Brislington & St Annes - Neighbourhood Community Safety Update - AGENDA ITEM 10

Prepared on behalf of Brislington Neighbourhood Delivery team

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<u>1. Recorded Crime</u> – 1st April 2011 to 31st December 2011 (Against same period for 2010)

Brislington West

| Crime Type | Nos. of Incidents | Change | % change |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------|------------|
| Dwelling Burglary | 32 | - 5 | Down 13.5% |
| Other Burglary | 57 | - 24 | Down 29.6% |
| Robbery | 3 | - 7 | Down 70% |
| Theft from Motor | 67 | - 23 | Down 25.6% |
| Vehicle | | | |
| Theft of Motor | 17 | + 5 | Up 41.1% |
| Vehicle* | | | |
| All Crime** | 727 | -153 | Down 17.4% |

^{*}Increase is related to a number of motorcycles stolen in June – still 3rd lowest of any beat in Brislington NPA for this crime type.

Brislington East

| Crime Type | Nos. of Incidents | Change | % change |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------|------------|
| Dwelling Burglary | 32 | - 6 | Down 31.6% |
| Other Burglary | 53 | - 14 | Down 20.9% |
| Robbery* | 6 | 2 | Up 50% |
| Theft from Motor | 55 | - 5 | Down 8.3% |
| Vehicle | | | |
| Theft of Motor | 21 | - 8 | Down 27.6% |
| Vehicle | | | |
| All Crime** | 602 | - 133 | Down 18.1% |

^{*} This increase is linked to 3 offences reported in November against zero in previous year.

This data is 'living' information from Avon and Somerset police and may change as recent incidents are still under investigation. Longer term crime information is

^{**} Fraud related matters (Up 31 offences – Up 140%) are the only other crime type seeing an increase.

^{**} Other crime type reduction has been in Criminal Damage where there has been a fall of 46 offences (down 31.1%) and Violence offences down 34 (19.8%)

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2. Anti-Social behaviour

No area of Greater Brislington was identified by the last BCC/Police city wide Ant-Social Behaviour audit as a significant hotspot.

Operation Biker the South Bristol Police/BCC Parks joint initiative to tackle anti-social behaviour on motorcycles in Parks and Opens Spaces have been informed there will be no funding for staffing dedicated patrols provided from April 2012.

During the period April 2011 to Dec 2011 there have been 373 ASB calls logged on Brislington West (up 56,18%) and 369 ASB calls on Brislington East (Up 66, 22%). However the recording criteria for ASB calls changed in April 2011 and caution should be used for like for like comparison between data.

3. Local impact of funding

No further changes since October 2011 update.

4. Community Priorities for last 6 months

As per Neighbourhood report

5. Escalated Action Plans – from local crime trends or community priorities.

Following request from the Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership the Neighbourhood Delivery Team is now scrutinising the resolving of the Section 106 funding issue of a footpath improvement /cycle path along Callington Rd (nature reserve side) from Wootton Park to Tesco Subway path.

6. Some recent items of local interest

October 2011

On the 14th October a concerned neighbour in Whitby Road called the police when he saw some men hanging around suspiciously in his neighbour's garden. As he watched he saw them start to break into his neighbour's house. Police Officers and PCSO's from the neighbourhood team at Brislington Police Station responded to the call; as did response and traffic officers from other areas of South Bristol. One man, who was caught still wearing gloves, was found still in the house. Two other males were chased from the scene and arrested in Sainsbury's car park, one of whom was detained by local PCSO's. The suspects we taken into police custody and have also been arrested for an additional burglary in another part of Bristol.

On Monday the 24th of October 2011, Neighbourhood Police Officers assisted immigration officers with the conduct of a warrant at a business premises on Brislington Trading Estate. Nineteen workers were found on the premises and after a series of checks, three males were arrested on suspicion of entering the country illegally. They were taken to Trinity Road police station for deportation back to Afghanistan.

November 2011

During the early hours of the 21st November a large superstore in Brislington was broken into. A short while later a white van seen in suspicious circumstances with several males apparently unloading boxes in the Hartcliffe, Bristol. As the van and its occupant were approached by the Police the van made off and was followed a short distance before the occupants abandoned it and ran off. This was followed protracted search of gardens by numerous police officers co-ordinated by the police Helicopter, Q99. Eventually officers directed to an address where two males were found hiding in an upstairs room. A further make was arrested after enquires. A search was made of an address and 25 boxed Diamond Back cycles worth £2,000 each were recovered. The three males aged 17, 21 and 22 were arrested.

A Brislington Neighbourhood beat manager was on foot patrol in Whitmore on Sunday 27th November. A male was seen to throw some litter to the floor and approached by the officer and asked to pick it up. It turned out to be a small cellophane bag which was full of white powder, believed to be controlled drugs. The male was subsequently arrested and released bail whilst the substance was tested.

December 2011

Two males from the Stockwood area were caught red handed by officers from Stockwood, Hengrove and Brislington Neighbourhood teams. 2 of the local officers whilst on patrol at about 10pm on Saturday night 3rd December observed one male leaving school grounds on the Brislington West beat with several bags, followed by the 2nd male. The males were carrying a number of items, including children's toys and tools they had used to enter the premises. One was even found to have the broken lock later found to be from the building in his pocket. Other Neighbourhood officer were called in to secure the area and search the grounds in case others were involved and it was they who found one of the school buildings had been burgled. Both the males aged 17 and 25 were charged to appear before Bristol Magistrates Court.

During Monday 12th December a 20 year old Lancashire was spotted by the PC Neal Scarborough the local beat officer for Brislington walking along the road pulling a very heavy suitcase. Intrigued the officer approached the man and following a few unsatisfactorily answered questions, decided to search the man and his suitcase. In the suitcase the officer found a large quantity of metal bolts and fixings. Unfortunately for the man the officer was also the Neighbourhood Scrap Metal liaison officer and no excuses offered as to his possession of the metal worked. He was arrested on suspicion of having stolen the metal. He later admitted having the theft of the metal the previous day from his ex-employer in Lancashire after he was sacked by them.

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