

# Report of the Bradford West Area Co-ordinator to the meeting of Bradford West Area Committee to be held on Date 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018

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## Subject:

Bradford West Neighbourhood Policing Team activity to address the “Safer Communities” priorities within the Bradford West Constituency Ward Plans for 2018 / 2019

## Summary statement:

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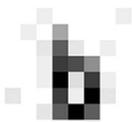
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## **1. SUMMARY**

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

## **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Appendix A gives an overview of the Bradford West Area between April 2018 and October 2018 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 Bradford West Neighbourhood Policing Team works closely with Bradford Council's Neighbourhoods Team across the West Constituency. This relationship has been strengthened over the last 7 years, since Bradford West Area Co-Ordinators Office co located to Lawcroft House. A number of joint community initiatives have taken place including piloting new contact points, street surgeries, attendance at parents' consultation events, fun days and also attendance at other public engagement opportunities. Days of Action have been undertaken including information-giving, door knocking by staff from the teams, traffic operations, fines warrants, and environmental activities.
- 3.3 Ward Partnership Team meetings, continue to be supported by partners, including the West Yorkshire Police, Social Landlords, Youth Service, West Yorkshire Fire Service, Environmental Health Officer and Elected Members to problem solving and information-sharing focussing on strategic priorities, entrenched issues and emerging challenges.
- 3.4 Neighbourhood officers from the Council and Police have participated in more robust joint patrols and enforcement activities managing school gate parking issues to reduce traffic congestion, illegal / inappropriate parking and risks to pedestrians as well as other road users. Traffic operations are planned throughout the year. The Council's CCTV car is also deployed to support enforcement activities. Where possible, engagement work including school assembly presentations, attendance at school events to meet parents, children taking part in speed watch and other road safety educational activities also take place.

## **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 Bradford West 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 Bradford West Area Committee notes the work undertaken by the Bradford West Neighbourhood Policing Team from April 2018 and October 2018 that contributed to addressing priorities within the ward plans for the Bradford West Area.

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

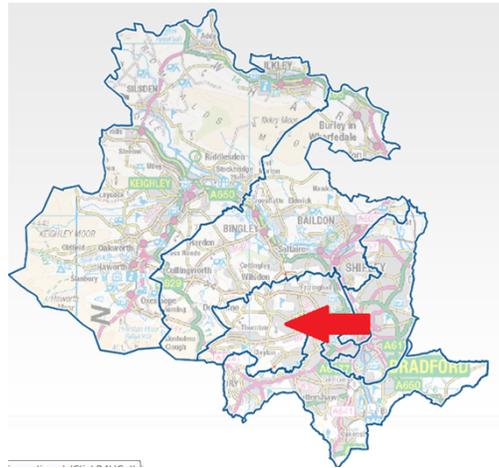
## **11. APPENDICES**

11.1 Appendix A – Bradford West Performance Data – April 2018 and October 2018.

## **12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

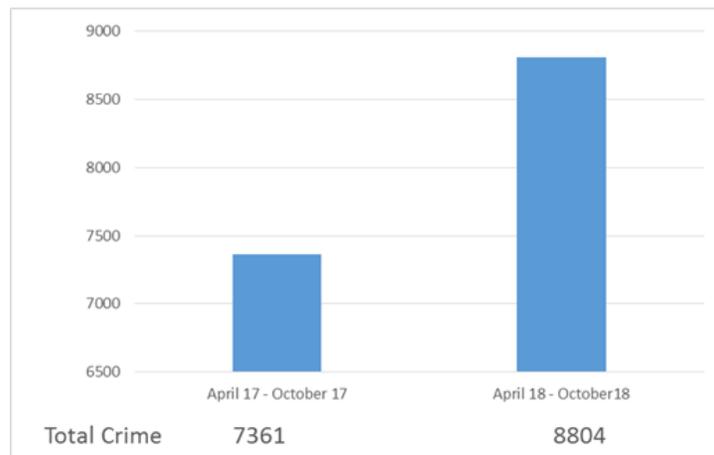
12.1 None.

## BRADFORD WEST

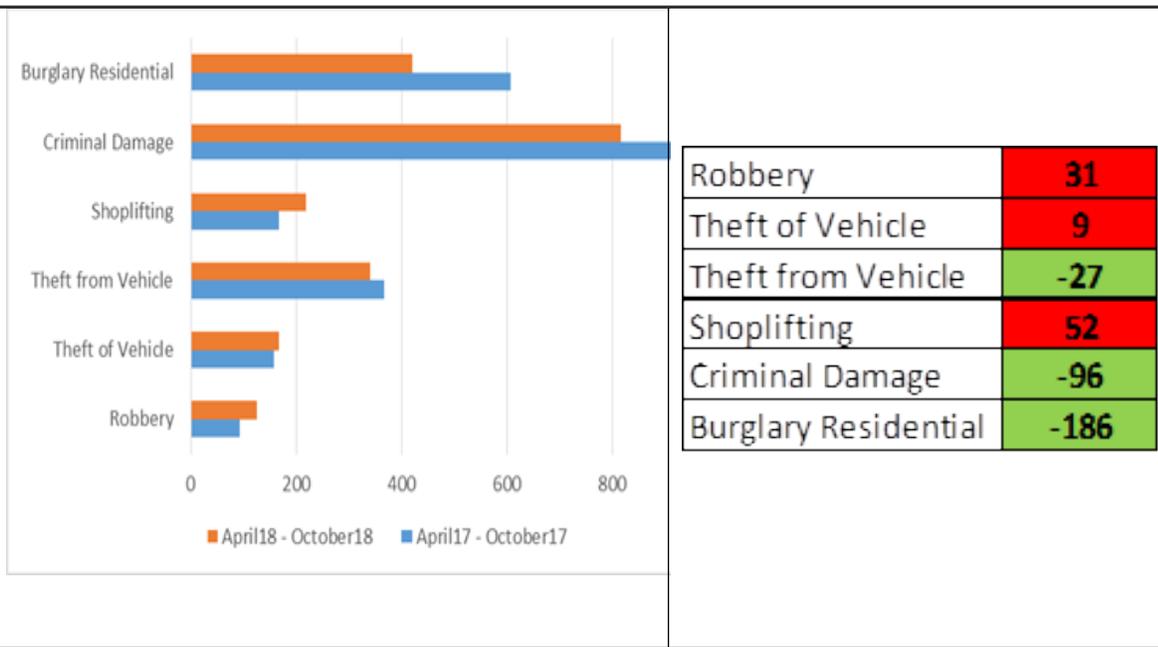


## CRIME FIGURES

The following data highlights figures for the main crime types in Bradford West for the year to date (this will equate to crime figures between April 2018 to October 2018 with a comparison of the same period from the previous year):



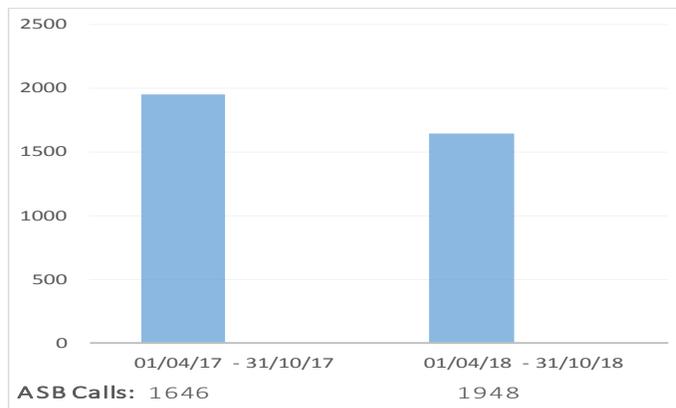
This is broken down into different crime types as below along with an increase and decrease figure for each:



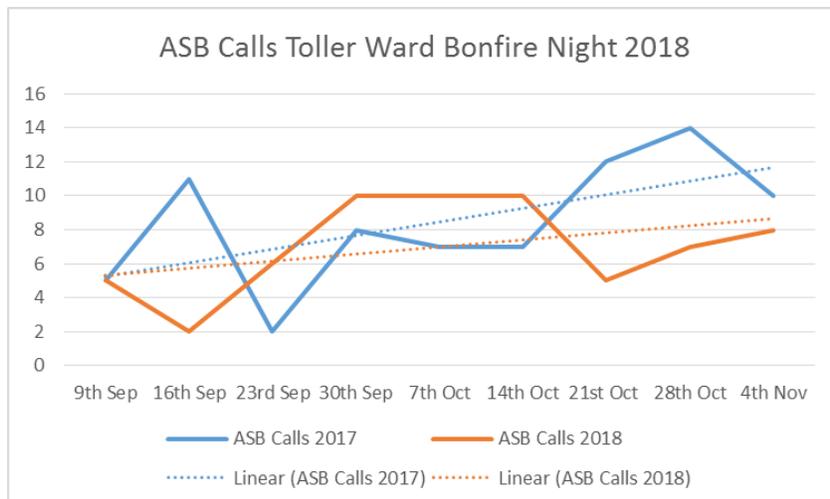
### ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

#### ASB calls for service

The below chart shows the total number of calls for service for nuisance related issues. This shows a clear reduction in ASB calls for service since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 compared with the same period the previous year.



### ASB Bonfire Period – Toller Ward



## POLICE UPDATE

### INSPECTOR Tom Casey BRADFORD WEST NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone across all agencies and the community, who have contributed in the last year to policing and improving community safety in Bradford West.

We continue our investment in Neighbourhood Policing and embedding of the new Neighbourhood Policing Model introduced on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018. We remain focused on engagement with communities, problem solving and early intervention in helping to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour. We recognise that relationships between West Yorkshire Police and our communities is fundamental to successful policing at all levels. We are committed to working closely with partners in helping reduce risk and harm, to support vulnerable individuals and make our communities safer and feel safer.

Between the dates of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018, Bradford West PWA recorded an increase of 19% of total recorded crime over the previous year. The majority of this increase is down to the rise in the recording of violent crime experienced nationally. The Office for National Statistics indicates that nationally overall violence rose by 19%, robbery by 22% and sexual offences by 18%.

Statisticians believe the change is down to better recording and increased confidence of victims coming forward rather than a real-world increase in attacks. HM Chief Inspector of Constabulary sent an instruction to all Chief Constables to reiterate the need to record absolutely every crime that comes to Police notice. This means that at one incident there can be multiple crimes recorded which has seen our overall crime increase in line with crime data integrity. It is absolutely right that we do, as we need an accurate reflection of what is happening in our area.

There is much good news around crime trends at Bradford West that bucks the national trend, including reductions in theft from vehicle, criminal damage and burglaries. ***Bradford West has recorded the biggest reduction in recorded burglaries across all areas of Bradford compared with the previous year.***

Robbery	31
Theft of Vehicle	9
Theft from Vehicle	-27
Shoplifting	52
Criminal Damage	-96
Burglary Residential	-186

We continue to work closely with the local community, partner agencies and elected members to address the issues important to them.

The below are *just a few* examples of some of the joint work and initiatives carried out:

## City ward

### Grantham Road

Working closely to tackle problems in the Grantham Road Area, related to drugs use and dealing and conducted a number of Multi Agency Days of Action.

### Eldon Place/Snowden Street

Working with partners to tackle ASB issues related to drugs use and dealing

### Green Lane Area

Working closely to tackle problems in the Green Lane Area, related to ASB

### Parking at schools

Parking and traffic issues outside schools. Joint patrols with PCSOs and Council Wardens. Joint support to a number of community events across the ward.

### Days of actions

PCSOs supported council staff on a number of days of action tackling environmental issues

### EID Project

A joint partnership project titled Operation Spittlemoor involves resources from the Police, Council and volunteers during Eid. The operation is designed to tackle anti-social use of motor vehicles along the Great Horton Road corridor.

The most recent EID project ran from Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August until Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August and overall was quieter than previous Eids.

### Summary results:

<b>Traffic Related</b>	
S59 Written Warnings for ASB use of vehicles	12
Traffic Offence Reports (Mobile Phones, speeding, seatbelt etc)	30
Fixed Penalty Notice	11
Parking Tickets	42

<b>Vehicle Seizures Total</b>	
Crime	8
No Insurance	11

<b>Arrest Total</b>	
	8

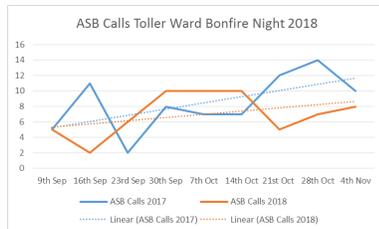
### Police Camps

Bradford District Police Camps are hosted at Trinity Green Campus, Morley Street. Over the summer in a 3 week period we have engaged with 800 young people aged 8-15 from across the district. We have broken down barriers between police and local young people whilst offering emergency service themed life skills education.

## **Toller Ward**

### Bonfire week

Working closely with elected members, council, partners and the community that saw large numbers of community volunteers patrolling the streets. This was a huge success that resulted in a significant reduction in issues.



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### Drug misuse Chassum Grove, Farfield St.

Following concerns regarding drug dealing, littering, ASB and youths congregating. Neighbourhood Watch introduced along with an increase in high visibility PCSO and Council Warden patrols.

## **Clayton & Fairweather Green Ward**

### Community Alcohol Partnership (CAP).

This project incorporates a number of partners including Youth Service, NHS, Police, Ward Members & Barnados all of which work together sharing resources to deliver workshops and community events around alcohol awareness.

### ASB yellow letter visits.

Youth service and police have been working jointly together. If a young person is flagged by calls for service because their behaviour is a cause for concern then a home visit is undertaken jointly by police and youth worker and parent/carer is spoken to alongside the child. This allows their behaviour to be addressed by the police and diversionary work and a support plan for the young person can be put in place.

### Year 6 football tournament

Jointly with council and youth services a year 6 football tournament was organised for children across Clayton and Thornton wards. In between matches the children received educational inputs relating to alcohol misuse, drugs, anti-social behaviour and Cyber safety. It also provided local NPT officers to engage with children from their ward area.

### Lower Grange Youth Group

PCSO are working with youth services who have identified a cohort of youths from the Lower Grange area who are on the periphery of ASB. Each Tuesday PCSO attended with youth services and worked with these children to divert them away from ASB.

### Joint Outreach.

An initiative where a PCSO & Youth Worker jointly undertake outreach around the local hot spot areas for ASB. Engaging with the young people to explore why these issues are arising, we educate them of the consequences, offer positive activities for them to engage in but also give a voice to the young people which builds relationships between the youth and the Police.

### Days of action

Multi agency days of action have been held across the ward areas. During these days NPT have worked alongside DVSA, DVLA, and Taxi licensing to tackle anti-social use of vehicles. Warrants have been executed under the misuse of drugs act. Joint patrols have been conducted by wardens and PCSO's.

## **Thornton and Allerton Ward**

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School gate parking – Area Office /Council wardens/ Road Safety Team /Police/Schools .Visits to schools across the ward to educate, inform and change driver behaviour and enforce where needed. The project uses police to educate drivers who are dropping off or picking up at start and end of school day. School pupils under supervision, reward good driver behaviour or give out false tickets for poor driving and often speak with them about driver behaviour which puts pupils or pedestrians at risk. After 3 days of this activity, Council wardens d follow up visits and carry out enforcement activity as required.

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### **Heaton Ward.**

One of the main priorities in the ward has been tackling anti-social driving and parking as well road safety at schools. Operation Steerside has been focused on Howarth road and has seen considerable results. Wardens and PCSO's have supported each other in various action days across the ward to target dangerous parking at school drop offs focused on Bingley road, Haworth road and Frizinghall Road.

The PCSO'S have an invaluable relationship with the community in Heaton and their knowledge of the local area and relationship with individuals has been pivotal in building community cohesion in the ward. The team go out of their way to support community fun days, school parents evening, neighbourhood watches and they have been a key player in the Healthy Heaton initiatives encouraging healthy lifestyles.

Problems of anti-social behaviour identified through the ward officer teams have been tackled with a multi-agency approach. This includes Bradford cares initiative to tackle aggressive begging at Sainsbury's, youth outreach to tackle anti-social behaviour on Haworth Road addressing issue at the golf course and housing estate as well support to the fire service dealing with Hot spot areas such as Royds Wood.

### **Manningham Ward.**

#### Ramadan Project

Every year residents on Wilmer Road had problems with increased ASB over Ramadan. A Ramadan Plan was agreed, where the Police patrolled and set up a WhatsApp group between the residents where they could report concerns direct to the Council Ward Officer and themselves.

#### Bonfire night

Working closely with the Police and Fire Service with regards to getting some of the community involved in Girlington and Manningham for this bonfire period.

#### Drug Rehabilitation

Working with drug rehabilitation charities clean ups have occurred in the Houghton place area to try and combat issues with drug taking. The charities now target the area to try and engage with drug users and help them to get on a drug rehabilitation plan.