

## **B Division Community Consultation Report**

### **INTRODUCTION**

1. This report seeks to inform Members of the Committee of the Humberside Police response to:
  - Community concerns raised by the Police Authority Neighbourhood Panels between 1 June – 31 August 2005;
  - The impact of any local Force and/ or partnership initiatives as a consequence of these concerns and;
  - Any demonstrable movement in performance at a local level that can be measured as a result

### **INFORMATION**

#### **Call Handling / Contacting the Police**

2. Whilst it is acknowledged that this is a topic which is consistently identified as an area of complaint and concern to the public at Neighbourhood Panel meetings, it cannot be answered by the Division alone and therefore is not part of the Division's response to the Committee.

#### **Speeding / Dangerous Driving**

3. Peter Scott from North Lincolnshire Council has been in attendance at panel meetings and has been able to questions regarding the various options for traffic calming measures.
4. Within the Division the speeding issue is primarily dealt with by the Safety Camera Partnership which does have the capacity to respond to community concern.
5. Additionally, B Division Roads Policing Officers are tasked on a fortnightly basis in response to community concerns about speeding, as an example for the last two weeks of August the A18 Scawby Road and Bridge Street are the focus of casualty reduction policing.

#### **Anti Social Behaviour**

6. Divisional analysis has shown that problems relating to groups congregating are low in comparison to previous years. With the exception of Albert Marson Court which is the subject of a Dispersal Order, there are currently no hotspots. Albert Mason Court has also been the subject of

multi-agency problem solving for a number of months, with funding currently being procured to gate off certain areas to deny access.

7. Problem individuals and even problem families have been effectively dealt with by a significant increase in the use of Anti Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs). There have been 12 ASBOs since 1 April and there are 32 in progress at the moment.
8. B Division's number one complaint of anti social behaviour at the moment is in relation to the use of motorcycles. This is being addressed by an enhanced Operation Yokohama over the summer period which is being supported by the Safer Neighbourhoods Tactical Fund. In the longer term, the Safer Neighbourhoods Partnership is continuing to investigate the possibilities of a designated off-road motorcycle riding area to give young people somewhere to go to pursue this type of activity safely.

### **Priority Crime Trends**

9. Total recorded crime is 13% below the same period last year (April to July inclusive), this equates to 888 fewer victims. The 10 British Crime Scene comparator crimes are 6.7% below the same period last year with 274 fewer victims.
10. Dwelling burglary is falling for the third successive year (it fell 27% between 02/03 and 03/04, 24% between 03/04 and 04/05) so far this YTD it has fallen 3.8% and we are ahead of target
11. Vehicle crimes are falling (they fell 30% last year), so far this year they have fallen by 4.7% and the Division is ahead of target.
12. Robberies fell by 35% last year but so far this year there has been a 2.3% increase. However, this amounts to only one extra robbery (45 so far this year compared to 44 over the same period last year). The Division is missing the target by 5. Every robbery is micro managed but there is concern that the NCRS rules are adversely affecting performance, the Division believes that there are robberies that it strongly suspects did not happen (i.e. claims to get another benefit payout) but cannot prove they did not happen.
13. Violent crime fell by 9.7% last year and so far this year is 20% less than the same period last year but B Division is behind the very challenging target by 20%. The Division does have a very positive arrest policing policy for domestic violence and also swamps the town centre on a weekend with a very effective public disorder operational plan which is having an impact. Nonetheless, it is difficult to get much below last years weekly average of 77 violent crimes. The Division's weekly target for this year is no more than 59, and in the week that this report has been written, the Division has had only 53.

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Background Papers: B Division Public Consultation