ASB

Anti-Social Behaviour has increased since the last Area Committee, which is to be expected given the better weather and lighter nights. However, when compared to the same period last year ASB has actually fallen by 19%. The hotspot areas at present are Lambton, Fatfiled and The Galleries. The Neighbourhood Team have a number of initiatives in operation to tackle the ASB in these areas.

Motorcycle Disorder

Although, incidents of have increased by 9% when compared to last year the Neighbourhood Team has had some good success in tackling motorcycle-related disorder and have seized numerous illegal motorcycles and are prosecuting offenders. Hotspot locations are our green space areas, which is to be expected with the highest concentration of incidents occurring in Mount Pleasant and Albany.

Burglary

Washington continues to see some of the lowest rates of burglary across the Sunderland region with residential burglaries down 20% since the last Area Committee and 39% when compared to the same period last year.

Sulgrave Partnership

In April 2022 the Sulgrave Partnership was launched. This is a brand new initiative that has brought together partners from numerous services including Police, Local Authority, Health, Housing, Social Care and Education. This partnership is designed to provide a holistic approach to problem-solving out some of the deep-rooted issues the area faces. The partnership will work in collaboration with residents and provide support as well as proactively targeting those whom are causing harm within the community. It is very early days but the Sulgrave Partnership is already having a positive impact on the community.

Operation Butternut

Operation Butternut is a bespoke Road Safety Operation for the Washington area, which is a collaboration between Sunderland Council and Northumbria Police. This operation will target drug drivers in addition to proactively dealing with other road safety issues such as speeding, anti-social vehicle use and inappropriate use of bus lanes etc. The equipment for the operation is currently on order and it is hoped that the operation will go live in July 2022.