



HUMBERSIDE POLICE AUTHORITY

MEDIA INFORMATION

Police Authority's Push for Improved Performance in North Lincolnshire Pays Dividends

On Tuesday 26th July Police Authority Members will meet to hear police performance on crime and anti-social behaviour in North Lincolnshire has significantly improved in the last three months.

Members raised concerns about the failing performance and not meeting Police Authority targets at previous meetings with the Chief Constable and his senior officers.

Since then Members have met with senior officers on a number of occasions seeking explanations as to why crime was going in the wrong direction and what action was being taken to reverse these trends.

The force has responded to those concerns and, as the result of significant effort by police officers and staff in North Lincolnshire, performance has improved considerably over the last three months. The key results for April-June 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 are:

- 184 fewer victims of crime in North Lincolnshire compared to the same period last year - All recorded crime down from 3,808 to 3,624
- 182 (29.6%) fewer victims of domestic burglary, vehicle crime and robbery compared to the same period last year - Serious acquisitive crimes down from 615 to 433
 - Domestic Burglary down from 277 to 187 - Almost a third less victims of burglary compared to the same period last year
 - Theft of or from motor vehicles down from 301 to 218 - Over a quarter less victims of vehicle crime in North Lincolnshire
 - Robbery down from 37 to 28 – Almost a quarter less victims of robbery compared to the same period last year
- 43 fewer victims of violence against the person with injury (down from 386 to 343)

- 43 fewer victims of most serious violence (down from 386 to 343)
- 34 fewer victims of assault with less serious injury (down from 344 to 310)
- 22 fewer victims of repeat anti-social behaviour (down from 829 to 807)
- 50 fewer victims of criminal damage (from 778 to 728)
- North Lincolnshire residents' confidence in local policing up to 84% (12 months to May 2011)
- North Lincolnshire residents stating local police can be relied on to be there when needed is up to 65.7% (from 61.5%)

Commenting on these results Cllr Jawaid Ishaq, Vice Chair of the Police Authority and lead Member for North Lincolnshire, said:

"A key role for the Police Authority is to act as advocates for communities asking searching questions about policing and service delivery, particularly when performance is not as good as it should be. That is what we have been doing for some months now in relation to North Lincolnshire."

"We have a good working relationship with the Chief Constable and his officers and staff. They have responded magnificently to our concerns and put a huge amount of effort into trying to get to the root causes of the problem. I would like to commend them for their hard work particularly as it comes against a background of reducing budgets.

"We will now continue to work closely together with the force so that these results are sustained. Clearly the fact the public of North Lincolnshire have great confidence in the reliability of their local police shows that improved performance is already paying dividends".

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Notes to Editors:

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For the most recent report on Humberside Police performance follow the link: <http://www.humberside-pa.org.uk/about-us/committee-meetings/policing-committee/agendas-minutes-and-reports-2011-12/reports-2011-12/>

Humberside Police Authority's annual report is now available. Visit www.humberside-pa.org.uk and follow the link on the homepage to view the 2010/11 report.

Humberside Police Authority is an independent body that aims to secure the maintenance of an efficient and effective police force for the Humberside Police area. The Authority sets the budget and local objectives for the Force and monitors its performance against targets set.

The Police Authority work with local people to understand what they want from policing and to find out how well policing is being delivered.

The Authority comprises 17 Members - 9 local authority Elected Members from the area's four Unitary Authorities and 8 Independent Members. Local Authority Members are appointed annually and the other Members are appointed for a period of four years.