



Local Safety Planning - Safer Communities

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The Purpose of Local Safety Planning

- To reduce and prevent **disorder, accidents, injuries and crime** and to improve the **feeling of safety**

Background

- **Two rounds** of safety planning
 - 1999 - 2006
 - The National Crime Prevention Program 1999
 - Internal Security Programme 2004
 - 2006-2010
 - Internal Security Programme 2008
- **3rd round 2011-2015**
 - "Systematic safety work from counties to towns and villages"

1999 The National Crime Prevention Program

2004 Internal Security Programme I

2008 Internal Security Programme II

2010: New local safety plans in all municipalities

Local safety plans to all municipalities, the **police** have a central role

Guidelines set in the Internal Security Programme: 2nd round starts, **wide cooperation**, the role of the municipality, **importance of locality.**

1st round

2nd round

Guidelines set in the Internal Security Programme: Year 2010 set as deadline, organisations and business sector, focus points

3rd round

2003 Guidelines from The Association of Finnish Local and Regional Authorities

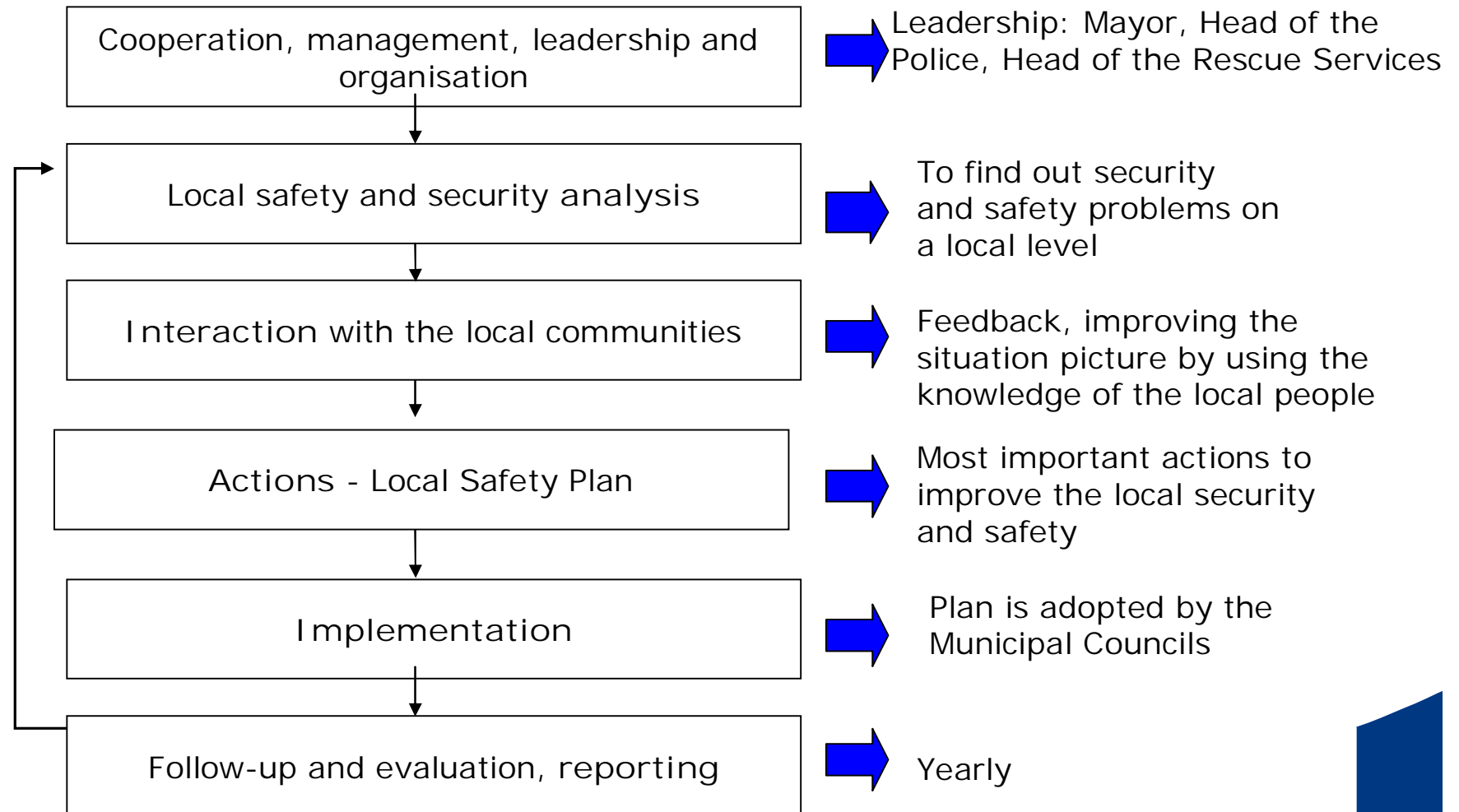
2006 Improving Local Safety Planning. Published in 2006

Process model for safety planning

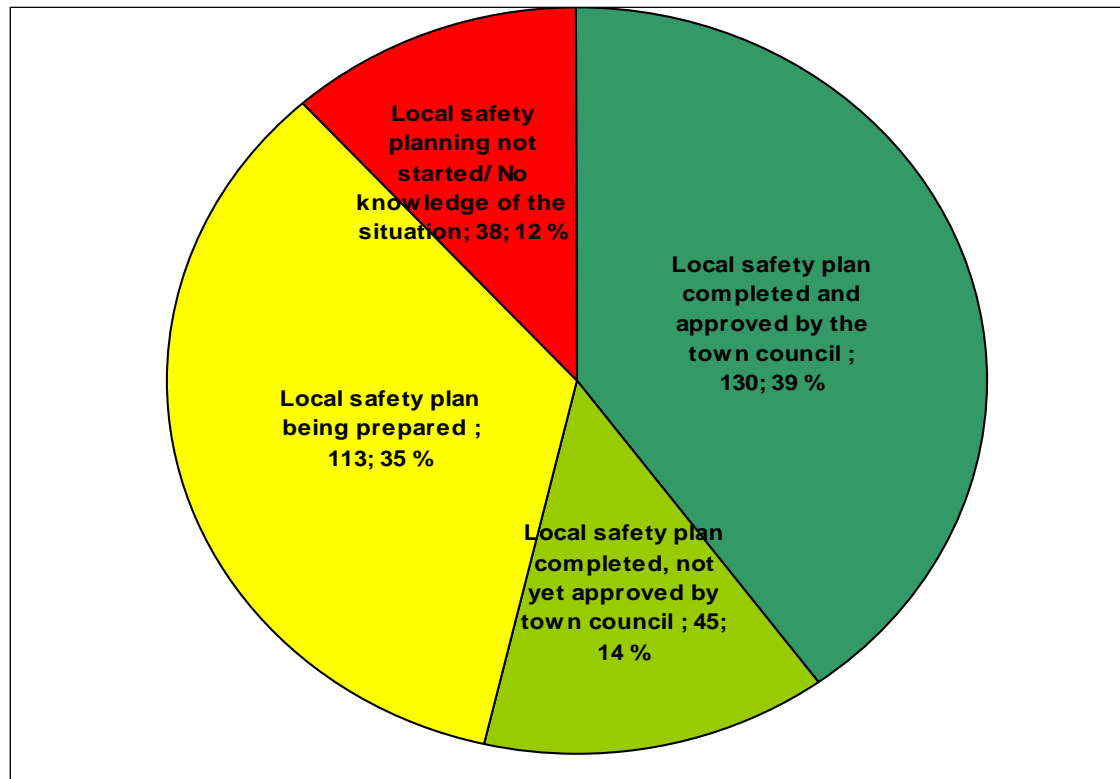
Local Safety Planning - **Principles**

- Based on **organised and planned cooperation** between
 - Different authorities
 - NGOs, business
 - Inhabitants are also involved
- Most important risks and challenges to the **safety and feeling of safety**
 - According to the **local risk analysis**

Local Safety Planning - Process



Where are we now in terms of local safety planning?



At least 23 municipalities have not yet completed their local safety plans. 5,3 per cent of the Finnish population, that is less than 300 000 people, live in a municipality that does not have a local safety plan. Only one municipality has claimed that they will not prepare a plan.

ESTIMATION:

- Local safety plans **cover most of the country**
- In terms of population, most people live in an area where there is a local safety plan.



Tähän painopistealueet englanniksi



Who is **in charge** of local safety planning?

- The municipality (24)
- The Police (2)
- Rotating Chairmanship (2)
- Not mentioned (8)

Who is **involved** in local safety planning

- Involved almost always
 - The mayor, the police, rescue services, social and health services, education and cultural services, technical services, leisure time services, the Church
- Involved less often
 - Business sector, parent network, director of communications, youth parliament, resident associations
- Involved occasionally
 - The Customs, Border Guard, Coast Guard

Conclusions

- **National objective** is needed
 - Makes the work “more important”
 - In Finland: Internal Security Programme
- **Local work** is key to success
- **Co-operation and multiagency approach** is more effective
 - Injury prevention as a part of the cross-sectoral safety work
- Local safety planning is a good tool to promote injury prevention

Why injury prevention is a **priority in local safety planning?**

- Increases **wellbeing, health and safety**
- **Financial** reasons
 - Important to the political decision makers
 - Not exclude other reasons!!
 - TÄHÄN ESIMERKKEJÄ KUSTANNUKSIS

Thank you for your attention.

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