

Community Safety Overview and Scrutiny Performance Report December 2014

1. Introduction and Overview

- 1.1. This report covers information and activity for the first six months of 2014/15.
- 1.2. Data for this time period suggests that total crime in York is predicted to be nearly 2% lower than 2013/14, continuing the trend over the previous 3 years.
- 1.3. Overall, York is currently in 10th place within its Iquanta crime family of 15 local authorities. Members of York's IQUANTA family are:

Cheshire - Cheshire East	Hertfordshire - Welwyn & Hatfield
Cheshire - Cheshire West	Kent - Canterbury
Devon & Cornwall - Exeter	Kent - Maidstone
Essex - Brentwood	Kent - Tunbridge Wells
Essex - Colchester	Lancashire - Fylde
Greater Manchester - Trafford	Metropolitan Police - Hillingdon
Hertfordshire - Hertsmere	Wiltshire - Swindon

2. Violent Crime

York - All Violent Crime

Totals

Target 2014-15

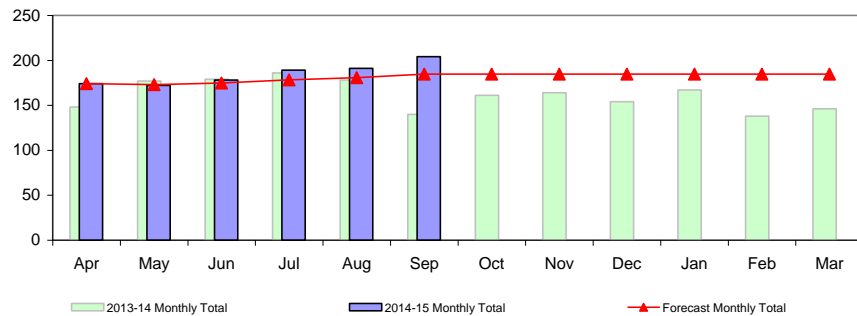
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Forecast

2216

Cumulative

1108



Target Monthly Total

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Previous Years

2007-08	3365
2008-09	3085
2009-10	2712
2010-11	2831
2011-12	2443
2012-13	2254
2013-14	1938

The Graph shows:

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- 2) Forecasted annual total based upon a moving average of months
(There has been no allowance for known seasonal patterns)

	- Action Needed (>120%)
	- Caution (100% - 120%)
	- No Action (<100%)



Month	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12	2010-11	2009-10
Apr	174	148	190	227	229	219
May	172	177	170	214	239	253
Jun	178	179	171	218	263	247
Jul	189	186	192	234	252	260
Aug	191	178	197	206	271	261
Sep	204	140	191	173	217	230
Oct		161	208	207	259	226
Nov		164	176	189	206	217
Dec		154	206	221	230	233
Jan		167	207	178	217	217
Feb		138	144	169	223	172
Mar		146	202	207	225	177

- 2.1. The level of overall violence in the first two quarters of 2014/15 totalled 1,108 incidents and is predicted to be 270 higher at year end than 2013/14.
- 2.2. The number of violent incidents within the night-time economy looks to be slowly reducing based on the first six months of the year, but the number of ASB calls for service is rising with 528 occurring within the cumulative impact zone in the 2nd quarter of 2014/15. These 528 incidents cover both the day and night-time periods.
- 2.3. During the first half of 2014/15, there were 1037 alcohol related ASB incidents and 706 incidents of criminal damage across the entire city. These indicators are both predicted to be lower than the previous year.
- 2.4. York is currently in 6th place within its IQUANTA family for overall violence.
- 2.5. **Operation Erase:** British Transport Police (BTP) are making early intervention arrests in the station rather than allowing people onto the trains. The train operating companies have contributed by deploying guards to assist.
- 2.6. **Emergency Care Practitioner Cars:** CCG have allocated four cars to cover the Vale of York and the York area which will replace the Static Ambulance Unit. The Static Ambulance Unit, however, will continue to be deployed at key times of the year such as the races, Christmas and New Year.
- 2.7. **Alcohol Diversion Programme:** There have been 49 referrals to the programme to date.
 - 25 individuals have attended the group programme;
 - 14 individuals were referred for 1:1 support as they have acknowledged alcohol dependency, of which 13 attended;
 - 2 individuals have been referred to the Young Persons' Team.
- 2.8. A new chairperson for Pub Watch has been appointed and will attend AVANTE and River Safety meetings.

- 2.9. **River Safety Working Group:** Surveys of existing rescue equipment and safety provision are currently underway and replacement equipment is in the process of being ordered.
- 2.10. New road markings are now in place to ensure Emergency Services have ease of access to the slipway.
- 2.11. Vulnerability training for door staff is being rolled out by North Yorkshire Police (NYP). This is now a Security Industry Authority (SIA) accreditation requirement.
- 2.12. Adoption of the Water Incident Database (WAID) which draws together multi-agency data, will ensure a much more comprehensive picture of all river incidents (fatal and non fatal) and will assist in planning future work to ensure river safety.
- 2.13. Work is underway to improve water and river safety awareness in schools and is being coordinated by ACE.
- 2.14. The main priority areas for work in the action plan are as follows:
- Development of a multi-agency River Safety Strategy (Board level).
 - Develop and deliver a multi-agency operational plan.
 - Improve provision of rescue equipment
 - Improve public realm design
 - Improve river safety education and awareness. Improve leadership and coordination.
- 2.15. **Pixellated CCTV Footage:** The Community Safety Manager (Crime and NTE) worked alongside the Transport Systems Team in the CCTV Control Room to put together a 5 minute montage of pixellated CCTV footage of drunken disorder in York. This footage is being used as part of the Alcohol Diversion Programme.

York - Domestic Violence Incidents

Totals

Target 2014-15

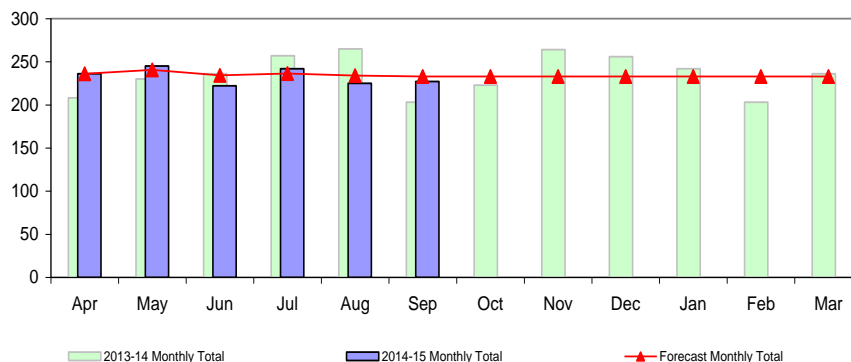
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Forecast

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Cumulative

1397



Target Monthly Total

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Previous Years

2007-08	NA
2008-09	NA
2009-10	2840
2010-11	2982
2011-12	2739
2012-13	2819
2013-14	2823

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Month	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12	2010-11	2009-10
Apr	236	208	246	245	253	NA
May	245	230	230	233	265	NA
Jun	222	236	228	247	310	NA
Jul	242	257	250	264	281	NA
Aug	225	265	271	236	263	NA
Sep	227	203	223	232	218	NA
Oct		223	266	204	243	NA
Nov		264	215	205	193	NA
Dec		256	238	228	247	NA
Jan		242	241	212	256	NA
Feb		203	205	210	219	NA
Mar		236	206	223	234	NA

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2.16. **Domestic Violence:** The level of Domestic Violence Incidents was 1397 for the first half of 2014/15.

2.17. There has not been a domestic violence murder recorded in York since 2008-09.

Key Statistics

Key Statistics	2014/15 Financial Year												Running Total	
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar		
Total Domestic Incidents	236	245	222	242	225	227	221							1618
Change on Previous Month														
Repeat Incidents	89	91	83	95	84	81	98							621
% Repeats	38%	37%	37%	39%	37%	36%	44%							38%
Incidents involving Arrest	44	53	52	61	59	40	37							346
% Involving Arrest	19%	22%	23%	25%	26%	18%	17%							21%
Incidents Crimed	64	64	70	77	75	70	58							478
% Crimed	27%	26%	32%	32%	33%	31%	26%							30%
Incidents with Children Present	57	62	54	59	55	47	49							383
% with Children Present	24%	25%	24%	24%	24%	21%	22%							24%

- 2.18. **Perpetrator Programme:** The programme will begin in February 2015 and be a 14-16 week pilot. Referrals will be primarily from Children's Social Care (Child in Need), Family Focus Teams and families who are subject to safeguarding plans.
- 2.19. Independent Domestic Abuse Services (IDAS) and an ex-probation worker will facilitate the programme which will have 3 modules focussing on relationships, parenting and co-parenting and conflict management.
- 2.20. The perpetrator will engage with Making Safe, and this will be built into the agreement, and signed by the perpetrator. All victims will have a safety plan at the beginning and the end of the programme and access to support will be available. A report will be prepared assessing the risk the perpetrator poses at the end of the programme.
- 2.21. **Summer Safety Campaign:** The campaign ran between 19 July and mid September and was centred around the 'Plan Safe, Drink Safe, Home Safe' campaign developed by the University of St John Student Union. There has been good collaborative working in York, particularly the positive relationship Safer York Partnership has with the student population.
- 2.22. **Christmas Message:** The artwork and a press release are being created. Posters will be delivered to pubs, wine bars and clubs across the city with the help of the City Centre Policing Team. Posters will also be delivered to public buildings, GP surgeries, Health Centres and York District Hospital. The message will also be displayed on the sides of buses.
- 2.23. The police will be running Operation Taiwan for the fourth year, where police and their families donate gifts specifically for refugee families.
- 2.24. **Schools:** Clifton Cluster Input on child sexual exploitation, domestic abuse, sexual health and substance misuse are promoting healthy relationships in collaboration with North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Board (NYSCB) and Education. A similar promotion is being planned for Acomb

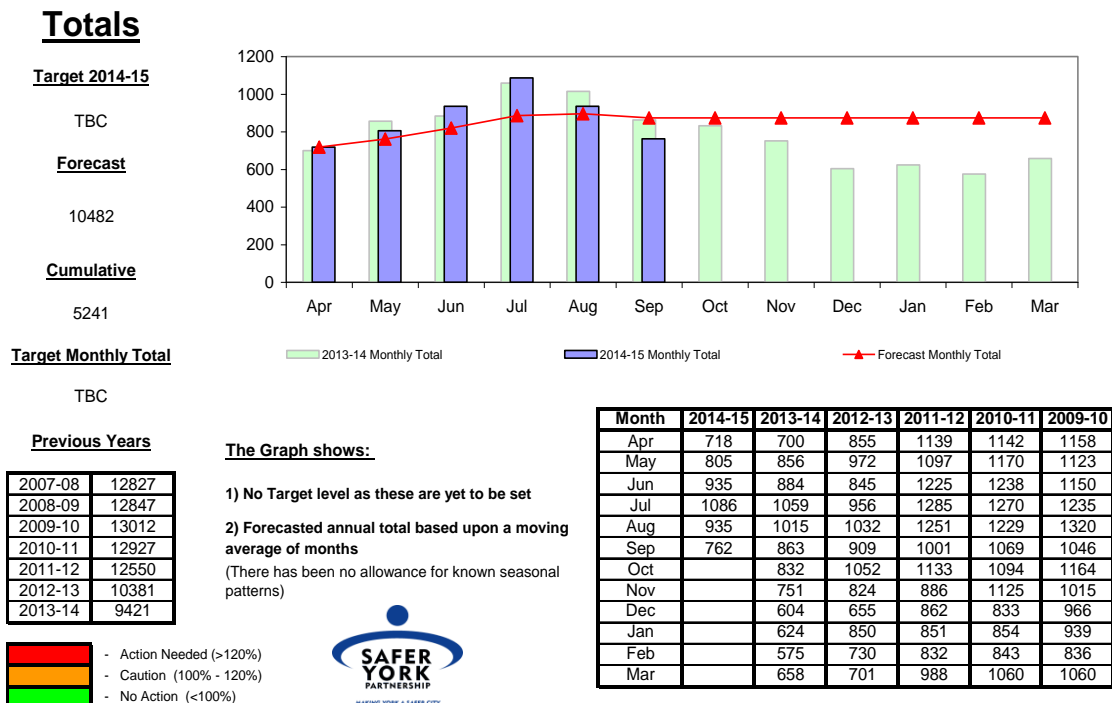
Cluster Group for January 2015. This forms part of the York and North Yorkshire Domestic Abuse Strategy in preventative work in schools.

- 2.25. **University:** IDAS and the Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC) distributed safety messages to students. Leaflets contained information about staying safe in the city and campus, how to report incidents and where to go for help.

3. Anti-Social Behaviour

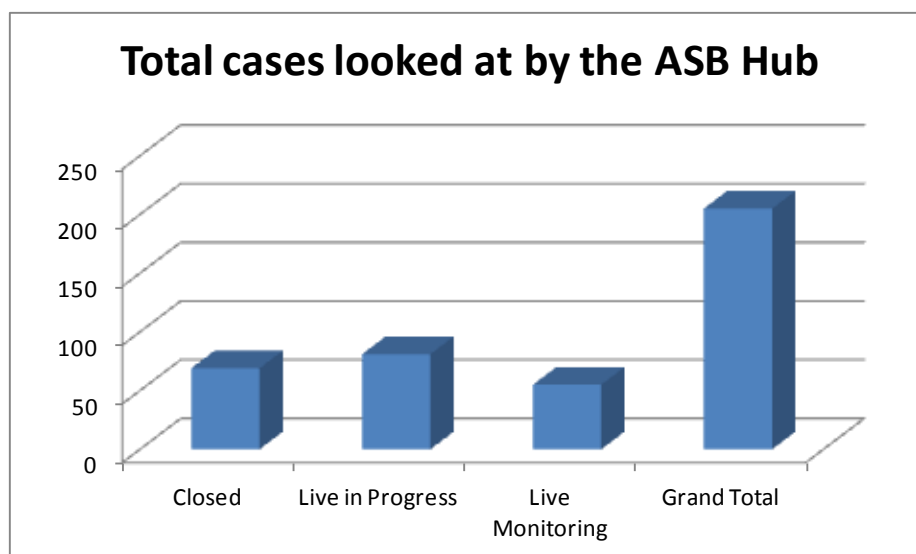
- 3.1. The level of criminal damage for the first two quarters of 2014-15 was just over 700 cases. At current levels this suggests that total crimes of criminal damage will remain on a downward trend of roughly 200 less incidents a year for the past 4 years.
- 3.2. The level of NYP Recorded ASB Calls for Service in the first 2 quarters of 2014-15 was 5330.

York - NYP Recorded ASB Calls for Service



- 3.3. **Street Urination Prosecutions:** There have been 49 prosecutions since the initiative was introduced in 2013.

- 3.4. **Electronic Screen:** The screen will be deployed to promote community safety/alcohol awareness messages each Friday and Saturday night over the Christmas and New Year period at various locations around the city including the railway station.
- 3.5. **University of York Students' Union Nightsafe Scheme:** Developed by York University Students Union (YUSU), following a high number of student admissions to the hospital Emergency Department (ED) last year. Volunteers wear a high visibility visibility jacket and carry a rucksack equipped with foil blankets, water, sick bags and a First Aid kit. All volunteers are trained in Active Listening, First Aid, Drug and Alcohol Awareness, use of bodyworn CCTV and radio usage.
- 3.6. YUSU have commissioned Streamline Taxis to provide a minibus to assist students to return home who are incapacitated due to alcohol but not serious enough to attend ED.



- 3.7. **Case Management System:** The ASB Hub have now purchased the E-Cins case management system, and have a series of meetings lined up to ensure the smooth transition to the new system
- 3.8. **Begging Strategy:** The Hub Police Officers are working with Partners to implement a new Begging strategy based on Westminster Council's successful policy. The policy will ensure that all people who are encountered begging will be

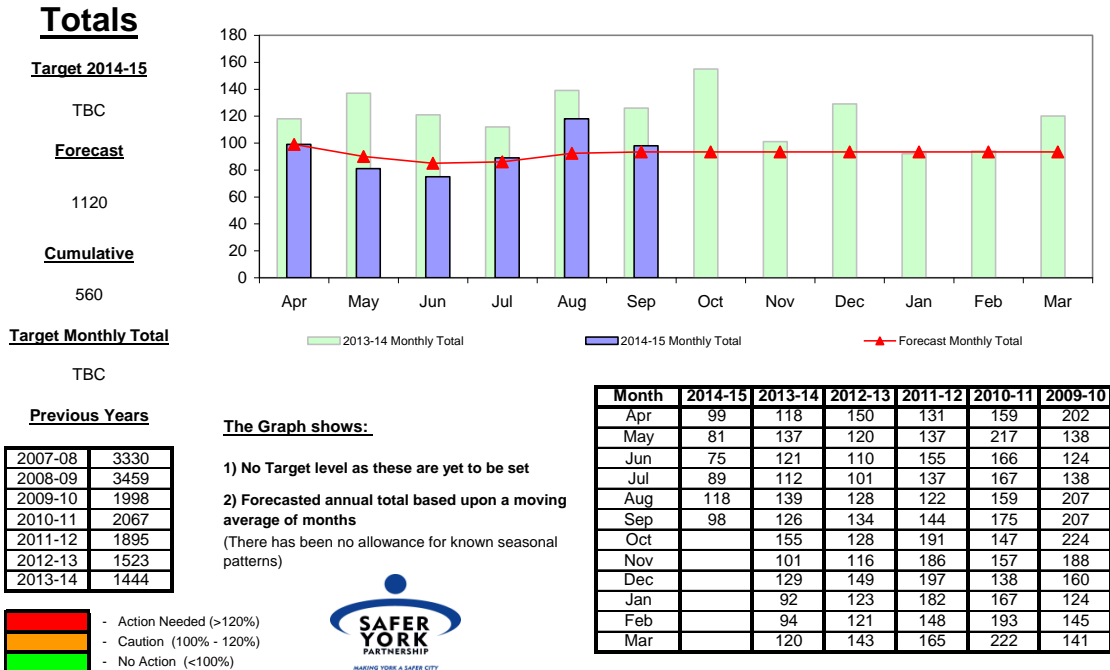
given several opportunities to receive advice and support prior to any potential enforcement action being considered.

4. Acquisitive Crime

4.1. The level of serious acquisitive crime in 2014-15 is predicted to continue to reduce, with continued low levels of domestic burglary and all types of car crime. The levels of non-domestic burglary have stayed static around the 50 crimes per month mark.

4.2. Domestic burglaries and theft from vehicles decreased significantly between quarter 1 and quarter 2 of this year. Burglaries were down 39% and car theft fell by 46%.

York - NI 16 - Serious Acquisitive Crime



4.3. Bicycle theft still remains high in York with 220 thefts during the first half of 2014/15 and York remains in 15th position of the benchmarked 15 local authorities in the same crime family. However, the year end figure is predicted to be 166 lower than 2013/14.

4.4. Handlebar strips promoting cycle registration and secure cycle storage have been produced for SNA's to use either on-street or with their local cycle retailers.

- 4.5. Due to the cessation of the Community Action and Support Against Crime (CASAC), the Safer Homes Handyperson service provided by the Home Improvement Agency will provide crime prevention equipment to all victims of burglary across York.
- 4.6. A Crime and Community Safety themed meeting of the Higher York Partnership was held in November to discuss ways of sharing best practice across Higher Educational establishments across York.
- 4.7. York Business Against Crime (YBAC) has received its accreditation to the national Association of Business Crime Partnerships (ABCP) following an assessment of all protocols and procedures. Sue Anderson-Brown has been appointed as the new Chairperson of YBAC.
- 4.8. A Business Crime Steering Group is planned for the end of January. This group will consist of representatives from the wider business community – retail, business and NTE. The group will meet on a quarterly basis.

5. Other Information

- 5.1. **Test Purchase:** Test Purchase operations will be carried out over the Christmas period relating to underage sales.
- 5.2. The level of reported hate crime or incidents in 2014-15 is predicted to be 158, which is over 50% more than last year's total of 98 incidents.

TYPE	2014-15												Total
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
Age-related													0
Asylum seeker													0
Disability			1		2	4							7
Gender			1										1
Heterophobic													0
Homophobic		1	1										2
Irish travellers													0
Migrant worker													0
Racial	3	7	8	4	10	7							39
Refugee													0
Religious				1									1
Romany peoples													0
Sexual Orientation	2		1										3
Transgender				1									1
Vulnerable adult													0
TOTAL	5	8	12	6	12	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	54

- 5.3. There were 798 cases of shoplifting in the first 2 quarters of 2014/15 is and it is anticipated that it is likely to be slightly lower than the 1,575 cases in 2013/14.
- 5.4. There is no new data available for 2014 on Road traffic Collisions and Killed and seriously injured at this point.

Year	Killed	Seriously Injured	Killed or Seriously Injured	Slightly Injured	All Casulties
2010	4	58	62	497	559
2011	7	56	63	489	552
2012	4	47	51	473	524
2013	0	58	58	463	521

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