



AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Stockwood & Hengrove Neighbourhood Partnership March 2015

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Title:

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Recommendation:

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1. Performance

Bristol South Dec 2015

Offence/Offence Group Description	Recorded Crime				Fully Resolved Rate		
	YTD Current Year	YTD Last Year	% Chg	Chg	Current Year	Last Year	Chg (% pts)
Criminal Damage	1,562	1,475	5.9%	87	11.5%	14.6%	-3.1%
Dwelling Burglary	472	487	-3.1%	-15	4.7%	10.7%	-6.0%
Fraud & Forgery	38	14	171.4%	24	42.1%	121.4%	-79.3%
Non Dwelling Burglary	505	624	-19.1%	-119	4.6%	9.6%	-5.1%
Other Offences	209	118	77.1%	91	37.3%	76.3%	-39.0%
Racially or Religiously Aggravated Crimes	184	174	5.7%	10	29.3%	35.6%	-6.3%
Robbery	87	105	-17.1%	-18	10.3%	20.0%	-9.7%
Sexual Offences	242	180	34.4%	62	17.4%	43.9%	-26.5%
Shoplifting	1,218	1,375	-11.4%	-157	36.4%	48.7%	-12.4%
Theft from the Person	55	53	3.8%	2	3.6%	7.5%	-3.9%
Theft from Vehicle	1,002	820	22.2%	182	2.0%	5.9%	-3.9%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	274	204	34.3%	70	6.9%	9.3%	-2.4%
Theft or Unauthorised Taking of a Pedal Cycle	236	235	0.4%	1	1.3%	4.7%	-3.4%
Total Crime	11,548	9,928	16.3%	1,620	18.6%	28.6%	-10.1%
Violence Against the Person	4,167	2,701	54.3%	1,466	23.0%	39.2%	-16.1%

Dispose 1 Group	Recorded Incidents			
	YTD Current Year	YTD Last Year	% Chg	Chg
ASB	3,569	4,895	-27.1%	-1326

The above reflects levels of crime reported to Police across the entire Bristol South Local Policing area for the year to date (April – End of Jan 2016). Burglary offences continue to show a small decrease. There has been a continued increase in the recording of offences as racially or religiously aggravated, partly due to better confidence in reporting issues but also attributable to some concerning cases whereby victims have been targeted on numerous occasions. It is important to note that these figures only relate to racial or religiously aggravated offences; there is no specific criminal offence for homophobic or disablist hate crime, and even with racial or religious hate crimes the evidence often does not support the higher “aggravated” charge. The true level of crime with a hate element is therefore significantly higher.

Of concern is the continued increase in total crime, which is up 16% (1,620 more offences). As noted before, this is almost entirely due to a significant increase in the recording of incidents of violence against the person offences, up 54% across the Bristol South area (almost 1,500 more offences). As I have stressed before, changes in recording practices mean that we are now (properly) recording offences which we previously didn’t, and it is very difficult to draw any meaningful conclusions at this time.

The second table details the number of “incidents” recorded by Police. It is important to bear in mind that several people might report the same incident, but each report would be counted in the above list. However, as a comparison year on year, it does now seem to show a continued reduction in reports of anti-social behaviour (ASB) across the whole of South Bristol. As before, I would caution against reading too much into this though, because it might simply be down to better recording of incidents as crimes (particularly violence against the person) rather than ASB.

Individual figures for the neighbourhood partnership area, and per ward are shown on the pages that follow;

Partnership Area

Offence/Offence Group Description	Recorded Crime				Fully Resolved Rate		
	YTD Current Year	YTD Last Year	% Chg	Chg	Current Year	Last Year	Chg (% pts)
Criminal Damage	234	222	5.4%	12	10.7%	14.0%	-3.3%
Dwelling Burglary	52	60	-13.3%	-8	1.9%	11.7%	-9.7%
Fraud & Forgery	4	3	33.3%	1	50.0%	133.3%	-83.3%
Non Dwelling Burglary	58	76	-23.7%	-18	8.6%	10.5%	-1.9%
Other Offences	37	13	184.6%	24	29.7%	100.0%	-70.3%
Racially or Religiously Aggravated Crimes	17	20	-15.0%	-3	35.3%	40.0%	-4.7%
Robbery	5	12	-58.3%	-7	20.0%		+20.0%
Sexual Offences	36	25	44.0%	11	25.0%	32.0%	-7.0%
Shoplifting	143	95	50.5%	48	37.8%	56.8%	-19.1%
Theft from the Person	3	2	50.0%	1	33.3%		+33.3%
Theft from Vehicle	169	153	10.5%	16	1.8%	11.1%	-9.3%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	39	21	85.7%	18	2.6%		+2.6%
Theft or Unauthorised Taking of a Pedal Cycle	17	17	0.0%	0		5.9%	-5.9%
Total Crime	1,516	1,269	19.5%	247	17.2%	28.4%	-11.2%
Violence Against the Person	514	359	43.2%	155	21.2%	45.7%	-24.5%

Dispose 1 Group	Recorded Incidents			
	YTD Current Year	YTD Last Year	% Chg	Chg
ASB	588	763	-22.9%	-175

Hengrove & Stockwood account for 13% of total crime across the South Bristol area, and 16.5% of all anti-social behaviour. Total crime is up slightly higher than the average increase across South Bristol, but almost a fifth of this rise is attributable to reported rises in shoplifting. The bulk of the remaining rise is attributable to rises in the recording of offences as violence against the person (but please note the cautionary warning above).

Hengrove

Offence/Offence Group Description	Recorded Crime				Fully Resolved Rate		
	YTD Current Year	YTD Last Year	% Chg	Chg	Current Year	Last Year	Chg (% pts)
Criminal Damage	162	151	7.3%	11	8.0%	13.2%	-5.2%
Dwelling Burglary	26	34	-23.5%	-8		11.8%	-11.8%
Fraud & Forgery	2	3	-33.3%	-1	100.0%	133.3%	-33.3%
Non Dwelling Burglary	37	46	-19.6%	-9	8.1%	13.0%	-4.9%
Other Offences	25	3	733.3%	22	28.0%	200.0%	-172.0%
Racially or Religiously Aggravated Crimes	13	15	-13.3%	-2	38.5%	46.7%	-8.2%
Robbery	2	10	-80.0%	-8			
Sexual Offences	18	16	12.5%	2	27.8%	25.0%	+2.8%
Shoplifting	52	29	79.3%	23	23.1%	51.7%	-28.6%
Theft from the Person	2	2	0.0%	0	50.0%		+50.0%
Theft from Vehicle	115	122	-5.7%	-7	1.7%	10.7%	-8.9%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	23	12	91.7%	11			
Theft or Unauthorised Taking of a Pedal Cycle	13	15	-13.3%	-2		6.7%	-6.7%
Total Crime	894	772	15.8%	122	14.0%	25.6%	-11.7%
Violence Against the Person	288	196	46.9%	92	18.4%	50.5%	-32.1%

Dispose 1 Group	Recorded Incidents			
	YTD Current Year	YTD Last Year	% Chg	Chg
ASB	391	519	-24.7%	-128

Stockwood

Offence/Offence Group Description	Recorded Crime				Fully Resolved Rate		
	YTD Current Year	YTD Last Year	% Chg	Chg	Current Year	Last Year	Chg (% pts)
Criminal Damage	72	71	1.4%	1	16.7%	15.5%	+1.2%
Dwelling Burglary	26	26	0.0%	0	3.8%	11.5%	-7.7%
Fraud & Forgery	2			2			
Non Dwelling Burglary	21	30	-30.0%	-9	9.5%	6.7%	+2.9%
Other Offences	12	10	20.0%	2	33.3%	70.0%	-36.7%
Racially or Religiously Aggravated Crimes	4	5	-20.0%	-1	25.0%	20.0%	+5.0%
Robbery	3	2	50.0%	1	33.3%		+33.3%
Sexual Offences	18	9	100.0%	9	22.2%	44.4%	-22.2%
Shoplifting	91	66	37.9%	25	46.2%	59.1%	-12.9%
Theft from the Person	1			1			
Theft from Vehicle	54	31	74.2%	23	1.9%	12.9%	-11.1%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	16	9	77.8%	7	6.3%		+6.3%
Theft or Unauthorised Taking of a Pedal Cycle	4	2	100.0%	2			
Total Crime	622	497	25.2%	125	21.7%	32.6%	-10.9%
Violence Against the Person	226	163	38.7%	63	24.8%	39.9%	-15.1%

Dispose 1 Group	Recorded Incidents			
	YTD Current Year	YTD Last Year	% Chg	Chg
ASB	197	244	-19.3%	-47

General Update

The team are currently focused upon dealing with concerns around anti-social behaviour at Hengrove Leisure Park. We continue to receive reports in relation to the anti-social use of motorcycles across the partnership area, and we encourage people to keep reporting such issues. We do now have dedicated PCSOs riding our own off-road motorbikes, and enforcement activity has significantly increased of late.