

*The Ribble Valley  
Crime & Disorder  
Reduction Strategy*

*2002 – 2005*



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*A three year strategy to  
reduce crime and disorder  
and the number of  
road casualties in the  
Ribble Valley*

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Crime and Disorder Act, 1998, placed a statutory duty on Ribble Valley Borough Council, Lancashire County Council, Lancashire Constabulary, East Lancashire Health Authority and Lancashire Probation Service to work together with other partners to produce and implement a three year strategy to reduce crime and disorder in the Ribble Valley. This is our second three year strategy.
- 1.2 *All* the relevant partners are publicly accountable and subject to audit and inspection. This document sets out the framework for our partnership working and will focus resources to areas of greatest need.
- 1.3 Our strategy is a living document, which will evolve and respond to the changing nature of crime and disorder. It is aimed at improving the quality of life for people who visit, work and live in the Ribble Valley. Hopefully, it will also help our communities feel safe, involved and reassured.
- 1.4 During the summer of 2001, detailed research was conducted with a wide variety of agencies and the general public into the nature and extent of crime, disorder and road safety in our area. This research produced the 'Crime and Disorder Audit 2001', which informed us of the current situation with crime and disorder in the Ribble Valley, and what the problems or perceptions are. The Audit also looked at a wide variety of other data including education, probation, drugs and alcohol, youth offending, Fire and Rescue Service and the Health Authority. We have also consulted widely on the findings of the audit to check that the statistics actually match public perception of the emerging issues.
- 1.5 The emerging issues and themes are contained within this document, which need to be addressed by **all partners working together** to find joint solutions to the problems identified.
- 1.6 We now intend to target resources at identified themes and geographic areas that have emerged in the 'Audit' document and that were also voiced by the many people who have let us have their opinions.
- 1.7 By tackling the more prevalent crime and disorder issues, including burglary, vehicle crime and anti-social behaviour through targeted enforcement, education, intervention and prevention, our strategic plan is to improve the quality of life for those living, visiting and working within the Ribble Valley.

## 2. EMERGING THEMES

2.1 Our first Strategy, three years ago, identified geographic areas and concentrated on themes within those areas. With the benefit of experience we feel that a different approach is called for in this new Strategy.

Whilst the crime statistics tell us that our main towns such as Clitheroe, Longridge, Whalley and Billington are the areas where most incidents occur, it is the opinion of the Ribble Valley Crime Reduction Programme Steering Group that most of these issues should be tackled as Borough-wide themes.

We propose to examine some of the issues highlighted by the Audit and focus on these Borough-wide themes, but also target geographic areas suffering high instances of identified crime or disorder within each theme category. It may be preferable this time to adopt a more realistic approach in terms of crime categories but concentrating on issues that are above the Borough rate. Recognising that one crime may well be related to other crimes committed

2.2 The Crime and Disorder Audit has highlighted the following themes where further joint action needs to be targeted.

- *Property Crime (Burglary, Travelling Criminals and Vehicle Crime)*
- *Road Safety*
- *Substance Abuse*
- *Violent Crime*
- *Youth Intervention*
- *Anti Social Behaviour/Criminal Damage*

2.3 We will once again set up a number of Working Groups to identify multi-agency solutions to the various problems. These Groups will be identified and named by using the above theme titles. Each Group will then address geographic areas that endure unacceptable levels of crime and/or disorder.

2.4 We recognize that much good work is already ongoing and we intend to build on successful 'best practice' experiences provided by our Crime and Disorder Partnerships. Other agencies may have already designed strategies to find solutions to some of the issues highlighted by the Crime and Disorder Audit. These may already address underlying issues, such as fear of isolation, social deprivation, and lack of opportunities for young people.

2.5 Good communications are vital, particularly in a rural area such as Ribble Valley. It is vital that people know who they should contact, have good lines of communication between Police and public and that response times are kept under review.

### 3. ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

#### 3.1 PROPERTY CRIME

##### ❖ Travelling Criminals

A travelling criminal by definition is anyone who lives outside of the Borough who enters our area with the sole intent of committing crime and who has previous convictions for this.

The Ribble Valley has been considered in the past to be a 'soft-touch' and 'rich pickings' for travelling criminals who reside in nearby towns and villages. They enter the Ribble Valley to commit both domestic and commercial burglary, steal items left on view in parked cars, steal vehicles, shop-lift from local shops and market stalls and are involved in some form of violent crime at weekends in our town centre areas.

The 'Crime and Disorder Audit 2001' highlighted that over the past two years:

- 80% (949 persons) of all offenders resided within the immediate vicinity or in a nearby town or village
- 85% (999 males) of all offenders arrested were male
- 48% of all offenders arrested were unemployed
- 3% (36 persons) had no fixed abode
- 33% (331 males) of males arrested were aged between 18 and 24 years
- 49% (88 females) of females arrested were aged between 18 and 24 years

The following initiatives should be examined and implemented during the three year 'Strategy':

- *Investigate the possible purchase of an Automatic Recognition Number Plate Reader via multi-agency finance*
- *Utilise and increase members of the local Special Constabulary*
- *Promote the use of 'E-mailer' Watch in rural areas*
- *Encourage Parish Councils to identify a local person who can liaise with the Police on incidents within the village and act as a contact point*
- *Introduce a Rural Pubwatch/Shopwatch*
- *Support 'Think First' (Probation Service initiative)*
- *Identify best position for re-locatable CCTV in villages*
- *Introduce a 'Retail Anti-theft' initiative with the local Chambers of Trade*
- *Deployment of technical equipment to enable recovery of stolen property*

## ❖ **Domestic & Other Burglary (Shops, factories, sheds, garages etc.)**

During 1<sup>st</sup> April 2000 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2001 the 'Crime and Disorder Audit 2001' showed that 'Domestic burglary and 'Other Burglary' accounted for 21% of all reported crime. Whilst the crime figures are at similar levels to what they were three years ago, it is important to remember that the crime of burglary can have a major impact and detrimental affect on people's quality of life. Therefore, we still need to identify measures that will reduce and address the ongoing problem of burglary in our area. During our first year we aim to target geographic areas that are subject to high instances of burglary highlighted by the Audit. The areas for concentration in the first year should be Clitheroe, Longridge, Mellor and Whalley.

It is suggested that the Group should concentrate on action plans to reduce burglary by introducing and supporting the following initiatives:

- *Increased use of CCTV*
- *Encourage new 'Secure by Design' building developments*
- *Examine the feasibility of producing a mini CD-ROM to provide crime prevention advice*
- *Encourage the local Chambers of Trade to record their incidents of crime and disorder and promote crime prevention measures to all their members*
- *Encourage private sector sponsorship for crime prevention initiatives*
- *Secure funding to purchase 'Property Marking' kits, distribute and run surgeries in rural areas*
- *Produce and distribute 'Caller Alert' Cards for the vulnerable and elderly to reduce bogus caller incidents and distraction burglary*
- *Provide incentives, possibly free lock/alarm for vulnerable householders*
- *Encourage Victim Support to persist with visits to repeat victims*
- *Encourage use of 'Village Appraisals' to gauge public opinion on a range of issues*

### **Target:**

To reduce Domestic and Commercial Burglary by 1.4% by 2003 and 4.2% by 2005.

## ❖ **Vehicle Crime**

The 'Crime and Disorder Audit 2001' also identifies vehicle crime as being a problem suffered by residents, visitors and workers within the Ribble Valley and highlights this category as one of the main issues that should be tackled over the next three years.

The main localities where vehicle crime has been concentrated during the past two years are the 'Wards' of Longridge, Clitheroe, Whalley, Billington, Clayton le Dale & Salesbury, Mellor & Wilpshire. Although, during 2000/2001 vehicle related crimes have reduced in all but two of the localities mentioned. Clitheroe, Whalley and Billington still remain the highest, with a moderate increase. Vehicles parked on town centre and rural car parks, and on local streets are all potential targets.

It should be noted however that the foot and mouth outbreak has caused the closure of many 'beauty spot' car parks, particularly in the North of the area. This has contributed to the reduction in vehicle crime in some 'Wards'. There have also been numerous National and Local awareness campaigns directed at motorists over the years with various degrees of success.

Clitheroe, Whalley and Billington should be the main geographic areas to be targeted during the first year of the 'Strategy' and tackled by the following:

- *Promote local crime prevention/education campaigns*
- *Introduce a 'Property marking' initiative*
- *Increase natural surveillance on rural car parks*
- *Increase lighting on rural car parks in consultation with parish councils and district councillors*
- *Promote and increase the number of 'Secured Car Parks' schemes*
- *Introduce CCTV on town centre car parks and investigate the feasibility on rural car parks*
- *Improve street lighting in high crime and disorder areas*
- *Investigate the possibility of utilising Countryside Rangers for a Rural Crime Prevention Watch*

### **Target:**

To reduce Vehicle Crime in the Ribble Valley by 0.3% by 2003 and 1% by 2005

## 3.2 ROAD SAFETY

Everyone either uses, or is dependent on services delivered through, road transport. The road infrastructure exists to ensure people can travel easily and safely as they go about their daily business. Criminal, or irresponsible and dangerous behaviour on roads and car parks does, at the very least affect the quality of people's lives and can, at worst, lead to death or serious injury. As roads and vehicles are such a fundamental part of everyday life, it is important that this strategy reflects how the Partnership can contribute to these important matters.

Road communications with the rest of Lancashire and the motorway network are primarily gained via the busy A59 corridor, which is the main route through the Ribble Valley along with the A682. The A59 runs from Balderstone to the North Yorkshire boundary, whilst the A682 runs from Long Preston through Gisburn to Nelson.

Casualties on these two roads have caused concern over the years and concerted efforts have been made in recent years to tackle unacceptably high figures. Over the last three years, a working group with representatives from Lancashire County Council, Lancashire Constabulary and Ribble Valley Borough Council has identified problem areas and pinpointed accident locations and devised or supported a number of initiatives.

Statistics show that between 1998 and 2000 road casualties reduced by 32% on all roads within the Ribble Valley. We aim to continue this good work and ensure that further reductions are achieved by concentrating on areas within the Ribble Valley that are highlighted as accident 'hot-spots', for both drivers and pedestrians. In addition, for the next three years we will also be particularly interested in measures to reduce road incidents and accidents involving children.

The following initiatives were instigated during our previous 3-year 'Strategy' and will continue to be supported by the working group:

- *Education campaigns such as 'Roadsafe' and 'Bikesafe 2000'*
- *Increase the levels of Police patrols and enforcement*
- *Introduce calming measures when entering villages where appropriate*
- *Increased use of LASTEX video speed equipment*
- *Expand the 'Ribble Valley District 20mph zones' programme*

- *Support and embrace the principles of the 'Make the difference' campaign*

In addition the Lancashire Road Safety Project is now in place The Project represents a significant step change in addressing road safety through a genuine multi agency approach.

The Lancashire Road Safety Partnership comprises Lancashire Police, Blackpool Borough Council, Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council and Lancashire County Council.

*The success of the Project will be measured in terms of road casualty reduction, which is to hit the national 2010 casualty reduction target for Lancashire by 2005. Concentration will focus on three themes, reduce speed and drink driving and increase seat belt usage. The Project will be financed through the County Council's Local Transport Plan and hypothecated fine income from speed camera activity.*

This ambitious project needs public support, especially for the measures to reduce speed. There is a need to ensure that genuine community concerns about speeding vehicles can be addressed.

Speed enforcement will use a combination of fixed and mobile camera sites, these will be located, in the main, where speed and collisions are a known problem. In addition, a key element is that 20% of mobile enforcement activity will be targeted directly in areas of community concern. All the Community Safety Partnerships in the Project area are being asked to make a contribution to this element of the Project .**The Ribble Valley Community Safety Partnership is to be actively involved by acting as a focus for local consultation and proposing sites and areas for assessment and consideration.**

**Target:**

To reduce all killed and seriously injured from 76 to 45 by 2005 and to reduce the number of children in the same category from 6 to 3 by 2005.

### 3.3 SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Between September 1998 and December 2001 43 detained persons living in the Ribble Valley were interviewed by Arrest Referral Workers:

19 clients September 1998 and March 2000

14 clients April 2000 and March 2001

10 clients April 2001 to December 2001

Although our statistics show a very small level of known drug use in the Ribble Valley this is one area where we need to look further than raw figures for the true picture. There is a small but growing drug problem in our area. Indeed, the Government has become so concerned about the 'drug culture' in many of our urban areas that they have allocated funding to every area in the country to help combat drugs and drug-related crime.

Ribble Valley Crime Reduction Partnership has been awarded £49,800 for each of the next three years. It will be the main aim of this group to spend that money as wisely and as effectively as possible, taking into account the ever changing drug culture and habits of drug abusers within the Ribble Valley.

The following ideas have been discussed and should be examined further:

- *Provide trained drug workers to work on local streets*
- *Secure funding for more drug education for Primary schools*
- *Provide additional funding for extra covert and overt police surveillance*
- *Encourage supermarkets to liaise to discuss under age sales of alcohol*
- *Encourage and extend the 'Drugs and Alcohol' Roadshows*
- *Liaise with Trading Standards in relation to under age sales*
- *Widen the use of the Pubwatch Scheme to Longridge and other areas*
- *Encourage use of Crimestoppers by the public to establish the true extent of drug dealing activities*

#### **Target:**

To increase the number of clients taking part in the Drug Arrest Referral Programme over the next 12 months.

### 3.4 VIOLENT CRIME

The 'Crime and Disorder Audit 2001' has highlighted that 'Violent crime' across the Borough has increased over the past 2 years by 29 crimes. The fact that the town/village centre's of Clitheroe, Longridge and Whalley feature prominently as the main areas for concern is not surprising given that these areas, in addition to tourism, attract visitors who frequent licensed premises. There is also an issue around violence to staff at mental health institutions. It must be noted however that the statistical increase may, in part, be due to the new 'positive recording' practices introduced by Lancashire Constabulary.

In addition, the instances of reported 'domestic violence' has seen a moderate increase during 1<sup>st</sup> April 2000 to the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2001. This increase in domestic violence may be reflected in the fact that more females are reporting such crimes to the Police and that the Police are taking positive action and providing better support to victims of domestic violence, racial harassment and homophobic attacks.

The installation of a new 'state of the art' CCTV system in Clitheroe and Whalley will help to combat and reduce instances of violent crime, along with re-locatable cameras being utilized in any rural area where applicable. Improved street lighting, Pub Watch schemes and information sharing initiatives amongst partners.

The areas, which suffer from the highest levels of violence, are Clitheroe, Longridge, and Whalley. These areas should be concentrated on during the first year of the 'Strategy' by implementing the following initiatives:

- *Improved town centre street lighting*
- *Extend and secure funding for the continued use of re-locatable CCTV*
- *Increase and develop the use of Anti-Social Behaviour Orders (ASBO's)*
- *Raise the awareness of Domestic Violence within the community*
- *Invest in and utilise 'Positive Action Kits' for victims of domestic violence*
- *Promote the anti-bullying Campaign via the 'Bullying Online' website*
- *Secure funding for a Polaroid camera kit for use by Police/Outreach*
- *Target repeat offenders – multi agency*

**Target:**

To reduce levels of violent crime by 20% by 2005 and to reduce levels of domestic violence by 2% by 2005.

### 3.5 YOUTH INTERVENTION

In all the surveys, which we have undertaken in connection with the Crime and Disorder Audit the issue of juvenile nuisance, has been cited by most people as their main concern. It is also true to say that there is perhaps a lack of understanding between the young people and the adults affected by 'juvenile nuisance', on what the solution are to address this issue. Perhaps we need to engage in a meaningful dialogue with our young people to find out their views on the problems that they may face, sometimes on a daily basis. There are some examples of good practice already in operation by agencies such as Youth and Community, Group Intervention Panel (GRIP) Initiative, Health Authority, LCC Education and Arts Officers.

In addition, there is also an education process for young people to engage in, whereby young people need to understand and respect the views of older adults, even when they may strongly disagree with adult opinions. The 'Crime and Disorder Audit 2001' highlighted the Wards of Grammar School, Edisford, Low Moor and Trinity in Clitheroe, where high instances of juvenile nuisance were reported to the Police.

The following issues, along with best practice initiatives, should be addressed by the Group:

- *Improve facilities for young people*
- *Encourage 'Citizenship days' in school via Youth Councils and Schools*
- *Increase young peoples involvement and participation*
- *Establish a 'One Stop Shop' for all young peoples needs and rural outreach*
- *Encourage young people to engage with older citizens*
- *Promote the Juvenile Referral Scheme/Youth Incident Scheme*
- *Raise the profile of Junior Fire Fighter Training*
- *Introduce pilot schemes for transport for young people to leisure facilities in Clitheroe and Longridge for a three month period*
- *Encourage the continued development of Youth Councils/Forum*
- *Encourage better liaison with Schools in relation to young peoples needs*
- *To establish a Group Intervention Project (GRIP) level to prevent crime by young people aged 5-17 years*

**Target:**

To reduce Juvenile Nuisance by 10% on the December 2001 figures by 2003.

## 3.6 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR & CRIMINAL DAMAGE

### ❖ Anti-Social Behaviour

Anti-Social Behaviour covers a wide variety of issues, ranging from dog fouling to noisy neighbours and from vandalism to street disturbances. It is anything that affects the quality of life of people in the Ribble Valley. It is not classed as a crime and more often than not it appears on the Borough Councils register of complaints.

In 2001, the Council logged 143 noise complaints over a wide range of problems from loud music to commercial and industrial complaints. Environmental Health or Housing Officers follows up these complaints. Complaints against dogs and dog fouling are also logged and responded to by the Council's dog warden service. In 2001 we dealt with 406 complaints of which 156 were barking dogs, 85 were for strays and 165 related to dog fouling. The Council issued 4 fixed price penalties, each costing the offending owner £25 a time.

Vandalism costs the public considerable sums of money each year. Damage to council-owned equipment, property and buildings alone runs into tens of thousands of pounds. Items such as wastepaper bins, play equipment and lighting are frequently vandalized and need either repair or replacement.

There are also concerns about anti-social behaviour and nuisance caused by young people gathering on street corners. Any initiatives will inevitably overlap with the work of the Youth Intervention Group.

There are also a growing number of recorded racial incidents, which need to be addressed.

A variety of initiatives are proposed to reduce the frequency of anti-social behaviour incidents including:

- *CCTV cameras in Clitheroe and Whalley*
- *More dog owner education campaigns*
- *Recruit more Special Constables and/or Street Wardens*
- *Provide more Streetwork initiatives to act as diversionary tactics*
- *Increase the use of the CCTV camera for undercover surveillance of dog fouling*
- *Increase recording of racial incidents*

**Targets:**

Dog Fouling To undertake at least 12 ‘covert’ surveillance exercise targeting recognized hot spots; undertake at least 52 ‘high profile’ patrols targeting municipal parks, grassed areas and identified hot spots; and undertake at least 24 ‘out of office hours’ routine patrols.

Noise Nuisance To respond to all noise complaints within three working days.

Vandalism To reduce the cost of vandalism to public open spaces and municipal buildings.

**❖ Criminal Damage**

The increase in the amount of Criminal Damage caused in the Ribble Valley over the past two years has given particular cause for concern. During 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2001, Criminal Damage accounted for 21% of all reported crime.

There has been a particular focus on vandalism in the Castle Grounds where there have been considerable incidents of vandalism in recent months.

In addition, there has been an increased in the amount of Criminal Damage caused to vehicles, specifically on streets surrounding Clitheroe town centre.

The following Ward areas should be made a priority during the first year of the Strategy; Grammar School, Edisford, Low Moor & Trinity, St. James’s and Dilworth in Longridge.

The following initiatives should be investigated during the first year of the ‘Strategy’:

- *Increased use of re-locatable CCTV cameras for problem areas*
- *Increase Police surveillance at relevant locations and times*
- *Improve street lighting in identified areas*
- *More diversionary tactics for young people*
- *Secure funding to provide crime prevention signs for identified areas of concern*

**Target:**

To reduce Criminal Damage by 10%.

## **4. PARTNERSHIP**

- 4.1** We will endeavor to achieve our aims and carry out the necessary actions to reduce crime and disorder in the Ribble Valley, by working together as with our ‘Multi-Agency Partnerships’.
- 4.2** Various Statutory and Voluntary organisations, Parish and Town Councils along with the local community will work together to achieve our aims, through the coordination of our actions and resources.
- 4.3** This Partnership work is absolutely vital if we are to make a significant difference to the quality of life for people residing, working and visiting the Ribble Valley.
- 4.4** Our Partnership approach will highlight the following;

### **Partnership Principles**

- To ensure all agencies are involved in the formulation of the strategy
- To identify sources of funding
- To co-ordinate current best practice
- To promote accountability and ownership of issues
- To agree protocols
- To set a timetable for action

## **5. MONITORING**

- 5.1** Each Working Group will develop Action Plans around an agreed solution to a particular issue. The group will constantly monitor these plans and work will be shared between the appropriate agencies.
- 5.2** We will regularly monitor and evaluate our progress as we take action to reduce crime and disorder. At times, this may deviate from current geographic areas or themes to other emerging issues.
- 5.3** The Working Groups will meet on a regular basis to implement action plans and review progress. The Multi-Agency Steering Group will be responsible for ensuring the actions are implemented to reduce crime and disorder and reduce road casualties. This group will publicly report on any progress made by the Groups on a regular basis.

## **6. CONSULTATION**

- 6.1** We have carried out extensive consultations during the Audit phase. The results of our public survey highlighted the respondents experience and perception of crime and disorder. This information was informative and invaluable as it helped to devise a new Strategy.
  
- 6.2** The Strategy will last for the next three years. However, the process does not end there, as we will continue to consult with our `Partners' and the public at various stages of the Strategy.

## 7. ACTION PLANS & TIMETABLE

ACTION	LEAD AGENCY	TIMESCALE
<b><u>Travelling Criminals</u></b>		
<i>Investigate the use of an 'Automatic Recognition Number Plate Reader'</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>April 2003</i>
<i>Increase the number and utilise members of the Special Constabulary for crime and disorder initiatives and investigate the feasibility and funding for Street Wardens</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Secure funding and promote the use of 'e-mailer' Watch in rural areas</i>	CVS	<i>March 2003</i>
<i>Encourage Parish Councils to identify a local person who can liaise with the Police on incidents within the village and act as a contact point</i>	RVBC	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Introduce a Rural Pubwatch/Shop Watch</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>December 2002</i>
<i>Support 'Think First' (Probation Service initiative)</i>	PROBATION SERVICE	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Identify best position for re-locatable CCTV in rural car parks</i>	RVBC	<i>January 2003</i>
<i>Introduce a 'Retail Anti-theft' initiative for town centre shops</i>	CHAMBER OF TRADE	<i>June 2003</i>
<i>Deployment of technical equipment to enable recovery of stolen property</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>June 2004</i>
<b><u>Domestic and other burglary</u></b>		
<i>Increased use of CCTV</i>		
<i>Encourage builders and architects to adopt 'Secure by Design' and Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles</i>	RVBC	<i>August 2002</i>
<i>Provide crime prevention advice to businesses via a CD-ROM</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>June 2002</i>
<i>Encourage the local Chambers of Trade to record their incidents of crime and disorder and promote crime prevention measures to all their members</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>May 2002</i>
<i>Encourage and secure private sector sponsorship for community safety initiatives, as required</i>	RVBC	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Secure funding to purchase 'Property Marking' kits, distribute and run surgeries in rural areas</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>November 2002</i>
<i>Encourage Victim Support to persist with visits to repeat victims</i>	VICTIM SUPPORT	<i>Ongoing</i>
ACTION	LEAD AGENCY	TIMESCALE

<i>Produce and distribute 'Caller Alert' Cards for the vulnerable and elderly to reduce bogus caller incidents and distraction burglary</i>	SOCIAL SERVICES	May 2003
<i>Provide incentives, possibly free lock/alarm for vulnerable householders</i>	AGE CONCERN HOMESAFE	March 2004
<i>Encourage use of 'Village Appraisals' to gauge public opinion on a range of issues</i>	RVBC	Ongoing
<b>Vehicle Crime</b>		
<b>Target: To reduce Vehicle Crime in the Ribble Valley by 0.3% by 2003 and 1% by 2005</b>		
<i>Promote local crime prevention/education campaigns</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY/ RVBC	Ongoing
<i>Introduce a property marking initiative</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	March 2003
<i>Establish the volume of auto crime on rural car parks</i>	RVBC	September 2004
<i>Increase lighting on rural car parks in consultation with the relevant parish councils and local district councillors</i>	RVBC	September 2003
<i>Promote and increase the number of 'Secured Car Park' schemes</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY/ RVBC	Ongoing
<i>Introduce CCTV on town centre car parks</i>	RVBC	September 2002
<i>Investigate the possibility of utilising Countryside Rangers for a Rural Crime Prevention Watch</i>	RVBC/LCC	September 2002
<b>Road Safety</b>		
<b>Target: To reduce all killed and seriously injured from 76 to 45 by 2005 and to reduce the number of children in the same category from 6 to 3 by 2005.</b>		
<i>Support education campaigns such as 'Roadsafe' and 'Bikesafe 2000'</i>	RVBC/LCC/Police	Ongoing
<i>Increase the levels of Police patrols and enforcement on the local highways</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	Ongoing
<i>Introduce calming measures for villages where appropriate</i>	LCC	March 2005
<i>Increase the use of LASTEX video speed equipment</i>	LANCASHIRE RS PARTNERSHIP	Ongoing
<i>Expand the 'Ribble Valley District 20mph zones' programme</i>	LANCASHIRE ROAD SAFETY PARTNERSHIP	March 2004
<i>Support and embrace the principles of the 'Make the difference' campaign</i>	RVBC	Ongoing
<b>ACTION</b>	<b>LEAD AGENCY</b>	<b>TIMESCALE</b>

<b><u>Substance Abuse</u></b>		
<b>Target: To increase the numbers of clients taking part in the Drug Arrest Referral Programme over the next 12 months</b>		
<i>Provide trained drug workers to work on local streets</i>	YOUTH & COMMUNITY	<i>April 2002</i>
<i>Secure funding for more drug education in Primary schools</i>	YOUTH & COMMUNITY	<i>June 2002</i>
<i>Secure funding for crime or disorder covert and overt police surveillance</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>May 2002</i>
<i>Deployment of technical equipment to enable recovery of stolen property favoured by travelling criminals</i>	POLICE/RVBC/NFU	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Encourage supermarkets to liaise to discuss under age sales of alcohol</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>December 2002</i>
<i>Encourage and extend the 'Drugs and Alcohol' Roadshows</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Liaise with Trading Standards in relation to under age sales</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>October 2003</i>
<i>Widen the use of the Pubwatch Scheme to Longridge and other areas</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>October 2002</i>
<i>Encourage use of Crimestoppers by the public, to establish the true extent of drug dealing activities</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>Ongoing</i>
<b><u>Violent Crime</u></b>		
<i>Improve street lighting in identified high crime and disorder areas</i>	LCC / RVBC	<i>April 2003</i>
<i>Increase and develop the use of Anti-Social Behaviour Orders (ASBO's)</i>	RVBC	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Raise the awareness of Domestic Violence within the community</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>June 2004</i>
<i>Invest in and utilise 'Positive Action Kits' for victims of domestic violence</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>May 2003</i>
<i>Promote an 'Anti-bullying' Campaign via the 'Bullying Online' website</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>November 2003</i>
<i>Provide Mobile Phones for victims of Domestic Violence</i>	RVBC/POLICE	<i>April 2002</i>
<i>Target repeat offenders</i>	MULTI AGENCY	<i>Ongoing</i>
<b>ACTION</b>	<b>LEAD AGENCY</b>	<b>TIMESCALE</b>

<b>Youth Intervention</b>		
<b>Target: To reduce Juvenile Nuisance by 10% on the December 2001 figures by 2003</b>		
<i>Encourage 'Citizenship days' in school</i>	RVBC	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Increase young people's involvement and participation</i>	LCC/RVBC	<i>June 2003</i>
<i>Establish a 'One Stop Shop' for all young peoples needs</i>	YOUTH & COMMUNITY	<i>May 2003</i>
<i>Promote the Juvenile Referral Scheme/Youth Referral System</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Raise the profile of Junior Fire Fighter Training</i>	FIRE & RESCUE	<i>March 2003</i>
<i>Encourage the continued development of Youth Councils/Forum</i>	LCC	<i>June 2003</i>
<i>Introduce pilot schemes for transport for young people to leisure facilities in Clitheroe and Longridge for a three month period</i>	RVBC/LCC	<i>June 2002</i>
<i>Encourage better liaison with schools in relation to young peoples needs</i>	LCC/POLICE	<i>September 2002</i>
<b>Anti-Social Behaviour</b>		
<b>Target: To undertake at least 12 'covert' surveillance exercise targeting recognised hot spots; undertake at least 52 'high profile' patrols targeting municipal parks, grassed areas and identified hot spots; and undertake at least 24 'out of office hours' routine patrols. <u>Noise nuisance</u> To respond to all noise complaints within three working days. <u>Vandalism</u> To reduce the cost of vandalism to public open spaces and municipal buildings.</b>		
<i>CCTV cameras in Clitheroe and Whalley</i>	RVBC	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>More dog owner education campaigns</i>	RVBC	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Recruit more Special Constables and/or Street Wardens</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>June 2003</i>
<i>Provide more Streetwork initiatives to act as diversionary tactics</i>	LCC	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Increase the use of the CCTV camera for undercover surveillance of dog fouling</i>	RVBC	<i>Ongoing</i>
<i>Increase the recording of racial incidents</i>	LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY	<i>Ongoing</i>
<b>ACTION</b>	<b>LEAD AGENCY</b>	<b>TIMESCALE</b>

<b><u>Criminal Damage</u></b>		
<i>Increased use of re-locatable CCTV cameras for problem areas</i>	<b>LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY</b>	Ongoing from September 2002
<i>Increase Police surveillance at relevant locations and times</i>	<b>LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY</b>	<b>Ongoing</b>
<i>More diversionary tactics for young people</i>	<b>LCC</b>	<b>ONGOING</b>
<i>Secure funding to provide crime prevention signs for identified areas of concern</i>	<b>LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY</b>	MARCH 2003