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ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23

SCSN is proud to host



CHAIR PERSON'S REMARKS



“I am pleased to introduce the SCSN Annual Report for 2022/23. As Chair, I would firstly like to give gratitude to all the work of the fantastic SCSN Team who have continued to deliver high quality support services to the Community Safety Network and remain dedicated to the roles they all carry out on our behalf.

This has included delivering a series of learning events to share knowledge, understanding and best practice with our key stakeholders, all of which assists in ensuring we continue to raise the standards across our partnership approach to service delivery.

I feel that this report captures the depth and breadth of the continually evolving community safety landscape, its challenges and the dynamic and innovative approaches that have been undertaken to meet these across Scotland and further afield as we extend our reach through collaboration with international partners. All of which supports our Strategic Plan aim of becoming an international centre of excellence in Community Safety.

Finally, I would like to thank our Board members for their support in achieving our aims and ensuring we influence and drive improvement in community safety through effective leadership.”

**Jennifer Middlemiss
SCSN Chair Person**



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SOME WORDS FROM THE SCSN CHIEF OFFICER



How quickly our annual reporting time comes around. It's a time to reflect, take stock, celebrate the wins and make sure all of team SCSN feel valued for the work they do.

My position in the organisation is a privilege, I am supported by a committed, knowledgeable and accessible board of Directors and by a team of extremely capable, expert, flexible and absolutely lovely colleagues. Not just words! It's how we keep moving, changing and shaping what we do.

Again, our membership continues to grow and this gives us access to much more collaboration and knowledge - which we are able to share with you all in the shape of events, meetings, newsletters and through our communications. We are the ball of wool that knits so much together.

Our work on developing understanding and preventing antisocial behaviour continues, we have held conversations this year with over 40 groups and agencies as we work with Scottish Government colleagues to develop a new approach. I'm delighted to say that this work has been endorsed by the Community Safety Minister and will see much more to come in the next few months.

Our support to Home Safety Scotland has seen that forum expand and develop as we attract new members and launched the Mark McCall Home Safety fund along with our partners at Fife Council & RoSPA.

Our reach lengthened to Austria and Ireland as we took our knowledge and expertise to EU:Safety conference and supported the development of the 'All Island Community Safety Partnership' event.

Thanks to our funders, members and supporters. I'm truly grateful.

Lorraine Gillies
SCSN Chief Officer



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ANNUAL REPORT VIDEO

We like to do our Annual Reports a little bit differently, so once again we've produced an Annual Report video for Youtube and Social Media!

The video communicates the big stuff that we've been doing over this past year, with this accompanying document going into a bit more detail.

You can view the video on YouTube [here](#).

Please share far and wide on social media!



COMMUNICATIONS



13 Safety NETworks Newsletters published - including Climate Special



12 Community Safety Media Monitors published

SCSN WEBSITE

22.5% increase in users
14.6% increase in page views

SOCIAL MEDIA



13.5% increase in followers & 15% increase in average weekly Reach



8.4% increase in page 'Likes'



19% increase in followers & 45% increase in Reach

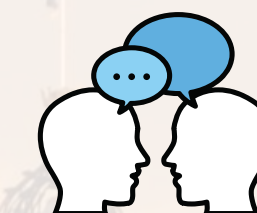


Safer Communities Scotland Podcast launched on Spotify/Anchor/YouTube - 9 Episodes Published



25 videos published
2000 video views (up 25%) worth 86.5 hours of viewing time

2022/23 HIGHLIGHTS



INFORMING



Community Safety Awareness Calendar Published
Successfully collated LA fireworks safety plans for submission to Scottish Government for first time
Published Climate Change and Community Safety Zine
Published Home Safety Map
Climate Change & CS Newsletter special
Community Safety & Justice: Joint Working Arrangements Research
Published video interview with Clare Adamson MSP on community safety & unintentional harm
Collaborated with Water Safety Scotland, RoSPA & RNLI Scotland to develop & publish Water Safety Signage Audit & submit to Minister

BRIEFING PAPERS

Programme for Government 2022/23
Cost of Living and Community Safety
Evidence of Home Adaptations
Hate Crime Strategy for Scotland



EVENTS

Launch of Community Safety and Justice: Joint Working Arrangements
Lunchtime Launches - Climate Zine & Home Safety Map
16 Days Spotlight Workshop: Community Safety & VAWG
Scottish Parliament Reception: Celebrating 25 Years of Community Safety Partnership work in Scotland
'A new approach to ASB' series of workshops
'Wisdom of Trauma' with Dr Gabor Mate Film Screening



CHAMPIONING



SSPCA #FireworkSafety campaign partners
SCSN Staff team fundraiser for Purple Friday raising £135 for LGBT Youth Scotland & promoting LGBTQIA equality & rights
Hosted 360 Skills for Life session with Community Safety Partnership leads around unintentional harm & children
Supported a wide range of partner campaigns via our newsletter and social media - e.g. ASB awareness week, Hoarding Awareness Week
Sponsored & presented an Award at Youthlink Scotland Awards
Became accredited Living Wage and Gold Standard Four Day Week employers

ENGAGING

Attended launch of SPARC Rural Crime Strategy, regularly attend/contribute to SPARC forum
Became members of Wellbeing Economy Alliance
SCSN Reconnect Roadshow - meetings with every local authority in Scotland
All Island Community Safety Conference in Ireland
Participated in Marches & Parades Working Group (report published in November)
Attended Electrical Safety First Holyrood Garden Party
Became members of the Health & Social Care Alliance
Hosted over 40 co-produced Consultation events with Scottish Government asking whether it's time for a new approach to ASB
Continued chairing monthly Leads meetings + bi annual Leads meeting
Continued to attend regular BSC Partner meetings
Continued to host quarterly CSP UK & Ireland meetings
Helped reactivate & reform, and supported/attended Community Wardens Meetings
Continued to participate in the Road Safety OPG
Attend Water Safety Scotland meetings
Attend and contribute to Water Safety Suicide Prevention sub group
Attended a huge range of webinars & events of partner organisations - contributing to discussions & sharing work
Regularly meet with COSLA & Wheatley Group to share intel & ideas
Supported development of I Am Me ASB lesson & video for primary schools
Attended Water Safety Scotland Open Day in Falkirk with SCSN stall
SCSN contributed to litter and flytipping strategy groups

INFLUENCING



Contributed to development of Violence Prevention Framework
Contributed to/attended Fireworks Control Zone working group
Abstracts presented at European Safety Conference - Causation of Unintentional Harm and Perceptions of Community Safety
Backed RoSPA Protect Our People campaign on REUL bill
Regularly attended Operation Moonbeam meetings with Police Scotland
Attend Public Space CCTV Research Advisory Group
Continued to promote & share CSP Resource Pack - influencing policy change in some localities
Attended working groups & supported development of consultations on dangerous dogs
Attended/contributed to Domestic Homicide Review Group
Invited to participate in Steering Group for Planet Youth new community pilots
Funded the fieldwork stage of PHD research into the experiences of survivors of sexual violence in the health care system in Scotland.
Collaborated with the Improvement Service on their 16 Days of Action Toolkit & jointly ran a Women & Community Safety Workshop



The Home Safety Scotland Forum continues to go from strength to strength under the guidance of the forum Convener SCSN National Development Officer Kevin Chase.

In 2022/23 we saw quarterly forum meetings re-established with expert speakers & presentations - as well as a growing membership of the forum.

Some of the highlights of the year included:

- Interactive Home Safety Map published
- Innaugural Mark McCall Home Safety Fund and first Winners - Lanarkshire Care & Repair
- Attend Consumer Reference Panel
- Attended the Children's Health Conference – promoting the Home Safety Map
- Home Safety Scotland also attends the UK wide Button Battery Group.
- Home Safety Scotland is now a partner on the Inclusive Living Alliance. There is a 10 year project entitled Intersectional Stigma of Place Based Ageing which reviews how stigma impacts living especially for older adults and how disabilities affect life. This project is led by Stirling University and is a UK wide project.
- Supported Electrical Safety First's The Safety of Electric-Powered Micromobility Vehicles and Lithium-Ion Batteries Bill
- There have been 3 HSS Forums since the last annual report.

HOME SAFETY SCOTLAND COMMS

We collected dedicated Home Safety Scotland comms stats for the first time in 2022/23,



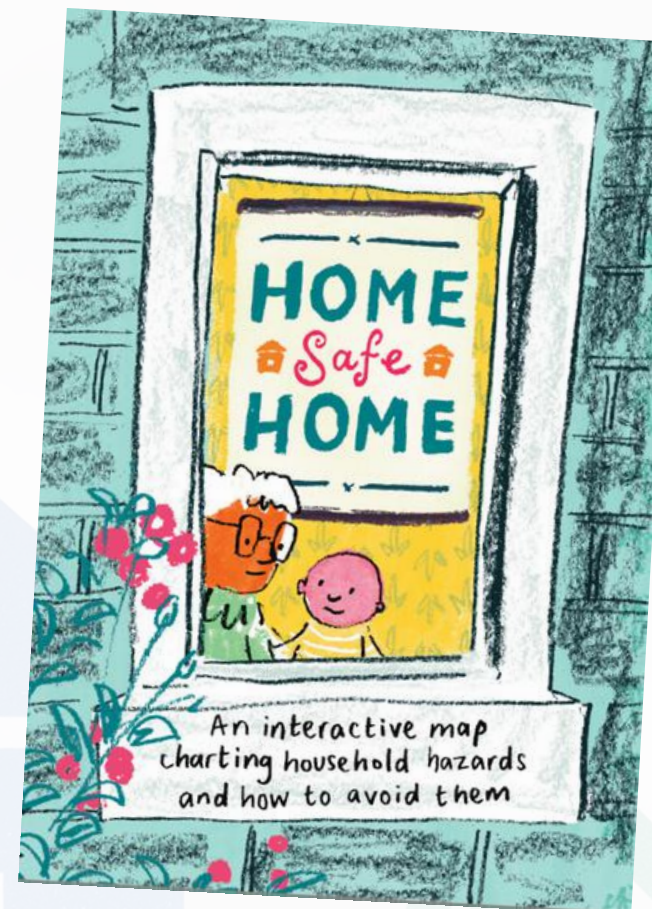
- 32% increase in Followers to 280
- Average Monthly Reach of 17,712
- Total Engagement: 1,332



- 14% increase in Followers to 161
- Total Reach: 2834



- 500 page visits to Home Safety Map
- 267 page visits to Home Safety Scotland Landing Page



Home Safety Map



The SCSN was extremely proud to work together with our partners at Fife Council and RoSPA to institute the inaugural Mark McCall Home Safety Fund - in memory of former SCSN Chair and Manager of Fife Council Mark McCall.

Mark was passionate about child safety, so the focus of the fund in it's first year was on reducing unintentional harm in the home to children & young people.

Care & Repair in Lanarkshire were announced as the first ever winners of the fund in March 2023. The announcement was made at a meeting of the Cross Party Group on Accident Prevention and Safety Awareness at the Scottish Parliament.

Care & Repair received £3,000 in funding towards their 'Safe As Houses' Project. The Project provided a home safety risk assessment and advice service to parents or full-time carers of pre-school age children to mitigate against hazards in the home that may result in an unintentional injury. In addition, the project provides home safety equipment where a need is identified and the individual is unable to meet this cost.

The project will report back to the SCSN & our partners in late 2023.

A YEAR IN PICTURES

WELCOMES & FOND FAREWELLS

LEADING THE WAY ON A PROGRESSIVE WORKPLACE

In 2022/23 we said hello and goodbye to a number of faces. Josh Box left his role as National Development Officer. At Board level we said goodbye to Ian Hanley, Patricia Spacey, Shirley McLaren, Linda Jones & Stephen Jack.

We welcomed Kevin Chase as National Development Officer, also taking the role of Convener of the Home Safety Scotland Forum.

We also welcomed Rebecca Evans to the SCSN Board of Directors.

The SCSN continues to show leadership and commitment to a progressive and trauma informed workplace.

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In 2022/23 we were delighted to be recognised by the global Four Day Week campaign as a Gold Accredited Four Day Week Employer. What does that mean? One less day - no less pay. And no adding hours to other days either!

We were also proud to officially become a Living Wage Employer this year.

THANK YOU



Thank you to the SCSN board for their ongoing guidance and support, and to our membership, partners and stakeholders across Scotland for their interest and collaboration.

We'd also like to thank the SCSN staff team for another year of fantastic work helping to inform, engage, champion and influence across the community safety sector!

INTERNATIONAL CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

In our last Strategic Plan, we aimed to become an international centre of excellence in Community Safety.

As part of this aim we've been attending and presenting at international events & conferences on Community Safety issues - including in Ireland & Switzerland. 88% of respondents to our Member Survey felt this was a good use of our time, so look out for more next year.



SCSN ACCOUNTS 2022/23

The Scottish Community Safety Network

Statement of Financial Activities
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	3	10,875	270,000	280,875	254,962
Other trading activities	4	333	2,000	2,333	-
Investment income	5	275	-	275	6
Other income	6	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>
Total		<u>16,483</u>	<u>272,000</u>	<u>288,483</u>	<u>258,968</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	7				
Development, promotion and education of Community Safety practice		<u>14,899</u>	<u>273,108</u>	<u>288,007</u>	<u>261,104</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>1,584</u>	<u>(1,108)</u>	<u>476</u>	<u>(2,136)</u>
Transfers between funds	17	<u>(1,108)</u>	<u>1,108</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		476	-	476	(2,136)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>106,196</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>106,196</u>	<u>108,332</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>106,672</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>106,672</u>	<u>106,196</u>



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