

A DIVISION - PUBLIC CONSULTATION

INTRODUCTION

1. The purpose of this report is to update Members on the product of public consultation at Police Authority Crime and Drug Teams (PACDTs) in A Division during the period 1 March 2006 to 31 May 2006.

INFORMATION

2. During the period this report covers there were five public consultation meetings held in A Division. A matrix attached at Appendix A shows the results of this consultation and a full breakdown of the issues raised. The top three issues causing the most concern for local residents of this area are (in order of precedence);
 - i. **Complaints against young people** was the issue of most concern raised by local residents, this includes complaints about young people congregating and intimidation by large groups.
 - ii. **Contacting the police/call handling** was the second biggest concern for local people in this area with many still claiming to be unable to successfully get through to anyone using the 0845 number or being unable to contact named officers in connection with ongoing problems.
 - iii. **Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs)** caused a great deal of public debate with many people wanting to know what their remit/powers were and how this would impact on local crime and communities.
3. A review of the consultative arrangements in A Division and the structure of the PACDTs was carried out on 14 March 2006 a full report on the results of the review and further recommendations is included on this agenda at item 15.

DIVISIONAL PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

4. The top two issue raised by the public in A Division are reflected in the Policing Plan 2006 – 09 as key priorities to *“increase pride and respect within neighbourhoods by dealing effectively with anti-social behaviour, criminal damage and other incidents that make communities feel unsafe”* and *“improve the way in which calls from the public are dealt with.”*

5. Current A Division crime performance is set out in the table below.

Issue	January – March 2006 (Comparison Oct – Dec 2005)
Total Crime	Up 9% (3.621/1000 households)
Domestic Burglary	Up 5% (0.258)
Vehicle Crime	Up 13% (0.875)
Robbery	Down 8% (0.025)
Violent Crime	Up 2% (0.139)
Racially Aggravated Offences	Down 18% (0.038)
Drug Offences	Up 209% (1.471)

CDRP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

6. Safer Communities, the Community Safety Partnership for A Division, is currently ranked 15th out of 15 (worse than peers for BCS comparator crimes but showing a clear improvements in dealing with domestic burglary) in their Most Similar CDRP family grouping. BCS comparator crimes include, vehicle theft, burglary, bicycle theft, theft from person, vandalism, common assault, wounding and robbery.

RECOMMENDATIONS

7. It is recommended that: -
- i. That the issues and concerns raised at PACDTs in A Division be fed into the planning of the budget and setting priorities.
 - ii. Matters of operational policing continue to be referred to the Chief Constable for action.
 - iii. The Chief Constable is requested to report to the Authority, under the next agenda item, as to how the issues raised in this report have been resolved.
 - iv. This report is forwarded to all A Division PACDT Chairs for their information.

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Background Documents: iQuanta performance figures

Appendix A

	Grimsby North	Grimsby South	Grimsby Central	Immingham	Clee North	Clee South	Total
Complaints against young people	1	2		1	3	2	9
Anti-Social Behaviour				1	1	1	3
Drug/Alcohol related disorder					1	1	2
Call Handling/Contacting	1	2		1	2	2	8
Response times/feedback	1						1
National/Local restructure		1					1
Criminal damage/Vandalism					1		1
Speeding	1					1	2
Parking/Obstruction		1		1	1		3
Fireworks		1					1
Specials, PCSOs, Wardens	1			1	2	2	6
Motorbikes/Mopeds					1	1	2
Neighbourhood Watch/Community Safety	1				1		2

Grimsby Central has yet to be established due to the lack of definable community in the area which is the town centre shopping district.