

What is the Staffordshire Observatory?

- A group established to provide research support for the Staffordshire Partnership in relation to Community Strategies and the Local Area Agreement.
 1. as such, emphasis is on sub-regional issues
 2. but can link to regional issues
- Currently directly funded by Police, Fire and County Council

Examples of work undertaken

- Performance monitoring of the LAA
- Input to the Joint Strategic Health Assessments
- Research and information analysis to support Crime Reduction and Disorder Partnerships
- Research on substance misuse
- Research on community cohesion
- Understanding of the Indices of Deprivation 2008
- Neighbourhood profiling
- Preparatory work for the Local Economic Assessment

Published outputs

- Available to any person or organisation with an interest in Staffordshire
- Mainly available on Staffordshire Partnership web site:
www.staffordshirepartnership.org.uk/observatory
- Contact a member of the Research Unit:
observatory@staffordshire.gov.uk

Work streams and prioritisation

- Come through the funding authorities
- Must be linked to Community Strategies or the Local Area Agreement (LAA) for Staffordshire
- Would need funding for additional staff to undertake additional work

What the Staffordshire Observatory is not?

- A data warehouse
- A free resource for members of the Staffordshire Partnership to use for their own research
- BUT will always provide advice where we can

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