

Report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods

Report to West (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 6th July 2012

Subject: Community safety Report

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Calverley & Farsley, Farnley & Wortley, Pudsey Wards	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

1. This report discusses recent crime statistics for Outer West Leeds;
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;
4. Targeting partnership actions to tackle concerns around anti-social behaviour in Outer West Leeds.

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 Richard Cawkwell and Gill Hunter to provide the Outer West Area Committee with information on crime trends, partnership initiatives and future joint projects between Leeds City Council and West Yorkshire Police in Outer 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 area. 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 Outer 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 Burglary

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

The chart below shows the ranking of wards for burglary across the city and highlights the localities of concern. Currently there are no wards in Outer West that are localities of concerns. Farnley and Wortley ward have seen an increase in burglary, at the end of the year burglary was up slightly by 9.5% with Farsley and Calverley showing downward trends by 8.8% with Pudsey ward seeing the greatest reduction of 29.2 % .

During the last few months there have been a number of targeted operations to tackle burglary and other crime types working with partners via the Outer West multi-agency tasking meetings.

Ward Risk Management

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 Total	3 Month % Change	Colour Key
Hyde Park & Woodhouse	Very High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	579	-28.5%	Very High Concern High Concern Some Concern Low Concern Strategic Area
Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	Very High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	408	126.2%	
Headingley	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	397	-38.3%	
Armley	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	381	5.3%	
Bramley & Stanningley	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	373	-54.1%	
Gipton & Harehills	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	367	-22.4%	
Killingbeck & Seacroft	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	351	-54.3%	
Kirkstall	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	322	-14.3%	
Chapel Allerton	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	306	-29.5%	
Cross Gates & Whinmoor	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	297	-6.3%	
Farnley & Wortley	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	290	9.5%	
Calverley & Farsley	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	250	-8.8%	
Weetwood	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	242	-16.7%	
Roundhay	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	233	18.2%	
Moortown	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	231	-37.7%	
Pudsey	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	230	-29.2%	
Temple Newsam	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	222	-57.4%	
Beeston & Holbeck	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	218	-32.9%	
Middleton Park	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	206	46.8%	
City & Hunslet	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	201	8.3%	
Alwoodley	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	160	-16.3%	
Horsforth	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	148	25.9%	
Adel & Wharfedale	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	147	-53.3%	
Morley North	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	143	-25.0%	
Rothwell	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	98	-28.6%	
Harewood	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	96	0.0%	
Morley South	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	96	-48.4%	
Garforth & Swillington	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	85	-25.0%	
Otley & Yeadon	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	83	17.6%	
Guiseley & Rawdon	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	82	-64.0%	
Ardsley & Robin Hood	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	79	-23.8%	
Kippax & Methley	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	78	35.3%	
Wetherby	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	High Concern	75	40.0%	

5.4 Operation Optimal - -

Operation Optimal is based on “near neighbour” model:

- § 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:

- § Close in SPACE (highest risk in 400m area)
- § 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
- § Red = 1 week old or less

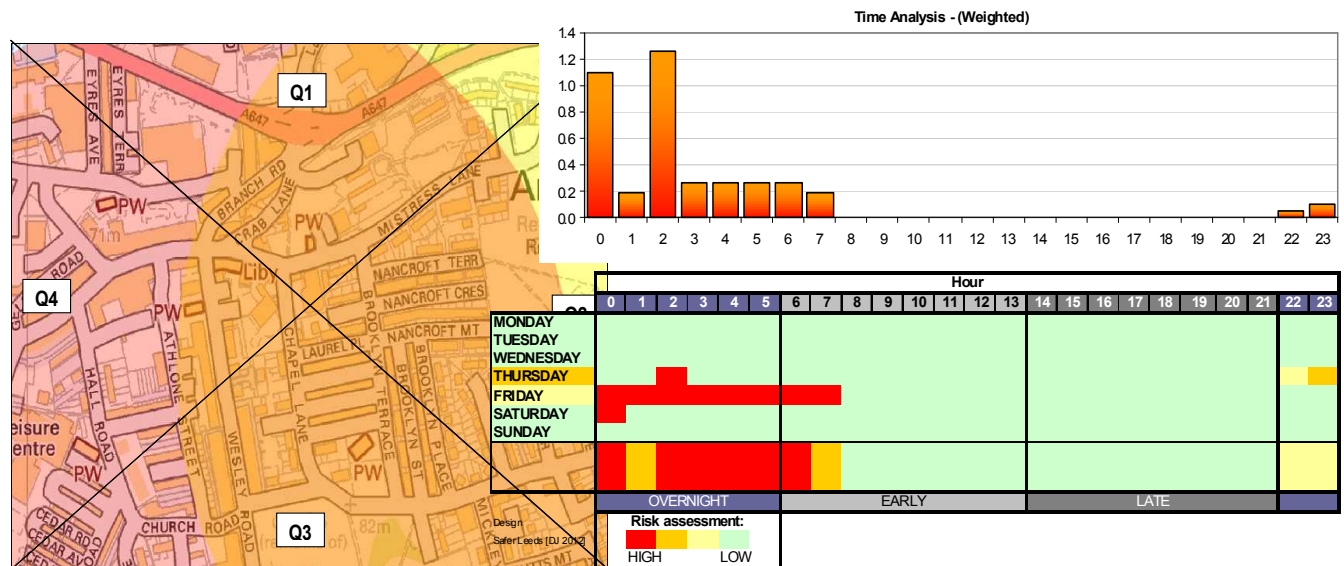
Highest **risk** is in areas where all 3 buffers cross over **RECENT** and **NEAR**

- § 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)

Example



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

5.5 Successes

At the time of preparing this report the recorded number of burglary dwelling for the west outer wards stands at a cumulative number of 71, this is 81 fewer offences than at this point last year. This equates to over 50% reduction for the first 9 weeks of the crime recording year. This forms part of overall reductions in recorded crime which shows a cumulative total of 809 offences which is a fall of 212 offences compared to the corresponding time last year.

It is clear to see that Optimal has added to the other tactics that have been adopted across the west outer wards in recent months. Optimal complements the disruption regime of a select number of offenders and a prompt response to the reporting of offences that take place. There is a view that it has become far more difficult for offenders to commit house burglaries in the areas that they are comfortable in frequenting.

There have been a number of significant arrests, charges and convictions at Court of individuals who commit house burglary in both West Outer and West Inner ward areas.

The pro active crime team who operate in the division, a merger of two former teams, has proved highly effective in acting upon tasked intelligence. This team work closely with the NPT.

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 Variety of medias. The Safer Leeds Partnership have provided leaflets/posters and postcards to deliver this message Leeds. Within Outer West there have been a number of promotions at supermarkets, local forums and posted by the PCSO’s to address identified as being at risk of burglary.

6.0 Anti- Social Behaviour

6.1 Farnley and Wortley Ward - Gamble Hill and Heights

There have been a number of complaints from local resident in relation to Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) , drugs, security and tenancy issues around the Gamble Hill’s and Heights area. The Leeds Anti social behaviour team are arranging a specific partnership meeting in June, to draw up an action plan to work towards addressing these issues.

6.2 Pudsey Ward

Leeds Metro security have been working with the police, and Leeds Watch and this has resulted in some positive partnership work, which identified those young people causing anti-social behaviour in the bus station/park. This was followed up with the police visiting the homes of those identified and in some cases Acceptable Behaviour Contracts issued. The trees have now been removed which will assist with CCTV coverage into the park. Youth services are in the process of identifying young people for two revizit programmes, one targeting young people from Pudsey to run from Andy’s bar and one in Swinnow. Both of these projects will include working with the Outer West Neighbourhood Police team.

Despite the poor weather the Wateringcotes Easter event took place on the 4th April and the activities were well received from local residents. There have been fewer ASB issues in the Owlcotes due to the work of partners in particular the LAST targeting those families who were the main perpetrators of ASB .

A publicised good news story was the eviction of a family from an almo property on Waterloo Mount at Pudsey. The behaviour of this family had blighted the lives of other residents and the favourable media coverage illustrated positive partnership working.

6.3 Calverley/ Farsley Ward

Funding has now been agreed with West North West Homes, Commercial Asset management and the Outer West Area Committee, for CCTV for Farfield Parade of shops and a project brief is been drawn up by Leeds Watch.

There have been a number of complaints in relation anti social behaviour by off road bikes and quads using Ravenscliffe Woods in Calverley . A site meeting took place with the Police, Community Safety, Parks & Countryside , and the Rights of Way Team to look at the damage to the restrictor barrier and to discuss how best to stop bikes and quads access into the woods whilst ensuring the public , and horses have access to the footpaths and bridleway Ravenscliffe Road.

The police coordinated and operation with Bradford Division and Leeds City Council on the 26th & 27th May. This resulted in

2 seizures (1 quad no insurance and 1 motorcycle Sec 59)

7 Sec 59 warnings issued.

4 Stop searches

From the partnership point of view, one of the most important aspects was the positive effect that the sight of 5 Off Road motorcyclists and a liveried Land Rover patrolling the area, had on both the community and offenders.

The staff were approached by several members of the public all saying how good it was to see the Police and Council actively patrolling against the nuisance bikes and quads which plague the area.

Work will continue to focus in this area and a meeting is been arranged with the management company of the woods in June , to see what further actions can be taken to stop this area being used by bikes and quads.

7.0 Community Engagement & Reassurance

The Neighbourhood Policing Team continues to support local forums and meetings to engage with communities and to inform them of their work, providing crime prevention advice and to feedback on the local priorities for local neighbourhoods. The merging of meeting is beneficial to partners as it is more effective in terms of resources.

8.0 Corporate Considerations

8.1. 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.

8.2 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.

8.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

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

8.4 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, and Positive Activities for Young People. Further opportunities for partnership funding will be explored through the coming year.

8.5 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.

8.6 Risk Management

Risk implications and mitigation are considered for each project.

9 Conclusions

- 9.1 The report outlines the work and progress of the North West Divisional Community Safety Partnership and multi-agency partner tasking, and projects supported through the Area Committee's Well-Being budget. These are projects which assist in supporting the work programme of the Area Management Team.

10. Recommendations

10.1 Members of the Inner West Area Committee are requested to:

- Note the contents of the report and offer comments

11. Background documents¹

11.1 None

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting. Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works. Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.