

Integrated Impact Assessment Ref:2017CEO125
Summary Report Template

Audit Risk level

(Risk level will be added by Equalities Officer)

Each of the numbered sections below must be completed

Interim report		Final report	✓	(Tick as appropriate)
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1. Title of plan, policy or strategy being assessed

Proposal to purchase four off road motorcycles and associated equipment for use by Police Scotland in Edinburgh to address motorcycle theft and antisocial use of motorcycles.

This is in response to an increase in the number of instances of motorcycle thefts, attempted thefts, and antisocial incidents involving motorcycles in 2017, compared with the same period in 2016. The Council has provided £2.6m of funding to Police Scotland for 2017/18 for community policing in Edinburgh as outlined in the [Partnership Agreement](#). The costs of the motorcycles and equipment will be met from this funding.

2. What will change as a result of this proposal?

Four off road motorcycles and associated equipment will be purchased from funding provided by the Council to Police Scotland for community policing. Police officers will be able to more effectively prevent, disrupt and detect motorcycle crime in areas which are inaccessible to vehicles and/or where foot patrols cannot provide the coverage required.

Use of the motorcycles will contribute towards achieving the following:

- Reducing the number of motorcycle thefts and in doing so, reducing the financial impact on victims
- Reducing the risk of injury or death to the public from collision with off road motorcycles
- Reducing the risk of injury or death to the person riding the motorcycle

- Increasing public confidence in the police to deal with motorcycle theft and antisocial use of motorcycles
- Providing a high visibility police presence in parks and public areas used for off road antisocial motorcycling to provide public reassurance
- Increasing public perception of safety in parks and public spaces where antisocial use of motorcycles has occurred/is occurring
- Increasing the safety of the public using parks and public spaces
- Increasing the number of people identified as being involved in motorcycle theft and antisocial use of motorcycles which in turn will support appropriate interventions with this group
- Increasing the interactions with traditionally hard to reach groups (young people who are offending, on the cusp of offending, or behaving antisocially on motorcycles) and in doing so, breaking down some of the barriers present
- Using motorcycles to increase opportunities for positive interventions for example engaging the young people in conversations about motorcycle safety, legitimate ownership, and motorcycle training
- More effective contribution to the Stronger North initiative operating in the Forth ward where the majority of the motorcycle thefts and related antisocial behaviour takes place
- Ensuring that resources are targeted to key issues in areas of greatest need
- Increasing the number of stolen motorcycles recovered from off road locations

3. Briefly describe public involvement in this proposal to date and planned

The proposal to use part of the funding provided for community policing to purchase off road motorcycles is supported by evidence from Police Scotland which shows that both motorcycle theft and antisocial use of motorcycles have increased in the past two years. It is also therefore, a response to increased risks to public safety in parks and public spaces which are used for antisocial motorcycle activity. As part of the [Partnership Agreement](#), the Council and Police Scotland agreed a shared outcome to work together to reduce crime and antisocial behaviour in communities. Elected members were consulted on the Agreement's priorities, and a performance reporting framework was developed to capture shared partnership activity towards achieving the agreed outcome in 2017/18.

4. Date of IIA

Initiated September 2017

5. Who was present at the IIA? Identify facilitator, Lead Officer, report writer and any partnership representative present and main stakeholder (e.g. NHS, Council)

Name	Job Title	Date of IIA training	Email
Suzan Ross	Community Justice Development Officer		Suzan.ross@edinburgh.gov.uk

6. Evidence available at the time of the IIA

Evidence	Available?	Comments: what does the evidence tell you?
Police data on motorcycle theft	Yes	There has been an increase in incidents over the past two years
Police data on antisocial use of motorcycles	Yes	There has been an increase in incidents over the past two years
Serious incidents (death and injury) involving motorcycle theft and antisocial behaviour.	Yes	There is a need to protect the public from risk of harm in parks and public places due to antisocial use of motorcycles in those areas. There is also a need for effective police intervention to minimize the risk of death or injury both to the public and to the motorcycle riders.

7. In summary, what impacts were identified and which groups will they affect?

Equality, Health and Wellbeing and Human Rights Positive	Affected populations
Reduction in the number of motorcycle thefts	Victims of motorcycle theft
Reducing the risk of injury or death from antisocial use of off road motorcycles in public areas	All/people who use public spaces and parks

<p>Increasing public confidence in the police to keep public spaces safe for all users</p> <p>Providing public reassurance to communities that public spaces are safe to use</p> <p>Employing effective interventions with young people who may be difficult to engage</p> <p>Creating more cohesive communities by reducing crime, antisocial behaviour, and harm by addressing a key community safety issue causing public concern (motorcycle theft and antisocial use of motorcycles)</p> <p>Negative None identified</p>	<p>All/ people who use public spaces and parks</p> <p>All/ people who use public spaces and parks</p> <p>Young people involved in motorcycle crime or on the cusp of crime</p> <p>Communities</p>
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<p>Environment and Sustainability</p> <p>Positive</p> <p>Creating safer parks and public spaces by reducing risk of injury or death</p> <p>Recovering stolen motorcycles</p> <p>Protecting the environment by recovering motorcycles hidden/stored in inappropriate public spaces</p> <p>Negative None identified</p>	<p>Affected populations</p> <p>All</p> <p>Victims of crime and users of public spaces</p> <p>All</p>
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<p>Economic</p> <p>Positive</p> <p>Reducing the financial loss suffered by victims of motorcycle theft</p> <p>Reducing long term costs by diverting young people away from crime</p> <p>Employing effective interventions to encourage young people into positive destinations</p>	<p>Victims of motorcycle theft</p> <p>Young people involved in motorcycle crime or on the cusp of motorcycle crime</p> <p>Young people involved in motorcycle crime or</p>
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<p>Reducing the long term costs arising from death or injury as a result of antisocial motorcycle activity</p> <p>Negative None identified</p>	<p>on the cusp of motorcycle crime</p> <p>All</p>
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8. Is any part of this policy/ service to be carried out wholly or partly by contractors and how will equality, human rights including children’s rights , environmental and sustainability issues be addressed?

The service will be carried out by Police Scotland using funding provided by the Council.

9. Consider how you will communicate information about this policy/ service change to children and young people and those affected by hearing loss, speech impairment, low level literacy or numeracy, learning difficulties or English as a second language? Please provide a summary of the communications plan.

Tbc – activity undertaken may be communicated to the public through newsletters, the Council’s website, Police Scotland’s website, other social media for example Twitter or Facebook, in person by relevant representatives of the Council and/or Police Scotland at community gatherings for example community councils, neighbourhood partnerships, and tenancy group meetings.

10. Is the policy a qualifying Policy, Programme or Strategy as defined by The Environmental Impact Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005? (see Section 4)

no

11. Additional Information and Evidence Required

If further evidence is required, please note how it will be gathered. If appropriate, mark this report as interim and submit updated final report once further evidence has been gathered.

none

12. Recommendations (these should be drawn from 6 – 11 above)

Monitor the effectiveness of police interventions as a result of motorcycle purchases

13. Specific to this IIA only, what actions have been, or will be, undertaken and by when? Please complete:

Specific actions (as a result of the IIA which may include financial implications, mitigating actions and risks of cumulative impacts)	Who will take them forward (name and contact details)	Deadline for progressing	Review date
Review the effectiveness of police activity/interventions carried out on off road motorcycles	Police Scotland	tbc	tbc

14. How will you monitor how this policy, plan or strategy affects different groups, including people with protected characteristics?

Feedback from the public and partners

15. Sign off by Head of Service

Name: Harry Robertson, Acting Head of Safer and Stronger Communities



Date 29 September 2017

16. Publication

Send completed IIA for publication on the relevant website for your organisation. [See Section 5](#) for contacts.