



Gloucester Youth's Got Talent!

The Safer Gloucester Partnership (formerly the Gloucester Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership) has launched a talent contest for youngsters in the city.

Singers, dancers, acrobats, magicians or anyone else with a talent are being urged to enter Gloucester's Youth's Got Talent competition, with the live final taking place at Gloucester's Guildhall on November 5th.

The event is being organised to raise awareness of

Aged between 13 - 19? Have you got talent?

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Open Auditions
- When -
Friday 8th October 6-9pm
&
Saturday 9th October
All Day
- Where -
Chequers Bridge
Youth Centre

Live Final
Friday 5th November
Gloucester Guildhall

Free To Enter
(Any Acts Welcome)
For more information
and application forms
checkout
www.safergloucester.co.uk,
Facebook: Youthsgottalent or
email:
youthsgottalent@hotmail.co.uk
Application forms to be
returned by
29th September



the harm caused by the misuse of drugs and alcohol and how positive activity can be a very real alternative to substance abuse.

Planning for the evening is well under way and many interested acts have already downloaded an application form. The Partnership is hoping that young people from across Gloucester will use the school summer holidays to work on their acts and routines to make sure that deliver a night full of fantastic talent.

The event is for young people aged 13 - 19 years old and applications can be obtained by contacting the Partnership office on [01452 396405](tel:01452396405) or by downloading from the website www.safergloucester.co.uk.

All applications must be received by Wednesday September 29 and the heats will take place on October 8 and 9 at Chequers Bridge Youth Centre.

Project Solace

Gloucester City Homes, in partnership with Gloucester City Council and Gloucestershire Constabulary have launched a new service to tackle anti social behaviour (ASB).

Project Solace is a multi agency team consisting of two officers from Gloucestershire Constabulary and an ASB officer from Gloucester City Council.

Project Solace will focus much of its work on the reduction of repeat incidents and victims of anti-social behaviour. The Project's overall objectives will be:

- provide an holistic approach to resolving ASB
- reduce repeat victims of ASB
- increase public confidence
- provide sustainable long-term solutions to resolving ASB.

Anti social behaviour can and does ruin people's lives. We believe that this effective approach to resolving ASB will have a positive impact on those who live, work and visit Gloucester and that by working in partnership and proactively with our communities we can continue to reduce ASB.



Street Pastors

Street Pastors are stepping up their patrols in Gloucester to help more of the city's late night revellers. They have increased their volunteers and the successful project is set to be a feature of Saturday nights as well as Fridays soon.

The scheme, launched in February, sees volunteers out on the giving support and streets helping



revellers, as well as providing water and other provisions between the hours of 10pm to 4am.

Working closely with the Police and the CCTV control room, Street Pastors help people who may have been separated from friends and become vulnerable. This enables the Police to direct their resources to more pressing issues where enforcement action may be necessary.

Knife Arch Use in Gloucester

The Partnership purchased a third knife arch for use in Gloucester. The knife arch, a portable metal detector, is used with the cooperation of licensees to provide reassurance to the night clubbing community.

Recorded offences in Gloucester in 2009/10 for possession of a blade or offensive weapon



reduced by 34% and violent crime related to the nighttime economy reduced by almost 25%.

Come and Meet the Partnership Members

Members of the Safer Gloucester Partnership will be hosting a Community Safety Panel meeting on Thursday 23rd September at 7.00pm in Gloucester City Council Offices, North Warehouse, The Docks, Gloucester. There will be a presentation about how we are managing the prolific offenders in the city and the subsequent reduction in acquisitive crimes. There will also be an update from the action groups including anti social behaviour, reducing crime, reducing the harm caused by substance misuse and working with communities to address crime concerns in local areas.

Student Safety

When students arrive at the University of Gloucestershire's Oxstall's campus, the Safer Gloucester Partnership will welcome them with a pack containing personal safety advice, a property marking kit and a personal safety alarm. The pack will also advise students to access the student safety page on the Safer Gloucester website: www.safergloucester.co.uk.

Improvements to Gloucester Park

New street lighting, a re-directed footpath, and new bins have recently been installed at the footpath, which connects Spa Road and Trier Way. In addition, overgrowth and low hanging tree limbs have been removed contributing towards making this a safer route for the public.

This part of the Gloucester Park has been unkempt for a number of years and has attracted anti-social behaviour in it's various forms e.g. drug misuse, street drinking, defecation and graffiti. As a consequence the area attracted a disproportionate level of the fear of crime. These improvements have been introduced to combat these anti social issues and return this area of Gloucester Park back to a pleasant and clean environment, free from crime and once again used as an amenity area by the public.



"Have Your Say" Days

The results of the Tredworth High Street "Have your say" day is now being circulated to residents and many improvements have been made as a result of the concerns raised. The City Council have cut back overgrown bushes in St James' Park and Police patrols have increased in the park and around the High Street area.

An enforcement campaign regarding fly-tipping have taken place in Barton and Tredworth, and have resulted in eleven fixed penalty notices being issued, and with three court hearings pending. The next "Have your say" day will take place in the Kingsway area of the City in September 2010.