



Penrith Town Council

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CRIME & DISORDER STATEMENT

Penrith Town Council has a duty to consider the impact of its functions and decisions on crime and disorder in its area, under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

Section 5(2) of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (the right of parish councils to be consulted)

In exercising those functions, the responsible authority shall act in co-operation with the following persons and bodies, namely:

- a) every police authority any part of whose police lies within the area:
- b) every probation committee or health authority any part of whose area lies within the area: and
- c) every person or body of a description which is for the time being prescribed by order of the Secretary of State under this subsection; and it shall be the duty of those persons and bodies to co-operate in the exercise by the responsible authorities of those functions.

Penrith Town Council will consider the impact of crime and disorder issues within its four main categories of work:

- Services
- Discretionary powers to spend 'free resource' money
- The statutory right to be notified of all planning applications within the parish boundary and a statutory right to be consulted fully by the district council
- A statutory duty to hold regular parish meetings.

As part of that process the Town Council will fully engage with the all applicable bodies to:

- Reduce and detect crime
- Reduce anti-social behaviour and fear of crime and re-assure people
- Strengthen community involvement Section 5(2) of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (the right of town and parish councils to be consulted).

In discharging its duties, the Council will:

- Circulate the Police Newsletter and when Police matters are raised by members at a Council meeting these will be brought to the attention of the Police.
- Prioritise the quick to removal of graffiti, litter and drug paraphernalia from managed public property and open spaces within its control.

Penrith Town Council recognises The Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership (CSP) and acknowledges that it is good practice to support the partnership for the following reasons:

- It avoids unnecessary duplication, confusion and waste of resources.
- Partner agencies will consider the impact of their policies and actions on crime and disorder.
- There is greater potential impact on crime and disorder through increased agency involvement.
- Pooling resources maximises their effectiveness.
- It provides opportunities for sharing expertise and teaming from others.
- Brings together a range of agencies enables each agency to concentrate on its strengths and experiences can be brought to bear on all areas of the partnerships activities.

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The partnership is led by the following responsible authorities:

- Westmorland and Furness Council
- Carlisle City Council
- Cumbria Constabulary
- Cumbria County Council
- Cumbria Fire and Rescue Service
- Cumbria and Lancashire Community Rehabilitation Company (CRC) formally Cumbria Probation Service
- Other invited organisations as agreed by the Leadership Group.

For Further Information

Contact: Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership Coordinator

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*Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 A Practical Guide for Parish and Town Councils (The Countryside Agency/Nacro).

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