

Oldham Borough INPT 2

District Partnership Report

Failsworth & Hollinwood

Oldham Division, Integrated Neighbourhood Policing

Report Dates 6th June 2014 – 15th July 2014

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Anti-social behaviour

Anti-social behaviour (ASB) includes a range of issues. Behaviour can be anti-social because it is capable of causing nuisance or annoyance to both individuals and the wider community.

Within the Borough of Oldham we have a strong partnership lead approach to tackling ASB and the causes of it preventing it from reoccurring. This partnership approach includes police, local authorities and social landlords. These agencies have wide ranging powers to effectively tackle this problem.

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Since the 6th June 2014 – 15th July 2014 there has been a decrease anti-social behaviour incidents reported to the police and closed as Rowdy or Inconsiderate behaviour, compared with the same period in 2013.

Motor cycle / mini Moto's incidents has also had a substantial decrease in the amount of reports since 6th June 2014 – 15th July 2014 compared with 2013.

Alcohol related incidents reports have also decreased compared with the same period last year. However we have had a slight increase in youth related under 18 incidents reported in the same period as last year.

ASB Related Statistics 6th June 2014 – 15th July 2014		
	2013	2014
Rowdy Or Inconsiderate Behaviour	106	102
Motor Cycle / Mini Moto	23	8
Alcohol Related Incidents	70	63
Youth Related Under 18	50	57

Victim Based Crime

Reported victim based crime (VBC) has seen a positive decrease across the board in Hollinwood and Failsworth.

Crime Statistics 6th June 2014 – 15th July 2014		
	2013	2014
Robbery	3	0

Theft from person	1	1
Burglary Dwelling Including Aggravated	15	12
Burglary Other Than In A Dwelling	21	12
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	1	4
Theft From Motor Vehicle	20	8
Theft Of Pedal Cycle	9	4

Violent Crime

There has been no change in the amounts of violent crime incidents reported to the police in 2013 or 2014. This could be due to the regular visits are carried out to problem licensed premises this has helped to reduce drink related violence.

The officers will continue going in to schools and engaging pupils in dialogue around violent crime.

Our increasingly scrutiny around domestic abuse and positive action based upon Police and third party evidence has without a doubt contributed to the increase in recorded violent crime however we can celebrate this as a success as the Police and Partners are protecting vulnerable adults and children and it also demonstrates that victims have the confidence to come forward and report crime.

Violent Crime Statistics - 6th June 2014 – 15th July 2014		
	2013	2014
Violent crime (includes GBH, and sexual assault and harassment)	23	23
Assault Without Injury	9	9

Pro – active work

In our last report we informed you of Op Tuscan we instigated - an operation running in partnership with the council and housing to tackle the Anti-Social Behaviour around Failsworth.

Due to the success of the anti-social behaviour operation in Failsworth it has been decided to roll it out across the borough.

Operation Tuscan will initially be used twice a week starting Fri/Sat 18th and 19th July. It will encompass Police, PCSO's, special officers, police cadets and partner agencies such as district partnership team, councillors, trading standards, licencing, environmental services and schools. The aim is to combat ASB in our hotspot areas and interact with the local community providing support and reassurance.

Initially we have a list of 14 hotspot areas to concentrate on (list below). The intention is to provide a team bus with 9 Tuscan staff on and they will police the hotspot areas. The debrief should provide information as to problems in those areas and identify if there are perceived or action issues in that area.

One of the reasons for providing this service is to support the local officers as PCSO's who have identified the fact that when they are patrolling on their own it is virtually impossible to police a group of over 20 youths in particular areas. It is a show of strength and a reassurance technique which once established should identify our main areas of problems so we are able to focus directly on what the actual issues are rather than just keep moving youths from one place to another. The fact that we have got our partners involved is useful in the fact that they have other tools they can use to compliment ours and they can tap into their resources and deal with environmental, licencing and youth service issues etc.

This commitment by the Oldham Borough INPT should have a positive impact on our community and further establish our partnership working relationships.

Hotspot areas:

Failsworth Quay
Hollins Road
Higher memorial park, Failsworth
Coalshaw Green Park
Pocket park, chadderton
Royton precinct/park/library
Shaw market ground
Swan Meadow, Delph
Uppermill Park
Tandlehill Park
Leicester Rd Failsworth
Kiddminster steps, Chadderton
Cricketers Shaw
Churchill Playing fields

We are aware there will be other areas that need looking at and we will cover as much area as possible during the tour of duty but if we make the list too long we are in danger of spreading ourselves too thin and unable to put as much work into these hotspot areas as we would like. The debrief sheet should give us some idea of what areas we need to cover and obviously we will be monitoring any other areas whilst on the operation. A weekly meeting will discuss which areas still need addressing and what areas need to be added for the next tours.

We would be keen to involve our partner agencies and councillors .Please let us know if you would be interested in coming out with us on this operation which will be in place over summer

Warrants

We are still executing warrants in the Failsworth area and collate all intelligence gained from members of the public and act on the intelligence gained.

Good News - Public Confidence & Partnership Working

On the 3rd of July 2014, an offender was arrested on suspicion of 4 armed robberies, and an offence of possession of cannabis with intent to supply. One of the robberies' occurred at the Co-Op Travel, Sissons Street, Failsworth and 2 x possession of imitation firearm in Failsworth.

Further crime details are as follows -

- 1). Robbery at CJ Jewellers, 20-22 Middleton Gardens, Middleton, on 11/04/14.
- 2) Possess cannabis W/I to supply, at 69 Wood Street, Middleton, on 22/04/14.
- 3). Robbery at Co-op Travel, Colmar House, Middleton, on 27/05/14.
- 4). Robbery at Co-op Travel, Sisson Street, Failsworth, on 31/05/14.
- 5). Robbery at Co-op Travel, 87 Old Street, Ashton under Lyne, on 11/06/14.

The offender was charged on 03/07/14 with all of the above offences and remanded in custody.

He was also charged with the associated possession of weapons used during the commission of the robberies -

2 x possession of imitation firearm with intent to cause fear of violence at the Failsworth and Ashton robberies (Section 16(A) Firearms Act 1968)

1 x possession of an offensive weapon - knife during the Middleton Co-op robbery. (Contrary to section 1(1) of the Prevention of Crime Act 1953)

1 x possession of and offensive weapon - machete, during the Middleton Jewellers robbery. (Contrary to section 1(1) of the Prevention of Crime Act 1953)

Oldham Police Cadets

A great day was had at Failsworth Town Hall at the passing out parade of Oldham's first volunteer police cadets, which took place on Sunday 13 July 2014 .

Assistant Chief Constable Zoe Sheard, Superintendent Denise Worth and Jim Battle, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, were joined by local community leaders and the families of the cadets at the ceremony in Failsworth.

The scheme is aimed at 13- 17 year-olds and provides a programme of weekly Cadet nights filled with activity, information and – hopefully – some fun.

The aims of the scheme include:

- Promoting and encouraging a practical interest in policing among young people,
- Providing training which will encourage positive leadership within communities which will include volunteering opportunities,
- Encouraging a spirit of adventure and developing qualities of leadership and good citizenship. Cadets will be given the opportunity to obtain a Duke of Edinburgh Award, a First Aid qualification and more.

Cadet units are based in areas where there is currently little to occupy local youngsters. Volunteers have to apply, stating their reasons for wanting to be part of the scheme and are encouraged to remain with the scheme for as long as they can.

On reaching the end of their time as a cadet, they will be given advice on careers and business, help with CVs and information about any opportunities to remain with the Force.

During a "probationary" period they experience drill, physical exercise classes and advice on subjects such as the effective and safe use of social media.

The scheme's team leaders are also volunteers and include schools based officers, PCSO's, special constables and university students, all contributing their own time to run each cadet night.

To build number of successful schemes across the region we are looking for help. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer team leader and can demonstrate a commitment and desire to "change hearts and minds" can contact Inspector Karen Taylor at karen.taylor@gmp.police.uk or Emma Capper at emma.capper@gmp.police.uk.

Crime prevention advise

If you leave any of the following in your vehicle you are inviting the opportunist criminal to steal them:

Bank Cards * Credit Cards * Wallet/Purse * Cheque Book * Loose Change * Coats (old and new) * Handbags * Sports Bag and Equipment * Shopping Bags * Sat-Nav Systems * Laptops * CD's * MP3 Players * Mobile Phones

Cut this notice out and put it on your dashboard when you leave the vehicle.



Help us to drive down crime in your area.

How can you tell if there is commercial cannabis cultivation in your community?

1. A strong sickly sweet smell

This is the biggest indicator of any cannabis cultivation taking place, and is a prime example of these factories being run by serious and organised crime.

2. Cannabis growing equipment being taken into a house

For example lighting and ventilation equipment.

3. Constantly covered or blocked-off windows

Cannabis factories often have constantly pulled curtains or black out blinds or foil coverings.

4. Unsociable coming and going at all hours or neighbours you never see

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5. Strong and constant lighting day and night

6. High levels of heat and condensation

Cannabis factories often give off heat and the windows stay misted up.

7. Constant buzz of ventilation

Listen out for a whirring sound as the 'farmers' try to create an ideal climate for plants to grow.

8. Excessive amount of cables

Gangs dig underground to lay cables that hook up to things like lamp posts so they don't have to pay for the enormous amounts of electricity they use. They could be easily stealing around £20,000 worth of electricity.

Further Crime Prevention Advice available

Visit our website www.gmp.police.uk for lots of useful ways to protect yourself and your property. Contact our crime reduction advisor Paul Dearnley on 0161 770 4302 paul.dearnley@gmp.pnn.police.uk

Regular Surgeries are held at:

Failsworth Health Centre

Cloughgate House, Hollins Road

School House Flats, Incline Road

Neighbourhood staff holds regular surgeries where crime prevention advice is available.

The Oldham Borough INPT is based at

Oldham Police Station
Divisional HQ
Barn St
Oldham
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Direct line: 0161 856 8825

Oldhamborough@gmp.police.uk

Call CRIMESTOPPERS Anonymously On 0800 555 111

As part of our service promise we will continue to listen to the community so it's really important that people tell us what they think about the work officers are doing to keep them safe.

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