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<b>Crime, incident, problem type or subject:</b>	Overview of Halloween/Bonfire Period 2017, comparison to same period during 2016
<b>Geographic area:</b>	Stockton District
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**Background**

This report has been prepared at the request of Marc Stephenson, CFYA Operations Manager, SBC. This research is to assess the effectiveness of the strategic planning carried out prior to the Halloween/Bonfire period of 2017. This report provides an overview of the incidents and criminal damage/arson offences recorded in both years.

**What information has been utilised?**

Police recorded ASB incidents and criminal damage/arson offences together with SBC ASB service requests on FLARE for the two Halloween/Bonfire periods 03/10/2016-27/11/2016 and 03/10/2017-27/11/2017.

**ANALYSIS**

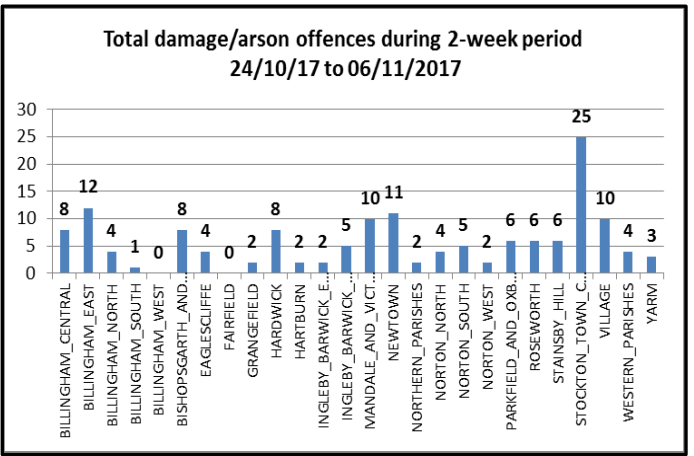
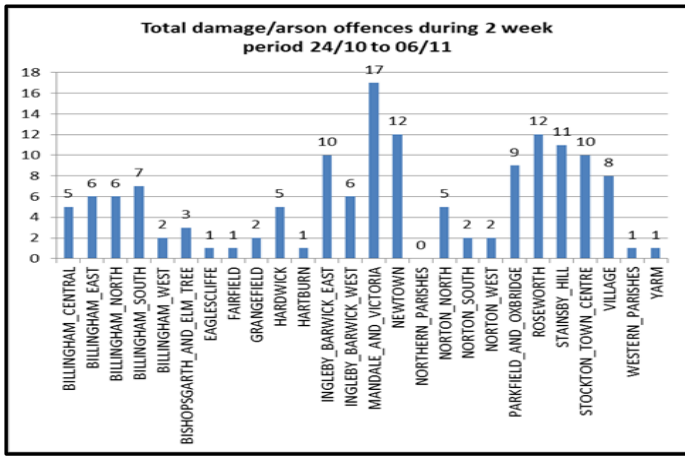
**CRIMINAL DAMAGE/ARSON OFFENCES THROUGHOUT STOCKTON:**

Set out below are two tables showing the number of Criminal Damage & Arson offences during the 8-week period 03/10 to 27/11 of both years, which is a couple of weeks either side of the Halloween/Bonfire period in order to show any differences in offences and/or incidents of ASB during the Halloween/Bonfire period.

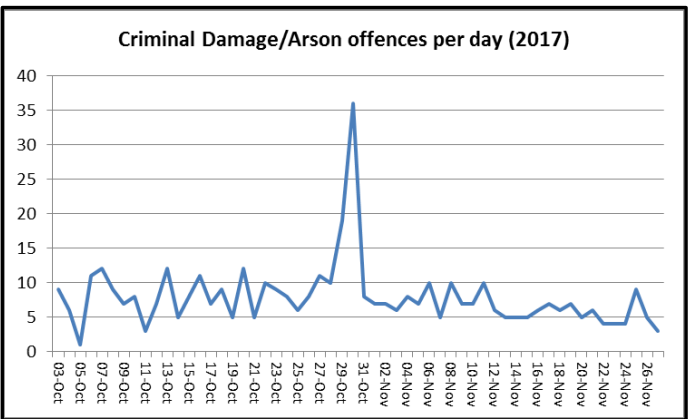
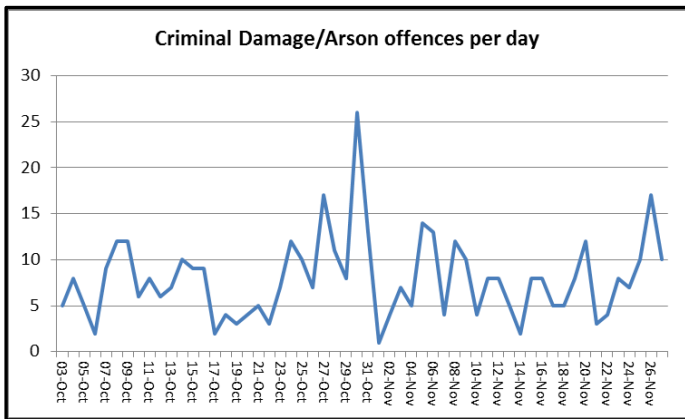
Note that the number of offences both years is almost identical week on week, with a very similar number of offences; 442 during 2016 and 446 during this year. Whilst last year's weekly dataset ran from Monday through to Sunday, this year's dataset is calculated from Tuesday through to Monday (in order to provide a comparison of the same dates) however both datasets include a full weekend period each week and are therefore deemed comparable:

Row Labels	Arson	Criminal Damage	Grand Total	Row Labels	Arson	Criminal Damage	Grand Total
03/10/2016 - 09/10/2016	4	49	53	03/10/2017 - 09/10/2017	1	55	56
10/10/2016 - 16/10/2016	5	50	55	10/10/2017 - 16/10/2017	1	54	55
17/10/2016 - 23/10/2016		28	28	17/10/2017 - 23/10/2017	1	56	57
24/10/2016 - 30/10/2016	2	89	91	24/10/2017 - 30/10/2017	3	95	98
31/10/2016 - 06/11/2016	2	55	57	31/10/2017 - 06/11/2017	5	48	53
07/11/2016 - 13/11/2016	2	49	51	07/11/2017 - 13/11/2017	4	46	50
14/11/2016 - 20/11/2016		48	48	14/11/2017 - 20/11/2017	5	37	42
21/11/2016 - 27/11/2016	3	56	59	21/11/2017 - 27/11/2017		35	35
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>446</b>

The two column charts below show the number of offences per ward, which identifies those wards with the highest number of criminal damage/arson offences during the 2-week period 24/10 to 06/11. This shows that although a similar number of offences occurred this year compared to last year, the location of these offences was very different in some wards:



There was an average of 8 criminal damage/arson offences per day during both periods. The next graphs show the number of criminal damage/arson offences per day throughout the full 8-weeks of both periods, showing a spike in offences at the end of October around the Halloween/Mischief Night period (with 26 offences on 30<sup>th</sup> October and 13 on 31<sup>st</sup> of 2016 and with 36 offences on 30<sup>th</sup> October and 8 on 31<sup>st</sup> of 2017):



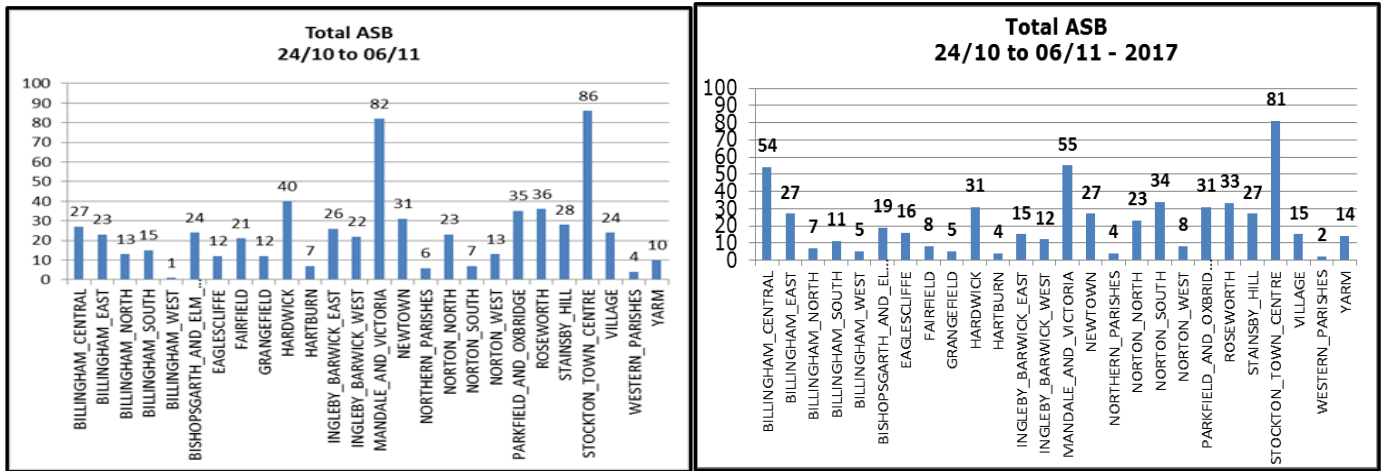
**POLICE ASB INCIDENTS THROUGHOUT STOCKTON:**

The tables below show the breakdown of police ASB occurrences during the whole period 03/10 to 27/11 for both timescales, showing 2121 incidents in 2016 and 1915 in 2017; a reduction of 206 incidents, equating to -10%:

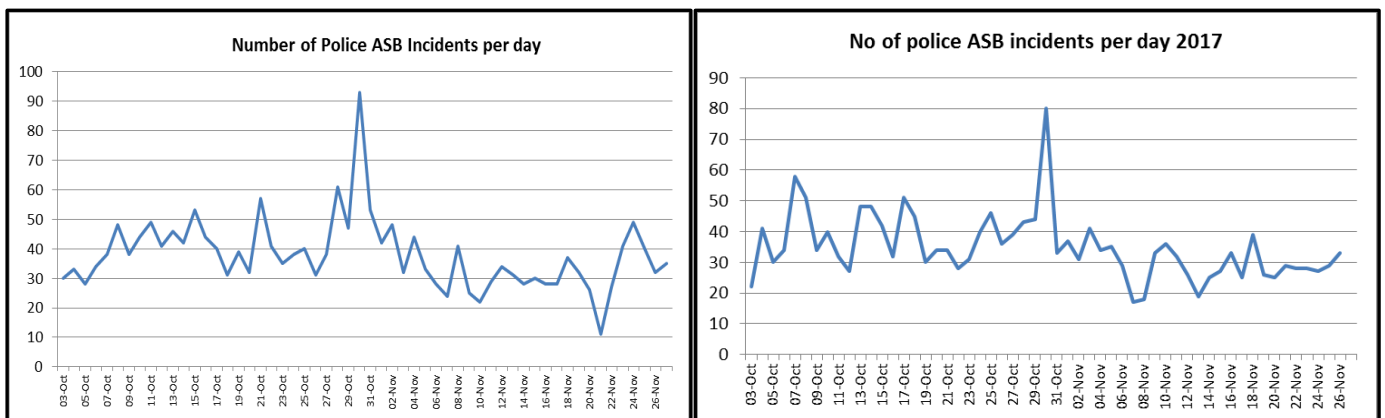
Row Labels	ASB - ENVIRONMENTAL	ASB - NUISANCE	ASB - PERSONAL	Grand Total
03/10/2016 - 09/10/2016	5	155	89	249
10/10/2016 - 16/10/2016	8	205	106	319
17/10/2016 - 23/10/2016	1	184	90	275
24/10/2016 - 30/10/2016	2	240	106	348
31/10/2016 - 06/11/2016	8	185	87	280
07/11/2016 - 13/11/2016	2	132	72	206
14/11/2016 - 20/11/2016	4	158	47	209
21/11/2016 - 27/11/2016	2	167	66	235
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1426</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>2121</b>

Row Labels	ASB - ENVIRONMENTAL	ASB - NUISANCE	ASB - PERSONAL	Grand Total
03/10/2017 - 09/10/2017	4	196	69	270
10/10/2017 - 16/10/2017	4	192	73	269
17/10/2017 - 23/10/2017	6	182	65	253
24/10/2017 - 30/10/2017	4	240	84	328
31/10/2017 - 06/11/2017	1	158	81	240
07/11/2017 - 13/11/2017		117	64	181
14/11/2017 - 20/11/2017	2	132	65	200
21/11/2017 - 27/11/2017		110	64	174
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1327</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>1915</b>

Set out below are two column charts showing ward numbers during the 2 week period 24/10 to 06/11 of both periods. These clearly show the differences and similarities in incidents per ward in both periods, for example Stockton Town Centre ward had a similar number of incidents in both timescales whilst Mandale & Victoria ward saw a significant reduction of incidents this year compared to last, and Billingham Central saw a significant increase of incidents this year compared to last:



The next graphs show the number of incidents per day throughout the periods, showing a spike of incidents at the end of October around the Mischief Night/ Halloween period, with 93 on 30<sup>th</sup> and 53 on 31<sup>st</sup> of 2016, and 80 on 30<sup>th</sup> and 33 on 31<sup>st</sup> of 2017:



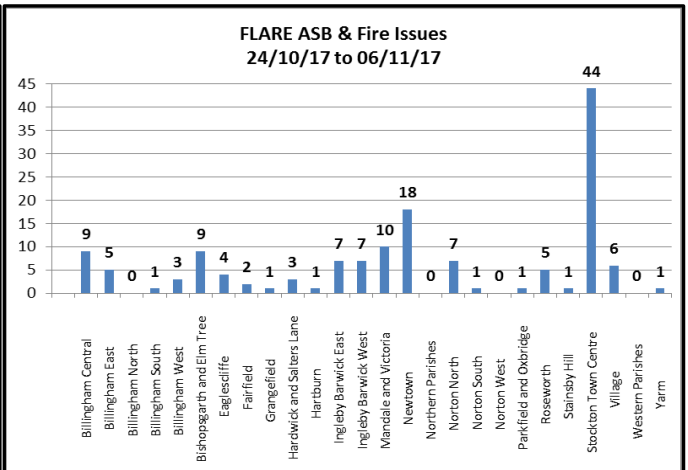
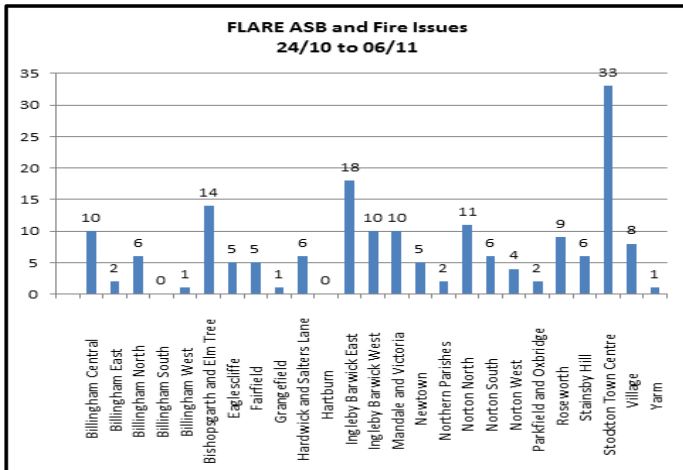
**SBC CALLS FOR SERVICE ON FLARE THROUGHOUT STOCKTON:**

Looking at FLARE category codes specifically for ASB and Fire Issues, the next tables show the number of these calls for service during both years. Note however that due to processing issues there is a backlog of incidents still to input therefore the incidents for 2017 end at 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Please note there were no V05 Fire Issues recorded during the 2017 period as these are now included within the V01 code, also the V02 code is rarely used as the majority of ASB is input within the V01 code:

Row Labels	V01 Individual - ASB Issues	V02 Groups - ASB Issues	V05 Fire Issues	Grand Total
03/10/2016 - 09/10/2016	20	36	7	63
10/10/2016 - 16/10/2016	25	55	4	84
17/10/2016 - 23/10/2016	15	51	8	74
24/10/2016 - 30/10/2016	6	73	18	97
31/10/2016 - 06/11/2016	14	52	15	81
07/11/2016 - 13/11/2016	13	43	5	61
14/11/2016 - 20/11/2016	23	36	4	63
21/11/2016 - 27/11/2016	14	41	2	57
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>580</b>

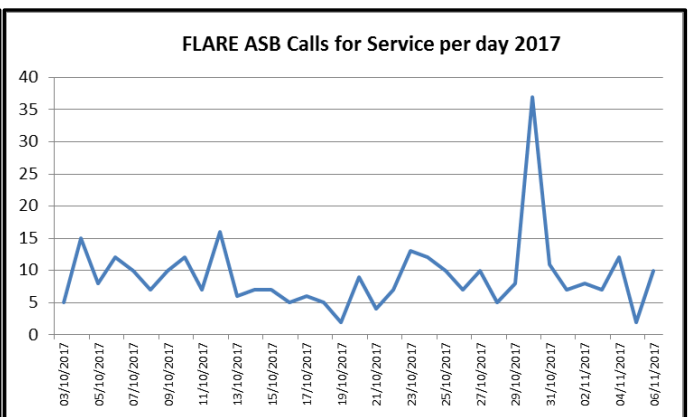
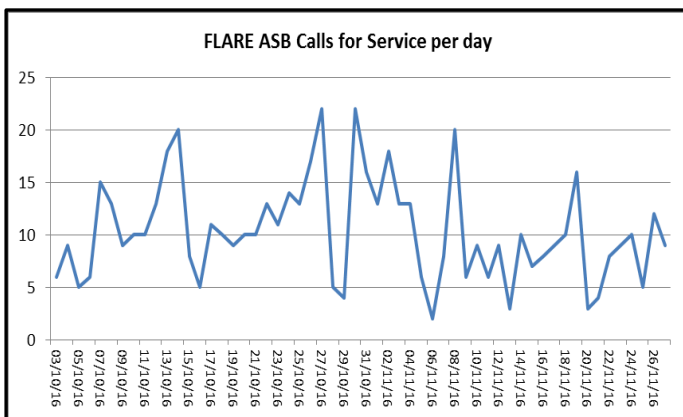
Row Labels	V01 Individual - ASB Issues	V02 Groups - ASB Issues	Grand Total
03/10/2017 - 09/10/2017	67		67
10/10/2017 - 16/10/2017	57	3	60
17/10/2017 - 23/10/2017	46		46
24/10/2017 - 30/10/2017	81	8	89
31/10/2017 - 06/11/2017	56	1	57
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>319</b>

The column charts below show ward numbers during the 2-week period 24/10 to 06/11 of both years:



As with the police ASB data, Stockton Town Centre ward had the highest number of incidents during both periods.

The graph below shows the number of FLARE incidents daily throughout both periods, showing a difference in levels when comparing the two periods. As stated previously, the FLARE data is only up to 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017:



Please note that this report can be updated to include FLARE data for the full 8-week period; this could be available by 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017, and can be tabled at the SSP meeting.