Appendix A - Area North Community Safety Action Panel – Action Plan 2008-09

Work with partners and community to:

1. Address the causes and impact of unacceptable levels of anti-social behaviour (ASB) and crime

ACTION	WHO?	Targets 2008/09	What resources are needed?	How will we know its working?
1.1 Establish Local Action Groups (LAG) or host Partners and Communities Together meetings (PACT) when requested, to work with local communities to identify and address the causes and factors of anti-social behaviour	CS team / local beat manager	Top priorities for each LAG / PACT group are identified and addressed LAG / PACT meetings held by agreement	Time & advice from police, SSDC and other partners as required. Advice on grants for priority projects.	Meetings are well attended; communities & partners report positive outcomes from their work
1.2 Monitor local and area anti-social behaviour and crime levels to identify and address 'hot spots', commissioning innovative work where appropriate	A&SC Partnership Research Officer CS team for commissioning	ANSCAP considers regular crime reports, and identifies factors and issues to be addressed	Partnership research officer / Partner grants to commission work or support community-led projects Trading Standards	Project evaluations Crime reports – lower crime levels in hot spot areas % Residents feeling safe
1.3 Identify the need for and promote community networks to maintain high levels of communications and local action to stay safe,	PCSOs Area North Development	Increased coverage by Neighbourhood Watch in 3 key areas – host NHW meeting Support other 'watch' initiatives through 4 x PR activities	Small grants to support new NHW groups Support from CS team	New groups / volunteers / NHW areas report less crime / ASB New networks established

2. Reduce speeding and improve road safety

ACTION	Who?	Targets 2008/09	What resources are needed?	How will we know its working?
2.1 Support the establishment and ongoing success of Community Speedwatch schemes	CSW co-ordinator A&SC	Support start up of new groups where appropriate 2 new groups supported	Small grants for equipment	Existing groups report successful effect on speeding
2.2 Review options for traffic calming measures, and support communities to identify appropriate solutions	SCC Highways Area North Development	Consult with parishes & SCC to identify priorities 2 projects supported	Limited funding for priority schemes	T raffic calming measures can demonstrate a positive impact on speeding
2.3 Support campaigns and initiatives to reduce deaths and serious injuries	DF&RS	Include SRSP programme within ANCSAP activities e.g. workshop & publicity	Somerset Road Safety Partnership (SRSP)	SRSP feedback

3. Target and reduce levels of litter (especially town centres) and fly-tipping

ACTION	Who?	Targets 2008/09	What resources are needed?	How will we know its working?
3.1 Support local solutions to be developed where high levels of fly-tipping or litter are reported	SSDC Streetscene / Environmental Protection	Hold 1 environmental workshop for all partners 4 priority areas addressed	Cost of workshop Service enhancement costs In kind support from SCC Highways; Environment Agency; SSDC streetscene	Feedback from workshop Reduced levels of complaints from priority areas
3.2 Encourage communities to take part in local initiatives (e.g. litter picks), schools work	Parish Councils Key services Area North Development	2 community litter picks 2 projects with young people	SSDC Streetscene – promotion and education services	Effect of local action Feedback from communities

4. Publicise services who help improve community safety, and share examples of successful local action

ACTION	Who?	Targets 2008/09	What help is available?	How will we know its working?
4.1 Implement a series of communications activities including events and use of PR to raise awareness of community safety and crime prevention	As agreed within communications plan	1 x area workshop 6 x drop in events across Area North 2 x community newsletters 6 x local case studies published web pages updated	Information & advice, displays & other media from partners Small grants to fund events and publicity	Good attendance and feedback from attendees (including partners) at events Coverage in local press and media New volunteers identified
4.2 Encourage and celebrate volunteering in line with local priorities	tbc	2 specific PR activities to encourage new volunteers for community safety projects Consider options for rewarding local volunteers	SSDC Community Safety team / Area Development team	Positive media coverage New volunteers recruited