

**RECORDED CRIME & ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

**Introduction**

1. This report provides an overview on recorded crime and anti-social behaviour incidents in the borough of Stockton for the time period of April 2019 to the end of June 2019.
2. The bulk of the statistics utilised for this report have been obtained from Cleveland Police crime statistic database with the figures correct at the time of writing (03/07/2019). The data is extracted from 'live' systems and therefore remains the subject of on-going operational activity, audit and scrutiny, and therefore may result in slight amendments to some of the statistical information in future publications.
3. Crime details for Darlington, who form part of the Tees Valley area, are not included within this report.
4. This report will not provide any detailed analysis unless there are any significant changes to patterns or trends.
5. A comparison against other similar Community Safety Partnerships utilising iQuanta is noted within a separate report (This report is a RESTRICTED document due to the statistical information only made available as an intelligence tool until released by the Home Office).

**CRIME STATISTICS - APRIL 2019 TO JUNE 2019****Figure 1 -Crime statistics for Stockton (as of 03/07/19)<sup>1</sup>**

Status: Negative Exception
Status: Negative Warning
Status: Normal
Status: Positive Warning
Status: Positive Exception

Crime Type	Year to Date				Status
	2019/20	2018/19	Change	% Change	
<b>Violence against the person</b>	<b>1665</b>	<b>1504</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>10.7%</b>	
<i>Homicide</i>	0	0	0	-	
<i>Death or injury due to driving</i>	2	0	2	-	
<i>Violence with injury</i>	412	468	-56	-12.0%	
<i>Violence without injury</i>	643	563	80	14.2%	
<i>Stalking and Harassment</i>	608	473	135	28.5%	
<b>Sexual offences</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7.0%</b>	
<i>Rape</i>	57	44	13	29.5%	
<i>Other Sexual offences</i>	95	98	-3	-3.1%	
<b>Robbery</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-3.0%</b>	
<i>Business Robbery</i>	6	2	4	200.0%	
<i>Personal Robbery</i>	26	31	-5	-16.1%	
<b>Theft</b>	<b>1711</b>	<b>1948</b>	<b>-237</b>	<b>-12.2%</b>	
<i>Burglary - Residential</i>	237	240	-3	-1.3%	
<i>Burglary - Business &amp; Com.</i>	85	57	28	49.1%	
<i>Bicycle Theft</i>	48	83	-35	-42.2%	
<i>Theft from the person</i>	52	39	13	33.3%	
<i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>	322	334	-12	-3.6%	
<i>Shoplifting</i>	502	755	-253	-33.5%	
<i>Other Theft</i>	465	440	25	5.7%	
<b>Criminal damage and Arson</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>6.6%</b>	
<b>Publicly Reported Crime</b>	<b>4237</b>	<b>4262</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>	
<b>Police Generated Crime</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>37.4%</b>	
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>4894</b>	<b>4740</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	

- The details in figure 1 relate to the number of crimes that have been recorded in Stockton between April 2019 and June 2019.
- This does not necessarily mean that the crime occurred during that month but it is the date that the crime was reported to the police.
- So far there have been 4,237 publicly reported offences, a decrease of 25 crimes on the same time period last year, -0.6% decrease.

<sup>1</sup> Cleveland Police monthly crime statistics database

- Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons has increased by a further 179 crimes, given a total crime figure of 4894 offences, up 3.2% on last year (+154 crimes).

Increases are also evident across our neighbouring authorities (Publicly reported)

- Stockton -25 crimes/-0.6%
- Hartlepool, +157 crimes/+6.3%
- Redcar & Cleveland, +126 crimes/+4.5%
- Middlesbrough, +305 crimes/+6.3%

The rolling 12-month picture shows an increase in publicly reported crime (+15.4%) compared to the same period last year.

The positive outcome rate for total crime is 13.2% and 13.6% for the rolling 12-month period, and similar across Cleveland Force area.

However, Members should note that there is a current backlog in processing finalised crimes, this means that the values provided will under represent the actual rates and therefore are subject to change over the next reporting period.

The increase in violence is partially driven by the Force's compliance in recording, in particular the offences of stalking and harassment, account for a third of all offences of violence. There have been a further 135 crimes recorded compared to April 2018 and June 2018, accounting for 83.9% of the percentage increase in violence overall (135 of the 161 extra violent crimes).

#### **Performance Highlights (Publicly reported crime)**

**Recorded crime:** Reductions in Violence with Injury, Other Sexual Offences, Personal Robbery, Burglary (Residential), Bicycle Theft, Vehicle Crime, Shoplifting

#### **Areas for Improvement**

##### **Violence against the person (+161 crimes/+10.7%)**

Offences of violence account for 39% of all publicly reported crime and have increased slightly over 10% when compared to last year.

It is the continued increase in Stalking & Harassment offences that are attributing to the rise. The offences are mainly linked to harassment with only a low number of stalking offences. The rise is evident across the three other local authorities within the Cleveland Force area. National comparisons to the increasing trend for this type of offence are currently not available.

The continued compliance with the recording of violence, in particular domestic related crime will continue to push violent crime levels up.

However, more serious offences of violence (with injury) have decreased (-56 crimes/-12.0%)

The rolling 12 month period shows a rise of 48.8% (+2,328 crimes) for all Violence against the person related crimes.

At a national level, the majority of police forces are showing an increase in violence.

##### **Robbery (-1 crimes/ -3.0%)**

The largest increase in this category is Business Robbery with 4 more crimes compared to last year (200.0%). However Personal Robbery has decreased by 5 crimes (-16.1%)

In the previous report for Year End 2018/19 Robbery had increased by 36 crimes (+27.7%) against the year previous, where it is currently reducing in this report.

### **Shoplifting (-253 crimes/-33.5%)**

Shoplifting offences continue decrease from this report and the one previous. At Year End 2018/19 Shoplifting showed an 8.2% increase, in the April 2018 – December 2018 Report Shoplifting showed an increase of 19.1% suggesting that Shoplifting is decreasing within Stockton

A reduction of 301 crimes have been recorded over the rolling 12 month period for June 2019.

### **Local policing priority hotspot – Crime**

- **Parkfield & Oxbridge – Drugs and ASB**
- **Hardwick Estate – Off Road Motorbikes**
- **Stockton Town Centre – ASB and Crime**

### **ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

The data from the Police only goes up to May 2019 as opposed to June 2019 as with the Crime Data. The volume of ASB incidents is still showing a downward trend (-15.2%/-289 incidents) and 16.5% (-1948 incidents) over the rolling 12-month period.

Reductions have also been evident across the Cleveland Force area:

- Stockton: -289 incidents/-15.2%
- Hartlepool: -337 incidents/-30.6%
- Redcar & Cleveland: -365 incidents/-25.2%
- Middlesbrough: -186 incidents/-9.7%

Assuming the current 'daily average' level of anti-social behaviour is maintained, an annual decrease of 86.1% is anticipated.

Whilst there have been some genuine reductions in ASB it is likely that the bulk of the reduction reflects improvements in recording processes with some incidences that would in past years have been recorded as ASB now being recorded as public order offences – nationally there was a 9% reduction in ASB, year ending March 2018 (latest national figures).

517 Service requests have been recorded by Stockton Borough Council Civic Enforcement team as ASB (including noise) up to May 2019. Littering/Graffiti and vehicle issues (mainly inappropriate parking) have remained fairly static.

Multi-agency activity and meetings remain in place in order to tackle these issues along with the use of E-CINs case management system to record and manage multi-agency activity.

There are currently 15 Anti-Social Behaviour Contracts (ABC) and 1 Criminal Behaviour Orders (CBO) with 0 ASB Injunctions in place in Stockton