



## HUMBERSIDE POLICE AUTHORITY

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### POLICE AUTHORITY PLEASED WITH PERFORMANCE

Members of Humberside Police Authority's Performance Committee have carefully scrutinised the performance of Humberside Police over 2008-09, concluding that overall it is a very positive picture.

A report presented by the Deputy Chief Constable, David Griffin, highlighted the continued improvements that have been made during the past year.

Attention was drawn to the reduction in the number of reported incidents of anti-social behaviour, an area in which the Police Authority had specifically asked to see improvement. The Force recorded an overall drop of 5% in anti-social behaviour, a fall of 2664 incidents, of which 2560 were in North East Lincolnshire.

Alene Branton, MBE, Chair of the Police Authority, said: "The Authority has made anti-social behaviour of its priorities, as we know from local people that this is one of the things that concerns them most. It also has a great impact on local confidence, something that we are keen to improve. It is good to see that the measures in place, including some very effective partnership work with other agencies, are proving successful.

"We will keep this as a priority area and have set some challenging targets for the coming year."

Acquisitive crime (house burglary, vehicle crime and robbery) saw an overall reduction of 9.7% (1618 fewer crimes). This was despite an increase in burglary in three divisions although Kingston Upon Hull Division did record a reduction. The increase was attributed to the current economic climate and the Authority asked that tackling burglary remains a priority in the coming year.

Detections for these crimes also met or exceeded the target set with a total of 2105 crimes detected (13.9%).

Members also noted that there was a reduction in both gun crime and serious violent knife crime, although the overall target for serious violent crime was just missed.

The target for user satisfaction, one of the Authority's key indicators, was met, up by 3.1% on the previous year.

Ms Branton added: "We were particularly pleased to see that the percentage of people satisfied with the service provided has risen. This has increased from 77.5% the previous year to 80.6% in the year ending March 31<sup>st</sup> 2009.

"We hope that this increase will be reflected in the number of people who have confidence that the police and local council are dealing with anti-social behaviour and crimes that matter to them.

"There is no doubt that Humberside Police performance has improved, which reflects the ongoing investment by the Police Authority and the Force's commitment to improve its service delivery."

The total number of recorded crimes for April 08-Mar 09 was 89,705 against 96,831 the previous, meaning there were 7,126 fewer victims of crime in the Humberside Police area.

Further performance figures can be obtained by clicking on the link [http://www.humberside-pa.org.uk/downloads/Reports/Performance\\_0809/Item\\_6 -  
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