

## **RECORDED CRIME & ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

### **Introduction**

1. This report provides an overview on recorded crime, anti-social behaviour incidents and domestic abuse in the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees for the 12-month period of January 2022 and December 2022.
2. The bulk of the statistics utilised for this report have been obtained from Cleveland Police crime statistic databases with the figures correct at the time of data extraction (01/01/2023). The data is extracted from 'live' systems and therefore remains the subject of on-going operational activity, audit and scrutiny.
3. This report will not provide any detailed analysis unless there are any substantial changes to patterns or trends.
4. 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).
5. Any references to rates per 1,000 population are based on the ONS UK Mid-year population estimates for 2021.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **Crime**

The rate per 1,000 population (all ages)<sup>1</sup> for publicly reported crime in Stockton-on-Tees was 99.5 for January 2022 –December 2022.

Between January 2022 and December 2022, there were 19,604 publicly reported offences, which is an increase of 3,332 crimes (or + 20.5%) on the same period in the previous year. Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons has increased by 302 crimes in comparison with the previous period, giving a total police generated crime figure of 4,080 offences, up 8.0% on the same period the previous year. Overall, there was a total of 23,684 crimes, equal to 3,634 (18.1%) more crimes compared with the same period last year.

Comparing the number of crimes recorded in the period January 2022 –December 2022 versus January 2021 –December 2021, there were more of the following crime types recorded in the Borough: violence against the person; sexual offences; robbery; theft; criminal damage and arson; public disorder; trafficking of drugs; and possession of weapons.

Comparing the number of crimes recorded in the period January 2022 –December 2022 versus January 2021 –December 2021, there were fewer of the following crime types recorded in the Borough: death or injury due to driving and miscellaneous crimes against society.

Compared with January 2021 –December 2021, between January 2022 –December 2022, the largest reduction (-28.6%) in Police recorded offences in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to death or injury due to driving.

### **Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)**

As at 31/12/22, reports of ASB to Cleveland Police show that across the Borough in the last 12 months, there was 4,695 ASB incidents, which is +21.0% on the previous 12 months.

Between January 2022 - December 2022, 4,695 Service Requests were recorded by Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council Civic Enforcement team as ASB (including noise and alcohol issues). This is equal to an overall increase of 449 incidents (+10.6%) in the last year. In the same comparative period, the number of begging incidents was 949, equal to +163; and the number of rowdy/nuisance behaviour incidents was 1,063, equal to +162.

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<sup>1</sup> SOURCE: [Mid-Year Population Estimates, UK, 2021](#)

### **Crime: January 2022 - December 2022 versus January 2021- December 2021**

Table 1 below shows the number of crimes that have been recorded in Stockton-on-Tees between January 2022 –December 2022 and Table 2 provides a one-month snapshot of the same for the last available month (December 2022). Please note, this does not necessarily mean that the crime occurred during that month, but it is the date that the crime was reported to Cleveland Police.

Key to note in Table 1 below, between January 2022 –December 2022:

- There were 19,604 publicly reported offences, which is an increase of 3,332 crimes (or an increase of 20.5%) on the same period in the previous year. The largest reduction was in relation to death or injury due to driving and the largest increase was in relation to robbery.
- Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons has increased by a further 302 crimes, giving a total police generated crime figure of 4,080 offences, up 8.0% on the same period the previous year.
- Overall, there was a total of 23,684 crimes in the current period, equal to 3,634 (+18.1%) more crimes in the same period last year.
- The rate per 1,000 population (all ages)<sup>2</sup> for publicly reported crime in Stockton-on-Tees was 99.5 for January 2022 –December 2022. This has increased from a rate of 82.6 in the same period last year.

Key to note in Table 2 below:

- In December 2022, 1,581 publicly reported offences were recorded in the Borough, which is an increase of 65 (or +4.3%) on December 2021. The largest increase was in relation to burglary- residential.
- Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons was 368 in December 2022, up by 104 (39.4%) versus December 2021. The largest increase was in relation to trafficking of drugs.
- Overall, there was a total of 1,949 crimes in the current period, equal to 169 (+9.5%) more crimes in December 2022 versus December 2021.

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<sup>2</sup> SOURCE: [Mid-Year Population Estimates, UK, October 2021](#)

**Table 1. Cleveland Police Crime Statistics for Stockton-on-Tees: January 2022 - December 2022 versus January 2021 - December 2021<sup>3</sup>**

| Crime Type                            | Dec-22        | Dec-21        | Difference (No. and %) |              |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Violence against the person</b>    | <b>8,904</b>  | <b>8,120</b>  | <b>784</b>             | <b>9.7%</b>  |
| <i>Homicide</i>                       | 4             | 3             | 1                      | 33.3%        |
| <i>Death or injury due to driving</i> | 5             | 7             | -2                     | -28.6%       |
| <i>Violence with injury</i>           | 2,066         | 1,794         | 272                    | 15.2%        |
| <i>Violence without injury</i>        | 3,207         | 2,940         | 267                    | 9.1%         |
| <i>Stalking and Harassment</i>        | 3,622         | 3,376         | 246                    | 7.3%         |
| <b>Sexual offences</b>                | <b>858</b>    | <b>767</b>    | <b>91</b>              | <b>11.9%</b> |
| <i>Rape</i>                           | 323           | 275           | 48                     | 17.5%        |
| <i>Other Sexual offences</i>          | 535           | 492           | 43                     | 8.7%         |
| <b>Robbery</b>                        | <b>257</b>    | <b>171</b>    | <b>86</b>              | <b>50.3%</b> |
| <b>Theft</b>                          | <b>6,708</b>  | <b>4,696</b>  | <b>2,012</b>           | <b>42.8%</b> |
| <i>Burglary - Residential</i>         | 971           | 653           | 318                    | 48.7%        |
| <i>Burglary - Business &amp; Com.</i> | 338           | 276           | 62                     | 22.5%        |
| <i>Bicycle Theft</i>                  | 248           | 157           | 91                     | 58.0%        |
| <i>Theft from the person</i>          | 140           | 87            | 53                     | 60.9%        |
| <i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>     | 1,078         | 655           | 423                    | 64.6%        |
| <i>Shoplifting</i>                    | 2,226         | 1,559         | 667                    | 42.8%        |
| <i>Other Theft</i>                    | 1,707         | 1,309         | 398                    | 30.4%        |
| <b>Criminal damage and Arson</b>      | <b>2,877</b>  | <b>2,518</b>  | <b>359</b>             | <b>14.3%</b> |
| <b>Publicly Reported Crime</b>        | <b>19,604</b> | <b>16,272</b> | <b>3,332</b>           | <b>20.5%</b> |
| <b>Public Disorder</b>                | <b>2,594</b>  | <b>2,434</b>  | <b>160</b>             | <b>6.6%</b>  |
| <b>Drug offences</b>                  | <b>653</b>    | <b>570</b>    | <b>83</b>              | <b>14.6%</b> |
| <i>Trafficking of drugs</i>           | 219           | 149           | 70                     | 47.0%        |
| <i>Possession/Use of drugs</i>        | 434           | 421           | 13                     | 3.1%         |
| <b>Possession of Weapons</b>          | <b>253</b>    | <b>193</b>    | <b>60</b>              | <b>31.1%</b> |
| <b>Misc. crimes against society</b>   | <b>580</b>    | <b>581</b>    | <b>-1</b>              | <b>-0.2%</b> |
| <b>Police Generated Crime</b>         | <b>4,080</b>  | <b>3,778</b>  | <b>302</b>             | <b>8.0%</b>  |
| <b>Total Crime</b>                    | <b>23,684</b> | <b>20,050</b> | <b>3,634</b>           | <b>18.1%</b> |

<sup>3</sup> SOURCE: Cleveland Police monthly crime statistics database

**Table 2. Cleveland Police Crime Statistics for Stockton-on-Tees: December 2022 versus December 2021<sup>4</sup>**

| Crime Type                            | Current Period | Previous Period | Difference | % Difference   |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------|----------------|
| <b>Violence against the person</b>    | <b>699</b>     | <b>711</b>      | <b>-11</b> | <b>-1.5%</b>   |
| <i>Homicide</i>                       | 3              | 3               | 0          | -              |
| <i>Death or injury due to driving</i> |                | -1              | 1          | <b>-100.0%</b> |
| <i>Violence with injury</i>           | 152            | 163             | -11        | <b>-6.7%</b>   |
| <i>Violence without injury</i>        | 251            | 260             | -9         | <b>-3.5%</b>   |
| <i>Stalking and Harassment</i>        | 293            | 286             | 7          | <b>2.4%</b>    |
| <b>Sexual offences</b>                | <b>47</b>      | <b>68</b>       | <b>-21</b> | <b>-30.9%</b>  |
| <i>Rape</i>                           | 25             | 27              | -2         | <b>-7.4%</b>   |
| <i>Other Sexual offences</i>          | 22             | 41              | -19        | <b>-46.3%</b>  |
| <b>Robbery</b>                        | <b>19</b>      | <b>21</b>       | <b>-2</b>  | <b>-9.5%</b>   |
| <b>Theft</b>                          | <b>557</b>     | <b>464</b>      | <b>93</b>  | <b>20.0%</b>   |
| <i>Burglary - Residential</i>         | 85             | 56              | 29         | <b>51.8%</b>   |
| <i>Burglary - Business &amp; Com.</i> | 21             | 24              | -3         | <b>-12.5%</b>  |
| <i>Bicycle Theft</i>                  | 11             | 19              | -8         | <b>-42.1%</b>  |
| <i>Theft from the person</i>          | 13             | 9               | 4          | <b>44.4%</b>   |
| <i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>     | 109            | 83              | 26         | <b>31.3%</b>   |
| <i>Shoplifting</i>                    | 173            | 145             | 28         | <b>19.3%</b>   |
| <i>Other Theft</i>                    | 145            | 128             | 17         | <b>13.3%</b>   |
| <b>Criminal damage and Arson</b>      | <b>259</b>     | <b>253</b>      | <b>6</b>   | <b>2.4%</b>    |
| <b>Publicly Reported Crime</b>        | <b>1581</b>    | <b>1516</b>     | <b>65</b>  | <b>4.3%</b>    |
| <b>Public Disorder</b>                | <b>232</b>     | <b>173</b>      | <b>59</b>  | <b>34.1%</b>   |
| <b>Drug offences</b>                  | <b>66</b>      | <b>36</b>       | <b>30</b>  | <b>83.3%</b>   |
| <i>Trafficking of drugs</i>           | 19             | 6               | 13         | <b>216.7%</b>  |
| <i>Possession/Use of drugs</i>        | 47             | 30              | 17         | <b>56.7%</b>   |
| <b>Possession of Weapons</b>          | <b>21</b>      | <b>16</b>       | <b>5</b>   | <b>31.3%</b>   |
| <b>Misc. crimes against society</b>   | <b>49</b>      | <b>39</b>       | <b>10</b>  | <b>25.6%</b>   |
| <b>Police Generated Crime</b>         | <b>368</b>     | <b>264</b>      | <b>104</b> | <b>39.4%</b>   |
| <b>Total Crime</b>                    | <b>1,949</b>   | <b>1,780</b>    | <b>169</b> | <b>9.5%</b>    |

<sup>4</sup> SOURCE: Cleveland Police Monthly Crime Statistics Database

**Performance Highlights: January 2021 – December 2021 versus January 2022 – December 2022**

Table 3 below highlights all areas where crime has reduced and has been ranked by the percentage reduction against the previous year, numeric reductions have also been provided for additional context, offence types in bold are combined offence types, whilst all others are individual offences.

**Table 3. All recorded offences which REDUCED against the previous year in Stockton-on-Tees: January 2021 – December 2021 versus January 2022 – December 2022<sup>5</sup>**

| <b>Offence Type</b>            | <b>Numeric Reduction</b> | <b>Percentage Reduction</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Death or injury due to driving | -2                       | -28.6%                      |
| Misc. crimes against society   | -1                       | -0.2%                       |

Key to note in Table 3:

- Compared with January 2021 – December 2021, between January 2022 – December 2022 overall the largest percentage reduction (-28.6%) in recorded offences in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to death or injury due to driving.

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<sup>5</sup> SOURCE: Cleveland Police monthly crime statistics database