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 0.0.2013 to 0.0.2013.

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. Northumbria Police Update

- 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		
Total Crime	317	
Violent Crime	69	
Vehicle Crime	38	
Burglary	20	
Burglary other than dwelling	20	
Criminal Damage	108	
Theft and Handling	62	
Youth ASB	135	
Non Youth ASB	341	

Barnes Ward	
Total Crimes	57
Youth ASB	26
Non Youth ASB	36

- Operation Legend continues focusing on anti social behaviour in the Eden Vale area however youths seem to still causing complaints around the Nesburn Road on the Park extention.
- ASB seems to have increased slightly since the weather improved and school holiday.
- However the numbers of reports are well below what was reported last year.
- Youth ASB has remained fairly constant although Non Youth has

decreased.

- The trend of petrol thefts continues and a new forecourt watch was introduced as an early warning to all local forecourts of suspicious cars or ones which have committed a theft.

Pallion Ward	
Total Crimes	69
Youth ASB	9
Non Youth ASB	48

- Levels of shoplifting are down significantly on last year however, Pallion Retail Park accounts for a significant proportion of the offences. Shopwatch continues on the retail park with support from the Neighbourhood Policing Team.
- Anti-social behaviour has continued to reduce. Neighbourhood officers have been carrying out visits with repeat ASB causers in partnership with the Sunderland Councils ASB Unit.
- To increase visibility and deter youths causing anti social behaviour.

St Anne's Ward		
Total Crimes	50	
Youth ASB	27	
Non Youth ASB	73	

- Incidents of crime and disorder at the Pennywell Shopping Precinct have reduced significantly.
- This is the result of work carried out by the Neighbourhood Policing team in conjunction with local businesses, youth providers and residents.
- Repeat offenders have been identified & visited at their homes along with Gentoo Enforcement officers.
- Motorcycle misuse remains a priority in the area with an increase in complaints since the warmer weather arrived, particularly around South Hylton.
- A Police Operation called "BALANCE" is ongoing to identify and prosecute offenders.

Sandhill Ward		
Total Crimes	63	
Youth ASB	20	
Non Youth ASB	63	

- Crime increased across the Ward.
- This can mainly be attributed to domestic related incidents which resulted in violence and damage.
- Of the thirty seven crimes recorded in Sandhill, ten where for violence against the person.
- The offenders have been identified and arrested.
- Motorcycle misuse remains a priority in the area with an increase in complaints since the warmer weather arrived.

 A police operation is ongoing to tackle the problem and identify bike owners.

Silksworth Ward		
Total Crimes	76	
Youth ASB	14	
Non Youth ASB	64	

- Reported crime in the Silksworth Ward has fallen over the last month however certain themes still persist.
- Residents are complaining about scrap collectors entering yards to look for property. This increased activity has coincided with property being reported stolen.
- In response the Neighbourhood team are running an operation called "KILOGRAM" to identify itinerant scrap collectors operating in the West. Those identified have been visited and warned. Vehicle sighted operating will be stopped and their activity scrutinised. This issue features on LMAPS.
- Shoplifting continues to be a feature with the co-operative in North Moor Lane recording a number of crimes. Offenders have been identified and arrested.
- Previous issues of anti-social behaviour around the ski slopes and McDonalds have been resolved in partnership with stakeholders. An ELMAPS held with youth provision working in the area has established relationships and strategies to maintain this reduction.

St Chad's Ward		
Total Crimes	20	
Youth ASB	32	
Non Youth ASB	53	

- There is no crime patterns reported these last couple of months with only 20 crimes reported.
- Crow Lane Park has previous featured on LMAPS having been identified as a problem area for Youth ASB. This mainly relates to one night of madness where a group of youths rolled over a car. The issues appear to have subsided however the group is very transient and difficult to pin down. Youths gather in the fields and farm land between the Park and Hastings Hill and will run off at the first sight of Police

Recommendations

4.1 Note the content of the report.

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