

Report of the Assistant Chief Executive Planning Policy and Improvement

Report to West (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 27th June 2012

Subject: Community Safety Report

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	🛛 Yes	🗌 No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):		
Armley, Bramley & Stanningley wards		
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	🗌 Yes	🛛 No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	🗌 Yes	🖂 No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	🗌 Yes	🖂 No
If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number:		
Appendix number:		

Summary of main issues

- 1. This reports discusses resent Crime Statistics for Inner West
- 2. Acquisitive crime . Burglary remains a priority for the North West Division and Safer Leeds partnership with additional resource allocated to reduce burglary across the city.
- 3. Partnership Action Days
 - Targeting partnership actions to tackle concerns of Anti-social behaviour in Inner West

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Area Committee is asked to:
 - note the report and offer comment

3. Purpose of this report

3.1 This report provides the opportunity for Inspector Mark Wheeler to provide the Inner West Area Committee with information on crime trends, partnership initiatives and future joint projects between Leeds City Council and West Yorkshire Police in Inner West.

4. Background information

4.1 The North West Divisional Community Safety Partnership is responsible for delivering actions to reduce crime and disorder in the West Wedge. It is made up of representatives from key statutory agencies.

5. Main issues

- 5.1 Community Safety is one of the priority areas for the Area Committee. Regular reports are received from Community Safety and West Yorkshire Police on key issues and activity in the Inner West Area.
- 5.2 The Multi Agency Tasking group meets every 6 week working from an intelligence packager produced by the analysts at Safer Leeds. The membership includes; Safer Leeds (Co-chair), Police (Co-chair), Area Support Team, West North West Homes, Fire Service, Youth service, Youth Offending Team, Environmental Action Team, Signpost, and Leeds Anti Social Behaviour Team (LASBT). The group aims to direct partnership resources to tackle the priorities set by the Divisional Partnership, from the safer Leeds intelligence product and from local agency intelligence. The tasking meetings include Environmental priorities that have an impact on Neighbourhoods.
- 5.3 Crime Trends The 3rd June 2012 was week 9 of the new "crime recording year." So far this crime recording year there has been 177 less victims of crime.

Both house burglary and other burglary has continued to fall, with 86 less victims of house burglary and 21 less victims of other burglary so far (further details in section 5.4 onwards) Since October 2011, Bramley & Stanningley ward has gone from being a ward of "very high concern" re house burglary, down to a ward of "low concern" in Feb and April 2012. Armley ward remains "an area of some concern."

Whilst reducing house burglary will continue to be West Inner's number 1 crime priority, we also have to mindful of vehicle crime offences, which have seen a significant increase. Up to the date in question there have been 33 more offences of theft from vehicle compared to 2011. It is possible that due to the resources and initiatives put into burglary that car crime is now seen as an easier crime of choice and work is ongoing to promote crime prevention awareness specific to vehicles.

5.4 **Burglary**

Burglary remains a priority for the North West Division and Safer Leeds partnership with additional resource allocated to reduce burglary across the city.

There has been a number of initiates to reduce burglary in Inner West these include:

5.5 Operation Optimal -

This is based on "near neighbour" model:

- S Highest payoff for lowest effort
- § Burglars offend around where they know
- § Offences often cluster in areas ("hotspots")
- § Offenders are more likely to operate at specific times and days.

How It works

Highest **risk** is close to previous burglary:

- S Close in SPACE (highest risk in 400m area)
- S Close in TIME (risk reduces after 3 weeks)

Analyse of burglary with 400m "buffer" coloured by age of offence:

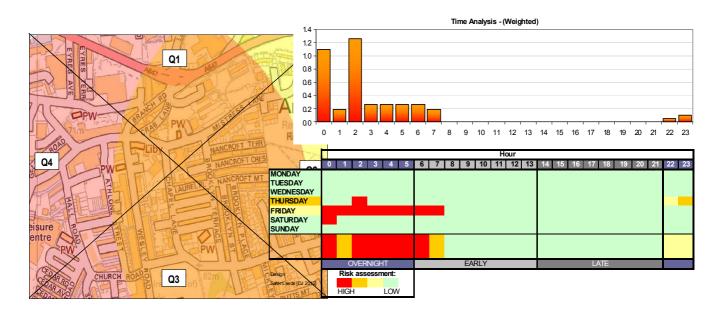
- § Blue = 3 to 2 weeks old
- § Yellow = 2 to 1 weeks old
- S Red = 1 week old or less

Highest **risk** is in areas where all 3 buffers cross over **RECENT** and **NEAR**

S Only works for short term predictions (has to be very recent crime

North West Leeds analytical team briefed and trained

- □ The Process went "live" 5th March
- □ Report produced with areas of concern and risk times/ dates 3 times a week (to
- □ keep data current)



Police Tactical Response

- □ Optimal requires ownership & accountability
- Clear Senior Management Team leadership
- Accountable patrolling in areas of risk at relevant times
- □ Additional resources (police and partner) focused into risk areas and surroundings
- Cocoon target hardening

5.6 It Only Takes a minute Campaign

In March the Police launch " It Only Takes a Minute " Campaign to raise awareness of the lighter nights and sneak- in burglary. Traditionally there is an increase in burglary throughout the spring and summer months and this campaign is to give out crime prevention advice at every opportunity and through a Varity of medias. The Safer Leeds Partnership have provided leaflets/posters and postcards to deliver this message Leeds. Within West Leeds there have been a number of promotions at

supermarkets, local forums and posted in address identified as being at risk of burglary.

5.7 Armley & Bramley Burglary Reduction Plan

Outcome Based Accountability. Safer Leeds has adopted the Outcome Based Accountability problem solving model to deliver improvements in reducing burglary. The model aims to look at the desired outcome as the starting point, examining the indicators which can be used to measure the outcome, working out what the performance is now, examining what is driving the (burglary) problem, and looking at solutions that have worked in the past to tackle problems, focusing on biggest gains for least effort. The model is delivered through multi agency stakeholder discussions and work is collected in an action plan which is updated at the Multi Agency Tasking

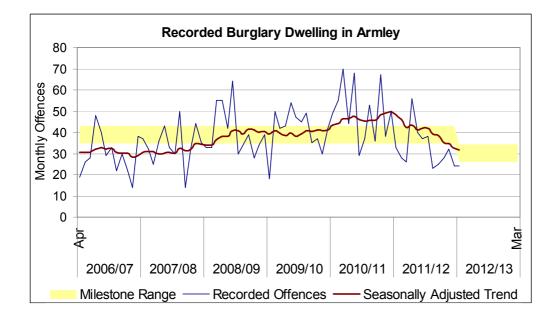
Ward Risk Management: The chart below shows that there has been a slight increase of 5.3% in the Armley ward for burglary compared with the previous quarter, and a 54.1% decreased in burglary in the Bramley and Stanningley ward.

	May-11	Jun-11	Jul-11	Aug-11	Sep-11	Oct-11	Nov-11	Dec-11	Jan-12	Feb-12	Mar-12	Apr-12	12 Month		Colour Key Very High Concern
Ward	Ĕ	٦٢	2	Au	Se	ŏ	ž	å	Ja	Ъе	Ň	Ap	Total	% Change	High Concern
Hyde Park & Woodhouse													579	-28.5%	
Burmantofts & Richmond Hill													408	126.2%	Some Concern
Headingley													397	-38.3%	Low Concern
Armley													381	5.3%	Strategic Area
Bramley & Stanningley													373	-54.1%	enalogiovirou
Gipton & Harehills													367	-22.4%	
Killingbeck & Seacroft													351	-54.3%	
Kirkstall													322	-14.3%	
Chapel Allerton													306	-29.5%	
Cross Gates & Whinmoor													297	-6.3%	
Farnley & Wortley													290	9.5%	
Calverley & Farsley													250	-8.8%	
Weetwood													242	-16.7%	
Roundhay													233	18.2%	
Moortown													231	-37.7%	
Pudsey													230	-29.2%	
Temple Newsam													222	-57.4%	
Beeston & Holbeck													218	-32.9%	
Middleton Park													206	46.8%	
City & Hunslet													201	8.3%	
Alwoodley													160	-16.3%	
Horsforth													148	25.9%	
Adel & Wharfedale													147	-53.3%	
Morley North													143	-25.0%	
Rothwell													98	-28.6%	
Harewood													96	0.0%	
Morley South													96	-48.4%	
Garforth & Swillington													85	-25.0%	
Otley & Yeadon													83	17.6%	
Guiseley & Rawdon													82	-64.0%	
Ardsley & Robin Hood													79	-23.8%	
Kippax & Methley													78	35.3%	
Wetherby													75	40.0%	

Ward Risk Management

5.8 Armley Burglary Progress Plan April 2012

Offences changed by -27% in April 2012 compared with the same period last year. The seasonally adjusted average is within the Milestone Range. The year to date average is 24 offences per month and progress is consistent with achieving Milestone 2 in 2012/13.



Month	Offences	Average To Date
Apr-12	24	24
May-12		
Jun-12		
Jul-12		
Aug-12		
Sep-12		
Oct-12		
Nov-12		
Dec-12		
Jan-13		
Feb-13		
Mar-13		
Year to Date		

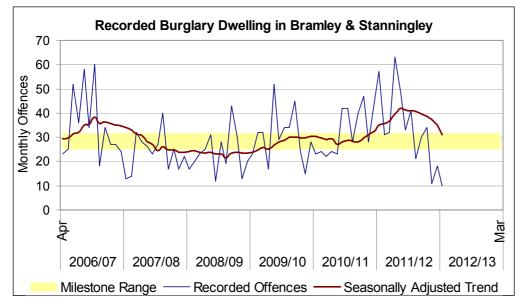
Month	Cumulative 2012-13	Cumulative 2011-12	Change			
Apr	24	33	-9			
Мау		61				
Jun		87				
Jul		143				
Aug		183				
Sep		220				
Oct		258				
Nov		281				
Dec		306				
Jan		334				
Feb		366				
Mar		390				
-27% Change Year to Date						

Milestones

Milestone 2 is to reach the lower level of the Milestone Range, at 27 offences per month this would equate to 324 offences per year, a reduction of 16.9% from the annual offence total for 2011/12.

5.9 Bramley Burglary Progress Plan April 2012

Offences changed by -82% in April 2012 compared with the same period last year. The seasonally adjusted average is at the upper end of the Milestone Range. The year to date average is 10 offences per month and progress is consistent with achieving Milestone 2 in 2012/13.



Month	Offences	Average To Date
	Offences	To Date
Apr-11	10	10
May-11		
Jun-11		
Jul-11		
Aug-11		
Sep-11		
Oct-11		
Nov-11		
Dec-11		
Jan-11		
Feb-11		
Mar-11		
Year to		
Date		

Month	Cumulative 2012-13	Cumulative 2011-12				
Apr	10	57				
Мау		88				
Jun		120				
Jul		183				
Aug		232				
Sep		265				
Oct		306				
Nov		327				
Dec		357				
Jan		391				
Feb		402				
Mar		420				
-82% Change Year to Date						

Milestones

Milestone 1 is to reach the lower level of the Milestone Range, at 25 offences per month this would equate to 300 offences per year, a reduction of 28.6% from the annual offence total for 2011/12.

5.10 Anti-Social Behaviour

The main hotspot for complaints of Anti-social behaviour during the April/ May period have focussed in and around the Armley Town Street area.

A meeting took place in May with the police and partners to issues raised from local business and residents in relation concerns about ASB, Street Drinking, the old Theaker Lane clinic and the Geldard Road shops. An partnership action plan has been drawn up focussing on short, medium and longer term actions to address issues, and will be progressed through the partnership.

A reassurance/fact finding day has been arranged for Thursday 30th May which will form part of a on going scoping exercise to establish first hand from business and residents the key issues. The feedback gained from the scoping exercise will be shared with the Armley ward members, partner agencies, and local residents via the Area Committee and Armley Forum.

The NPT have recently received emails from potential police volunteers from within the Eastern European community and meetings are being arranged with them to assess their suitability.

5.11 Community Engagement & Reassurance

5.12 Multi Agency Action Day

A reassurance multi -agency action day coordinated by Community Safety and the Police was held on the Wythers on 3rd April 2012 due to pockets of anti-social behaviour, and lower levels of customer satisfaction . On the day over 112 questionnaire were completed which identified a number of concerns at a street level ranging from .anti social behaviour with specific families, environmental issues such as fly tipping, criminal damage, noise nuisance, and concerns about youth ASB. In addition to this over 400 crime prevention leaflets were distributed with the only takes a minute campaign, 9000kg of rubbish cleared behind Armley ridge Road with a further 400kg cleared off fly tipping by the estate caretakers. The Environmental Action Team carried out an environmental audit and identified 33 jobs to follow up and consulted with over 40 residents on a number of issues including dog fouling, bins on streets and overgrown vegetation. The Health service took the bus onto the Wythers and 20 local people called onto the bus and discussion were had about pursuing healthy living activities in the area. Alongside the bus was a member of staff from the dog Trust who were offering free dogs chipping. On the day 10 dogs were chipped and 8 owners issued with spraying vouchers. The police and partners received a number of worthy intelligence reports to follow up on, and overall the day of action was seen as positive for both partnerships and the community.

6.0 Corporate Considerations

6.1 Consultation and Engagement

The projects highlighted in this report will include consultation and engagement under the theme of crime and anti social behaviour with the aim of providing crime reduction advice and to increase reporting.

6.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

Engagement events and projects take account of equality and diversity in their delivery. Considerations such as date, time, venue, access all have an impact on equality and diversity in relation to ensuring events are accessible to all members of the community.

6.3 **Council Policies and City Priorities**

Effectively tackling crime and anti social behaviour is a strategic priority in the Safer Leeds Plan 2011-2015.

6.4 **Resources and Value for Money**

Projects and work highlighted in this report have been funded through a mixture of Safer Leeds, Area Committee, West North West Homes Leeds, Positive Activities for Young People. Further opportunities for partnership funding will be explored through the coming year.

6.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

There are no legal implications or access to information issues for this report. This report is not subject for call in.

6.6 Risk Management

Risk implications and mitigation are considered for each project.

7 Conclusions

7.1 The report outlines the work of the North West Divisional Community Safety partnership and the multi-agency tasking groups who develop and deliver projects some of which are supported through the Area Committee's Well-Being budget. These are projects which assist in supporting the work programme of the Area Management Team.

8 Recommendations

8.1 The West (Inner) Area Committee is requested to note the contents of the report.

9 Background documents

9.1 None