
Community Safety Overview and Scrutiny Committee

21st September 2010

Report of the Director of Communities and Neighbourhoods

Relationship between the Capable Guardian Scheme and the Area Based Working Pilot

Purpose

1. To explain the relationship between the Capable Guardian Scheme and the Area Based Working Pilot.

Background

2. At the previous meeting of the Community Safety Overview and Scrutiny Committee, on 29th June 2010, members asked for a report on the relationship between the Capable Guardian Scheme and the proposed Area Based Working Pilot.

Capable Guardian Scheme

3. A report on the Capable Guardian Scheme was presented to the Executive Leader Decision Session on 7th September 2010. This report outlines the concept of the Capable Guardian Scheme, and the wards within the city to which it applies. The report is attached at **Annex One**.

Area Based Working Pilot

4. A report on the proposed Area Based Working Pilot was presented to the Executive on 20th July 2010. This report outlines the concept of area based working and the areas to which it is proposed to apply. The report is attached at **Annex Two**.
5. The Executive approved the report, and extended the period of the pilot to 12 months. The pilot will therefore commence in September, and run to September 2011.

Comparison

6. The two schemes have similarities, but also significant differences:
 - The Capable Guardian Scheme is solely focussed on a discrete number of partner organisations (primarily the police and CYC) working together to help

and deal with anti-social behaviour. It is also 'restricted' to those specific wards in the city that have historically exhibited a higher incidence of anti-social behaviour than other wards.

- The Area Based Working pilot is a 'geographic' area of the city, made up of wards comprising a rural/urban mix. The purpose is for a wide number of partner organisations and the voluntary sector to work together to identify and prioritise the services they deliver in the area, and to see whether, by combining efforts, they can collectively deliver some services in a more efficient way. The efficiencies may be financial, or non-financial or an ability to provide the same service in a different way, or even provide new services as a result of an identified community need.
7. Where there are similarities in relation to anti-social behaviour priorities in an area that is covered by the Capable Guardian Scheme and Area Based Working (Westfield being the only area), then both schemes will work together with Capable Guardian being part of the wider partnership working.
 8. Where Area Based Working and Capable Guardian are not in the same area, then the Capable Guardian scheme and Area Based Working will run independently.
 9. Clearly should Area Based Working be adopted city-wide, after the pilot has evaluated and reported back to the Executive, then the Capable Guardian Scheme is likely to be part of the general closer partnership working that will be a cornerstone of Area Based Working.

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Wards Affected:

All



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Background Papers: None

Annexes

Annex One: Decision Session – Executive Leader Report 7th September 2010
Update on Capable Guardian Scheme

Annex Two – Executive Report 20th July 2010: Area Based Working Pilot