Appendix 2 – Item: Violence Reduction Network – Draft Strategic Assessment

Considered by Scrutiny & Overview Committee on 26 March 2024

REC No.	SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATION	DEPARTMENT AND CABINET MEMBER RESPONDING	ACCEPTED / PARTIALLY ACCEPTED / ALREADY IN PROGRESS / REJECTED (inc. reasons for rejection)	IDENTIFIED OFFICER	ANY FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	TIMETABLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS IF ACCEPTED (i.e. Action Plan)	DATE OF SCRUTINY MEETING TO REPORT BACK
SOC.27.23/ 24	Given the crime statistics indicate there is a high rate of reoffending within the borough, the Scrutiny & Overview Committee recommends that work is undertaken to benchmark against reoffending rates in other areas and to engage with boroughs with low reoffending rates to establish whether there is any best practice that could be used in Croydon.	Councillor Ola Kolade Community Safety	Partially Accepted The National Probation Service (NPS) look at best practice and what is being done to reduce reoffending. The data is provided by NPS and not the Local Authority. We engage with boroughs through London Heads of Community Safety which deals with a range of topic and best practice: this includes reoffending which is part of every community safety responsibility	Kristian Aspinall, Director of Culture & Community Safety	N/A	Implemented in next Strategic Assessment for 24/25	TBC
SOC.28.23/ 24	The Scrutiny & Overview Committee recommends that the possibility of identifying and promoting libraries and schools as safe spaces is explored.	Councillor Ola Kolade Community Safety	Partially Accepted A Safe Space has already been implemented in New Addington by the community. The Partnership are exploring the opportunity for further such Safe Spaces	Kristian Aspinall, Director of Culture & Community Safety	There could be a cost in relation to producing signs for Safe Spaces, Comms and info for schools.	2024/25	TBC