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Developing Restorative Justice

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PCC Role

- Appoint the Chief Constable, hold them to account for running the force, and if necessary dismiss them
- Set the police and crime objectives for their area through a police and crime plan
- Set the force budget
- Contribute to the national and international policing capabilities
- Bring together community safety and criminal justice partners, to make sure local priorities are joined-up
- Commission national/local funding

Ministry of Justice - RJ Vision

To be available at all stages of the criminal justice system

- Victims have **equal access** to RJ at all stages of the system irrespective of their location, the age of the offender or offence committed against them
- People have an **awareness and understanding** of RJ, its benefits, what it entails and how to access it; and
- **Good quality RJ** is delivered by trained facilitators
- **Commissioning** via UK Police & Crime Commissioners

What is RJ ?

- Restorative justice brings together people harmed by crime or conflict with those responsible for the harm, to find a positive way forward.
- Restorative justice gives victims the chance to tell offenders the real impact of their crime, get answers to their questions and receive an apology.
- Restorative justice holds offenders to account for what they have done. It helps them understand the real impact, take responsibility, and make amends.

Hampshire Current Position

- Not at the forefront
- Patchy access
- Some RJ in youth offender environment
- Some in schools
- Little in adult arena
- Some small projects

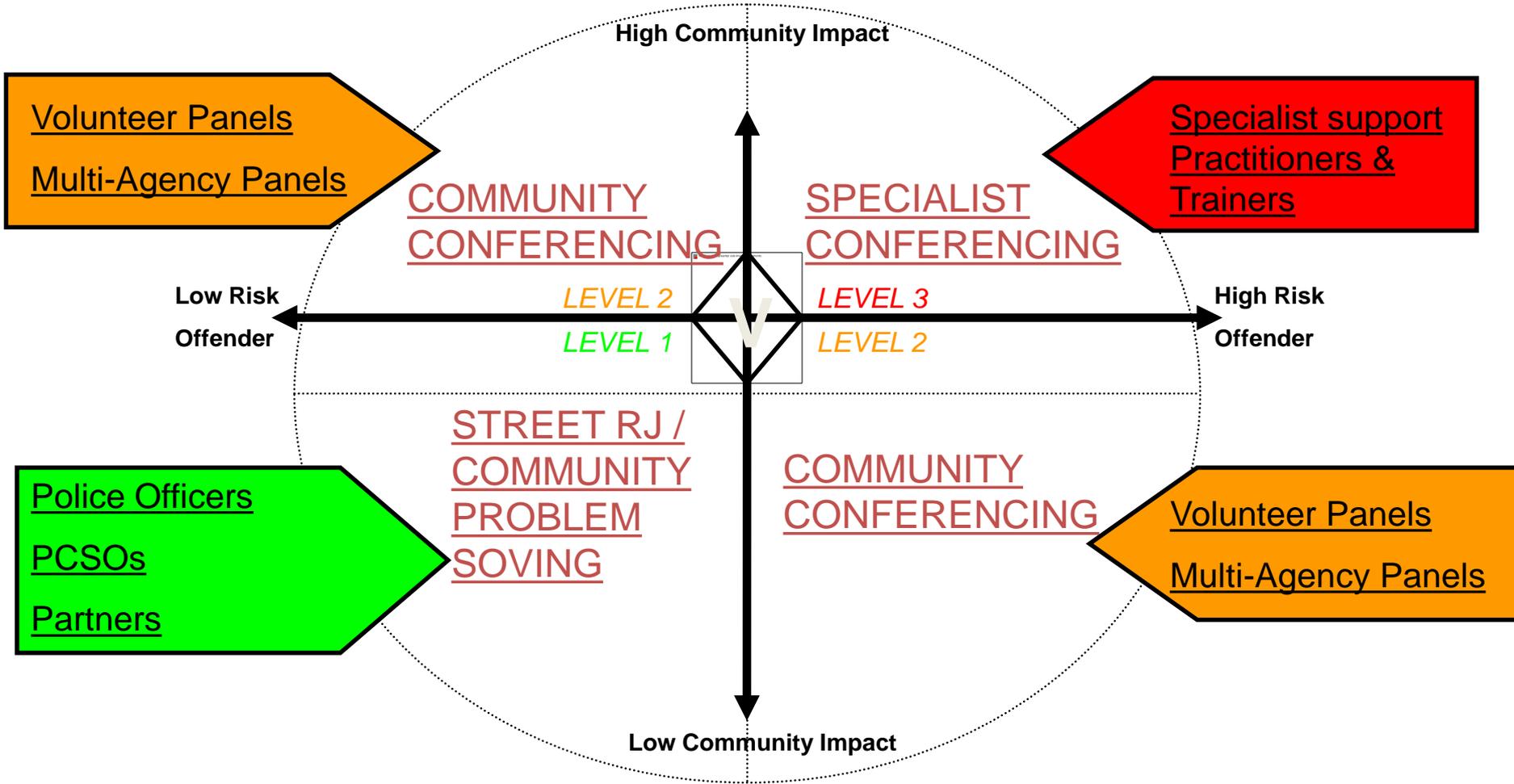
Victim Awareness Course

- Developed with Victim Support Eng. & Wales
- Low level – High Volume offending
- 3 hour educational course
- Focus – Victim Impact
- Offer of enabling Restorative Justice
- Evaluation & roll-out

The Challenge

- Develop and embed RJ approach across whole of Hampshire...2 million residents.

What does the future look like?

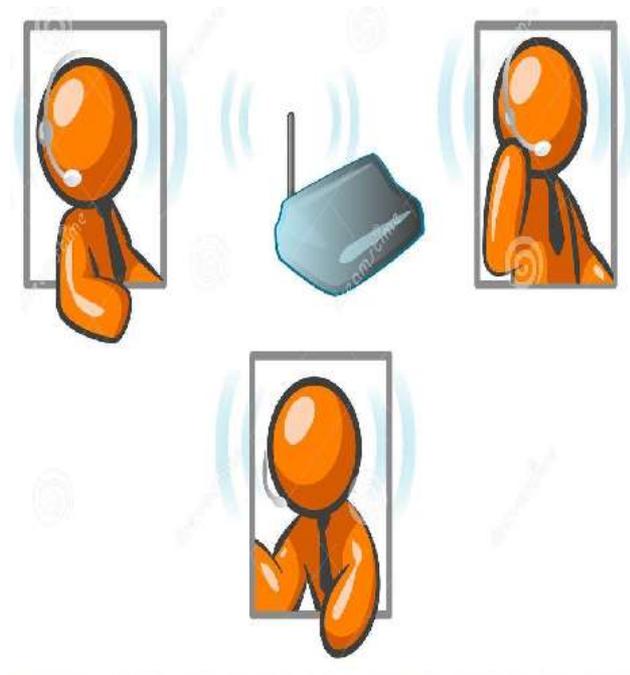


Small ASB Project

- Referral Difficulties
- 12 hours per each Conference meeting
- 70,000+ ASB incidents per annum
- Other Minor Crimes
- How to resolve ?

The Volume Solution?

Take it online



Online RJ: Two Stages

1) Restorative Approach:
Separate engagement
with

Or

2) If desired by
both...Online
Restorative Conference



Issues for Consideration

- Is it Restorative ?
- Victims' Views
- Offenders' Views
- Community perception/acceptance
- CJ audience
- Professional Standards
- Abuse
- IT security
- Etc...Your views and thoughts welcomed!



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