



REPORT TO: SAFER AND STRONGER STRATEGIC GROUP – 21st
August 2008.

SUBJECT: SAFER & STRONGER OPERATIONAL GROUP -
BUDGETS 2008- 2009.

BY: CORPORATE POLICY UNIT MANAGER

1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 The Safer & Stronger Strategic Group is invited to agree a budget for each of the three Operational Groups.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The Safer and Stronger Strategic Group is invited to agree the allocated spend for each of the Safer Operational Groups based upon the submitted Business Plans.

2.2 As well as agreeing the spend, the group is also asked to agree on the priorities for each of the Operational Groups from evidence produced in the Strategic Assessment.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 At the meeting of the Safer and Stronger Strategic Group on 5 June 2008 it agreed the formation of four Operational Groups based on the evidence of the Strategic Assessment, these being Antisocial Behaviour, Road Safety, Fire and Home Safety and Violence Reduction.

3.2 The budget for Antisocial Behaviour was also agreed at this meeting. The three remaining Operational Groups were asked to submit Outcome Agreements to the Safer and Stronger Group to access the remaining funding of £33,698. The funding is provided from the Safer & Stronger budget allocated by The Moray Council.

3.3 The Business Plans for Road Safety, Fire and Home Safety and Violence Reduction were subsequently discussed at the Safer Co-ordinating Group meeting where the following budgets and priorities were discussed.

<u>Road Safety</u>	
Driving Ambition Days	£3000
Young Drivers Day	£2500
Safe Drive Stay Alive	£5000
Hot Strikes	£3800
Over 55 Days	£ 600
Media Campaign	£ 200
Operation Taurus (Drink Driving)	<u>£ 600</u>
Total	£15,700

<u>Fire and Home Safety</u>	
Deliver Falls Prevention and Awareness Training	£4490
Total	£ 4,490

<u>Violence Reduction</u>	
Raise awareness of Violence Against Women	£ 1000
Support to Victims of Domestic Violence	£ 500
Domestic Abuse Conference	£ 2000
Pubwatch	£ 500
Safer Streets	<u>£ 2000</u>
Total	£ 7,000

Total Spend **£27,190**

- 3.3 The attached Business Plans (**Appendix 1**) give detailed breakdowns of the projected spend against outcomes for each of the groups.
- 3.4 There remains a balance of £6,508, which will be held in reserve and be available for all the Operational Groups to bid into for additional funding throughout the year. This is in addition to the savings made by the changes in the community warden as mentioned in another report on this agenda. This leaves a balance of £20,808 for future priorities and consideration could be given upgrading and increasing the mobile CCTV system and the provision of additional sound monitoring equipment.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Community Plan / Theme Plans / Partner Plans

The “Safer and Stronger” theme group of the Community Planning Partnership covers a wide range of issues which includes Community Safety. This has been subdivided into the four Operational Groups – Antisocial Behaviour, Road Safety, Fire and Home Safety and Violence Reduction.

(b) Policy and Legal

The terms of this report meets the statutory obligations of the Council in relation to antisocial behaviour and in terms of the Antisocial Behaviour etc (Scotland) Act 2004. The Single

Outcome Agreement requires Councils to monitor and report its performance against the outcomes.

(c) Resources (Financial, Staffing and Risks)

The budget proposals to be allocated by the 'Safer and Stronger' Strategic Group to three of the four identified Operational Groups for 2008-2009 is £33,698. The budget for Antisocial Behaviour was agreed at the Safer and Stronger Strategic Group meeting on 5 June 2008.

The budget breakdown is shown below: -

Road Safety	£15,700
Fire and Home Safety	£ 4,490
Violence Reduction	£ 7,000.

There remains a balance of £20,808 from these projects and community wardens which can be used for mobile CCTV and sound equipment to enhance existing services.

(d) Consultations

All Community Safety Partners participated in a three-day planning and consultation exercise, which centred on the Strategic Assessment and development of evidence-based priorities, which have been approved by the Community Safety Partners. As a result, the priorities were identified.

4. CONCLUSION

4.1 The Safer and Stronger Strategic Group is invited to agree the allocated spend for each of the Safer Operational Groups based upon the submitted Outcome Agreements.

4.2 As well as agreeing the spend, the group is also asked to agree on the priorities for each of the Operational Groups from evidence produced in the Strategic Assessment.

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Background Papers: Outcome Agreements for the three Operational Groups

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