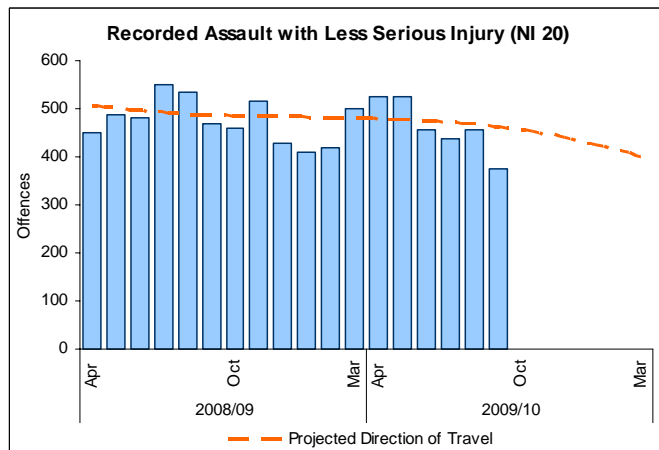
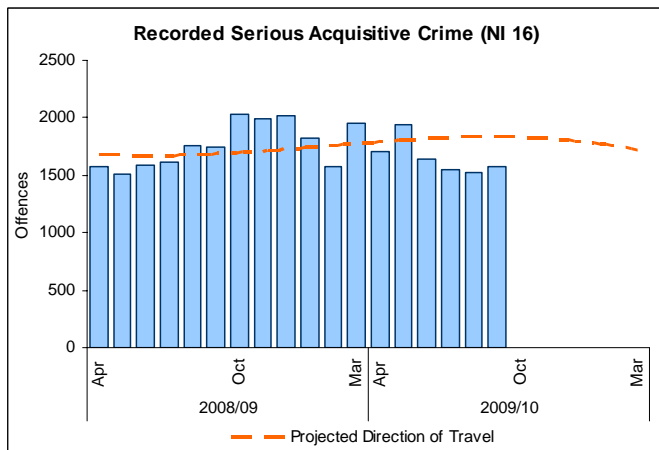


Overall Progress


Why is this a priority

The public have the right to be safe and feel safe in their own home, on the streets and the places they go. Tackling serious crime and diffusing tensions in our communities is vital to people's quality of life. This is a government and local priority and the performance indicators are part of the LAA.



Overall Progress to date and outcomes achieved

Overall Summary:

The draft CAA document is now out for comments. Burglary is highlighted as a Red Flag, but due to the hard work and the reprioritisation of resources with our partners the last 18 weeks have seen us on target, so it shows how we can make a real impact. Given this, we are putting in a challenge to the Red Flag through the appeals process.

Overall assessment of progress against the outcome is positive.

i) Performance analysis of **Serious Acquisitive Crime** shows in the period April to September 2009 there were 9,950 recorded crimes; this is up 1.6% against previous year but down 11.9% (632 fewer offences) in Q2 than Q1. Current performance indicates an overall improvement with the predicted year end just outside the LAA target but on target to meet the Policing Plan target. There is still potential for the LAA target to be met by March 2010 as improvements in intelligence gathering and analysis is allowing a more targeted approach.

When comparing Q2 figures with Q1; analysis shows that domestic burglary is down 11.8 % (293 fewer offences), vehicle crime is down 12.1% (299 fewer offences), and robbery is down 11.8% (40 fewer offences). In light of the economic and social pressures exerted by the recession this is a positive outcome although seasonality may explain some of the reductions.

The main continued focus has to be on improving on the number of recorded domestic burglaries.

ii) Performance analysis of **Assault with Injury** crime rate in the period April to September 2009 shows there were 2,768 recorded crimes; this is down 6.9% against previous year (204 fewer offences). Both Assault with Injury and Serious Assault are now below last year's figures and the trend is in a downward direction. This is a significant achievement since the beginning of the reporting year when assaults with injury were considerably over target and serious assault was also above last year's levels. The levels of domestic violence remain at last year's levels with repeat incidents of domestic abuse slightly lower than last year albeit they are still 2% over target. Current performance is strong and indicates a continued improvement; the predicted year end is above the LAA target.

Considerable work is being directed at reducing the repeat levels of domestic abuse. The one area of concern is the increase in the number of serious sexual assaults on female victims in Leeds in the counting year which now stands at 83. Work with the dedicated West Yorkshire Police team and reassessment of the Sexual Assaults Referral Centres is ongoing.

Overall Summary (Continued):

People's perceptions: The Place Survey outcomes and the more recent Resident Survey outcomes show that people are feeling increasingly safer and consider issues like drug use/drug dealing and alcohol-fuelled anti-social behaviour to be less of a problem than previously.

Achievements since the last report

i) Serious Acquisitive Crime

- Commitment has been secured from partners for the Safer Leeds partnership intelligence hub. (This includes Probation, YOS, Police, and Community Safety). The team are producing fortnightly intelligence products, presenting evidence and tasking police and partners on a range of actions including activity around offenders, victims and locations. The localities of concern are Hyde Park/Headingley, Beeston / Beeston Hill, Holbeck, Harehills/Gipton, Armley and Temple Newsam.
- Between April and September 2009, a total of 1,331 properties have been target hardened by commissioned services, of which 275 in Q2 have been concentrated in localities of concern. This includes targeting the ALMO properties in the top 20 most burgled streets, resulting in a significant reduction in repeat victimisation.
- The Persistent and Prolific Offenders (PPO) list has been refreshed and includes adults who are causing the most harm in our communities in terms of burglary and a Deter Young Offenders (DYO) list has been produced, again with a greater focus on offenders linked to burglary.
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- Two detailed Environmental Visual Audits (EVAs) in the Bayswaters & Cliffs / Delphs area of Woodhouse have been completed supported by the student police officers and action plans have been developed. Bespoke training on how to undertake EVAs has also been delivered to the Neighbourhood Policing Teams Inspectors in North West Leeds for them to cascade to their individual teams.
- A 'Selective Licensing Designation Order' was approved in May and came into effect on 1 October 2009, covering all private rented properties within the Burmantofts and Richmond Hill ward. It may remain in force for a maximum period of five years. It means that all private landlords will be required to be licensed to rent out properties within this area and also means that landlords will have to take more responsibility for the behaviour of their tenants.
- Mobile CCTV and Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) has continued to be deployed in our localities of concern to support police and partnership operations, in particular this includes Hyde Park, Beeston, Gipton & Harehills. In Q2, CCTV assisted in 852 arrests and 23 arrests were made as a result of the ANPR operations, 18 multi-agency operations were supported through the mobile CCTV provision. In conjunction with this, tools such as trap houses and capture cars have been utilised as part of a package of measures again with positive outcomes, including the arrest of a PPO resulting in a prison sentence.
- A briefing paper on the domestic burglary problem in Leeds was presented to the chair of the Leeds Magistrates (Judge Collier). This had an immediate effect of raising awareness with one well known burglar receiving a 3 year prison sentence.
- Over 4000 leaflets 'Is Your Door Unlocked ?' have been delivered to households in our strategic localities of concern in Q2 and supported by doorstep crime prevention advice from PCSO's.
- Analysis showed that hospital staff appeared disproportionately prone to domestic burglary. As a result a targeted crime prevention plan is being rolled out across the Leeds hospitals, and will also cover people visiting A&E departments.
- A review of Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) has been conducted. Work is currently underway to recruit new NHW coordinators across our localities of concern and expand on the coverage of current schemes. In addition, funding has been secured from the Home Office Safer Homes scheme to support the recruitment, training and retention of student NHW coordinators in the Hyde Park & Headingley areas where recent sneak in burglary has been as high as 60% of total recorded burglary.

Achievements since the last report (Continued)

- The burglary tasking group has commissioned Signpost to engage with 40 young people who have been identified at risk of offending but who are not statutorily engaged with the Youth Offending Service.

ii) Assault with Injury

- Reduction in both assault with injury and serious assault offences compared to 08/09.
- Reduction in repeat incidents of domestic violence compared to 08/09.
- Commencement of voluntary programme with domestic violence perpetrators.
- Commencement of 'Making Safe' programme with Council housing to provide alternative accommodation to male perpetrators of abuse who would return to home setting and re-offend.
- Review of City and Holbeck Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARACS) protocol offers positive responses.
- Employment of Pubwatch Co-ordinator to work with licensed premises.

Challenges/Risks i) Serious Acquisitive Crime

- Securing continued investment and partnership buy-in to support key activity and targeting resources in areas of need.
- Co-ordination and management of multi-agency intervention plans targeting those people causing the most harm
- Economic climate and potential for other crime types to increase
- Balancing enforcement activity with prevention and diversionary activity with long term support for those at risk of becoming involved in criminality.
- Involvement of all key partners that hold information and intelligence around problematic individuals, families and their associates.
- Embedding designing out crime principles in all regeneration projects across the city.

Challenges/Risks ii) Assaults with Injury

- Targeting resources to fund violent crime activity over forthcoming Christmas period.
- Securing continued resources for domestic violence services
- National Support Team from Department of Health to inspect SARC provision across Leeds may result in need for major changes.

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Key actions for the next 6 months				
	Action (Desired Achievements)	Contributory Officer / Partner	Milestone / Actions	Timescale
1	Continuation of the city wide intelligence product and tasking of partners	Simon Hodgson	Fortnightly tasking and review meeting	Ongoing during Q3
2	Streets in the Hotspot areas continue to be pro-actively target hardened	Rob Kirton	Burglary rates decrease in these streets	March 2010
3	Selective Licensing Designated Area process of registering all landlords starts with checks and policing of home improvements develops and EVA of area undertaken	Rob Kirton	Burglary rates start to decrease in the area along and incidences of ASB associated with bad tenants	March 2010
4	EVA training rolls out and EVA's are undertaken within the identified hotspot streets	Brent Brady	EVA's undertaken with action plans being produced and staff trained	March 2010
5	CCTV operators to linking into tasking arrangements concentrating on known individuals and crime hot spot areas	Wayne Clamp	Photos and descriptions of nominals to be send to CCTV and staff briefed – following fortnightly tasking meetings	October – March 2010
6	Undertake a review of ANPR across the city with NPTs with a focus on burglary	Simon Whitehead	A planning meeting has been arranged for October, this will provide an opportunity to undertake a scoping exercise and plan a schedule of work for the next 5 months.	January 2010
7	Proactively manage PPO & DYO cohort	Jim Willson / Jim Hopkinson	All individuals to have an assessment and intervention plan in place	December 2009
8	Ensure offenders (DYO) of statutory school age appropriately managed and accounted for during school hours	Amanda Bradley/Jo Walton	Education Leeds to check with key worker and ensure that plans are in place and subsequently quality assured. Appropriate support packages to include a 25 hour a week educational programme.	December 2009
9	Deliver a range of crime prevention initiatives that address student vulnerability	Steve Lavelle	WalkSafe scheme re-launched in October 2009, recruit and train 12 student NW co-ordinators, commission crime reduction DVDs produced by students for students to raise awareness of crime, distribute personal alarms and crime prevention literature.	October – Dec 2009
10	Develop procedures and implement new legislation e.g Drinks Banning Order to reduce incidents of alcohol fuelled violence	Keith Lawrance	Establish Drinks Banning orders in Leeds	March 2010
11	Standardised and expand the 26 Pubwatch scheme across Leeds to reduce irresponsible drinking promotion	Jack Bradford	Increase numbers of Licensed premises attending Pubwatch by 10%	March 2010
12	Secure improved attendance by partners agencies at MARACs meetings	Keith Lawrance	Achieve a 80% attendance by key partners at MARACs meeting	March 2010

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Performance Indicators										
Performance indicators aligned to the Improvement Priority										
Reference	Title	Owner	Frequency & Measure	Rise or Fall	Baseline	2008/09 Result	2009/10 Target	2009/10 Quarter 2	Current Predicted Full Year Result	Data Quality
NI 16	Serious acquisitive crime rate	Community Safety	Monthly Number per 1000 population	Fall	27.0 per 1000 population (2007/08)	27.8‰	25.4‰	6.1‰	26.1‰	Substantive assurance
NI 20	Assault with injury crime rate	Community Safety	Monthly Number per 1000 population	Fall	8.2 per 1000 population (2007/08)	7.5‰	7.6‰	1.7‰	7.3‰	Substantive assurance