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Councillor Simon Ball
Elected Member

Via email: simon.ball@rotherham.gov.uk

Dear Cllr Ball

Question to Council – Wednesday 15th January 2025

Thank you for the question you submitted to Council on 15th January 2025. I have set out the question and my response below.

How is the council collaborating with local police to ensure consistency in tackling antisocial behaviour and reducing strain on emergency services?

The Council and Police work collaboratively through partnership working at all levels, underpinned by co-location of staff across the Borough. This operational, tactical and strategic partnership working seeks to ensure that resources are deployed appropriately, and that all legislation and powers are utilised to address anti-social behaviour.

Joint approach tackling issues in the Boston Castle area resulted in no further reports to council of ASB. All residents who had open cases noted an improvement to the area, drop in ASB and criminal activity during Q2.

Bi-weekly multi-agency partnership meetings are held in all areas across the borough which are jointly hosted by the Council and the Police. All groups are managed in the same format with individuals from the Council's Community Protection Unit, Housing, Social Services and Children's and Young People's Service attending to offer resources, support and guidance alongside local Police colleagues to address anti-social behaviour.

Police are members of the Safer Rotherham Partnership Board and Safer Stronger Communities priority group to monitor delivery against the SRP priority to ensuring a joined-up partnership approach is taken when tackling issues associated with neighbourhood crime, Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) and preventing hate crime.

Joint working is continuing to strengthen the partnership approach to neighbourhood problem solving. On 30 September 2024, 8 live problem oriented partnership plans were in place (3 Central, 4 South, 1 North)

I hope you find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely



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