

## **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 August 2023.
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 (15/09/2023). 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 103.1 for July 2022- August 2023.

Between July 2022- August 2023, there were 20,353 publicly reported offences, which is an increase of 1813 crimes (or + 9.8%) 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 208 crimes in comparison with the previous period, giving a total police generated crime figure of 4108 offences, up 5.3% on the same period the previous year. Overall, there was a total of 24461 crimes, equal to 2021 (9.0%) more crimes compared with the same period last year.

Comparing the number of crimes recorded in the period July 2021- August 2022 versus July 2022- August 2023, 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 July 2022- August 2023 versus July 2021- August 2022, there were fewer of the following crime types recorded in the Borough: Violence without injury, Rape, other sexual offences, Burglary Business & com., Bicycle theft, Trafficking of Drugs, and Possession of Weapons.

Compared with July 2022- August 2023 versus July 2021- August 2022, the largest reduction (-13%) in Police recorded offences in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to Rape.

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

As at 31/1/23, reports of ASB to Cleveland Police show that across the Borough in the last 12 months, there was 3590 ASB incidents, which is +9.8% on the previous 12 months (3028 crimes).

Between 31/1/22- 31/1/23, 4,710 Service Requests were recorded by Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council Civic Enforcement team as ASB (including noise and alcohol issues).

### **Crime: July 2022- August 2023 versus July 2021- August 2022**

Table 1 below shows the number of crimes that have been recorded in Stockton-on-Tees between July 2022- Aug 2023 and Table 2 provides a one-month snapshot of the same for the last available month (August 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 July 2022- August 2023:

- There were 20353 publicly reported offences, which is an increase of 1813 crimes (or an increase of 9.8%) on the same period in the previous year. The largest reduction was in relation to Rape and the largest increase was in relation to Death or injury due to driving.

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

- Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons has increased by a further 208 crimes, giving a total police generated crime figure of 4108 offences, up 5.3% on the same period the previous year.
- Overall, there was a total of 24461 crimes in the current period, equal to 2021 (+9.0%) 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 103.1 for July 2022- August 2023. This has increased from a rate of 93.9 in the same period last year.

Key to note in Table 2 below:

- In August 2023, 1634 publicly reported offences were recorded in the Borough, which is an decrease of 37 (or +2.2%) on August 2022. The largest increase was in relation to other sexual offences.
- Police generated crime, which includes crimes such as drug offences, public disorder and possession of weapons was 292 in August 2023, down by 70 (19.3%) versus December 2021. The largest increase was in relation to Possession of weapons.
- Overall, there was a total of 1926 crimes in the current period, equal to -107 (-5.3%) less crimes in August 2023 versus August 2022.

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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: July 2022- August 2023 versus July 2021- August 2022<sup>3</sup>**

Crime Type	Current Period	Previous Period	Difference	% Difference
<b>Violence against the person</b>	<b>9092</b>	<b>8673</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
<i>Homicide</i>	5	1	4	-
<i>Death or injury due to driving</i>	10	6	4	66.7%
<i>Violence with injury</i>	2213	1953	260	13.3%
<i>Violence without injury</i>	3156	3209	-53	-1.7%
<i>Stalking and Harassment</i>	3708	3504	204	5.8%
<b>Sexual offences</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>
<i>Rape</i>	20	23	-3	-13.0%
<i>Other Sexual offences</i>	553	555	-2	-0.4%
<b>Robbery</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>10.5%</b>
<b>Theft</b>	<b>7425</b>	<b>6318</b>	<b>1107</b>	<b>17.5%</b>
<i>Burglary - Residential</i>	1236	871	365	41.9%
<i>Burglary - Business &amp; Com.</i>	329	343	-14	-4.1%
<i>Bicycle Theft</i>	243	249	-6	-2.4%
<i>Theft from the person</i>	141	115	26	22.6%
<i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>	1351	964	387	40.1%
<i>Shoplifting</i>	2365	2159	206	9.5%
<i>Other Theft</i>	1760	1617	143	8.8%
<b>Criminal damage and Arson</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>2733</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>9.8%</b>
<b>Publicly Reported Crime</b>	<b>20353</b>	<b>18540</b>	<b>1813</b>	<b>9.8%</b>
<b>Public Disorder</b>	<b>2579</b>	<b>2528</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
<b>Drug offences</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>19.7%</b>
<i>Trafficking of drugs</i>	176	192	-16	-8.3%
<i>Possession/Use of drugs</i>	511	382	129	33.8%
<b>Possession of Weapons</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-1.6%</b>
<b>Misc. crimes against society</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>8.7%</b>
<b>Police Generated Crime</b>	<b>4108</b>	<b>3900</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>5.3%</b>
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>24461</b>	<b>22440</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>9.0%</b>

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

**Table 2. Cleveland Police Crime Statistics for Stockton-on-Tees: August 2023 versus August 2022<sup>4</sup>**

Crime Type	Aug-23	Aug-22	Difference (No. and %)	
<b>Violence against the person</b>	<b>718</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>-32</b>	<b>-4.3%</b>
<i>Homicide</i>	0	0	0	-
<i>Death or injury due to driving</i>	0	1	-1	-100.0%
<i>Violence with injury</i>	196	170	26	15.3%
<i>Violence without injury</i>	262	278	-16	-5.8%
<i>Stalking and Harassment</i>	260	301	-41	-13.6%
<b>Sexual offences</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>45.5%</b>
<i>Rape</i>	20	23	-3	-13.0%
<i>Other Sexual offences</i>	60	32	28	87.5%
<b>Robbery</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>-33.3%</b>
<b>Theft</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<i>Burglary - Residential</i>	118	86	32	37.2%
<i>Burglary - Business &amp; Com.</i>	18	35	-17	-48.6%
<i>Bicycle Theft</i>	19	19	0	0.0%
<i>Theft from the person</i>	5	13	-8	-61.5%
<i>Vehicle Crime (Inc Inter.)</i>	107	88	19	21.6%
<i>Shoplifting</i>	176	186	-10	-5.4%
<i>Other Theft</i>	151	167	-16	-9.6%
<b>Criminal damage and Arson</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>-8.6%</b>
<b>Publicly Reported Crime</b>	<b>1634</b>	<b>1671</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>-2.2%</b>
<b>Public Disorder</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>-57</b>	<b>-25.8%</b>
<b>Drug offences</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>-22.6%</b>
<i>Trafficking of drugs</i>	9	18	-9	-50.0%
<i>Possession/Use of drugs</i>	39	44	-5	-11.4%
<b>Possession of Weapons</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12.5%</b>
<b>Misc. crimes against society</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-3.6%</b>
<b>Police Generated Crime</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>-70</b>	<b>-19.3%</b>
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>1926</b>	<b>2033</b>	<b>-107</b>	<b>-5.3%</b>

**Performance Highlights: July 2022- August 2023 versus July 2021- August 2022<sup>5</sup>**

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: July 2022- August 2023 versus July 2021- August 2022<sup>6</sup>**

Offence Type	Numeric Reduction	Percentage Reduction
Rape	-3	-13
Trafficking of drugs	-16	-8.3%
Burglary - Business & Com.	-14	-4.1%
Bicycle Theft	-6	--2.4%
Violence without injury	-53	1.7%
Possession of Weapons	-4	-1.6%

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

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Other Sexual offences	-2	-0.4%
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Key to note in Table 3:

Compared with July 2022- August 2023 versus July 2021- August 2022 overall the largest percentage reduction (-13%) in recorded offences in Stockton-on-Tees was in relation to Rape.

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