SOUTHAMPTON SAFE CITY PLAN 2013 - 14



Reduce crime and anti-social behaviour in key locations

Reduce the harm caused by drugs and alcohol

Reduce repeat victimisation

OUR PRIORITIES

Reduce reoffending

Reduce youth crime

WHAT HAPPENED TO CRIME IN SOUTHAMPTON IN 2012/13?

Comparison figures are in relation to the 15 most similar cities as defined by ONS where 1 is the best

Our comparative position improved for	Relative position 2011/12	Relative position 2012/13
All crime	14	11
Sexual offences	14	8
Other sexual offences	12	7
Rape	14	10
Burglary	11	8
Burglary (dwelling)	8	7
Burglary (non dwelling)	14	12
Vehicle Offences	9	7
Arson	8	7
Violence with Injury	15	14
Violence without injury	14	13
Public order	13	9

We need to improve our comparative position for	Relative position 2011/12	Relative position 2012/13
Criminal damage*	14	15
Criminal damage /Arson *	14	15
Violence with injury *	15	14
Violence without injury*	14	13
Theft from person *	12	12
Burglary (non dwelling)*	14	12
All crime*	14	11
Possession of drugs	8	9

^{*}Despite comparator positions requiring improvement the number of crimes recorded in 2012/13 reduced in all of these areas

Our most similar cities include:

- Bristol
- Cardiff
- Coventry
- coveriery
- Crawley
- Exeter
- Hillingdon
- Hounslow
- Lincoln
- Northampton
- Plymouth
- Portsmouth
- Oxford
- Sussex
- Trafford
- Welwyn and Hatfield

All Crime

- •In total crime in the City reduced by 16% from 2011/12 to 2012/13
- •The total number of crimes reduced from 26,165 in 2011/12 to 21,929 in 2012/13
- Southampton has 93 crimes per 1,000 persons; the average for the group is 82 per 1,000
- •The total reoffending rate was 9.7%. The national average is 9.35%
- •308 hate crime cases were recorded of which 73% were race related

Violent Crime

- •1,418 fewer violent crime offences in 2012/13 compared to 2011/12, a 19% reduction, inlcuding decreases of:
- 31% in alcohol related violence
- 16% in domestic violence offences
- •28% in serious sexual offences
- •Drug related violence rose by 17% in 2012/13
- There were 94 repeat domestic violence cases at multi agency risk assessment conferences (MARACs) in 2012/13

Theft & Burglary

- •There were reductions in the followings crimes from 2011/12 to 2012/13:
- •20% in burglary
- •22% in theft of a vehicle
- •15% in theft from a vehicle
- ullet 21% in theft from a person
- •56 crimes of metal theft were recorded in 2012/13

Anti Social Behaviour (ASB)

- •11% decrease in ASB incidents in 2012/13 compared to 2011/12
- •37% decrease in arson in 2012/13 compared to 2011/12
- •There were 2,169 alcohol related hospital admissions compared to 2,153 last year
- The 4 Community Tasking and Coordinating Groups across the city addressed hot spots of anti-social behaviour and took action to deal with alleged perpetrators
- •Vehicle related nuisance incidents increased from 945 in 2011/12 to 1,338 in 2012/13

Youth Crime

- •22 fewer young people aged between 10 and 17 received a custodial sentence in 2012/13 compared with 2011/12 (from 49 to 27)
- •First time entrants to the youth justice system increased by 13%, rising from 911 (Oct 2010 to Sep 2011) to 1,028 per 100,000 10-17 year olds (Oct 2011 and Sep 2012)
- •The youth reoffending rate was 47%. This is an increase of 8% and around 10% higher than the national average.

OUR KEY CHALLENGES

• Performance

- Improving comparative performance with similar cities for all crime
- Reducing reoffending particularly in relation to young people and domestic violence
- Building on the 'whole family' approach to reduce youth offending and ASB

• Working smarter

- Managing reducing resources
- Working together to respond to the significant organisational and legislative changes while targeting resources to achieve the greatest impact
- Ensuring all plans, developments and services consider the impact on crime and disorder in the city
- Responding to issues caused by welfare reforms and changing demographics

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OUR SUCCESSES IN 2012/13

Priority	Actions	Results
Reduce crime and anti-social behaviour in key locations	 Tackling ASB We developed a multi agency approach to identifying and supporting victims of ASB which has improved identification of victims who are vulnerable. Partners worked together to develop action plans to tackle 'spikes' in various crimes at certain times of the year and tackle various hot spots through patrols, Street CREDs, dispersal orders, street briefings and special operations. 	Increase from 148 to 219 the number of vulnerable victims of ASB identified. Reduction in 'student' burglaries, and reductions in ASB and arson during the Halloween and Bonfire period. Number of younger people who have signed an Acceptable Behaviour Contract has increased by 104% from 24 in 2011/12 to 49 in 2012/13.
	 Enforcement and neighbourhood safety Organised new Street CRED events, led by the council, that join up services to make immediate environmental improvements to an area and provide safety advice. Street CREDs were carried out in Bevois Valley, Portswood, Polygon (3), Irving Road, Violet Road, Riverside Park, Rockstone Lane (2) and Vanguard Road. 	Residents across the city benefited from a Street CRED in 2012/2013. Tonnes of rubbish have been removed, vegetation cut back and new plants and trees planted. Community Payback have provided approximately 50 hours of free labour along with council teams from Open Spaces, Waste and Recycling, Environmental Health, City Patrol, Community Safety, volunteer organisations and local communities have all contributing to the Street CRED days.
Reduce the harm caused by drugs and alcohol	 Operation Fortress was set up to tackle Class A drug supply and associated violence. The project supports vulnerable victims, refers drug users into treatment and offers community reassurance. Alcohol awareness campaigns in schools and specific treatment for alcohol addiction has received additional focus. 	During 2012/13 Operation Fortress Officers have: Detained 212 people, seized drugs with a street value of £149,865 and £106,090 in cash. 10 % (47/173) successful treatment completions for opiate users and 33% (47/143) for non opiate users. Alcohol related hospital admissions have stabilised in 2012/13.
Reduce repeat victimisation	 Support to victims of domestic violence: Set up a new health funded project called IRIS to support victims of domestic abuse A review into a domestic homicide in the City resulted in a range of recommendations. A dedicated point of contact for professionals was established through PIPPA (Prevention, Intervention & Public Protection Alliance) which is an alliance of domestic and sexual violence services in the City. 	More than 66 victims of domestic abuse have been supported and 20 out 38 of the city's GP practices have signed up. All recommendations from the Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) have now been implemented resulting in DV training to 248 professionals. PIPPA have taken 450 calls from frontline workers.
Reduce reoffending	 Safety in the night time economy: Street Pastors recruited additional volunteers, night patrols in the City Centre, parks, some schools and outlying districts as well as in the University of Southampton. Launched the Red Card in July 2012. ICE bus support to people included those with issues such as accidental issues, victims of assault, those needed general help, those needing help getting home and a place of safety provided for those in need. 	32% reduction in NTE violence. 18% reduction in assault presentations at the Emergency Department. 163 individuals received Red Cards for bad behaviour banning them from all licensed premises. 357 people were supported by the ICE Bus. 595 people were supported by the Street Pastors.
Reduce youth crime	Southampton Youth Offending Service was inspected in February 2013 by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation	Southampton YOS scored higher than average in all 4 inspected areas and the Southampton Offending Behaviour Programme was identified as 'an area of emerging practice' by the Youth Justice Board for England and Wales.
Partnership working	Set up the Families Matter Programme to work with 685 families with multiple and complex needs. Reducing youth crime and anti-social behaviour is a core focus of this new programme that takes a 'whole family' challenge approach to tackle offending behaviours.	A team of 36 professionals from a range of partner agencies, including Police, Probation, YOS and Community Safety are currently supporting 353 families under the Families Matter programme.
	The Police and Crime Commissioner has been appointed and we successfully bid for £95,500 to support strategic priorities.	Funding has been allocated to support Taxi Marshalls, future DHR, Ambulance Support for the ICE BUS, victim support and support for Safe City Partnership seasonal campaigns.

WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DO TO IMPROVE?

Priorities	Key actions	Lead Agency	How we will measure success	
Reduce crime and anti-social behaviour in key locations	Develop a 'place' focused ASB plan to tackle entrenched hot spot areas and emerging hot spot streets or neighbourhoods.	Police	 Achieve a further 5% reduction in ASB to below 15,230 incidents in 2013/14 Reduce incidents of ASB in hot spot areas by coordinating partnership responses Improve the comparable position for criminal damage by 2 places to 13th in relation to the 15 most similar cities 	
	Undertake a peer review of the Partnership to ensure priorities reflect City needs, is operating effectively, improve links with the youth offending service and learn from best practice	Council		
Reduce the harm caused by drugs and alcohol	Improve commissioning for treatment pathways and preventative activities to reduce the harms caused by alcohol and drug misuse and introduce an alcohol awareness course running alongside the Red Card scheme.	CCG / Council	 Reduce alcohol related hospital admissions by 5% to below 2,060 in 2013/14 Increase successful completion as a percentage of the total number in drug treatment 	
	Maintain multi agency Operation Fortress to restrict the supply and demand for class A drugs and rebuild affected communities	Police	Reduce drug related violence by 10% to below 45 recorded incidents in 2013/14	
Reduce repeat victimisation and focusing on vulnerable victims	Review the provision and commissioning of Domestic Violence services	Council	• Repeat attendance at Domestic Violence MARACs reduced by 20% in 2013/14 to below 76	
	Continue to develop multi-agency responses to protect vulnerable victims of ASB and crime.	All	 Increase identification and risk assessment of vulnerable adults Decrease in repeat victimisation relating to ASB 	
Reduce reoffending	Development and implementation of a Serious Youth Crime Prevention Action Plan.	YOS	 Reduce the youth reoffending rate by 5% from 47% to 42% Reduce total reoffending rate by 3% to 9.4% 	
	Identify and implement partnership actions targeting licensed offenders.	Probation		
Reduce youth crime	Identification of, and joint agency interventions work with, young people whose offending behaviour has become entrenched. This will include delivering Families Matter and tackling youth crime within a whole family approach.	YOS	Reduce first time entrants into the youth justice system by 10% from 1,028 per 100,000 10-17 year olds to 925 per 100,000 10-17 year olds (1,028 per 100,000 10-17 year olds equates to 193 first time entrants)	
	Implement the new priority young offenders scheme where partners join together to identify and take actions to reduce repeat offending.	All	 Reduce the number of crimes committed by young people by 200 	