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'Project Gulf is Salford Community Safety Partnership, tackling organised crime to common objectives with clear lines of accountability'



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Why should a CSP tackle organised crime:-

- Corrosive effect on communities
- Operate in a climate and culture of violence fear and intimidation
- Inappropriate role models
- Engender lack of confidence in criminal justice system
- Reduce opportunities for investment by legitimate businesses
- Impacts on local and national economy

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Key Partnership Issues

1. Strong Community Safety Partnership in Salford
2. Leadership at a strategic level (Not just Police Led)
3. Focuses on joint problems
4. Cost Effective
5. Strengthened Communities

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Kevin Mulligan
Divisional Commander - Salford

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Brass Handles - March 2006

- ❖ OCGs Stand Alone Issue – Respond and leave to SCD
- ❖ No understanding of position in the community (role models, impact on crime and anti social behaviour)
- ❖ Rarely worked with other agencies with OCGs or was as an afterthought

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- No clear intelligence picture
 - One dimensional police intelligence
 - Limited links to neighbourhood policing, community or other agencies.
- ERGO**
- Could not identify or assess threats of different groups.

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- BCU reactive - SCD primacy
- No understanding of partner powers
- 'That's not our job' Strict Demarcation
- Insufficient police resources
- Insufficient awareness and understanding of financial aspects to investigations

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- Extending our reach - Local to Global, reducing the risk from organised crime
- SCC/Police leadership at Strategic Level (Gold / Silver)
- Toolkit of powers (Joint Problem solving)
- Effective information sharing – Dare to Share
- Joint Intelligence Cell – DWP, HMRC joint Op
- Briefing on OCGs to all BCU staff
- Sgt + 4 for Thermopylae
- Sgt + 6 for Gulf

NB - All from existing resources

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Results

- Salford fugitives
- Security industry
- Gigantes – counterfeit goods
- Foxglove - Environment
- Taxi – firms
- Consilco
- 172k POCA, 300k counterfeit goods, 500k Tax, 90k Class A drugs and significant amount of benefits income

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Key Success Factors

- Ability to identify and assess threat of different groups.
- Significantly increase capacity to prosecute (not just police led)
- Disrupt and attack a greater number of OCGs

Local to Global

- STEM – opportunities for organised crime to take root.
- STRENGTHEN – enforcement action against organised criminals.
- SAFEGUARD – communities, businesses and the state.

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Salford Community Safety Partnership GULF Gold Draft Strategy 2011 – 15

Mission Statement:

‘Our aim by working in partnership is to reduce the harm caused by Serious Organised Crime and make Salford a hostile environment for criminals and their associates to enable our communities to thrive.’

Vision Statement:

‘Disrupt and dismantle organised crime throughout Salford

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Project Gulf – Strategic Objectives

- Intelligence** Improving the gathering, secure sharing and effective use of information.
- Enforcement** Ensuring optimal disruption, investigation and prosecution of organised criminal activity.
- Prevention** Strengthen collaborative approaches to prevention.
- Community** Building community resilience and empowerment through engagement.

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Potential Barriers for Future Success

1. Security Industry Agency – Proposal for self regulation
2. Proceeds of Crime Act – needs strengthening / reallocating
3. Absentee Landlord – Mirror Scottish Provisions
4. Data Sharing – Riddle of Data Protection Act
5. Cross Government Working – needs strengthening
6. Establishment of single fraud agency DWP HMRC ect. – Consultation and involvement

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Questions

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