

**REPORT TO:** Safer Policy and Partnership Board  
**DATE:** 13 March 2012  
**REPORTING OFFICER:** Strategic Director, Communities  
**PORTFOLIO:** Community Safety  
**SUBJECT:** Community Safety Review Update  
**WARDS:** All

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To update the Safer Halton Policy and Partnership Board on the Community Safety Review process and the outcomes from the consultation with key stakeholders.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That**

That the Safer Halton Policy and Performance Board:

2.1 Note the report on the community safety review and the findings from the consultation with key stakeholders.

## **3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 The terms of reference for the joint police and council community safety review were reported to the Safer Halton Policy and Performance Board at their meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2011. This report provides an update on the process and the findings from the consultation with key stakeholders carried out as part of the review.

3.2 In summary the purpose of the community safety review is to:-

- Prioritise community safety outcomes for 2012-13
- Define the role of the Multi-Agency Team
- Identify the demands
- Identify the activities that provide value.
- Identify those roles and activities that enable or deliver.
- Identify how other partner organisations, third sector and the general public can assist, support and deliver outcomes.
- Review the financial structures and funding streams to identify options for 2011/12 and beyond.

3.3 The community safety review commenced Nov 2011, identifying:-

- Where are we now?

- Where do we want to be?
- How will we get there?

3.4 The following pieces of work were used to inform the position statement for where we are now?

- Current Position - Funding /Staffing
- Current Priorities – Policy / Consultation (Voluntary / Partners / Cllrs) / JSNA
- Current work streams and processes
- Customer journey mapping

3.5 To help inform where we need to be, the following areas were considered :-

- Challenge what we do. Can it be done differently?
- Review of other Community Safety Teams, staffing, roles and functions
- Consultation (Voluntary / Partners / Cllrs)
- Future priorities - Government policy changes eg PCC/ JSNA for 12/13
- Build on what works well/ successes of the team to date
- We want to be high performing and well placed for when the Police and Crime Commissioner comes into post
- Sustainable – less reliant on temporary funding sources

3.6 The review has put forward a number of options for consideration by the Safer Halton Partnership Chairs. In response, the chairs have requested some additional work and information, which is currently being compiled. The aim is to complete the review by the end of February 2012.

#### **4.0 Community Safety Review Consultation**

The findings from the consultation are attached in **Appendix 1**. Sixty four responses were received, identifying priorities for action and suggestions for how to improve partnership working.

The many suggestions from stakeholders to improve partnership working are currently being distilled and analysed to influence the review. They are not therefore included in the report, but will be made available upon request.

#### **5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

The policy implications of the review relate primarily to the Safer Halton priority as set out below, however this is a cross cutting work area which has wider implications on other areas of council business.

#### **6.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

If community safety is to continue then it is likely that mainstream funding will be required both from the council and other partners to make up the shortfall in costs. Further information on costs will come from the review process.

## **7.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

### **7.1 Children and Young People in Halton**

The work of the Community Safety Team links very closely with that of the council's Children's' and Enterprise Directorate and the Youth Offending Team. They provide a valuable role in addressing anti social behaviour and promoting positive behaviour by young people.

### **7.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton**

The Community Safety Team work closely with the probation service and YOT, supporting offenders to change their behaviour and to access training and employment opportunities.

### **7.3 A Healthy Halton**

Addressing anti-social behaviour and crime is the key function of the Community Safety Team and without this work it is likely that both will increase having a significant impact on resident's health

### **7.4 A Safer Halton**

Should funding for community safety no longer be available, there will be an impact on crime and anti-social behaviour with both likely to rise, having a negative impact on residents quality of life.

### **7.5 Environment and Regeneration**

If anti-social behaviour and crime are not fully addressed in Halton this is likely to lead to a deterioration in the quality of the environment and a corresponding reduction in confidence of the public and business in the borough.

## **8.0 RISK ANALYSIS**

None.

## **9.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

None.

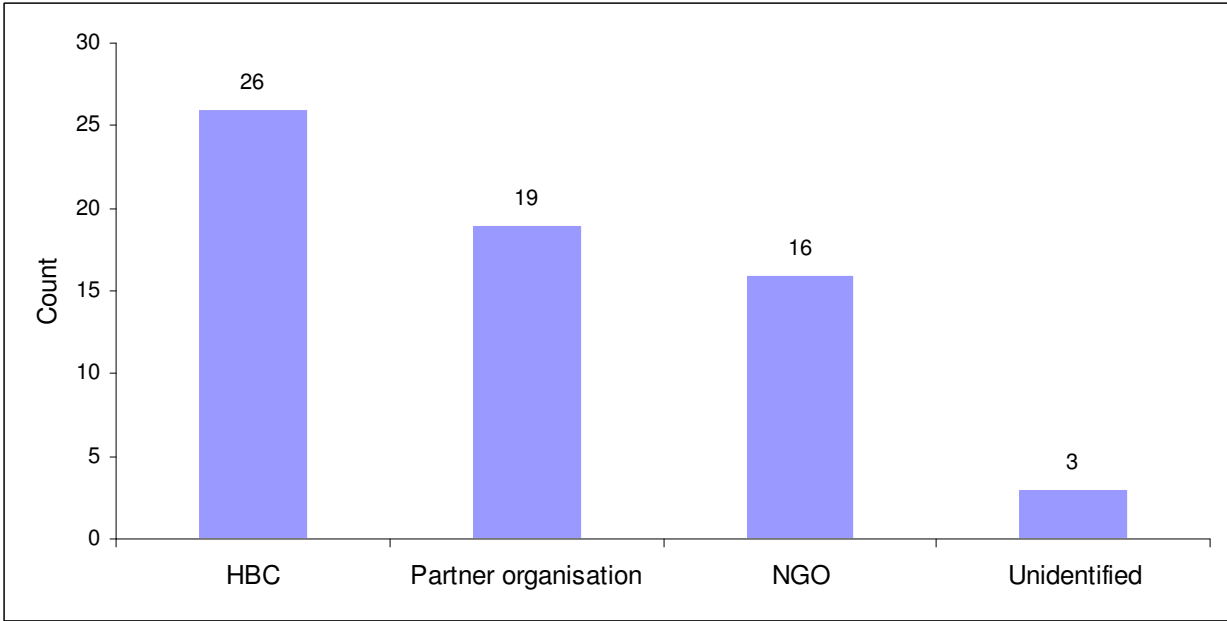
## **10.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

10.1 There are no background papers under the meaning of the Act

## **Community Safety Review (2011)**

Headline results of the online survey, conducted in November 2011 by HBC Research and Intelligence team to identify and define their core activities and functions of the Halton Community Safety Multi-Agency Team (CST)

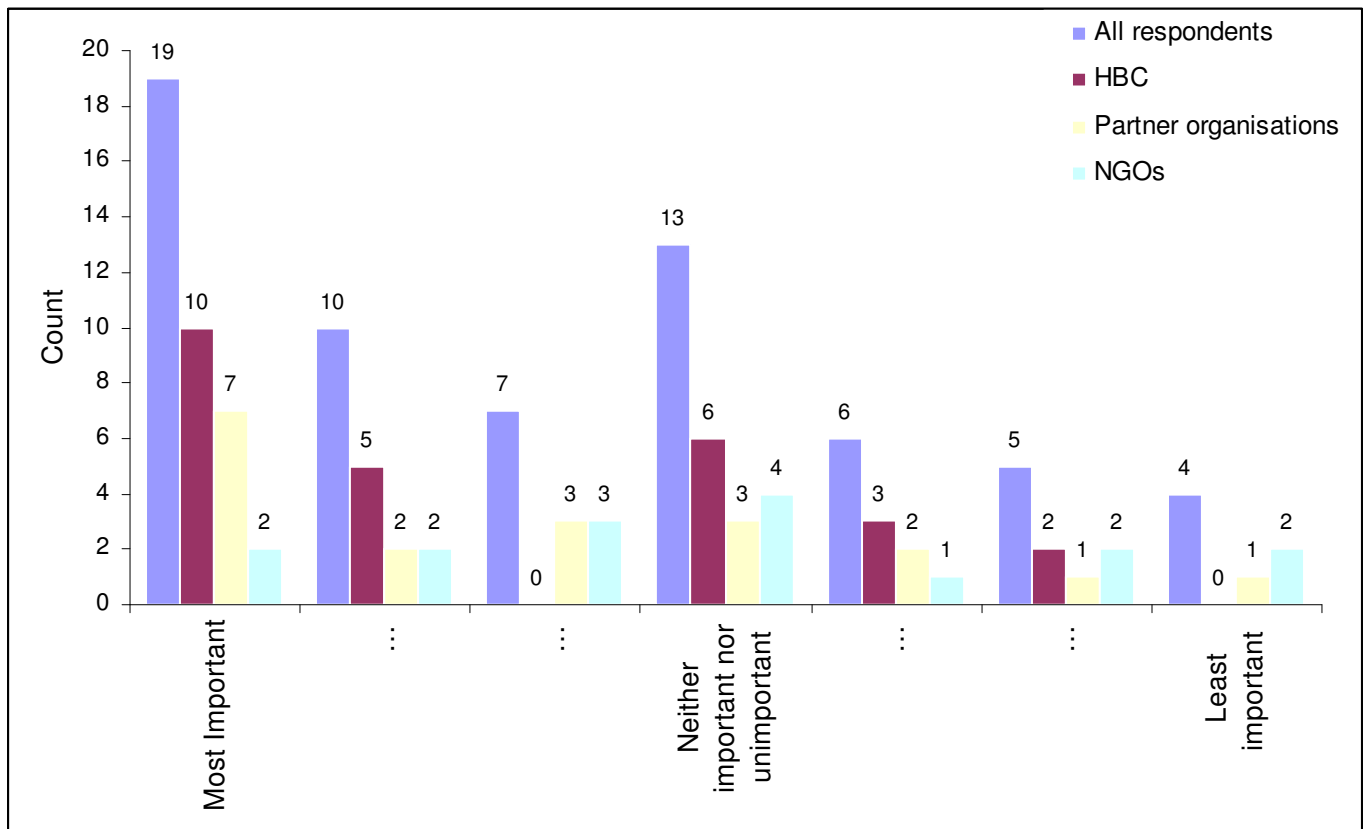
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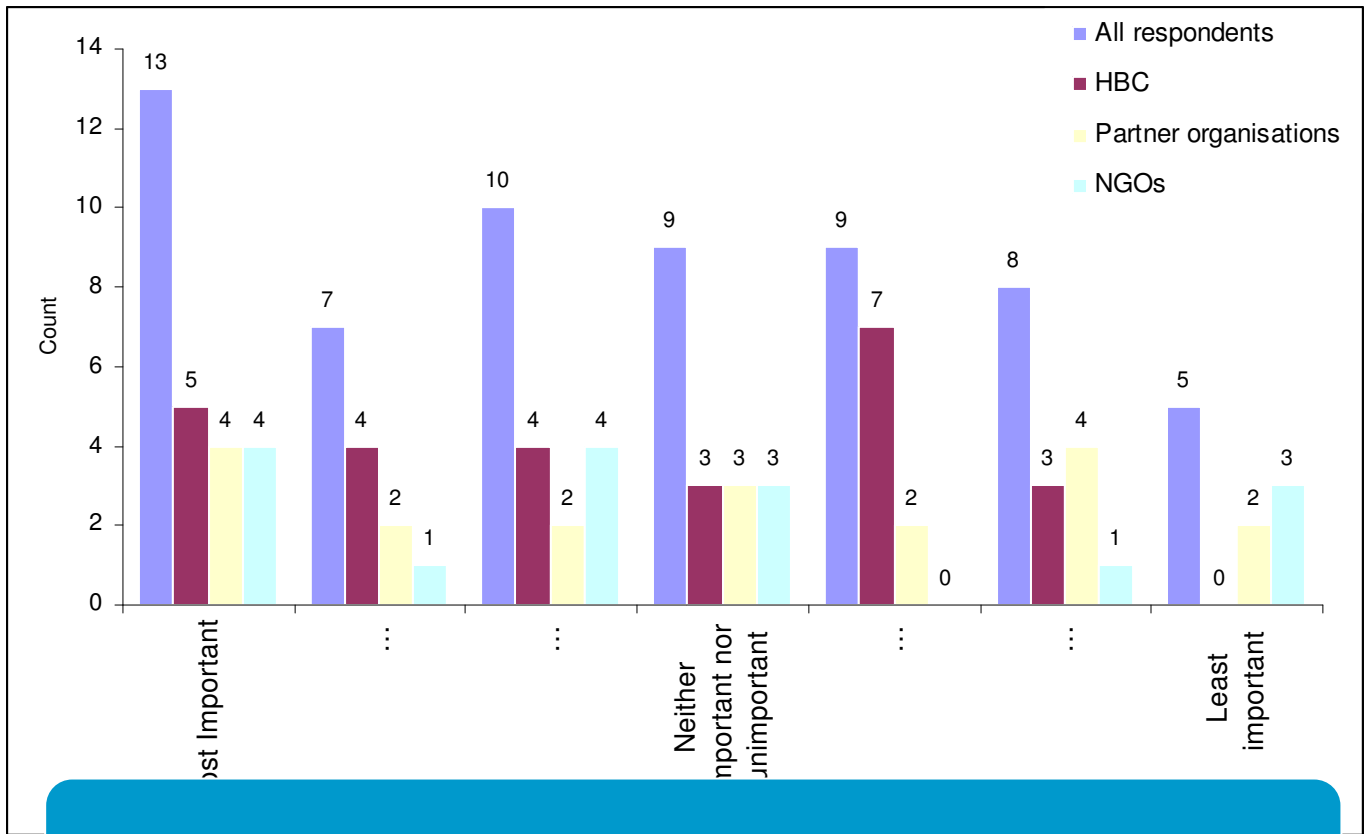
Note: 64 responses

<b>Partner Organisations</b>	Cheshire Police (5) NHS Halton & St Helens (2) Affinity Sutton Homes Arena Homes Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Trust Cheshire Probation EAL Coordinator Halton, Liverpool Housing Trust Halton and Warrington YOT Halton Borough Council Riverside College The Riverside Group - Housing Association
<b>NGOs</b>	Halton and St Helens VCA (2) Halton & District Women's Aid Association (2) Age UK Mid Mersey Charity and Limited Liability Company Community drama group Halton Speak Out MENCAP Safe Network The relationships centre Victim Support WRVS Youth club

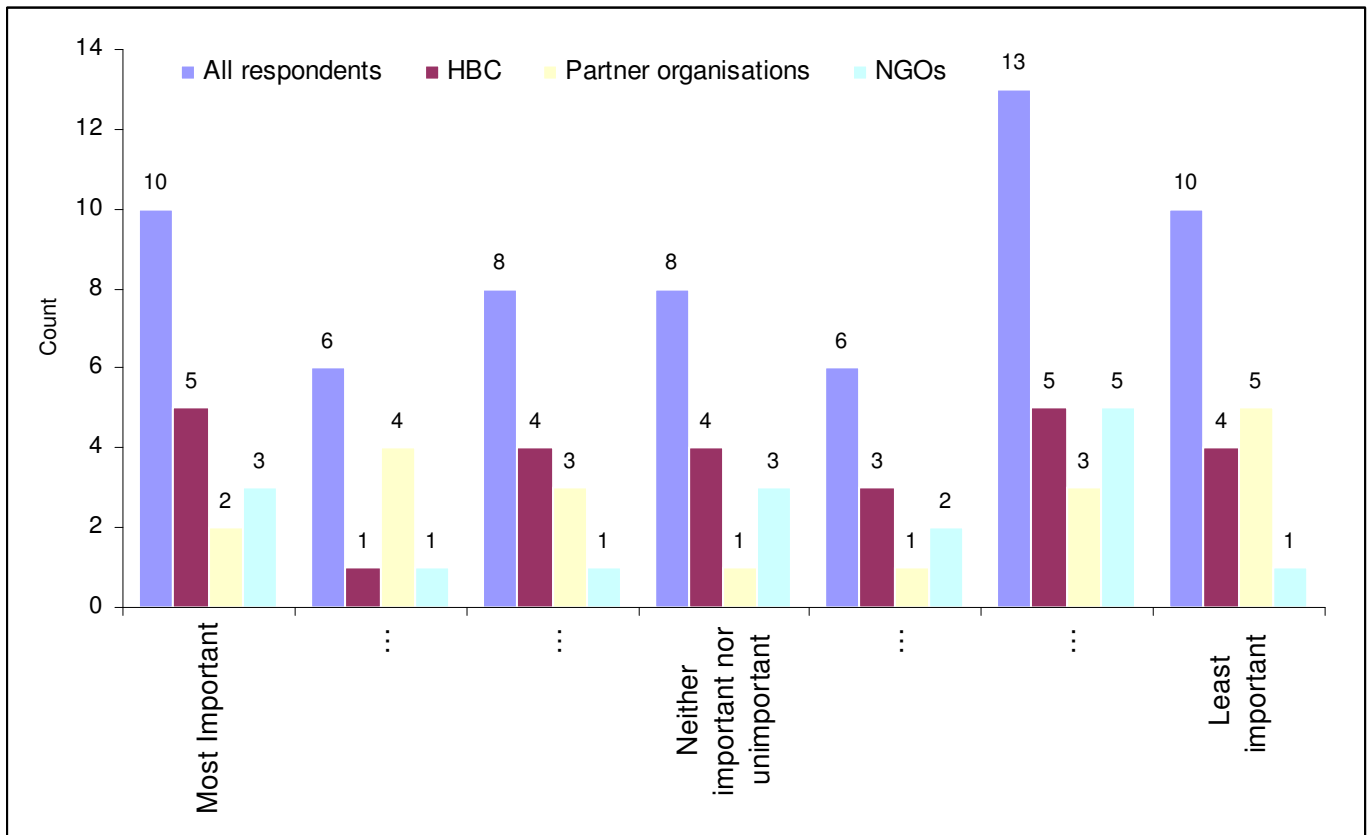
## Anti-Social Behaviour as a Priority for the Community Safety Team



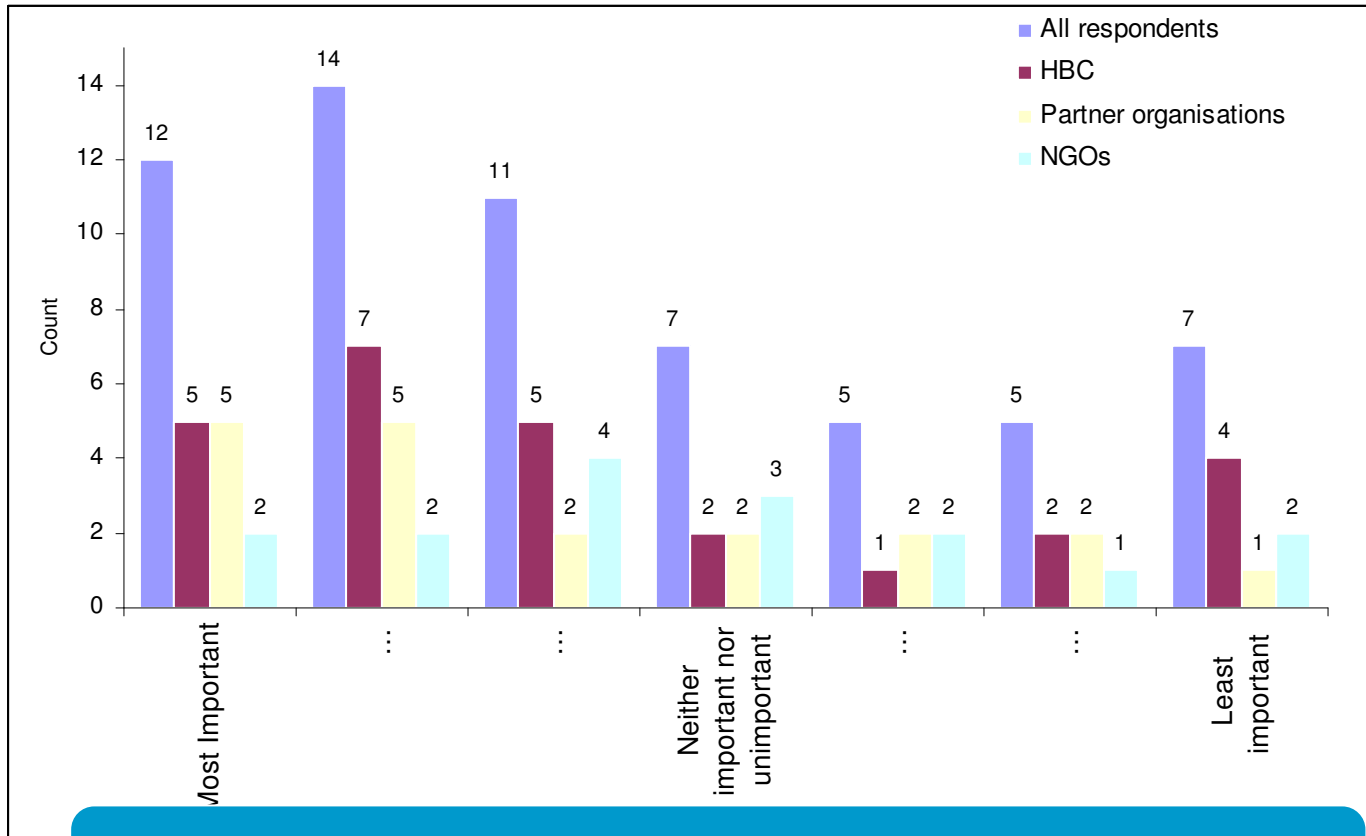
## Reducing Alcohol Harm and Disorder as a Priority for the Community Safety Team



**Reducing the Re-Offending Rate of Repeat Offenders as a Priority for the Community Safety Team**

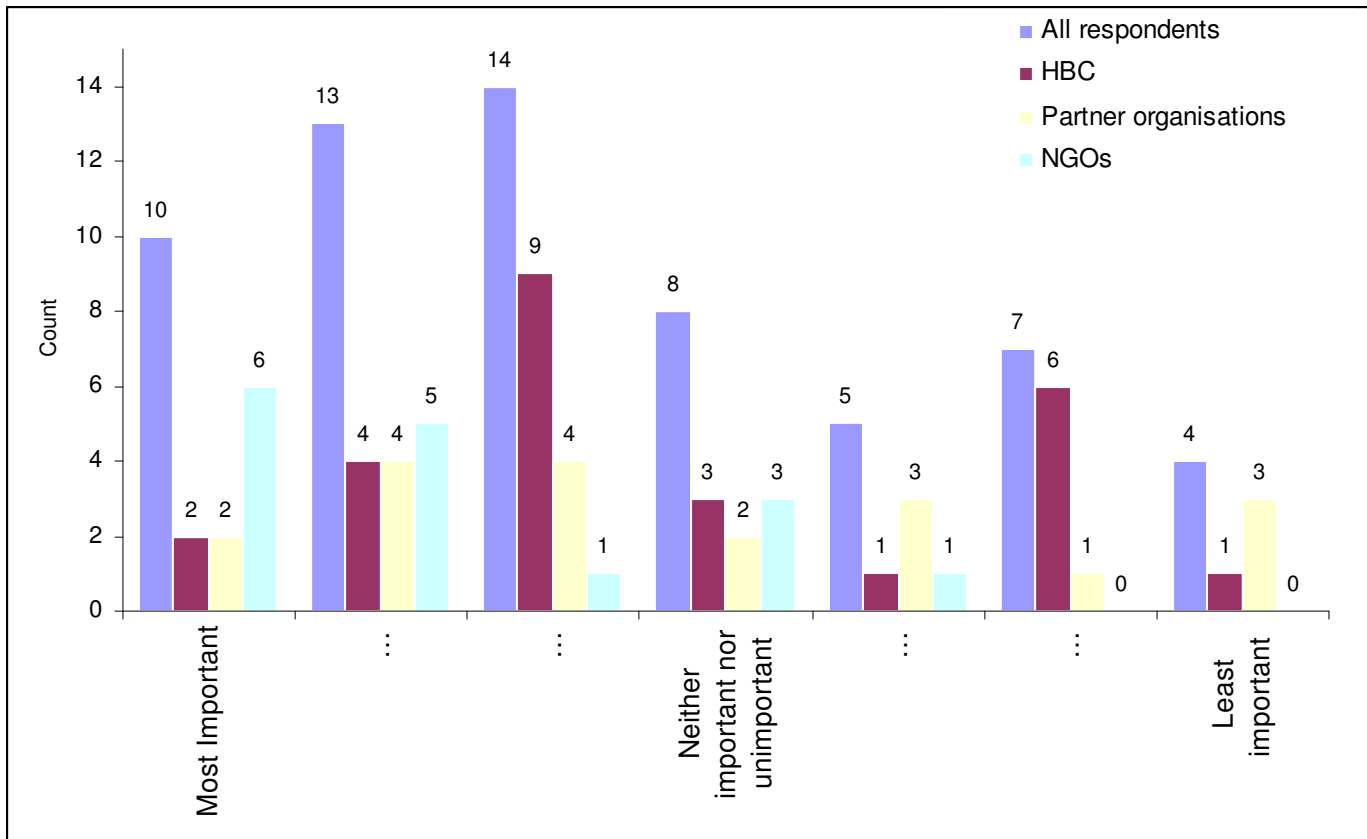


## Reducing Crime as a Priority for the Community Safety Team

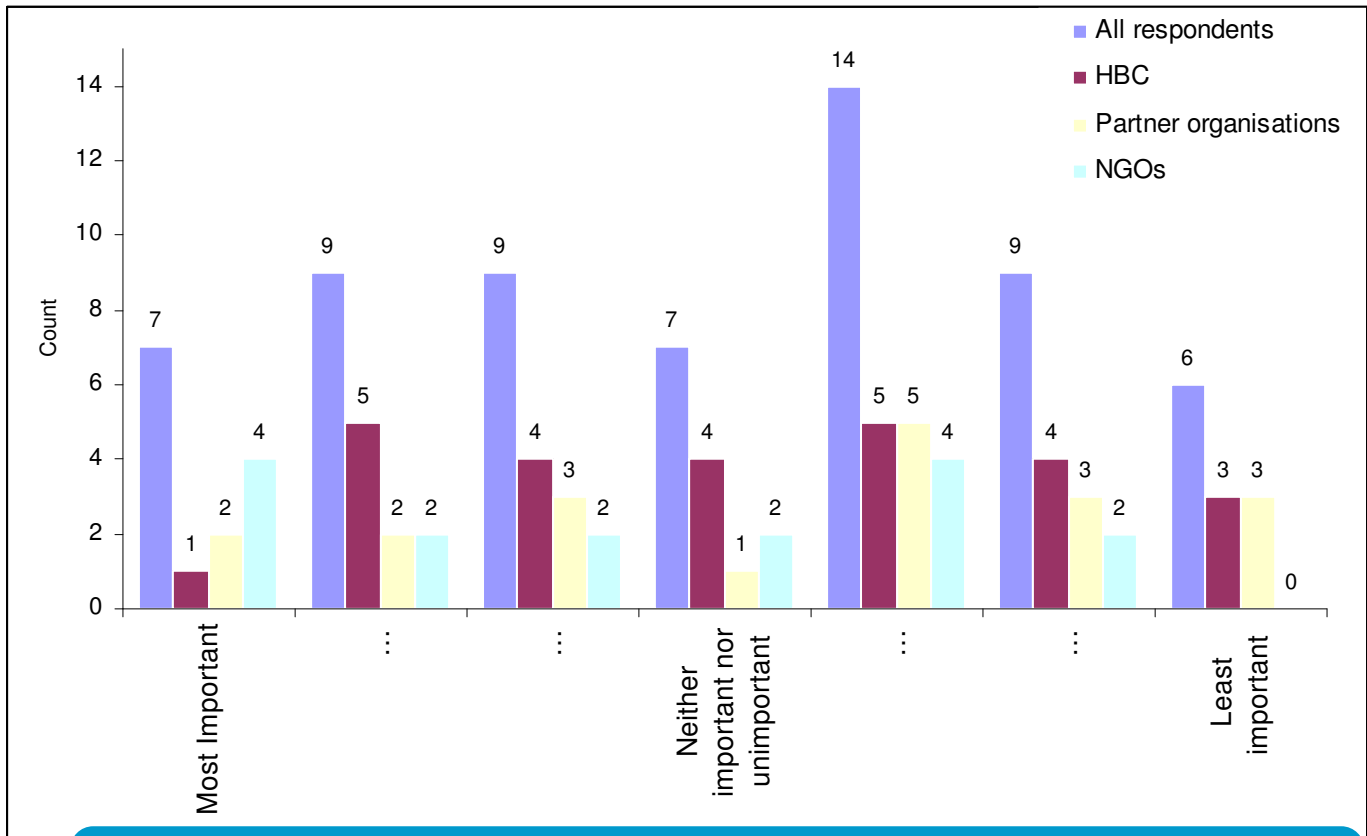


## Safeguarding Young People as a Priority for the Community Safety Team





**Hate crime and domestic abuse as a Priority for the Community Safety Team**



**Community Engagement, Consultation and Participation as a Priority for the Community Safety Team**

