

# DRAFT GROWTH PROPOSAL

<b>Proposal Title:</b>	<b>Tackling ASB - Neighbourhood Management</b>
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<b>Reference:</b>	GRO / HAC 002 / 21-22	<b>Growth Type:</b>	Mayoral Priority
<b>Directorate:</b>	Health, Adults & Community	<b>Growth Service Area:</b>	Adult Social Care
<b>Directorate Service:</b>	Community Safety & Substance Misuse	<b>Strategic Priority Outcome:</b>	7. People live in safer neighbourhoods and anti-social behaviour is tackled
<b>Lead Officer and Post:</b>	Ann Corbett, Divisional Director, Community Safety	<b>Lead Member and Portfolio:</b>	Cllr Asma Begum, Deputy Mayor & Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Equalities

Financial Impact:	Current Budget 2020-21	Growth 2021-22	Growth 2022-23	Growth 2023-24	Total Growth
Budget (£000)		200	-	-	200

Staffing Impact (if applicable):	Current FTE 2020-21	FTE Increase 2021-22	FTE Increase 2022-23	FTE Increase 2023-24	Total FTE Increase
Employees (FTE) or state N/A	3	3	-	-	3

## Proposal Summary:

The proposal seeks to continue the Neighbourhood Management (NM) approach to tackling ASB & Crime. Originally piloted in the North West of the Borough in 2018 as part of a new hyper local approach to ASB and responding to local residents' concerns. NM is a proven concept of effectively managing the response to local neighbourhood crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB). It is currently being piloted in the North West of the borough and that pilot concludes in March 2021.

A detailed evaluation of the approach has been undertaken with interviews with key stakeholders, businesses, partners and residents and a review of relevant datasets. The ASB Blueprint agreed by the Mayor in Cabinet in 2017 set out a series of commitments to action. A key strand of this work was a commitment to a harm reduction approach to ASB, and to put victims and residents at the heart of this approach. The Pilot commenced in May 2018 in response to the commitments in the Blueprint which identified resident frustration with reporting ASB and crime to partners e.g. uncertainty as to who to report to, what to report and how to report and how to navigate the wide range of partnership agencies and council services involved in dealing with the issues. When asked residents said they rarely saw the police or uniformed council services and they wanted to see more enforcement and more engagement. There was also a wide perception that services were not well coordinated, worked in silos and there was a lack of partnership working with the police. When people wanted help from the Council, they reported that those services were difficult to negotiate and navigate.

NM therefore responds to these concerns and delivers:

- A strong local geographic focus, problem solving and coordinates relevant services, operational partnerships across the system,
- Co-production and resident involvement,
- Specialised crime and ASB service delivery, and advice
- Support for vulnerable victims of ASB and hate crime.

A logic model has been developed showing the journey of change that can be expected on implementation of the NM model. Current evaluation of the NM model provides a high level of confidence that continued implementation will impact upon resident concerns about safety and security. Stakeholder feedback on the NM pilot to date has been incredibly positive; residents stated that there were tangible benefits; responsiveness of the council to address crime and ASB issues, improved relationships and communication between residents, businesses, the council and police, putting "community" back into Community Safety.

### Budgeted Outcomes / Accountability (focus on improved performance):

As part of a new target operating model, NM will form part of a newly created multi-agency team with a key focus on drug related ASB, the ASB and Drug Suppression Unit. The multi-agency model will consist of the Council's funded police officers and will work closely with the Specialist Substance Misuse Intervention Team (SSMIT) in the Substance Misuse Service and the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping service/s. It is envisaged to build on the successes of the last 3 years, where funded police officers and NM have delivered the following:

Number of arrests – 1218

ASB warnings issued – 1635

Vehicles seized - 193

Referrals to DIP/RESET – 186

Referrals to the 'Stop and Think' programme- 95

Referrals for Vulnerable women who have been trafficked or VAWG – 194

Brothels investigated and closed – 37

### Risks and Implications:

- Crime & ASB continues to increase – the impact of COVID on ASB has been significant.
- Resident dissatisfaction increases & increasing complaints in relation to ASB and crime to the council
- Perceptions and feelings of safety decrease
- The council is unable to consolidate improvements already made on tackling ASB since the ASB Review in 2017.
- Failure to deliver on strategic plan outcome 7 – People live in safe neighbourhoods and ASB is tackled

## GROWTH PROPOSAL - BUDGET EQUALITY ANALYSIS SCREENING TOOL

Trigger Questions	Yes / No	If Yes – please provide a brief summary of how this impacts on each protected characteristic as identified in the Equalities Act 2010. This will need to be expanded in a full Equality Analysis at full Business Case stage.
Does the change reduce resources available to address inequality?	No	
Does the change reduce resources available to support vulnerable residents?	No	
Does the change involve direct impact on front line services?	No	
<b>Changes to a Service</b>		
Does the change alter who is eligible for the service?	No	
Does the change alter access to the service?	No	
<b>Changes to Staffing</b>		
Does the change involve a reduction in staff?	No	
Does the change involve a redesign of the roles of staff?	No	

<b>Summary:</b>	
To be completed at the end of completing the Screening Tool.	
Based on the Screening Tool, will a full EA will be required?	<b>No</b>

<b>Additional Information and Comments:</b>