

ASB report

Figures reported are for the 12 month period 1st October 2009 to 30th September 2010. This is the same time period used for the forthcoming Partnership Strategic Assessment.

There were 16,822 total ASB incidents recorded by the Police during the reporting period; a 15.3% reduction on the same period last year. Of note there have been some changes within the different categories of ASB. This is mainly due to changes in working practices as of April 2010 to implement a more robust system where a member of police support staff now audits the categories to ensure incidents are recorded appropriately. As a result, AS11 rowdy or inconsiderate behaviour now accounts for 55% of all incidents, which is a reduction on the same period last year when this category accounted for 60% overall. AS15 vehicle nuisance was the next highest category of ASB accounting for 12% overall, followed by AS10 nuisance neighbours with 11%.

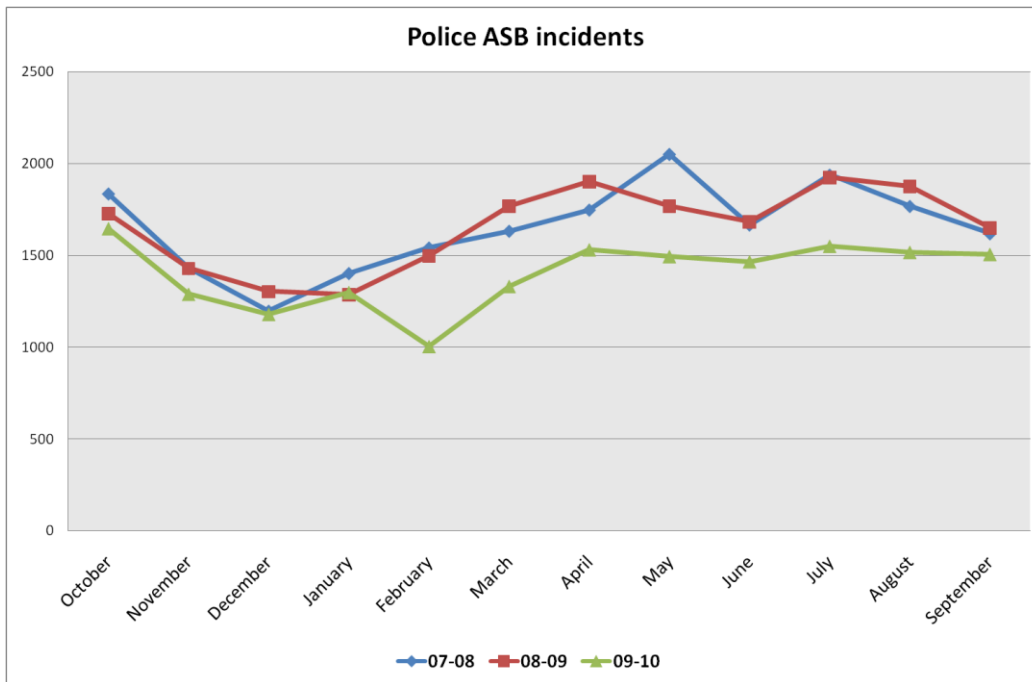
ASB incidents - October to September		2010/11	2009/10	Change	% Change
AS1	<i>Abandoned vehicle (not stolen/causing obstruction)</i>	478	598	-120	-20.1%
AS2	<i>Animal problems</i>	441	488	-47	-9.6%
AS3	<i>Begging/vagrancy</i>	76	37	39	105.4%
AS4	<i>Hoax calls to emergency services</i>	586	609	-23	-3.8%
AS5	<i>Inappropriate/sale/possession of fireworks</i>	115	123	-8	-6.5%
AS6	<i>Malicious/nuisance communication</i>	1,252	1,554	-302	-19.4%
AS7	<i>Noise (not neighbours)</i>	46	21	25	119.0%
AS8	<i>Prostitution related activity</i>	83	93	-10	-10.8%
AS9	<i>Littering/Drugs paraphernalia</i>	113	80	33	41.3%
AS10	<i>Rowdy/nuisance - Neighbours</i>	1,771	1,379	392	28.4%
AS11	<i>Rowdy or inconsiderate behaviour (inc solvent misuse)</i>	9,314	12,197	-2,883	-23.6%
AS13	<i>Street Drinking</i>	265	284	-19	-6.7%
AS14	<i>Trespass</i>	188	47	141	300.0%
AS15	<i>Vehicle nuisance/inappropriate vehicle use</i>	2,094	2,357	-263	-11.2%
TOTAL ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR INCIDENTS		16,822	19,867	-3,045	-15.3%

In total 40% of all police ASB incidents were youth related, although this figure relies upon the youth flag being applied correctly or keywords within the free text field so this figure could be higher. Youth related disorder peaked on Friday and Saturday evenings between 7pm – 9pm.

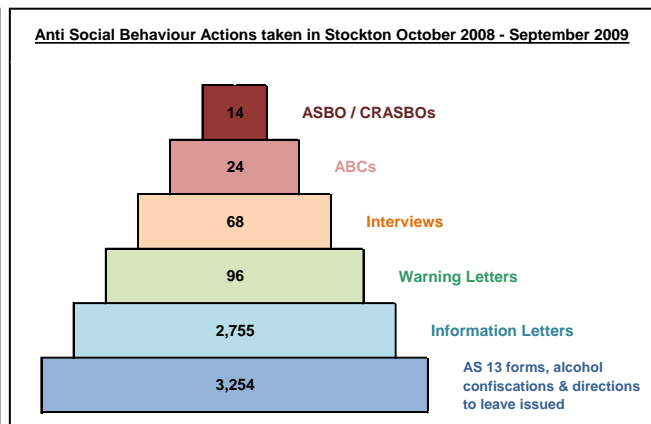
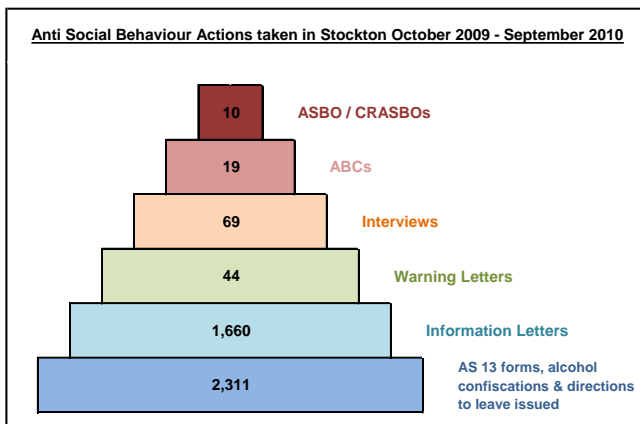
There were 965 incidents involving quad bikes / off road motorbikes which is 6% of all incidents, so this is still a problem albeit not to the levels of previous years. Quad bike incidents occurred on all days of the week and peaked in the afternoon to early evening between 3pm – 8pm (51%).

The peak times for AS11 rowdy or inconsiderate behaviour were Friday and Saturday evenings into the early hours, with the times 6pm – 10pm the busiest times each day of the week.

Incidents peaked in October, which has been a common trend over the last few years. April also saw a rise in incident levels, which was sustained throughout the summer months. Of note there were notably fewer incidents in February which has not occurred in previous years.



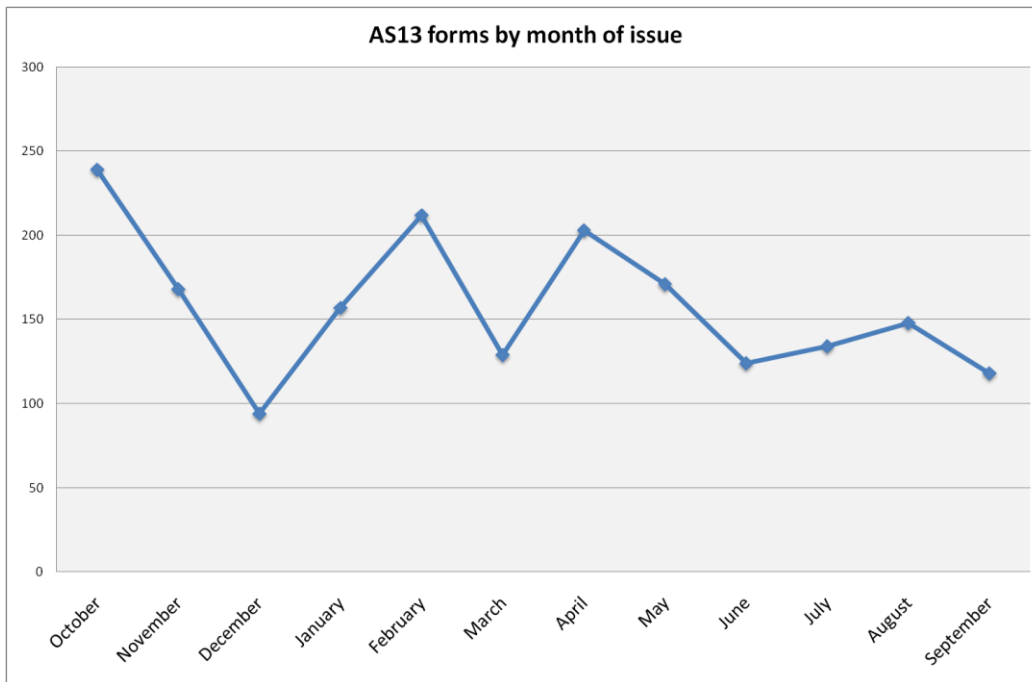
During the reporting period the ASB team has also seen a reduction in the number of incidents with total service requests falling by 675 (-27%) from 2,542 to 1,867. As a result there has also been a reduction in the number of actions carried out as shown below in the two pyramid diagrams.



In total 31% of ASB reported to the ASB team was alcohol related, but this only includes incidents where the alcohol misuse or drunkenness was the main category of ASB. This does not include incidents such as missile throwing or verbal abuse that could have been fuelled by the fact the perpetrator had been drinking alcohol.

70% of all service requests were generated from AS13s, alcohol confiscations or section 27s being issued. 12% were as a result of the 24/7 hotline, with a further 7% from calls directly to the ASB team. 7% resulted from diary sheets and only 2% via website reporting.

In terms of seasonality, October was the busiest month for AS13 forms. Interestingly there was also a peak in February which is the opposite of the Police recorded ASB. December was a particularly quiet month, which coincides with the heavy snow that month.



Friday evenings between 7pm – 9pm is the busiest time for AS13s to be issued (which is the same as police recorded youth ASB), and as would be expected the Friday and Saturday nights into the early hours of the next day are the busiest periods for section 27s.

In terms of location, the top five wards were fairly consistent when looking at the different data sources.

Police ASB - rate per 1,000 pop	Police ASB - numbers	AS13 forms	All service requests
Stockton Town Centre	Stockton Town Centre	Stainsby Hill	Stockton Town Centre
Hardwick	Mandale and Victoria	Stockton Town Centre	Stainsby Hill
Stainsby Hill	Hardwick	Mandale and Victoria	Mandale and Victoria
Parkfield and Oxbridge	Parkfield and Oxbridge	Billingham Central	Billingham Central
Mandale and Victoria	Newtown	Hardwick	Hardwick

The following tables show the number and rate per 1,000 population of incidents. The wards have been colour coded to show variance from the Borough average as measured by the index score. Red is more than twice the Borough average (index score >200), amber is between half above and twice above the Borough average (index score 150 – 199), and green is less than half the Borough average (index >50). Any wards in italics are above the Borough average.

LA ASB service requests				
WARD	TOTAL	%	Rate per 1,000 pop	Index
Stockton Town Centre	436	23%	65.5	674.9
Stainsby Hill	189	10%	28.4	292.6
Mandale and Victoria	179	10%	17.2	177.4
Billingham Central	100	5%	14.1	145.8
Hardwick	96	5%	13.9	143.6
Billingham East	90	5%	12.5	129.0
Parkfield and Oxbridge	77	4%	10.6	109.7
Newtown	73	4%	9.8	100.5
Village	64	3%	9.6	98.6
Norton North	59	3%	8.6	88.2
Grangefield	51	3%	7.4	76.0
Ingleby Barwick West	69	4%	6.2	63.7
Norton South	47	3%	6.0	61.8
Yarm	57	3%	5.8	59.8
Billingham South	33	2%	4.8	50.0
Roseworth	35	2%	4.8	49.5
Bishopsgarth and Elm Tree	31	2%	4.7	48.0
Eaglescliffe	50	3%	4.6	47.8
Billingham West	25	1%	4.2	42.9
Ingleby Barwick East	38	2%	3.7	38.0
Western Parishes	11	1%	3.4	35.3
Fairfield	17	1%	2.8	28.6
Northern Parishes	7	0%	2.0	20.2
Billingham North	18	1%	1.9	19.1
Norton West	7	0%	1.1	11.0
Hartburn	6	0%	0.9	8.9
Out of Stockton Borough	2	0%	n/a	n/a
ward unknown	7	0%	n/a	n/a
Grand Total	1,874	100%	9.7	100.0

Police recorded ASB Incidents				
Ward	Total	%	Rate per 1,000 pop	Index
Stockton Town Centre	2693	16%	404.4	466.2
Hardwick	1066	6%	154.7	178.4
Stainsby Hill	931	6%	139.8	161.2
Parkfield and Oxbridge	984	6%	136.0	156.8
Mandale and Victoria	1323	8%	127.2	146.7
Newtown	937	6%	125.2	144.3
Billingham East	778	5%	108.2	124.7
Billingham Central	750	4%	106.1	122.3
Norton North	684	4%	99.2	114.4
Billingham South	651	4%	95.6	110.2
Village	634	4%	94.8	109.3
Roseworth	652	4%	89.5	103.2
Norton South	545	3%	69.5	80.1
Bishopsgarth and Elm Tree	432	3%	64.9	74.8
Western Parishes	180	1%	56.0	64.5
Eaglescliffe	578	3%	53.6	61.8
Yarm	517	3%	52.6	60.7
Northern Parishes	187	1%	52.3	60.3
Billingham West	242	1%	40.3	46.4
Ingleby Barwick West	427	3%	38.2	44.1
Grangefield	247	1%	35.7	41.1
Ingleby Barwick East	343	2%	33.3	38.4
Norton West	216	1%	33.1	38.1
Fairfield	202	1%	33.0	38.0
Billingham North	318	2%	32.8	37.8
Hartburn	215	1%	30.9	35.6
Grand Total	16732	100%	86.7	100.0

Anti social behaviour continues to be male dominated, and largely youth related as the table below demonstrates. In total 52% of those issued with an AS13 form were aged between 14 – 16 years.

Category	Males	Females	Youths (>18yrs)
AS13s	81%	19%	87%
Section 27s	84%	16%	17%
Alcohol confiscations	62%	38%	79%
ABCs	95%	5%	68%
ASBOs	80%	20%	60%

Of note 27% of all people receiving either an AS13, section 27 or alcohol confiscation were known to be a THL tenant, as well as 42% of those who signed an ABC and one person granted an ABSO.