Dear Farncombe resident,

You may be aware that on 6 September 2019 a public meeting was held at St John’s Church to discuss concerns raised by residents in relation to Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) in the area.

This booklet outlines some of the work undertaken by agencies such as Surrey Police, Waverley Borough Council, Surrey County Council, South West Trains, British Transport Police and Godalming Town Council who are working in partnership to tackle this issue.

Surrey Police has identified a core of around 6 young people who have been responsible for causing the majority of ASB, and some acts of a criminal nature. These individuals have been interviewed where sufficient evidence exists to show their involvement in a criminal offence, and a number of cases are currently waiting to be heard at Court. Should an individual be found guilty, suitable control orders, such as a Criminal Behaviour Order, will be considered by the court, which, if granted, will place conditions on their behaviour and their associates.
In addition to trying to mitigate the behaviours of this small group of young people, the local neighbourhood policing team and partner agencies have:

- investigated all incidents of ASB and criminal activity reported and progressed matters where an individual’s involvement can be ascertained,
- engaged with families and carers of the individuals involved, to ensure that their parents/guardians are aware of the issues their children are involved in and seek support from them to help prevent the behaviours continuing,
- increased uniformed and plain-clothes patrols in Godalming, Farncombe and on the rail network,
- introduced a structured engagement plan with schools across the borough to discuss age-appropriate issues and to ensure schools can provide support and signposting to partner agencies,
- explored options to divert young people away from ASB by increasing access to sports, leisure and social activities in the local area,
- undertaken work with voluntary groups to identify ways in which members of the community can better engage with young people in the area,
- considered crime prevention measures to help reduce opportunities for ASB and criminal activity,
- increased staff numbers at Farncombe and Godalming train stations.

We have endeavoured to give you an overview of the actions taken to date and hope you will be reassured that work is taking place to tackle the issues raised in September.

Residents are urged to report all instances of crime and ASB to 101, online at www.surrey.police.uk or in the event of an emergency on 999.

Local action –
The Farncombe Community Team

Following the public meeting at St John’s Church in September last year, the Trinity Trust Team and Surrey Police have been working closely within the local community and with other partners. A Farncombe Community Team has been established to develop and support local community initiatives aimed at positively impacting the lives of young people aged 11 – 17 years.

After consulting with young people in schools, youth groups and through existing street outreach programmes, the Farncombe Community Team has plans to engage with young people in a number of ways:

1. A community street team: trained to engage with young people, will signpost them to alternative/diversionary activities,
2. An activities team: delivering a range of programmes tailored to the needs of young people. Waverley Borough Council’s Leisure team is developing new sporting and social opportunities, in particular, replicating the extremely popular ‘Friday Night Project’ currently running in Cranleigh,
3. A mentoring team: supporting young people on a range of issues, either individually or in small groups, according to their needs.

Going forward, the key to the success of all our initiatives – as has been demonstrated in other areas – will be in achieving buy-in locally. This includes the support of local community leaders and establishing a dedicated pool of volunteers. The Trinity Trust Team is working with existing volunteers locally, but many more are needed.

If you feel you could help by taking part in street patrols, helping run sports and social activities or mentoring, please contact the Farncombe Community Team on the email address below. Even if you are only able to dedicate just a few hours now and again, please get in touch. Full training and DBS screening will be provided.

Could you get involved?

Email: farncombecommunityteam@gmail.com

Gary J. Smith
Inspector Gary Smith
Waverley Borough Commander
Surrey Police

Anne-Marie Rosoman
Portfolio Holder for Housing and Community Safety
Waverley Borough Council

Cllr Paul Follows
Leader - Godalming Town Council
Deputy Leader - Waverley Borough Council

Katie Webb
Community Services Manager
Chair Farncombe Task and Finish Group
On behalf of the Safer Waverley Partnership
Do you have a crime or Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) to report?

**Crime**

Report to the Police on 101 (non-emergency) or 999 (emergency) or online at www.surrey.police.uk

Police will assess the incident and may assign officers to attend or work with partners to minimise opportunities for crime and ASB to occur.

**ASB**

Not all ASB should be reported to the Police. To find out more about ASB visit www.healthysurrey.org.uk/community-safety/asb/who-deals-with-it

Contact Waverley Borough Council to report graffiti, litter, fly-tipping, noise nuisance, abandoned vehicles or if you are experiencing ASB in relation to social housing tenants. www.waverley.gov.uk/reportASB

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**Useful Contacts**

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