

Prevent Crime

Limit the opportunity for crime to occur through increased awareness & adoption of effective crime prevention measures & timely reporting of suspicious acts.

Identify & protect against current, new & emerging threats.

Effective use of resources

Develop effective partnerships & strategic links with key stakeholders to influence national policies.

Build appropriate, sustainable infrastructure.

Identify what works & for whom & share this with others.

Stronger & Safer Communities

Improve active citizenship, community safety & resilience through increased community participation, social action, neighbourliness & partnership working.

Reduce the opportunity for victimisation & the impact of crime or harm, especially to the vulnerable.

Our Vision:

Is of a caring, cohesive, resilient society that is founded upon trust & respect, where the prevention of crime and anti-social behaviour is understood & embedded within communities.

Our Mission:

Is to enable communities to work together with other agencies to identify and meet the needs of their communities, to ensure that they are resilient and to help provide a protective safety net for those members who are vulnerable and at risk of harm.

Our Values:

To be credible, accountable, transparent, caring, realistic, inclusive, sustainable and independent.

Neighbourhood and Home Watch Network Overarching Action Plan 2015-16

By 31 March 2016, we will have:

Identified a national framework that will enable volunteers to undertake their roles with clarity and support.

Identified volunteers' training and support needs, secured resources to meet them.

Identified and reviewed key 'wider watches' such as Countryside Watch and Junior Neighbourhood Watch to enable promotion and provision of more detailed toolkits within the national framework and website.

Raised the profile of the movement in an effort to encourage new members to sign up and provided clear membership benefits.

Participated in the development of a national crime prevention strategy in partnership with the National Police Chiefs Council (NPCC), the College of Policing, National Crime Agency and the Home Office.

Developed an easy and straight forward way to measure the impact and effectiveness of our work and present this in a compelling way, in order to secure sustainable funding and resources.

Continued to develop strategic and operational links with other Citizens in Policing organisations, in order to provide clear pathways for volunteering opportunities across the organisations.

We will do this by:

Working with the regional and force level volunteers, Police Single Points of Contact (SPOCs) and partners, to identify a national set of definitions, roles and minimum standards and to agree a rollout plan for adoption by our members.

Reviewing and developing our current national assets including the database, communication system and website, to ensure that they are fit for purpose.

Reviewing current training materials and identifying any gaps and how they might be filled, including the provision of in-house training for volunteers and working with the College of Policing to provide police support and training.

Establishing a number of wider watches working groups in order to identify good practice for developing and launching national toolkits within the national framework guidelines.

Exploring the expansion of the items available to members and ensuring the benefits of being a member are explicit.

Working with the private sector to offer attractive and competitive membership benefits and resources. To launch a national campaign to increase the diversity of new members.

Working with partners to ensure that we engage with a wider membership base and deliver an enhanced package of crime and anti-social behaviour prevention and delivery of stronger and safer communities.

Continue to work with the College of Policing and several universities through a series of pilots in evaluating and measuring the effectiveness of the movement, and delivering our objectives. Ensuring evidence, impact and conclusions are shared and adopted across the movement and producing good practice toolkits from the work undertaken.