

# Devon Strategic Partnerships Collaboration Agreement

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## 1. Aim:

The Devon Strategic Partnerships Collaboration Agreement describes the new ways in which strategic partnerships will work together, through co-ordinated partnership activity, to achieve better and more equal outcomes for the people of Devon.

## 2. Scope:

The Devon Strategic Partnerships Collaboration Agreement has been developed by:

- Devon Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB)
- Devon Children's and Families Partnership (DCFP)
- Devon Safeguarding Adults Partnership (DSAP)
- Safer Devon Partnership (SDP) including Devon Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs)
- The Devon Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP)

This agreement covers the relationships between these partnerships, with the intention of extending the agreement over time to include other strategic partnerships covering the wider Devon area.

## 3. What we want to achieve:

- **Alignment of strategic priorities across partnerships** to identify specific areas for inter-partnership collaboration and reduce duplication, including cross-cutting issues such as Adverse Childhood Experiences
- **An integrated approach to tackling key issues and commissioning services by sharing information and intelligence;** such as more closely aligning the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, the Strategic Assessment of Crime and Disorder in Devon and Organised Crime Local Profiles, and outcomes reporting across partnerships
- **A co-ordinated approach to sharing information/intelligence between partnerships** with the aim of reducing risk and harm
- **Developing complementary approaches to performance and risk management, quality assurance and transformational change**
- **The developing of effective joint evaluation and monitoring approaches** to understand the impact of new and existing services on outcomes
- **Collaboration** in relation to **workforce planning and development**
- **A co-ordinated approach to multi-agency learning reviews** which include Domestic Homicide Reviews, Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews and Safeguarding Adults Reviews

**4. How we will do this:**

- We will share information through regular or thematic reports that also include the response and/or action required from the receiving partnership board/executive and partners.
- Annual reports and other relevant reports and strategies will be shared between partnership boards/executives to inform priority setting.
- We will ensure that all annual reports and other relevant reports and strategies include an open and transparent evaluation of performance against annual plans and provide an opportunity for reciprocal scrutiny and challenge that will inform the development of future years' strategies and action plans.
- We will share needs analyses such as the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Strategic Assessment of Crime and Disorder with partnership boards/executives at key points in the planning cycle, with a specific focus on identifying inequalities.
- Business plans will be shared between partnership boards/executives in the formulation stages to avoid duplication, identify gaps, and enable co-ordination and shared business priorities where areas of work overlap.
- Chairs and lead officers for each partnership board/executive will review progress, ensure that key issues are identified, and respective roles and responsibilities are clear in emerging areas of concern. The lead officers will also identify opportunities for joint working to reduce duplication of effort.
- Membership of each partnership board/executive will include appropriate cross-partnership chief officer representation to enable on-going communication and provide opportunities for cross-cutting issues to be raised directly and acted upon in meetings by lead members.
- This agreement will be reviewed annually to identify benefits, measure progress and ensure approaches are fit for purpose.
- Consideration will be given to wider partnership participation across the South West Peninsula.

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**Signed By:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Devon Health and Wellbeing Board**



\_\_\_\_\_ **Devon Safeguarding Adults Partnership**



\_\_\_\_\_ **Devon Children's and Families Partnership**



\_\_\_\_\_ **Safer Devon Partnership**



\_\_\_\_\_ **Devon Sustainability and Transformation Partnership**