

**Community Safety Portfolio
Councillor G Bunn**

Report to Council – 15 October 2025

Communities

After a significant period with two vacant posts the Communities Children and Young Peoples Officer and the Equalities and Vulnerabilities Officer have been recruited and start work in the second half of September. This will allow the Communities Team to resume their events programme for vulnerable people and provide much needed support to young people and those in need.

Funded Activity

The Communities Team successfully submitted a bid of £67,500 (until March 2027) for situational Crime in the two identified hotspot areas for ASB in the Borough Beeston and Eastwood. The funding has enabled Transforming Lives to be delivered to cohorts of young people in both areas who have been identified as either committing or at risk from ASB, Criminality, or Child Criminal Exploitation.

A second bid for £25,000 for hot spot patrols in Beeston and Eastwood was also successful to assist in tackling ASB in both Town Centres.

Licencing

The Licencing Enforcement Officer was asked to present the Safeguarding Training she delivers to taxi drivers and to Licensees at pub watch meetings to the (Nottingham Authorities Licensing Group) NALG Training Day on the 23rd of September 2025.

Although the subject can be a difficult one to discuss the presentation went well and we have received very positive feedback from those who attended the event.

This training was also presented to members who were given the opportunity to undertake the test at the end. They are now working with the new Communities Children and Young Peoples Officer to identify how to engage secondary schools in allowing the presentation to be delivered to pupils to help educate them in how to deal with situations they might find themselves in.

Domestic Abuse

Domestic Abuse Awareness and understanding training has been commissioned through Equation.

DAHA

Work towards DAHA accreditation (Domestic Abuse Housing Alliance) has begun although still at the preliminary benchmarking stage.

White Ribbon

White Ribbon stands and information have been delivered at a variety of local community events to ensure that we are raising awareness of the campaign as much as possible. Planning the action plan for the 16 Days of action in November has also begun.

Work has continued to encourage other agencies to sign up as White Ribbon supporters with the latest presentation being to Broxtowe youth Homelessness.

Sanctuary

The Sanctuary Scheme is now running smoothly since updates were made to the data systems we use to implement the scheme however we are still seeing a significant increase in applications. Between 1st April and 30th September 2025 we received 36 applications (4 rejected) with a total committed spend of £53,400 with 8 still awaiting quotes this compares to with a total of 22 applications (4 rejections) and a spend of £52,000 in the whole of 2024/25.

Violence

124 Broxtowe cases have been heard at MARAC and actioned between 1st January and 30th September 2025.

The Serious Violence Duty Response Plan is currently on target with partners providing regular updates.

Youth Issues

The Youth Conference being delivered February 2026 will focus on several areas of youth issues, particularly around Misinformation and Negative Influencing on Social Media, Mental Health and Community Connectedness, Violence Against Women and Girls and Bullying.

Substance misuse

The new Children and Young Peoples Officer 9week 1) has started to reach out to agencies including Change Grow Live and Hetty's for meetings to take forward work.