

Report of the Shipley Area Co-ordinator to the meeting of Shipley Area Committee to be held on 11 October 2017

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Subject:

Shipley Area Neighbourhood Policing Team activity to address the “Safer Communities” priorities within the Shipley Constituency Ward Plans for 2016 / 2018

Summary statement:

This report gives an update of some of the work undertaken by the Shipley Area Neighbourhood Policing Team and an overview of the Shipley Constituency Performance data.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

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1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report gives an update of some of the work undertaken by the Shipley Area Neighbourhood Policing Team and an overview of the Shipley Constituency Performance data.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Appendix A gives an overview of the Shipley Area between April 2016 and July 2017 and gives a comparison with the same period in the previous year.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 There are now named Police and Council Ward Officers aligned to Wards across the Area who are supported by designated staff with allocation to specific areas. The boundaries are co-terminus and therefore enable effective co-ordination, tasking and problem solving.
- 3.2 Shipley Neighbourhood Policing Team works closely with the Shipley Area Office including a number of joint community initiatives including school gate parking days of action, partnership meetings and specific multi agency problem solving across the constituency. (Appendix A gives specific detailed examples by ward)

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

- 4.1 Not applicable.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

- 5.1 No significant risks.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

- 6.1 There are no known legal implications.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

- 7.1.1 The information in the report seeks to address emerging crime and community safety priorities across all communities within the Area.

7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

- 7.2.2 The involvement of a wide range of partners in working together to address community safety and crime issues contributes to finding sustainable solutions.

7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

7.3.1 No impacts.

7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.4.1 All the work identified within this report contributes to improving community safety.

7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

7.5.1 No specific implications.

7.6 TRADE UNION

7.6.1 None.

7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.7.1 The information provided in this report is relevant to all Wards within the Shipley Area.

7.8 AREA COMMITTEE WARD PLAN IMPLICATIONS

7.8.1 The actions contained within this report impact on all the priorities within the Safer Communities theme in all Ward Plans.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1 None.

9. OPTIONS

9.1 This report is presented primarily for information.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That Shipley Area Committee notes the work undertaken by the Shipley Area Neighbourhood Policing Team from April 2016 to July 2017 that contributed to addressing priorities within the ward plans for the Shipley Area.

10.2 That the Shipley Area Committee notes the positive partnership working that has been established with Elected Members, Council Officers, community organisations, volunteers and residents within the Shipley Area.

11. APPENDICES

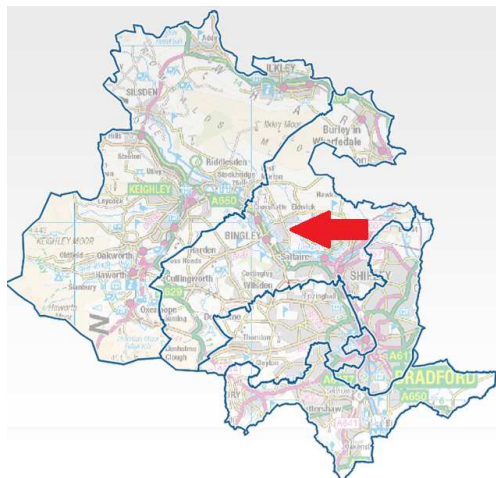
11.1 Appendix A – Shipley Performance Data – April 2016 and July 2017.

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 Report of Shipley Neighbourhood Police Inspector to Shipley Area Committee, Document AH, Shipley Neighbourhood Policing Team activity to address the 'Safer Communities' priorities within the Shipley Constituency Ward Plans for 2016/17, 15 February 2017.

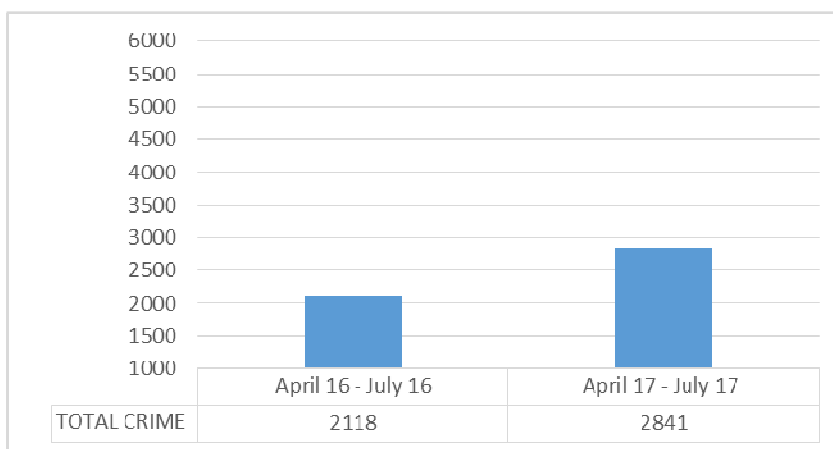
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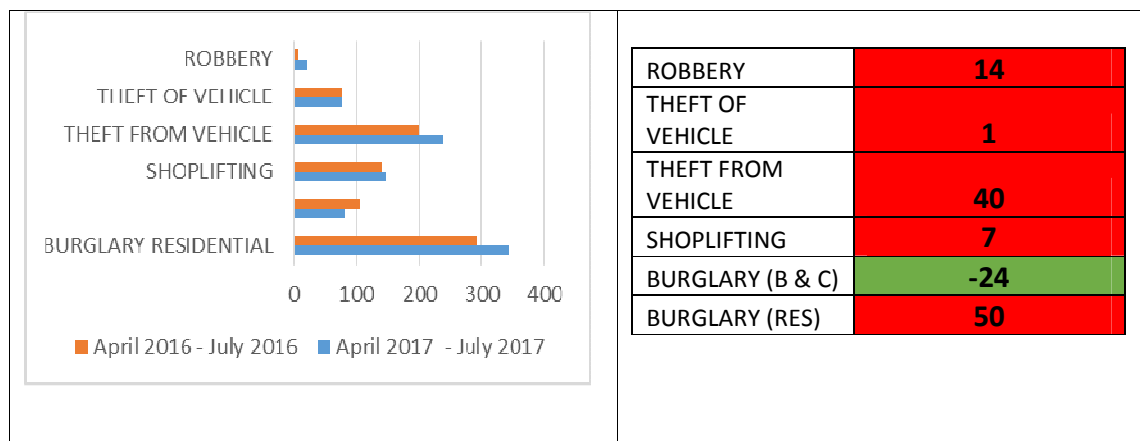


CRIME FIGURES

The following data highlights figures for the main crime types in Shipley for the year to date (this will equate to crime figures between beg April 2016 to middle of July 2017 with a comparison of the same period from the previous year):



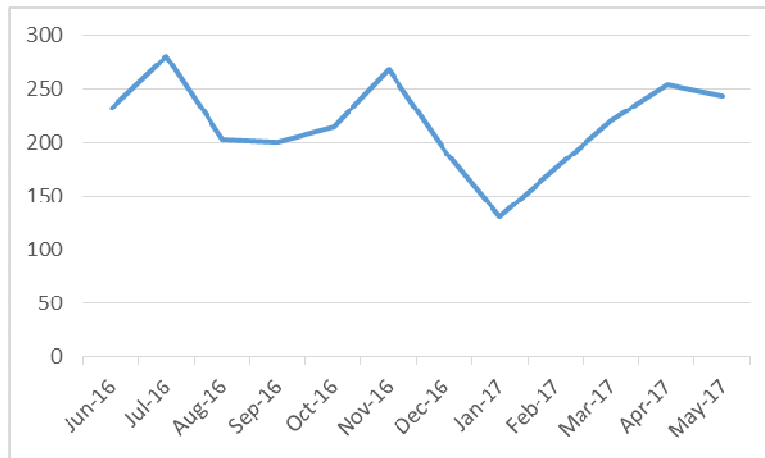
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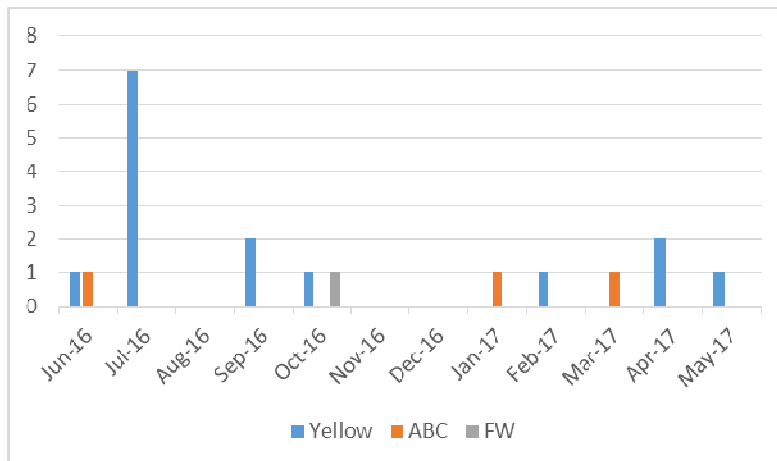
ASBAT (calls for service)

The below chart shows the total number of calls for service for nuisance related issues for the previous 12 months:



ASB INTERVENTIONS

Over the previous 12 months there have been a total of 19 interventions served across Shipley. The below breaks this total down into Yellows, ABCS and Finals Warnings across the 12 months:

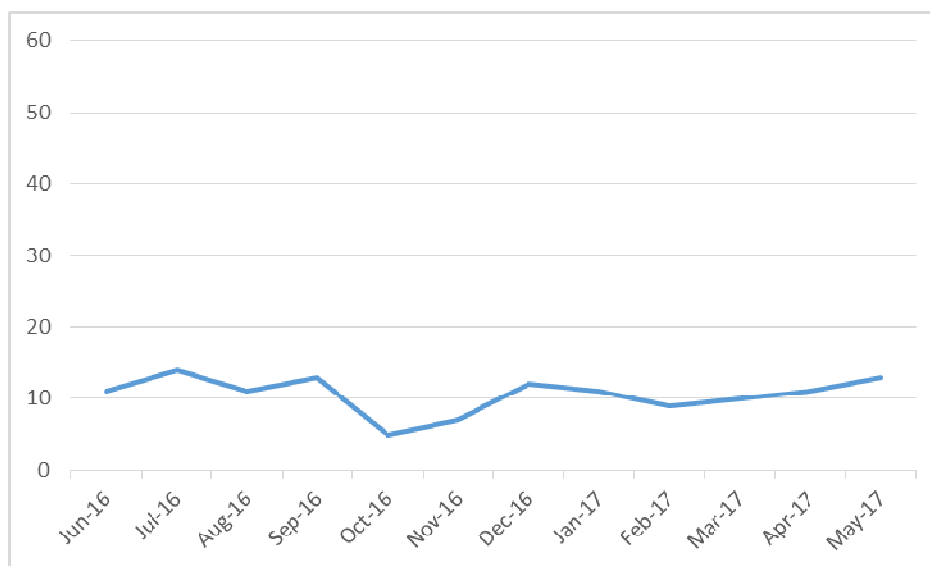


SUCCESSFUL CRIMINAL BEHAVIOUR ORDERS

No current CBOs present for this PWA.

HATE CRIME

The below shows the trend of hate crimes / incidents reported over the previous 12 months across Shipley. The data has been extracted from Niche and includes Hate Crimes, Race Hate Incidents, Faith Hate Incidents, Disability Hate Incidents, Sexual Orientation Hate Incidents and Transgender Hate Incidents.



POLICE UPDATE

It has been almost 2 years now since I took up the role of Shipley Neighbourhood Policing Team Inspector and working with my Communities and Partners to resolve issues that matter locally remains my priority.

I have a committed team of Ward Officers and PCSOs, supervised by a Sergeant, who have specified ward areas to police. This they continue to do with an absolute passion for tackling issues such as drug use, speeding, antisocial behaviour, burglary and other criminality. They are the officers who are 'out on the ground' and who want you to tell them about things that matter to you. They work tirelessly to bring offenders to justice, and to protect those in our communities that are most vulnerable. These officers work in partnership with many different groups and organisations and have detailed knowledge of individuals and/or locations that demand increased visibility and positive action to be taken. My team all now carry handheld devices which enables them to complete their work whilst remaining out and about in their local areas without the need to return to the Police Station. At first sight it can seem like they are merely using their mobile phones when in essence they are actually updating crime reports, submitting intelligence reports or reviewing information on logs they have been despatched to. They are actively encouraged to park up at pertinent points in order to complete their clerical tasks, thus providing increased visibility and acting as a deterrent. Additionally they wear body worn video cameras which enables them to obtain evidence by way of good quality video footage, thus leading to an increase in guilty pleas at the first opportunity. In addition to these officers I also have 5 teams of officers who are responsible for call handling across the whole of Shipley Ward area. These officers work 24/7 and each team is managed by a Sergeant.

You will be aware that over the past 12 months crime in general has increased, however some of that can be linked to an instruction sent in 2015 to all Chief Constables by HM Chief Inspector of Constabulary to reiterate the need to record every crime that comes to Police notice. The result being that one incident can result in multiple crimes being recorded which has seen our crime increase in line with crime data integrity. It is absolutely right that we adhere to this to ensure an accurate reflection of what is

happening in our area.

The main areas of concern being residential burglaries (which includes garages and sheds within the curtilage of a property) and theft from motor vehicles. My team, along with the Crime Reduction officers, work hard to ensure that our residents take basic crime reduction steps in order to reduce their chances of becoming a victim of crime. That being said a large proportion of our crimes occur where properties and/or vehicles are left insecure. These easy targets are adored by the opportunist criminal and we need to take the temptation away. Research has shown that in a large number of the burglaries it is high powered, expensive vehicles that are the main target, and additionally that the offenders are travelling criminals coming into our area. In order to target these criminals we regularly have Force resources, such as Roads Policing officers, working across the District which enables us to patrol the arterial routes and borders. We have recently also had support from our mounted colleagues in Shipley, Baildon and Cullingworth. This support will continue and additionally my officers will deploy into areas of concern in and amongst call handling.

We will continue to pass messages utilising different avenues such as WYP Social Media pages and Partner websites in an effort to reinforce the need to be vigilante regarding security measures. I would also encourage people to report any information that may assist with our enquiries via 101, or 999, rather than posting such information onto local social media pages that we either do not have access to, or do not monitor.

Shipley Ward – rough sleepers and beggars, as well as drug dealing, ASB and speeding. Positive action has been taken with numerous dispersal orders being authorised and offenders being interviewed with prosecutions pending. In addition we are building cases for criminal behaviour orders. A day of action took place early September involving a number of partner agencies whereby the focus was on promoting Bradford Cares along with educating local residents and shoppers about the services available to the rough sleepers/beggars, and the pitfalls of giving them any money. We now hold monthly partnership meetings in order that we can continue to work together to tackle this issue. Philip Davies MP is aware of the work that we are undertaking.

Speed watch - On the 13th July on Owlet Road – 7 vehicles speeding were identified, and also on Gaisby Lane where 11 vehicles speeding were identified. Letters were issued. 27th July, Gaisby Lane, 8 vehicles were speeding, maximum speed 46mph in a 30mph area. 4 letters were issued.

29th July Moorhead Lane no vehicles were speeding, Nab Wood Drive 5 vehicles were speeding. 4 letters issued and 1 x traffic offence report.

Drug dealing - Following a day of action on the 24th March 2017, in the Festival Avenue area of Shipley area targeting drug dealing, two peoples have been charged with : Possession with intent to supply Class A - Crack Cocaine - Possession with intent to supply Class A - Heroin

Baildon Ward – residential burglaries and speeding.

Speed watch - 10th July 28 vehicles were found to be speeding which resulted in 24 letters being issued. The highest speed was 58mph in a 30mph area. The off road motor cyclists have also spent time in the area to tackle some issues with quad bikes.

Residential burglary levels have been high across the ward and as such we have increased our patrols in the area, including the force resources as mentioned above. Additionally our Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator has set up a total of 36 new NHW schemes in the ward

Windhill & Wrose – gang related ASB and disorder in the West Royd area. We are fully aware of the heightened concerns around recent criminality. At a recent public meeting we appealed to the community to come forward with intelligence and we confirmed that we would be completing reassurance patrols in the area, which we have done. In early October I will be attending a meeting called by the Leader of the Council to discuss how partners, including the residential social landlord and elected members, can further improve this community for its residents.

Bingley Ward – drug dealing in the vicinity of Myrtle Park and speeding.

Drug dealing is an issue for us and one that PC Cath Gallimore, ward officer, is working to address. From September 2016 to September 2017 in Bingley there are 17 offences recorded – 5 Trafficking offences and 12 possession of drugs. 2 resulted cautions, 4 community resolution, 3 charged and enquiries ongoing with the remaining ones. Speed watch – on the 21st July at Otley Road, Eldwick 2 vehicles were speeding, with a maximum speed of 36mph in a 30mph area. Letters were sent.

29th July on Bingley bypass 2 vehicles were speeding. 2 x traffic offence reports issued
30th August Park Road, 236 vehicles monitored and 8 were speeding. Highest speed was 42mph in a 30mph area.

Residential burglary levels have been high across the ward and as such we have increased our patrols in the area, including the force resources as mentioned above. Additionally our Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator has set up a total of 48 new NHW schemes in the ward

Bingley Rural Ward – residential burglaries and speeding.

On the 12th July on Lee Lane 8 vehicles were speeding, 7 letters issued. Further speed watch initiatives will be carried out on Lane side, Wilsden and Haworth Road, Cullingworth over the coming weeks.

Residential burglary levels have been high across the ward and as such we have increased our patrols in the area, including the force resources as mentioned above. Additionally our Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator has set up a total of 27 new NHW schemes in the ward

Wharfedale Ward – residential burglaries and speeding.

At a recent Menston community meeting, called in relation to the increase in residential burglaries, officers from my team attended and addressed a number of issues and concerns and were able to provide crime prevention advice as well as re iterate some facts around perceptions. Our Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator has set up a total of 23 new NHW schemes in the ward

Speeding – Roads Policing officers have deployed into the area to address the issues on the bypass towards Menston. On Burley bypass 1 person has been summoned to court for travelling in excess of 100mph.

The individual ward officers for each of the areas have responsibility for working with Partners, and other Departments across Bradford District, in order to tackle these issues. Community meetings have been attended both to listen to concerns and also to provide updates as to any ongoing work. We are more than happy to attend at local meetings and answer any concerns that residents may have. I have highlighted some of the positive results due to work that my officers have undertaken, however, I acknowledge that there is still work to be done. We will continue to listen to our communities and act on their concerns.

I am extremely proud of the work that my team do. We work hard to protect our communities, some of the details of which have already been identified above, and we will continue to do so over the next 12 months by: carrying out increased proactive patrols to target serious acquisitive crime offenders, completing additional community Speed watch initiatives, continuing to tackle the issues around rough sleepers/beggars and by working in conjunction with our Organised Crime Unit to target drug related activity.

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