team
- Partner Agency Information Sharing Form



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Questions?