



HUMBERSIDE POLICE AUTHORITY

PRESS INFORMATION

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Humberston Police Authority Agrees Local Priorities for Local People

Humberston Police Authority has unveiled its policing priorities for the next twelve months from April 2010-March 2011. These have been carefully developed by the Authority to reflect the views of local residents, partners, community groups and Humberston Police and address their key concerns.

Policing priorities are agreed annually to reflect changing circumstances, forming part of the overall Three Year Strategic Plan which sets a longer term view. They have been agreed following extensive consultation with local people and partners which included the Police Authority's Citizens' Panel and dedicated workshops.

The Policing Priorities for 2010-2011 are:

- Continuing to increase public confidence and satisfaction
- Work with the Local Business Community to improve confidence and tackle their priorities
- Work with partners to reduce and detect the most serious crimes (including burglary and violence) and focus on drug related issues
- Work with partners and the community to manage the risk of anti-social behaviour and criminal damage
- Protecting the public from the threat of terrorism, violent extremism and serious and organised crime
- Ensure Value for Money

Alene Branton MBE, Chair of the Police Authority, said that these local priorities had been based on a tremendous amount of work and research with different people. "We are determined that the way Policing is provided in the Humberston area will meet the expectations of local people," she said. "So we consulted widely with different communities, with businesses, with partners and with the police force. We believe that people will recognise that we have listened to what they have said and responded appropriately.

"The local priorities provide the focus for the first year of our Three-year Strategic Plan which highlights our vision for securing outstanding policing. It also illustrates the level of service that people can expect from Humberston Police, particularly as a result of the Policing Pledge, where Humberston Police was one of just eight forces to be assessed as performing well by HMIC.

“The plan has been developed to help us focus on key areas and build on the recent successes such as the increases in user satisfaction and confidence, the reduction in crimes like burglary, vehicle crime and robbery and the reduction in anti-social behaviour.”

Key Performance Figures to March 2009-February 2010 (compared against the same period the previous year)

- 7,911 fewer crimes in the Humberside Police area (down 9.7%)
- 1,279 fewer domestic burglaries (down 23.9%)
- 721 fewer vehicle thefts (down 28.1%)
- 1004 fewer thefts from a vehicle (down 19.3%)
- 159 fewer robberies (down 22.4%)
- 764 fewer shoplifting offences (down 11.4%)
- 4,451 fewer anti-social behaviour/youths causing annoyance incidents (down 14.1%)
- 1027 fewer criminal damage offences (down 5.9%)
- 292 fewer burglaries at commercial premises (down 17%)

“These figures show how, by setting the challenging targets and addressing the issues that people tell us are of concern to them, the Police Authority really does make a difference,” added Ms Branton. “We are confident that this year’s local priorities aligned within our three year plan will bring still further improvements for local residents.”

The Three-year Strategic Plan, including local targets and priorities for policing the Humberside Police area (from April 2010-March 2013), will be published on March 31st. The plan is firmly focussed on maintaining and improving still further the significant improvements in police performance seen over recent years and meeting public and expectations. It clearly illustrates the Authority’s vision to ensure that local people receive an outstanding police service, which meets their needs and provides value for money.

The full Plan will be available on the Police Authority website: <http://www.humberside-pa.org.uk>, or by contacting the Police Authority on 01482 334818, from 1 April, 2010.

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