

COUNCIL MEETING – 1 MAY 2014

Recommendation to Council from the Executive meeting held on 18 March 2014

E/13/138 **Community Safety Partnership Plan 2014- 2015**

The Executive considered a report from the Executive Member for Sustainable Communities – Services that set out the proposed Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Plan for endorsement. The Plan was developed from the Partnership Strategic Assessment, which analysed crime and disorder in Central Bedfordshire and identified the emerging priorities that needed to be tackled.

The Executive Member for Sustainable Communities – Services acknowledged that some crime types in Central Bedfordshire had increased and an action plan was due to be considered by the CSP. The Bedfordshire Police Crime Commissioner (PCC) and the Chief Inspector had attended the Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 22 January 2014 and advised that the CSP priorities featured in the PCC's Police and Crime Plan.

Members noted that where the CSP Plan referred to The Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan on page 281 of the agenda and the following paragraph be amended as follows:

*“It estimates that the Gypsy and Traveller population is increasing by *between 1.5% and 2.5%* each year, and *that, at a 2% compound growth rate, 131 additional* pitches will be needed by 2031 in order to meet that need”.*

Reason for decision: Central Bedfordshire Council is a responsible authority as part of the Community Safety Partnership under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The Act places a statutory duty on the local authority to work with other responsible authorities to develop and implement a strategy for reducing crime and disorder.

RESOLVED

that the Strategic Assessment and the Community Safety Partnership Priorities be endorsed.

RECOMMENDED to Council

that the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2014 – 2015, as set out in the Executive Agenda, be adopted.