

**To: Safer Stockton Partnership**

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**Re: Crime and Disorder  
Introduction**


- 1 The attached report provides an overview on crime and anti-social behaviour levels in the borough of Stockton between April 14 to July 14.
- 2 The report takes on a different format to that of previous updates to SSP and is displayed in quick facts format on the following page.
- 3 Feedback on the design and layout of the report is welcomed.

**Key findings**

- 4 Between April and July 2014, both publicly reported (-8.9%) and total crime (-8.4%) have reduced.
- 5 Comparisons with neighbouring local authority areas also shows that Stockton has seen the biggest reduction to date.
- 6 Stockton also remains the safest place to live in relation to crime rates per 1000 population.
- 7 Despite overall crime reducing, there have been increases in offences of violence, rape and burglary domestic.
- 8 The end of year projection also shows a reduction of 4.5%, the biggest anticipated reduction compared to neighbouring local authorities.
- 9 There is currently a slight increase in anti-social behaviour incidents (1.2%) giving an end of year projection of 10.2% however Stockton still has the lowest rate per 1000 population.
- 10 There have been no significant changes to offending locations when compared to last year.

**CRIME AND DISORDER  
KEY FINDINGS -BOROUGH OF STOCKTON**

**April - July 2014 - Cleveland Police Performance Statistics (as of 11.08.14)**

<b>Crime Levels</b>	Publicly reported: 3195 crimes Total crime: 3526 crimes
<b>Annual change to date</b>	Publicly reported: Reduction of 314 crimes (-8.9%) Total Crime: Reduction of 324 crimes (-8.4%) 
<b>End of year projection</b>	Down 4.5% (publicly reported) - Biggest reduction compared to neighbouring authorities
<b>Comparisons with neighbouring Local authorities (end year)</b>	End financial year projections: Stockton: DOWN 4.5% Middlesbrough: DOWN 3.8% Hartlepool: DOWN 3.5% Redcar & Cleveland: DOWN 0.8%
<b>Year to date detection rate:</b>	33.7% increase of 0.5%
<b>Rate per 1000 comparisons with neighbouring Local authorities</b>	Stockton: 16.5 - Maintaining the safest place to live Redcar & Cleveland: 18.7 Hartlepool: 18.9 Middlesbrough: 27.7

**Crime table**

Crime Type	Year to Date			
	2014/15	2013/14	Change	% Change
<b>Violence against the person</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>6.1%</b>
<i>Homicide</i>	0	0	0	-
<i>Violence with injury</i>	365	350	15	4.3%
<i>Violence without injury</i>	263	242	21	8.7%
<b>Sexual offences</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>27.4%</b>
<i>Rape</i>	44	24	20	83.3%
<i>Other Sexual offences</i>	49	49	0	0.0%
<b>Robbery</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>-18.5%</b>
<i>Business Robbery</i>	2	2	0	0.0%
<i>Personal Robbery</i>	20	25	-5	-20.0%
<b>Theft</b>	<b>1753</b>	<b>2082</b>	<b>-329</b>	<b>-15.8%</b>
<i>Burglary - Domestic</i>	153	145	8	5.5%
<i>Burglary - Non domestic</i>	237	280	-43	-15.4%
<i>Bicycle Theft</i>	135	130	5	3.8%
<i>Theft from the person</i>	24	26	-2	-7.7%
<i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>	180	279	-99	-35.5%
<i>Shoplifting</i>	462	510	-48	-9.4%
<i>Other Theft</i>	562	712	-150	-21.1%
<b>Criminal damage and Arson</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>-36</b>	<b>-4.9%</b>
<b>Publicly Reported Crime</b>	<b>3195</b>	<b>3509</b>	<b>-314</b>	<b>-8.9%</b>
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>3526</b>	<b>3850</b>	<b>-324</b>	<b>-8.4%</b>

The details in above table relate to changes in levels for each crime category between April 14 to July14.

**Crime categories showing increases**

**Violence against the person (6.1%)**

Increases in both with and without injury. With exception of April, there has been an increase each month, in particular during May (up 22 offences). However there does not appear to be any obvious areas to identify reasoning behind this. A rise in violence offences has also been seen in three other local authority areas.

**Sexual offences (27.4%)**

Increases are linked to rape offences which are mainly historical with offenders known to their victims. No present concerns with stranger rapes. Rise in Rape offences also evident in Middlesbrough (+18/105%) and Redcar (+3/23.1%).

**Burglary domestic (5.5%)**

Despite slight increase of eight offences and no present areas of concern this is comparable to burglaries increasing in Redcar & Cleveland by 52 offences (54.7%).

**Top 5 wards per 1000 population (based on ward population)**

April 14 – July 14	Rate per 1000 pop	April 13 to July 13	Rate per 1000 pop
Stockton Town Centre	77.9	Stockton Town Centre	85.7
Mandale & Victoria	24.2	Mandale & Victoria	23.6
Parkfield & Oxbridge	23.3	Parkfield & Oxbridge	22.1
Hardwick	21.1	Newtown	20.8

	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Newtown</td> <td>18.4</td> <td>Hardwick</td> <td>20</td> </tr> </table> <p>No significant changes to ward locations when compared to same time period with same top three wards however rate per 1000 population have increased within Mandale &amp; Victoria, Parkfield &amp; Oxbridge and Hardwick.</p>	Newtown	18.4	Hardwick	20
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<b>Forthcoming period</b>	<p>Currently projecting a reduction of 8.9% for end of Financial year.</p> <p>The forthcoming quarter (July to Sept) historically has the highest levels of crime over the year so potential to see offences increases.</p> <p>However crime in July reduced by 130 crimes compared to July last year (Publicly reported).</p> <p>SIRF and the Stockton weekender also covered part of this month and only one crime reported to date (theft of IPAD) proving another great success for the area.</p> <p>There were also no significant increases in crime due to the World Cup.</p>				

<b>Anti-Social Behaviour</b>	
<b>ASB levels</b>	4890 incidents of ASB in Stockton (averaging 40 incidents per day)
<b>Annual change to date</b>	Increase of 56 incidents (1.2%)
<b>Comparisons with neighbouring Local authorities</b>	Hartlepool - Up 4.9% Redcar & Cleveland - Up 7.5% Middlesbrough - Up 10%
<b>General Trend</b>	ASB is following a slight upward trend with annual end of year projection of 10.2%  However this is the lowest increase when compared to neighbouring areas:  Hartlepool (+13.4%)/Redcar (+18.8%) and Middlesbrough (+17.8%).
<b>Rate per 1000 comparisons with neighbouring Local authorities</b>	Stockton continues to have the lowest rate per 1000 population for both ASB and crime.  Stockton - 25.4 Redcar & Cleveland: 28 Hartlepool - 30.8 Middlesbrough - 35.4

<b>Top 5 wards per 1000 population</b>	<b>April 14-July 14</b>	<b>Rate per 1000 pop</b>	<b>April 13-July 13</b>	<b>Rate per 1000 pop</b>
	Stockton Town Centre	134	Stockton Town Centre	118
	Mandale & Victoria	44.9	Parkfield & Oxbridge	47
	Parkfield & Oxbridge	44.5	Mandale & Victoria	37.4
	Hardwick	37	Hardwick	35.8
	Norton North	34.6	Newtown	35
	<p>ASB locations have not changed significantly however the rates per 1000 population have increased in all but one of the top 5 wards.</p> <p>The top three wards are also the same for crime activity.</p> <p>Stockton town centre ward remains the priority hotspot area for the local policing area.</p>			
<b>Local confidence survey (Cleveland Police)</b> <b>The 'Local Public Confidence Survey' provides a structured means of obtaining feedback from local residents about the problems they face in their neighbourhood</b>				
<b>% of residents who think <u>police and local authority</u> are dealing well with crime and ASB issues</b>	<p>Stockton has the best rate comparable to other three policing areas (end June survey)</p> <p>Stockton - 71.8%</p> <p>Hartlepool - 71.5%</p> <p>Middlesbrough - 68.3%</p> <p>Redcar &amp; Cleveland - 67.8%</p>			