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TITLE	PREVENTION STRATEGY
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DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	The Isle of Man Constabulary's strategy to meet our focus to keep people safe, is to prevent crime and people becoming the victims of crime. Covering the period 2016-2019.
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"The test of police efficiency is the absence of crime and disorder, not the visible evidence of police action in dealing with it." - Sir Robert Peel

1. Introduction

Our focus is Keeping People Safe and the best way to keep people safe is to prevent crime and people becoming the victims of crime from occurring. As such, crime prevention is at the heart of what we do. Similarly, our purpose is to improve the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities in the Isle of Man.

The key element of our performance agenda is to keep crime low crime and therefore prevention is a key role of all police officers and members of police staff. However, we must recognise that crime prevention is a broad and complex concept. Policing (deterrence and enforcement activity) will only ever be one part of a successful prevention approach. Health, education, housing, employability and a host of other public and third sector services will be even more important than policing in achieving successful outcomes. The responsibility for crime prevention needs to be shared across agencies with, of course, the Isle of Man Constabulary being an active partner.

We have a key role in identifying and communicating crime problems to other stakeholder agencies and the community, participating in the development of comprehensive responses and assisting in the implementation of overarching crime prevention strategies.

Our prevention strategy is closely aligned with the annual report, strategic threat assessment and control strategy and incorporates both intelligence driven and problem solving policing responses.

Partnerships with a range of agencies are at the heart of effective crime prevention and Neighbourhood Policing Teams seek to proactively partner with other agencies to identify, plan and respond to current or emerging crime issues and to review the outcomes of those responses. Through the daily, weekly and monthly tasking process will identify priorities for crime prevention and will engage with stakeholder agencies to identify suitable, innovative responses.

We have a range of specialist resources at our disposal to assist with crime prevention, but everyone in the Isle of Man Constabulary must understand that they have a part to play.

Crime prevention is about understanding and addressing both the cause and the crime.

- Any intervention which prevents or reduces a crime that would have occurred without that intervention;
- Police and partners working together with communities, learning about shared problems, and jointly designing unique solutions;
- When we initiate crime responses before there is a significant problem as opposed to reacting to crime matters on an incident by incident basis.

Our Aim - Keeping People Safe – Through Prevention

Our Vision - The Isle of Man is as safe as it can be

2. Intention

- Maintaining a safe society
- Prevent crime, offending and reduce vulnerability where possible
- Reducing demand through continuous improvement

3. Purpose

The purpose of this strategy is:

- To ensure all appropriate Crime Prevention tactics are embraced;
- Identify best practice and ensure it is effectively implemented; Identify innovative approaches to preventing crime and emerging crime problems;
- Identify opportunities for collaboration between key partners and the Isle of Man Constabulary that will tackle the wider consequences of crime;
- Protect the Vulnerable and utilise a "prevention" themed approach to issues
- Engage other community partners to assist with prevention of crime.

4. Our Focus

The areas we will focus on will be:

- Vulnerable
- Offenders
- Locations

4.1 Vulnerable

Utilising our Neighbourhood Policing Teams, CID, other specialist departments, intelligence and tasking process we will identify vulnerable or potentially vulnerable people and ensure we try to do everything we possibly can to keep them safe. This cannot be a problem the Police can deal with alone and our partners will be a key factor in achieving this.

4.2 Offenders

People or organised groups who look to commit crime or exploit the vulnerable will be dealt with effectively.

4.3 Locations

Relevant areas identified through analysis of community intelligence and other information that are affected by crime, anti-social behaviour and vulnerability will be the focus of our activities.

5. Our Delivery

The delivery of this strategy is key to all the outcomes and will not be achieved without a concerted effort from all of us. The main areas are:

- People
- Policing structures (NPT/CID/Specialist Functions)

- Intelligence & Information
- Analysis
- Tasking
- Deployment of resources
- Partnership Working

6. Our Outcomes

In order to align this strategy with the Chief Constables Strategic Plan, we must ensure they work in conjunction with each other to achieve the following outcomes:

- We have fewer victims and repeat victims
- We have low Crime
- Reduce demand

