

C 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. C Division has established a Road Traffic Department in recognition of the benefits that it would bring. The Department operates with an Inspector, four sergeants and nineteen constables. The units are currently located at Howden, Bridlington and Haltemprice (Kirkella) with Road Traffic Units to be based at Howden and Driffield as soon as accommodation issues can be resolved.
4. All of the staff within the Road Traffic Department are task driven within the National Intelligence Model (NIM) principle. Deployment and performance measures are linked to Divisional the Daily Management Meeting (DMM) process, Divisional and Force tasking, crime and casualty reduction issues, and serious and fatal road accident investigations.
5. There will soon be the introduction of a designated Casualty Reduction Officer. This has been agreed by Senior Management Team, Inspector Cockerline and other interested parties within the Division.
6. Regular targeted speed enforcement is completed within the 933 square miles of the East Riding and the thirteen LPT areas. The locations and tasking are directed from a number of sources, but usually focus on Killed and Serious

Injury (KSI) collisions reduction issues, LPT concerns, public concerns and routine operational patrol.

7. LPT Commanders have some capacity and do operate tactics for speed enforcement process, but only those with trained staff to operate the “pro laser” equipment at their LPT base.
8. The Humberside Police Safety Camera Partnership regularly deploys its “camera vans” to any of the twenty seven designated sites within C Division. To put this level of enforcement into context within the Force area, there are a total of eighty one designated sites in the Humberside Police area.
9. Since April 2005, Divisional financial funding of £6000 has already been allocated to enhance speed enforcement tactics within C Division; this is in addition to other budget expenditure at LPT level, and targets specific “local” initiatives or campaigns. The Division has supported several Force initiatives with staffing and finance involvement, the latest being £2000 allocated in July, from a Divisional budget, to Head Quarters Traffic Management and their pro – active work in the Divisions.
10. In recognition that public awareness and co-operation is vital to any impact in casualty reduction performance, regular messages are delivered to the media regarding speed enforcement and the risks excessive speed can create.
11. A continuous positive dialogue is taking place with the Highways Agency and the East Riding County Council (ERCC) in relation to traffic management, the impact of new warning signs, road markings and the consideration of new speed restrictions in village or town locations.
12. High Visibility patrol, “marked police vehicle presence” and public reassurance within any LPT are objectives we aim to achieve, whether in speed enforcement issues or general routine policing demands. The concerns of the public voiced at any Neighbourhood Panel meeting are taken seriously and every effort is made to resolve or at least minimise those concerns, proportional to other operational demands.

Alcohol Related and Anti Social Behaviour

13. A well established operational and Divisional funding capacity is given to alcohol related crime and public disorder via PC Chapman and PC Beeforth within the Divisional Licensing Department. This positive area of policing with the East Riding not only tackles the enforcement of licensing matters, but also contributes to partnership working with licensees, brewery companies, and the Council and Court licensing departments.
14. Throughout the year there are specific and targeted locations or “hot spots” that have been found to be subject of incidents linked to alcohol or anti social behaviour, again this activity is based on the NIM.
15. An extremely productive working partnership with East Riding Safe Communities is in place regarding Anti Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs) and

to date there are thirty three ASBOs (court orders) in being within the East Riding. This figure does not include those other applications not approved by the Courts or the several which are currently in the investigation phase. Members of the ERCC ASBO team regularly attend the Neighbourhood Panel meetings to listen to those public concerns at first hand and respond accordingly.

16. Again, via the DMM, NIM and the Divisional tasking process, the areas of crime, anti social behaviour and alcohol related incidents are targeted with LPT, Divisional, Special Constabulary, Operational Support Section and other Force resources on a daily, weekly and monthly profile. BCU funding is always considered and spent at LPT or Divisional level in this area of policing.
17. Covert operations have been and are currently in place in relation to alcohol and drug misuse within C Division.
18. The targeting of suspected repeat offenders of anti social behaviour or alcohol related crime and disorder is a tool used at LPT and DIB levels, in conjunction with partners from the community and East Riding Council Safe Communities.
19. High Visibility patrol and public reassurance at key events are always managed and assessed for the correct level of policing and any possible impact to the public. An example being the twenty increasingly popular and well attended Beverley Racecourse meetings which automatically increase the potential for public disorder /anti social behaviour /alcohol linked incidents, but addressed in a proportionate and structured response of police activity.

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Background Papers: C Division Public Consultation