



**Hambleton Area Committee
5th March 2018
North Yorkshire Police**

Crime and ASB

During the period 1st April 2017 to 6th February 2018 a total of 2,520 crimes were recorded in the Hambleton district; which is an increase of 50 crimes (2.02%) when compared with the same period in the previous year.

The crime fluctuations by SNT area are as follows:-

Great Ayton – increase of 8 crimes (main issues - violence and cycle theft)

Stokesley – increase of 49 crimes (main issues - Shoplifting and vehicle offences)

Northallerton – decrease of 30 crimes (main issues - possession of articles and burglary)

Bedale - increase of 37 crimes (main issues - shoplifting and theft other)

Thirsk – increase of 35 crimes (main issues - public order and misc offences against society)

Easingwold – decrease of 49 crimes (main issue - vehicle offences)

During the same period the ASB total for the Hambleton district is 2,043 incidents; which is an increase of 10 on the previous year.

Increases were recorded at Northallerton (13%), Great Ayton (5%) and Thirsk (1%).

Move to HQ

The move to the new Alverton Court HQ has progressed well, including the integration of Northallerton Police Station into the same building. The station departments now share an open plan office which has increased engagement and the sharing of information between teams and has been a definite positive. The new building has had little effect on the visiting public who still attend

to report incidents and for advice. We continue to monitor the parking situation at the HQ and the surrounding streets and hold regular engagement meetings to hear and address community concerns. Numerous initiatives have been launched to reduce staff vehicle usage and consultation continues with partners to look at further initiatives.

Northallerton Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT)

Since the last meeting the Northallerton team have welcomed 4 new PCSOs to the team who have completed their training, tutorship and now work independently. This will increase our visibility locally and allow us to engage with both the community and partners to address issues of ASB, vulnerability and safeguarding. Recent examples of this are our work with a local supermarket to address issues of youth related ASB (see next report), engagement with our Children's Homes and our recent work with the newly arrived refugees; assisting in their safe integration into our town.

ASB Hotspot

Following a number of reports of youth related ASB at a local supermarket Northallerton NPT have been increasing patrols in the area but also looking at partnership solutions to address this concern. Our patrols have resulted in arrests with individuals on police bail with curfews whilst enquiries continue and in partnership with Safer Hambleton, CCTV, Youth Justice and Prevention, Social Care and the support of local businesses and residents we have put various plans into place which will include applications for criminal behaviour orders to control the movement, association and presence in the community of those involved.

Thirsk, Easingwold and Bedale Neighbourhood Policing Team

During the past twelve months we have recruited and trained a further three PCSO's (one in Bedale and two in Thirsk) which brings PCSO staffing back up to full strength. Easingwold has gained a Beat Manager who has been in post for six months and a new Beat Manager has been identified to take their post in the near future for Bedale. The three districts continue to work well together and hold regular joint rural watch operations with help from local police volunteers. The NPT have also run joint operations with immigration and trading standards to tackle modern slavery and exploitation of immigrant workers. Both of NYP Thirsk police stations are undergoing refurbishment to improve the working conditions for staff and officers, the Thirsk Market Place Office was completed 02/02/18 and back open for business after a short closure.

Stokesley Neighbourhood Policing Team

There have been a number of recent changes within the team due to officer moves to other locations and well deserved promotion. The team has welcomed a new Sergeant, beat manager and three PCSO's which brings the PCSO's to a full strength now of four. There is a current beat manager vacancy and it is hoped that the appropriate officer will be posted in the near future. The team

continue to develop stronger community and partnership links and to increase their visibility and accessibility.

Tackling ASB is a high priority and the team are targeting patrols and working with the Safer Hambleton Hub, housing providers, schools and the community to address this. A recent escalating issue on a Stokesley estate has been quickly addressed; achieving a high level of customer satisfaction. A long term ASB issue in Stokesley is being addressed and consultation has taken place regards a Public Spaces Protection Order consideration. Resident impact statements have been obtained and the collated data is under analysis. The team has continued to target the issues throughout this process resulting in improved customer satisfaction and a recent reduction in reported ASB. The team will work to maintain the recent reduction in reported ASB in the Great Ayton and Hutton Rudby areas.

The NPT is fortunate to be supported by enthusiastic and passionate Police Service Volunteers and the Special Constabulary who will be assisting us in increasing beauty spot crime prevention and engagement, dwelling burglary prevention patrols and our continued targeting of rural crime and off-road vehicle/motorcycle ASB.

Stokesley NPT will be supporting the following events in 2018:-

16th June - Stokesley Classic Car Show

30th June - Hutton Rudby Village Event

4th August - Osmotherley Show

25th August - Bilsdale Show

1st September - Kildale Show

19th-22nd September – Stokesley Fair

22nd September - Stokesley Show