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Supplementary Information for 12th February 2009 West (Inner) Area Committee

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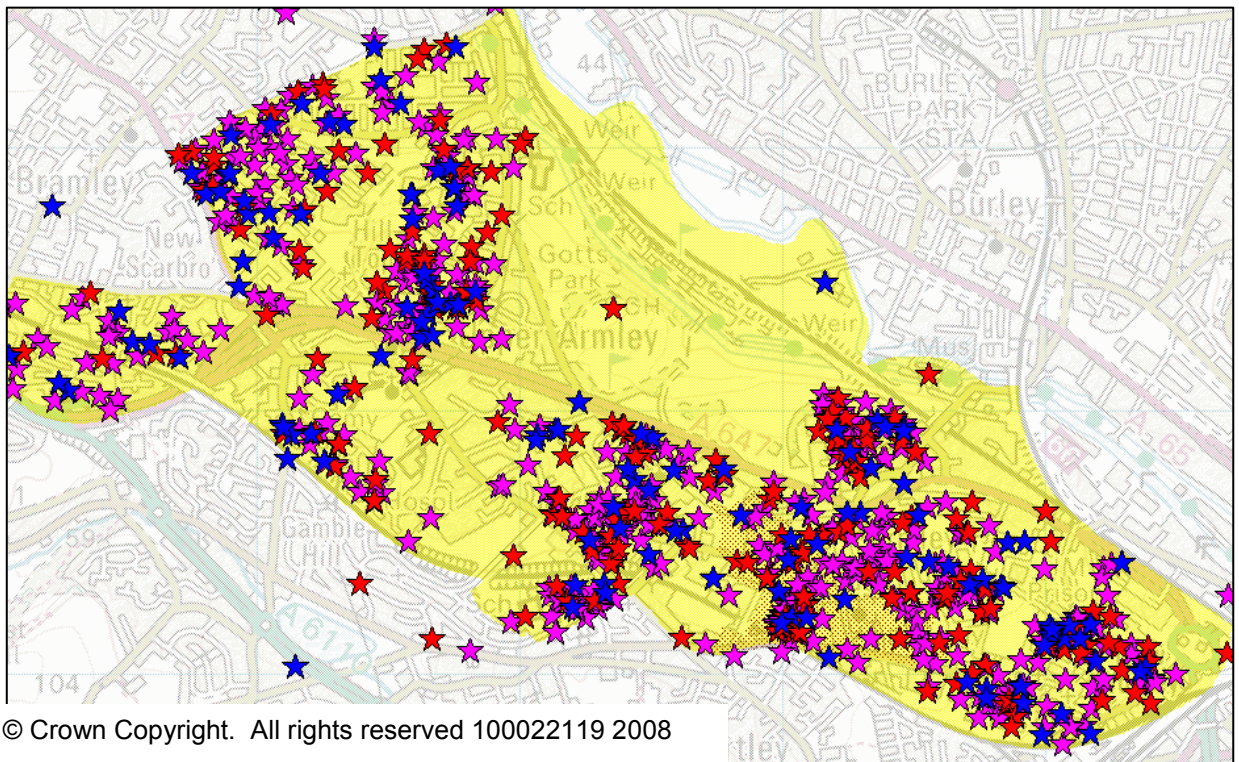
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ASB and Criminal Damage Profile The Cedars, Armley

Introduction

The aim is to provide a detailed analysis of ASB and Criminal Damage in the Cedars, Armley. It is to provide opportunities for intervention and propose recommendations so that management can make an informed decision as to best progress this profile. The reports and charts are based on data from the Crime and Intelligence systems. The time period covered is 1st July 2008-31st December 2008.

Geographical Spread Of ASB and Damage on Ward 04



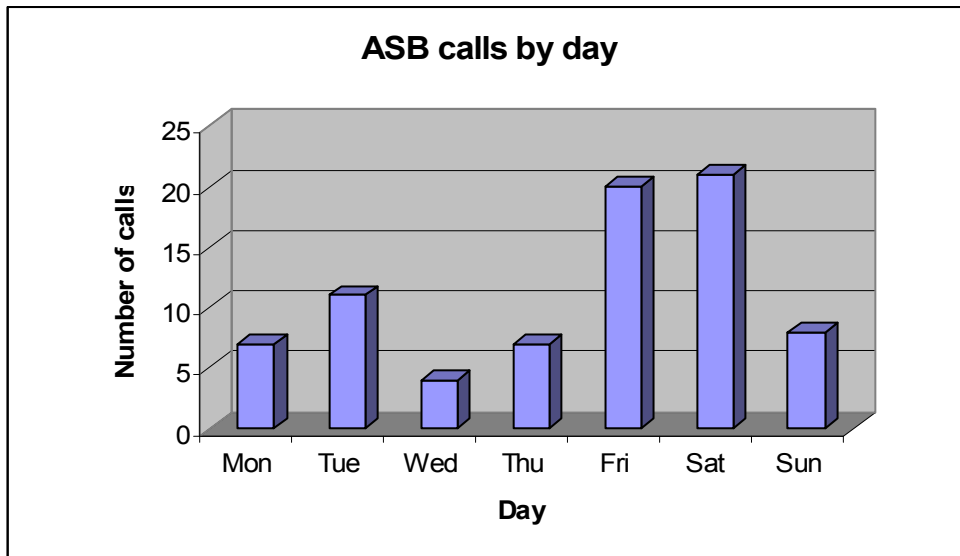
KEY

Blue Stars – Damage to Motor Vehicle
Red Stars – Damage
Pink Stars – ASB
Note – 1* often denotes more than 1 offence

- The above map shows the distribution of ASB, Damage and Damage to Motor Vehicle offences in Armley Ward (Ward 04) between 01/07/08-31/12/08
- From looking at the map above, it is not easy to identify problem areas in ward 04. However grid analysis in blue 8 has identified areas where ASB and damage is most concentrated.
- The tight area around 'The Cedars' was an area where ASB incidents were tightly concentrated.

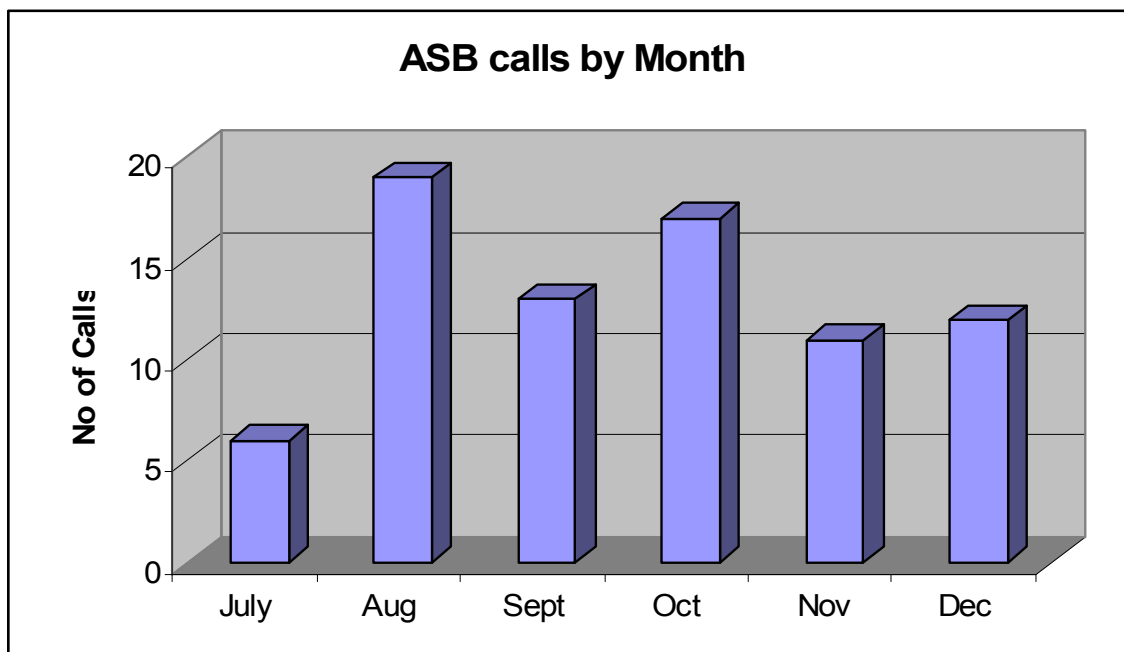
Incident	Count
ASB - Rowdy Behaviour	54
ASB - RNB - Fireworks	7
ASB - Neighbour Disp	4
ASB - Nuisance M-cycle	4
ASB - Veh Related Nuis	3
ASB - Noise	2
ASB - AAMV	1
ASB - Emerg Serv Hoax	1
ASB - Mal Comms	1
ASB - Street Drinking	1
Grand Total	78

- 78 ASB incidents in the 6 month period in the area shaded on the map. This is a 44% increase compared to the same period in 2007.
- 54 of the incidents (69%) were ASB Rowdy behaviour. Incidents generally referred to youths congregating and being rowdy, throwing stones and bricks, smashing bottles, throwing cones and messing with barriers and road works.
- Although only 1 of the incidents was coded as street drinking, 14 of the rowdy behaviour incidents refer to drinking.
- Repeat Streets – Top 3 repeat Streets – Cedar Place (19 incidents), Cedar Avenue (14 incidents) and Cedar Terrace (11 incidents)
- Repeat Locations:
 - 29 Cedar Terrace (4 calls) – all the calls were from the same caller re nuisance youths. 2 of the calls were on the same night.
 - 21 Cedar terrace – (2 calls) - different callers. One call was regarding youths hanging about and throwing things. The other call was regarding lads fighting and also possibly damaging cars.
 - 40 Cedar Place – (2 calls) – Different callers, same date. Both calls regarding large number of youths in area. One caller stated they were between 10 and 17 years.
 - 5 Stanley Terrace – (2 calls) – Same caller regarding ongoing neighbour dispute.

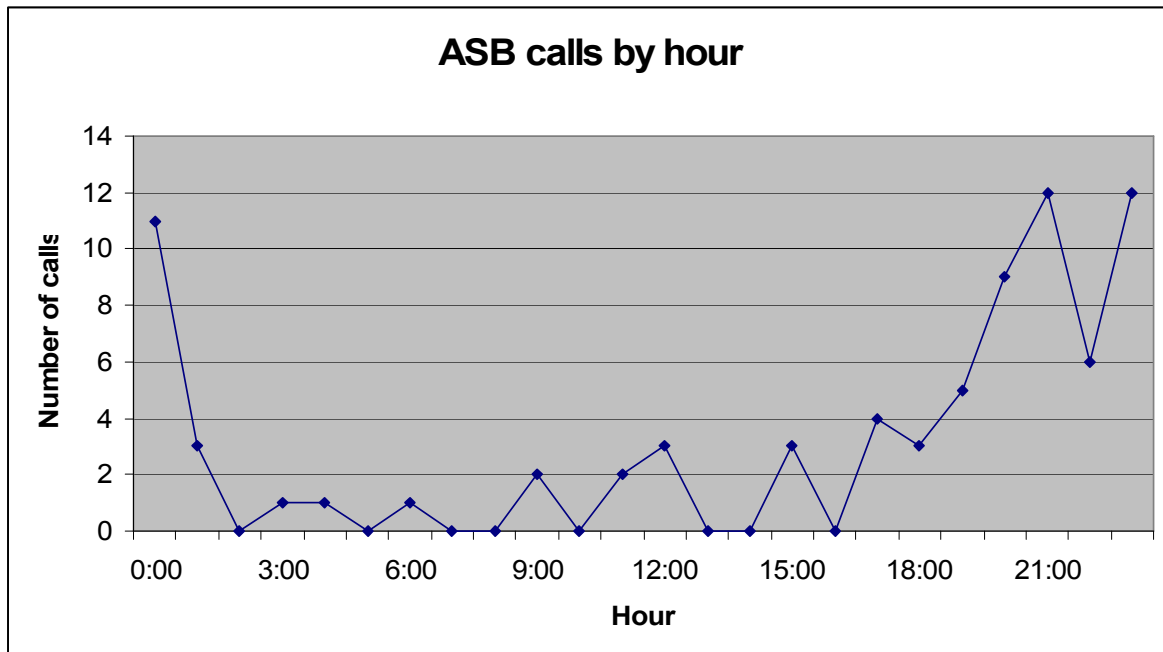


The above graph shows the distribution of reported incidents by day of week.

- Fridays and Saturdays were peak days for reported incidents. 53 % of incidents were reported on a Friday and Saturday. These days are normally those associated with socialising.
- Fewer incidents were reported on a Wednesday.



ASB calls have fluctuated Month by Month. However there were more calls in August and October months. October months may be higher due to lead up to bonfire/mischief night. The month of August is the main summer holiday month and ASB usually increases generally during this month.



Frequency of Occurrence

The above graph shows the distribution of ASB incidents by the hour they were reported.

- ASB incidents are low during the daytime
- The level of offending begins to increase from late afternoon to early evening
- 64% of offences take place between the hours of 2000hrs and 0000hrs which coincide with the times youths usually hang about/socialise.

Damage

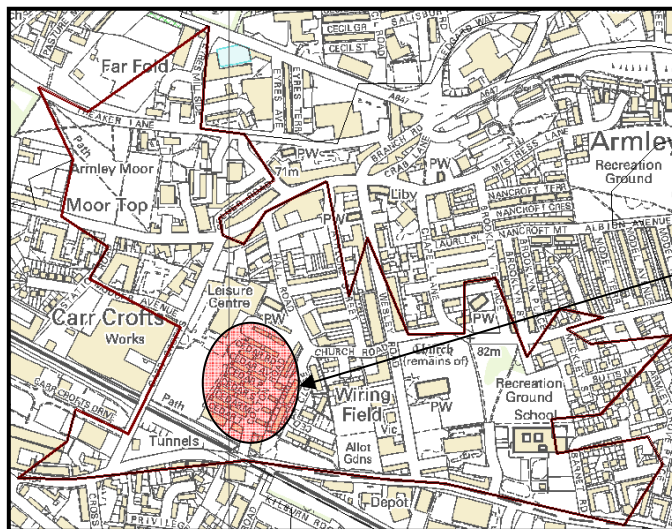
- 16 damage incidents in the shaded area on the map in the 6 month period. This is a reduction from 19 offences in the same period in 2007.
- 13 damage to dwelling incidents and 3 damage Non – Specific.
- The damage to dwelling incidents were mainly smashed windows with stones/bricks/bottles. There were also 3 offences where graffiti has been written on walls.
- Top 3 Repeat Streets - Cedar Place (5), Cedar Close (5) and Cedar Terrace (3).
- Peak Times – Peak time for offences was between 21:00 – 01:30.
- Detections – 3 out of the 16 offences were detected (19%)

DTMV

- 4 Offences in the 6 month period in the area shaded on the map. This is a reduction from 6 offences in the same period in 2007.
- In 3 offences stones/bricks had been thrown at vehicles and the in other offence, the door of a vehicle had been kicked.

Socio demographics

The following statistics are taken from www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk



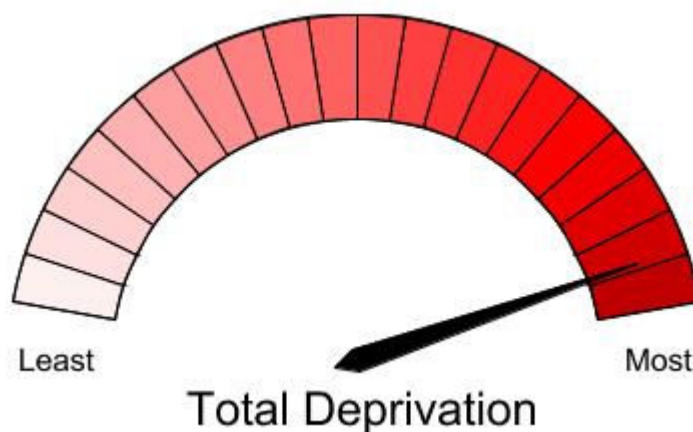
The Cedars (LS12 1TN) are within the analytical area 'Leeds 071B', part of the wider Armley ward.

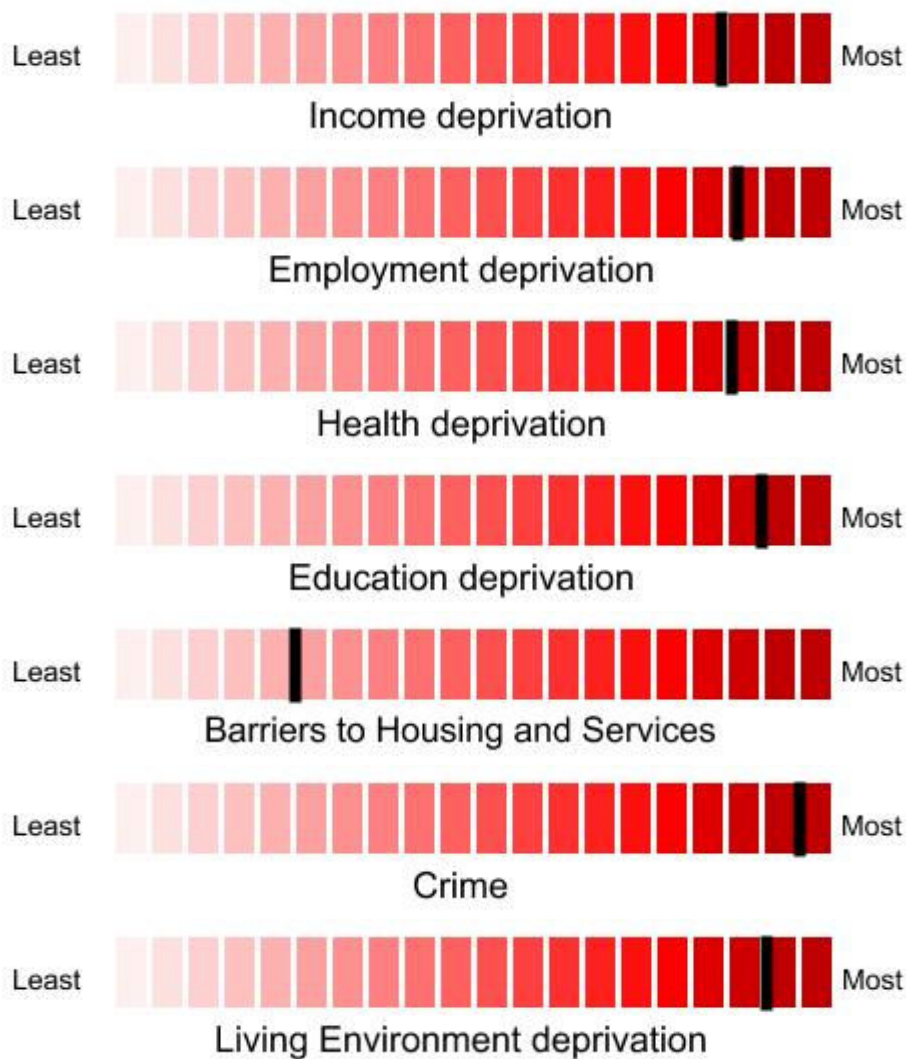
The Cedars

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Note: these data are taken from the Indices of Deprivation 2007]

Leeds 071B : estimated total 1,548 residents



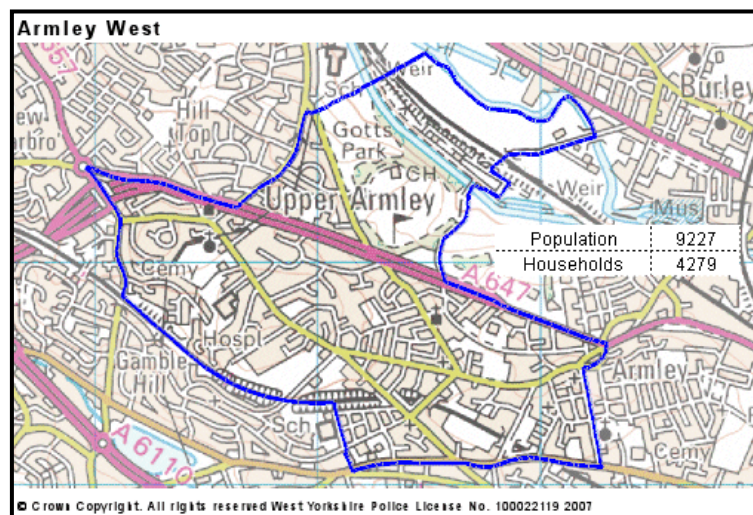


Sources: Communities and Local Government; Office for National Statistics; Valuation Office Agency

- The density of housing is above average for the Leeds area.
- 17.5% of inhabitants are aged 0-15, a further 24.5% are aged 16-29.
- Data on Ethnicity is not available for this neighbourhood, but in 2006, 7.9% of the inhabitants were identified as 'Muslim', well above the Leeds and national average of ~3%.
- 26% of inhabitants are in receipt of some form of working age benefit (compared to 13% across Leeds and 14% nationally.) 5% are on Jobseeker's allowance (compared to 3% in Leeds and 2% nationally) and 13% are on incapacity benefit (compared to 6% in Leeds and 7% nationally).
- 47% of school age inhabitants achieved 5+ GCSEs at grade A*-C compared to 57% for Leeds and 60% nationally.

Historical Crime Overview

The following statistics were taken from : www.beatcrime.info on 07/01/08– a West Yorkshire Police Authority website - and refer to the whole Armley West region.



	Over The Last 12 Months	For Every 1000 Households			
Armley West	Total For This Area	In The Area	In This Division	In This District	In West Yorkshire
Burglary Dwelling	212	49.5	30.2	28	22.9
Vehicle Crime	255	27.6	13.2	14.8	14.2
Anti-Social Behaviour	726	78.7	46	57.6	59.5
Criminal Damage	379	41.1	21.7	24.4	23.4
Violent Crime	140	15.2	7.3	10	9.3
Serious Violent Crime	4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3

Burglary Dwelling, Vehicle Crime, Anti-Social Behaviour and Criminal Damage are all well above the divisional, district and West Yorkshire averages. Violent Crime is also above average, although the figures are smaller, especially for Serious Violent Crime.

Beatcrime also allows comparison with the previous year's data. Since July 08 there has been a noticeable increase in Vehicle Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour, but a decrease in Violent Crime compared with the previous year.

Recommendations

- Improve street lighting and consider CCTV coverage in area
- Increased Police patrols during peak times
- Consider carrying out a Neighbourhood Survey to identify key individuals with a view to getting ASB Orders.
- Find out if there are there any licensed premises nearby and if so are they serving alcohol to under age youths.
- Continue to monitor ASB and damage in the area to identify any seasonal problems.
- Repeat addresses need to be monitored in order to identify any problem families or vulnerable individuals.
- Existing ASB orders to be distributed to residents in a name and shame policy. This will highlight nominals and restrictions on their activity and conduct, and promote the flow of intelligence back to the police force whilst engaging the community.

LEGAL NOTICE

FOR THE DISPERSAL OF GROUPS AND REMOVAL OF PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF 16 TO THEIR HOME ADDRESS

West Yorkshire Police and the Local Authority have both agreed that there are grounds to believe that members of the public have been intimidated, harassed, alarmed or distressed as a result of the presence or behaviour of two or more persons, and that anti-social behaviour is a significant and persistent problem in the locality detailed below:

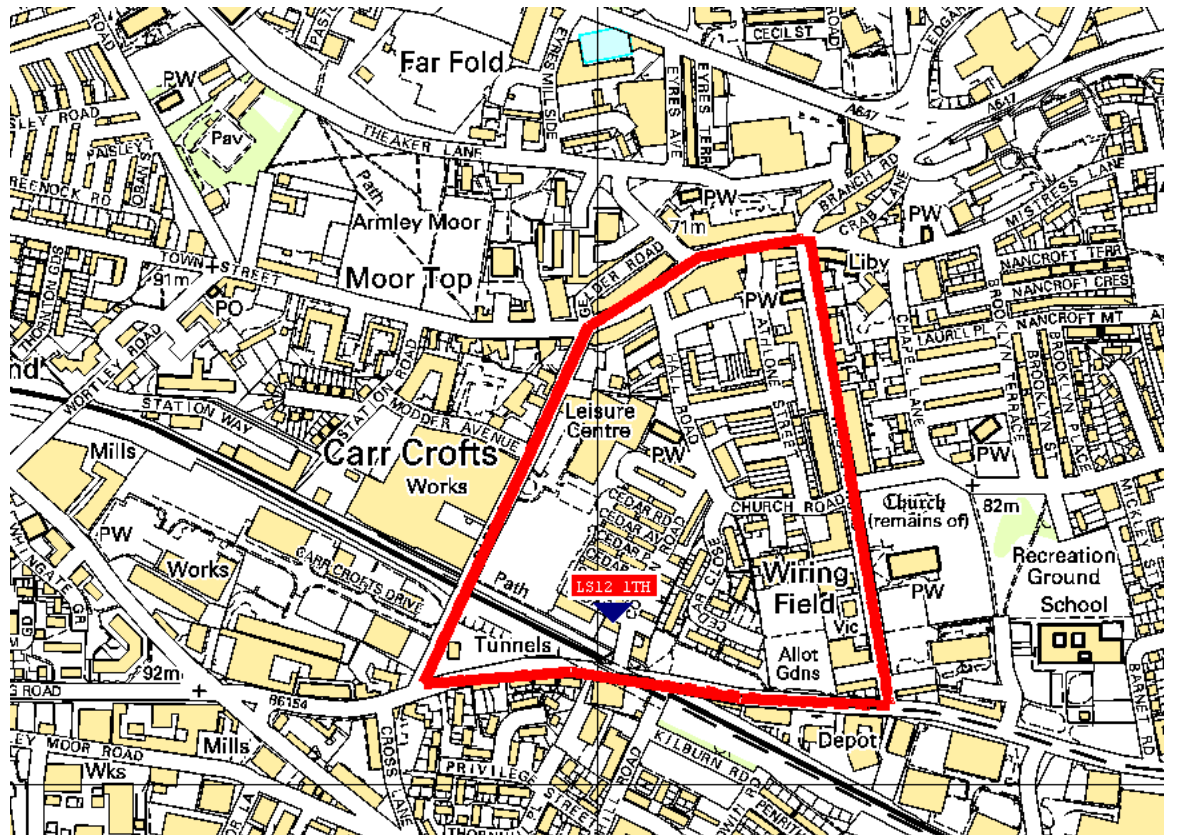
RELEVANT LOCALITY:

Armley, Leeds

Describe boundaries.

(Use in conjunction with a map where appropriate)

The area bounded by Tong Road, Carr Crofts, Armley Town Street and Wesley Road, Leeds 12



RELEVANT PERIOD: From: 1 March 2009 To: 1 August 2009

I, Keith Gillert, Superintendent, West Yorkshire Police, with the consent of Leeds City Council, being the relevant Local Authority, hereby authorise uniformed Constables and Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) to disperse groups as defined under Part 4 of the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003 from the above area during the relevant period detailed above:

DIRECTIONS:

During the period specified above, a Constable or PCSO in uniform may give one or more of the following directions:

- Tell people in the group to leave the area (either immediately, or at a stated time and in a stated way).
- Tell people who don't live in the area to leave (either immediately, or at a stated time and in a stated way).
- Tell people who don't live in the area not to return to the area, or any part of it, for such period (not exceeding 24 hours) from when the direction was given, as specified.

IF YOU ARE UNDER 16:

You are not allowed to be in this locality between the hours of **9pm and 6am**, unless you are under the effective control of a parent or responsible person over the age of 18.

You may be removed to your home, or place of safety if more appropriate.

TAKE NOTE:

To remain in, or return to, this area having been told to leave, may be an offence under Section 30(4) of the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003, punishable by 3 months imprisonment and / or a fine of up to £5000.

A notice will be displayed in the affected area announcing the end of the authority when it no longer applies. For further information, contact Pudsey Police Station on 0113 2414888.

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