

Dungannon & South Tyrone Community Safety Partnership was formed in June 2003 following the Review of The Criminal Justice System in Northern Ireland (2000). This is the first Community Safety Strategy to be published by Dungannon & South Tyrone CSP.

This strategy has been produced following an audit of community safety issues across the borough and consultation with partner agencies and the community.

This strategy will focus the work of the partnership for the next three years. By setting ourselves demanding and challenging targets we will strive towards our vision of making Dungannon & South Tyrone Borough a healthy, inclusive, prosperous and safe environment for all those who reside, work and visit within the borough.

OUR PURPOSE

To provide a safe, secure environment for the residents of Dungannon & South Tyrone and to improve their quality of life.

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Dungannon PSNI
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Crime Stoppers
T 0800 555 111
Victim Support
T 028 3834 7340
Women's Aid
T 028 8676 9300
Emergency Services
(Fire, Ambulance, Police)
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COMMUNITY SAFETY STRATEGY
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COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP
DEVELOPING SAFER COMMUNITIES

OUR PRIORITIES

This local strategy has reflected local circumstances and issues whilst taking account of the nine key issues identified in the NI Community Safety Strategy:

- car crime;
- domestic burglary;
- business and retail crime;
- offences against individuals, particularly domestic violence and sexual assault;
- youth offending and reducing criminality;
- offences motivated by prejudice and hatred;
- drug, substance and alcohol abuse;
- anti-social behaviour and low-level neighbourhood disorder;
- fear of crime amongst older people, vulnerable adults and children.

Priorities in the Dungannon & South Tyrone Borough are:

- domestic burglary;
- offences against individuals, particularly domestic violence and sexual assault;
- fear of crime amongst older people, vulnerable adults, victims and children;
- anti-social behaviour and low-level neighbourhood disorder.

COMMUNITY SAFETY AUDIT: MAIN FINDINGS

- Dungannon & South Tyrone is a relatively safe place to live with low crime levels;
- the rate for each recorded crime category is equal to or lower than the NI average for each crime category;
- the highest levels of recorded crime figures (2003/04) are for offences against the person, criminal damage and theft and burglary;
- residents' main concerns are burglary, violent attacks (particularly on elderly people) fear of crime and anti-social behaviour.

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO

In the next few years we plan to tackle all of the nine key issues in the government's Community Safety Strategy, specifically targeting those that are of main concern to the residents of Dungannon & South Tyrone. These are fully detailed in our strategy document.



PROGRESS/ ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

The projects we have developed to date are:

- Lock Out Crime and Neighbourhood Watch schemes

We have contributed funding to the following projects:

- Safer Children initiative aimed at road safety and child abduction;
- safety DVD featuring advice on personal safety issues;
- Outward Bound Youth Challenge Competition;
- promotional materials for domestic violence client providers;
- senior citizens' conference;
- home security equipment for vulnerable adults;
- improved security equipment for community facility;
- Volunteer Bureau Befriending scheme.