

SNT Terms of reference 2016

Briefing to Public and Key stakeholders

Our primary concern is to ensure that we are in a position to respond to emergency calls. To continue to achieve this, it has been necessary to review the current working practices of police constables across the East Safer Neighbourhood Teams and to re-deploy some police officers into response teams. Therefore, on 9th January 2017, Police Constables working within the East Safer Neighbourhood teams (SNT) are trialling a new way of working. Police officers across the East will work together as an enforcement team across the area, jointly tackling problems; community concerns and high risk anti-social behaviour, rather than solely working in one location. There will be no change to the role of PCSOs, who will continue to be locally based in the SNT's across the East, working on the four priority areas of community engagement, crime reduction, vulnerability and safeguarding and demand management.

We will continue to work with the public, councillors and partner agencies to communicate, gauge concerns and provide advice as the pilot develops. The new working practices will be reviewed at 6 months to assess the impact, feedback and results will be provided via the Safer Neighbourhood Newsletter.

Please see below, the details for the different roles in the SNT's that will be working across the East to clarify the new working practices for you;

Locality Inspectors (Richard Hill – Lowestoft, Mark Jackson – Halesworth)

Locality Inspectors will be responsible for overseeing Community Engagement and facilitating community tasking processes. They will consult with partners and the public to identify the priorities to be addressed and will oversee the intelligence and tasking processes. The SNT Inspectors will work together to ensure that our communities have a consistent presence and that our teams are working on the issues of the highest concern.

Safer Neighbourhood Team Sergeants (Rob Meen – Lowestoft, Simon Price – Beccles and Bungay, Mark Beresford – Halesworth, Eye and Leiston)

The SNT Sergeant will be responsible for the daily supervision of the SNT staff, tasks and projects. The Sergeant will have ownership of community problems that require police involvement and working with the public and partners, will help to develop long term solutions. The SNT Sergeant will ensure that their teams are tasked and are dealing with the key areas of concern for their community. They will encourage team members to collect and submit community intelligence and ensure feedback is provided to community members and partners who participate in this process.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team Police Constable

The SNT Constable will work alongside PCSOs, Special Constables, partner and volunteer agencies to solve community problems, focused on delivering pro-active enforcement action. SNT Constables will continue to conduct regular patrols at key times and locations according to the threat, risk and needs of the community. However, they will do this by working as an area enforcement team, rather than being locally based in every SNT.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team Police Community Support Officer

The Police Community Support Officers (PCSO) will continue to be locally based in SNTs. They will work within an allocated SNT on their specialist functions, making themselves accessible to key community networks such as Neighbourhood and other Watch Groups, businesses, sheltered housing, care homes and children resource centres, schools, churches and volunteer groups to name just a few. They will also continue to exercise their powers where appropriate, such as confiscating alcohol and dealing with parking offences.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team Special Constable

Special Constables will work alongside SNT Constables and PCSO on high visibility patrols engaging with the community to offer reassurance and preventing crime and disorder. Special Constables can be involved in any area of SNT work, from partnership working, to working with children, to offering support on occasions to Neighbourhood Response Teams by assisting with public order patrols.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team Volunteer

A Safer Neighbourhood Team incorporating volunteers is more likely to be a successful one. The plan is to continue to develop roles working with you and our partners, in areas such as developing local Watch Schemes, assisting with administration of meetings and carrying out supporting activities, such as volunteers on horseback.