

11th March 2015**REPORT OF THE NORTHUMBRIA POLICE – SUNDERLAND WEST****1 Purpose of Report**

1.1 The following report provides performance information in relation to the Sunderland West Committee area from 18.11.2014 – 18.02.2015.

2 Background

2.1 At its November 2011 meeting Area Committee agreed that regular updates on Crime and Community Safety would be presented to each Committee meeting.

3. Update – Area Information

3.1 The ward updates below are a selection of appropriate offence types of interest and not all crime (e.g. minor fraud or harassment type offences etc are not included).

3.2 The crime and anti-social behaviour figures will not match the overall totals. Police computer systems are not yet adjusted to recognise certain foot beats transferred from the South area when the Ward boundaries changed.

3.3 Sunderland West Area figures.

West Area	Percentage change is against the Fiscal Year to Date Average	
	01.04.14 – 18.02.15	01.04.13 – 18.02.14
Total Crime	2516(+9.4%)	2301
Violent Crime With Injury	264(+15.1%)	229
Violent Crime Without Injury	186(+37.5%)	135
Burglary dwelling	102(-18.7%)	125
Burglary other than dwelling	190(+53.7%)	124
Criminal Damage	596(+8.9%)	547
Vehicle Crime TFMV	225(+41.9%)	159
Shoplifting	211(-15%)	248
Youth ASB	798(-17.1%)	962
Non Youth ASB	1925(+6.7%)	1804

Barnes Ward	
Crimes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence with Injury - 5 • Violence without Injury - 7 • Burglary Dwelling – 11 • Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD) - 13 • Theft from Motor Vehicles - 15 • Criminal Damage - 27 • Shop theft - 2

- Theft from Motor vehicles continues to be the main crime committed. The main crime type is MO's primarily used to commit these types of offences is where vehicles have been left insecure or vehicles being entered without causing damage. Notable arrests have been made recently in relation to this which should have effect on further reports being made. On going work in continuing to reduce this crime type with crime prevention advice being given via newsletter drops and press releases including a week of action commencing 23rd February 2015.
- To address the issue the area has been subject to increased attention as part of a targeted operation. Additional resources dressed in plain clothes and uniform were deployed into the area. The Neighbourhood PC's altered their shift and additional resources from response teams were deployed at times when crimes were being committed.
- Burglary offences have shown a recent crime spike with OTD's which is garages and sheds. MO's primarily force lock. To address the issue the area has been subject to increased attention as part of a targeted operation. "Op Jive" which has resulted in some excellent arrests and charges. This will also be included within the week of action. Super cocooning has been expanded to incorporate other than dwelling offences which means the neighbourhood team visit every victim and their neighbours giving crime prevention advice.
- ASB issues within the area of Eden Vale, Beachville Street, Vale Street have been highlighted. NPT are working closely with council, youth providers and liaising direct with residents. All officers working the West area have been tasked with attending the area at key times and it is currently a neighbourhood priority. Council ASB team have conducted leaflet drops, environmental services have increased litter patrols and parking enforcement have also been tasked. Community mediation is currently in the early stages and reported incidents have decreased dramatically.

Pallion Ward	
Crimes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence with Injury – 21 • Violence without Injury – 12 • Burglary Dwelling – 5 • Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD) - 9 • Theft from Motor Vehicles – 16 • Criminal Damage – 32 • Shop Theft – 12
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Operation Soundwave continues which is focused on reducing shoplifting with extra officers deployed in the area in conjunction with the Pallion Traders Association. - The violence offences which have resulted in injury are mainly domestic assaults where the perpetrator has been known to the victim. These incident types are dealt with robustly and

individual safety plans are put in place to ensure victim lead focused care and offenders are brought to justice.

- Sunderland West continues to utilise Body Worn Cameras (BWC) due to the high numbers of domestic abuse offenders residing in the area and the high numbers of domestic incidents reported.
- Burglary offences have shown an increase with OTD's which is garages and sheds. Burglary dwelling offences are showing as a reduction by 18.7%. MO's primarily force lock. To address the issue the area has been subject to increased attention as part of a targeted operation. Additional resources dressed in plain clothes and uniform were deployed into the area. The Neighbourhood PCs continue to alter their shift in order to tackle this issue with support from additional resources from response teams who were deployed at times when crimes were being committed. "Op Jive" which has resulted in a few arrests and charges including some good sentencing.

St Anne's Ward	
Crimes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence with Injury – 13 • Violence without Injury – 16 • Burglary Dwelling – 2 • Burglary Other Than Dwelling - 2 • Theft from Motor Vehicles – 6 • Criminal Damage – 28 • Shop Theft – 26
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A large proportion of the crime in the St Annes Ward can be attributed to criminal damage. There are different categories of damage which include damage to vehicles, dwellings and other than dwellings. This can also be attributed to some forms of ASB in the area. - The high number of Shopliftings can be attributed to ASDA and Iceland at Pennywell. Op Soundwave is on-going with extra attention to the area for ASB and thefts. NPT are working with schools as main offenders are schoolchildren. There have been some recent good arrests of repeat offenders who have successfully been charged and excluded from the premises. - The violence offences which have resulted in injury are mainly domestic assaults where the perpetrator has been known to the victim. There are monthly meetings held with regards to this to ensure victim care and bringing offenders to justice. - Sunderland West continues to utilise Body Worn Cameras (BWC) due to the high numbers of domestic abuse offenders residing in the area and the high numbers of domestic incidents reported. Burglary dwelling offences are showing as a reduction by 18.7%. Burglary other than dwelling has seen a decrease with the ward which is again part of dedicated resources being deployed as part of Operation Jive. 	

Sandhill Ward	
Crimes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence with Injury – 21 • Violence without Injury – 10 • Burglary Dwelling – 5 • Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD) - 4 • Theft from Motor Vehicles – 11 • Criminal Damage – 42 • Shop Theft – 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Violence offences and criminal damage have accounted for the majority of total crimes reported in the Ward. Criminal damage includes reports of damage to dwellings, vehicles and other than dwellings. There is no pattern to offending with crimes being reported. The majority occur in dwelling houses and can be attributed to Domestic Violence. The violence offences which have resulted in injury are mainly domestic assaults where the perpetrator has been known to the victim. These incident types are dealt with robustly and individual safety plans are put in place to ensure victim lead focused care and offenders are brought to justice. - Theft from motor vehicle has seen an increase within this ward. To address the issue the area has been subject to increased attention as part of a targeted operation. The Neighbourhood PCs continue to alter their shift and additional resources from response teams are deployed at times when crimes are being committed. Offenders have been identified and arrested and have been charged with thefts from motor vehicles. Work continues as apt of Operation Jive. - Youth related ASB has been reduced by 17.1%. NPT conducted a dark night campaign at key areas highlighted for previous reported incidents of ASB this included extra help from Out Reach Detached Youth Workers. Op Gryphon letters/visits conducted. There has been no recent reports within a previously ASB hotspot around Brockenhurst Drive and the surrounding area. - Burglary dwelling offences are showing as a reduction by 18.7%. Burglary other than dwelling has seen a decrease with the ward which is again part of dedicated resources being deployed as part of Operation Jive. 	

Silksworth Ward	
Crimes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence with Injury – 10 • Violence without Injury – 11 • Burglary Dwelling – 1 • Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD) – 8 • Theft from Motor Vehicles – 9 • Criminal Damage – 30 • Shop Theft – 14

- Burglary offences have shown a decrease compared to the recent crime spike with OTD's reported in the last area committee meeting within this ward. This includes garages and sheds. MO's primarily are to force lock. To address the issue the area has been subject to increased attention as part of a targeted operation. "Operation Jive" including the week of action which was a success and widely publicised. Burglary dwelling offences are showing as a reduction of 18.7%. "Op Jive" continues which has resulted in a few arrests and charges. Residents have been given crime prevention advice newsletters with regards to vulnerable premises, securing sheds/out houses and allotments with alarms.
- Criminal damage and violence offences can be accounted for the majority of total crimes reported in the Ward. There is no pattern to offending with these crimes being reported throughout the period. The majority occur in dwelling houses and can be attributed to Domestic Violence. There are monthly meetings held with regards to this to ensure victim care and bringing offenders to justice.
- Work by the Neighbourhood Team in partnership with retailers has seen a reduction in the number of offences being committed as part of Operation Soundwave. It is currently showing a reduction by 15%. Silksworth traders have now started with their first meeting.
- ASB issues which had risen in and around Somerset Street which are being dealt with by NPT, councillors and partners have shown a reduction of calls. Work is still underway to address social housing in particular private landlords as the increase in recorded calls are centred around one particular street and subjects residing there which has resulted in crime and ASB being committed. Use of the new ASB powers are being utilised to address problem premises and tenants. Youth related ASB is showing a reduction of 17.1%

St Chads Ward	
Crimes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence with Injury – 6 • Violence without Injury – 3 • Burglary Dwelling – 4 • Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD) – 8 • Theft from Motor Vehicles – 1 • Criminal Damage – 21 • Shop Theft – 1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Burglary offences have shown a recent decrease within this ward compared to the previous reported crime spike with OTD's which is garages and sheds. MO's primarily force lock. To address the issue the area has been subject to increased attention as part of a targeted operation "Op Jive" which has resulted in some excellent arrests and charges. There has also been a recent week of action which was a success and widely publicised. Additional resources dressed in plain clothes and uniform were deployed within the area including the use of police cadets. - Criminal damage and violence offences can be accounted for

the majority of total crimes reported in the Ward. There is no pattern to offending with these crimes being reported throughout the period. The majority occur in dwelling houses and can be attributed to Domestic Violence including damage to motor vehicles.

- ASB issues around Herrington Park, Crow lane have reduced showing reductions. Youth related ASB is showing a reduction of 17.1%.
- This is on-going to continue to reduce ASB where NPT prioritise this with a number of Gryphon stops resulting in letters and Visits being conducted. Schools are also visited by NPT where they spoke in assemblies prior to the start of the darker nights and end of term to educate to youths with regards to ASB throughout the winter break.

4. Recommendations

4.1 Note the content of the report.

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