

Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner, Martyn Underhill is today launching a three month consultation to give residents a greater say in how anti-social behaviour and low level crime is dealt with in the county.

The recent Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act places a statutory duty on all PCCs to develop a list of Community Remedies. From this autumn, victims will be able to select the punishment for the offender from a menu of options.

Community Remedies are likely to include measures such as repairing damage to property, cleaning up graffiti or receiving a punishment proportionate to the crime. Victims can also ask the offender direct questions, mediate or receive an apology. By bringing together the offender with the victim of their crime, it's hoped they will better understand the impact of their actions. Community Remedy is a way of delivering justice without going through the traditional court process.

In addition to the online survey, the Dorset Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner will also be holding a number of focus groups to consult communities on what they'd like to see on the list of Community Remedies. The first focus group will take place in Wareham on 24 June.

Share your views

- To take part in the online survey please [click here](#)
- To take part in a focus group on Community Remedy [click here](#) to email the team
- To request a printed copy of the survey please call 01202 223966