# Report to the Council

Subject: Community Wellbeing

Date: 18 December 2007

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Ms S-A Stavrou Item: 7(d)

### **Recommending:**

That the report of the Community Wellbeing Portfolio Holder be noted.

## **Nominated Neighbour Scheme**

This has now been launched across Epping Forest District

## Trading Standard 'Doorstep Calendars'

Unscrupulous traders and criminals to target vulnerable groups increasingly use doorstep selling. The Doorstep Calendar is helping to tackle this problem by making older and more vulnerable people aware of their consumer rights and providing practical advice and point of contact. These calendars will be distributed to all Epping Forest District Council sheltered Housing accommodation in the District, Help the Aged will also distribute to any homes visited by their Handvan Scheme and calendars will also be available from Information Offices. The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership have funded this.

#### Partnership Reassurance Vehicle

This was first used on Halloween across the district and also on 24<sup>th</sup> November in conjunction with Limes Farm Street Watch.

#### Hate Crime Awareness Training

The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership are funding training for front line staff; this will initially be rolled out in the District Council commencing in late January.

#### Safer Communities Database

The new database should be in place in January.

#### **Road Safety Officer**

Essex County Council has appointed a Senior Road Safety Office who is responsible for Epping Forest. There is currently a drink Drive Campaign running across the District in conjunction with Essex Police and the CDRP has agreed to match fund this to continue into the New Year.

| Thursday 6 December   | 09.00 to 17.00 | Epping High Street Trailer |
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| Monday 10 December    | 10.00 to 14.00 | Loughton Sainsburys        |
| Friday 14 December    | 17.00 to 19.00 | Epping Tube Station        |
| Monday 17 December    | 10.00 to 14.00 | Waltham Abbey Tescos       |
| Wednesday 19 December | 07.00 To 14.00 | Manor Road Chigwell        |