

**OSB TASK AND FINISH GROUP
COMMUNITY COHESION**

SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATION	PROPOSED ACTION	POST TITLE	BUDGET COST	TIMESCALE
<p>1. To ensure Scrutiny contributes to Community Cohesion agenda: - Develop a Community Strategy as quickly as possible with quarterly progress updates brought to scrutiny.</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Team will develop a Community Cohesion Strategy and provide quarterly updates to scrutiny</p>	<p>Head of Neighbourhoods</p>		<p>August 2026</p>
<p>2. A draft of the Community Strategy should be brought to Scrutiny as the earliest opportunity before it is finalised.</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Team will develop a draft of the Community Cohesion Strategy and take it to scrutiny before it is finalised.</p>	<p>Head of Neighbourhoods</p>		<p>July 2026</p>
<p>3. To mitigate the risk of future unrest: - An early warning system, such as a Community Cohesion dashboard, should be developed to alert the Council and relevant partners of community tensions.</p>	<p>A community tensions dashboard is in development using 'Power BI' utilising Local Authority and Police data and multi-meetings are being planned to be held monthly. This will provide an opportunity to identify early warning signs and alert partners of community tensions so that appropriate actions can be taken.</p>	<p>Head of Neighbourhoods</p>		<p>March 2026</p>
<p>4. To ensure a robust Community Cohesion offer: - that the Council embeds initiatives created because of Home Office funding as part of its business-as-usual operations. An update should be brought back to Scrutiny on this during the 2027/2028 budget setting process.</p>	<p>The Neighbourhood Team will develop proposals and bring a report as part of the 2027/28 budget setting process</p>	<p>Head of Neighbourhoods</p>		<p>December 2026</p>

<p>5. As part of the Council's approach to improved youth participation: - a specific plan be created that includes demonstrable, and quantifiable, actions to engage young people about the dangers of misinformation.</p>	<p>The Neighbourhood Team will liaise with the children's services and communications team to ensure that a specific plan is developed that includes demonstrable, and quantifiable, actions to engage young people about the dangers of misinformation.</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Manager (South)</p>		<p>September 2026</p>
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