

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – POLICE, FIRE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE – 21 SEPTEMBER 2015

REPORT ON: Dundee Community Safety Partnership Annual Report 1 April 2014 – 31 March 2015

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR, LEISURE AND COMMUNITIES

REPORT NO: 238-2015

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek approval for the Dundee Community Safety Partnership Annual Report 1 April 2014 – 31 March 2015 (see attached).

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Approve the contents of the report.

2.2 Note the continued positive downward trends in relation to crime and antisocial behaviour levels.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 None.

4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 This report relates to the Community Safety Partnership delivery of the key priorities and reflects the work undertaken by the partners in relation to the Single Outcome Agreement, Outcome 6, “Our communities will be safe and feel safe.”

4.2 The report demonstrates how partners have worked to ensure effective and collaborative action to continue the positive trends of the last nine years.

4.3 Dundee Community Safety Partnership continues to face the same stringent fiscal restraints as every other section in the public sector. The Community Safety Hub continues to create a positive environment for the further collaboration and introduction of more efficient and effective working practices to allow partners to maximise the available resources.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. No major issues have been identified.

5.2 An Equality Impact Assessment is attached to this Report.

6.0 CONSULTATION

- 6.1 The Chief Executive, Executive Director of Corporate Services, Head of Democratic and Legal Services, Chief Superintendent (Police Scotland) and the Leading Senior Officer (North Hub, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service) have been consulted on this report and are in agreement with its contents.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 None.

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DIRECTOR, LEISURE AND COMMUNITIES

EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT TOOL

Part 1: Description/Consultation

Is this a Rapid Equality Impact Assessment (RIAT)?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Is this a Full Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA)?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Date of Assessment: 21 September 2015	Committee Report Number: 238-2015	
Title of document being assessed: Community Safety Partnership Annual Report		
1. This is a new policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed (If yes please check box) <input type="checkbox"/>	This is an existing policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed? (If yes please check box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2. Please give a brief description of the policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed.	Dundee Community Safety Partnership Annual Report 2014 – 2015.	
3. What is the intended outcome of this policy, procedure, strategy or practice?	"Our Communities will be safe and feel safe."	
4. Please list any existing documents which have been used to inform this Equality and Diversity Impact Assessment.	Single Outcome Agreement – Outcome 6, Our communities will be safe and feel safe.	
5. Has any consultation, involvement or research with protected characteristic communities informed this assessment? If yes please give details.	Yes through the regular contact and evaluations undertaken by partners and as part of the Strategic Assessment and regular tactical documents.	
6. Please give details of council officer involvement in this assessment. (e.g. names of officers consulted, dates of meetings etc)	Liz Kay, Community Safety Manager	
7. Is there a need to collect further evidence or to involve or consult protected characteristics communities on the impact of the proposed policy? (Example: if the impact on a community is not known what will you do to gather the information needed and when will you do this?)	No	

Part 2: Protected Characteristics

Which protected characteristics communities will be positively or negatively affected by this policy, procedure or strategy?

NB Please place an X in the box which best describes the "overall" impact. It is possible for an assessment to identify that a positive policy can have some negative impacts and visa versa. When this is the case please identify both positive and negative impacts in Part 3 of this form.

If the impact on a protected characteristic communities are not known please state how you will gather evidence of any potential negative impacts in box Part 1 section 7 above.

	Positively	Negatively	No Impact	Not Known
Ethnic Minority Communities including Gypsies and Travellers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender Reassignment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Religion or Belief	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
People with a disability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Age	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Socio-economic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pregnancy & Maternity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please state)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Part 3: Impacts/Monitoring

<p>1. Have any positive impacts been identified?</p> <p>(We must ensure at this stage that we are not achieving equality for one strand of equality at the expense of another)</p>	<p>Communities are safer and crime and antisocial behaviour has reduced.</p>
<p>2. Have any negative impacts been identified?</p> <p>(Based on direct knowledge, published research, community involvement, customer feedback etc. If unsure seek advice from your departmental Equality Champion.)</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>3. What action is proposed to overcome any negative impacts?</p> <p>(e.g. involving community groups in the development or delivery of the policy or practice, providing information in community languages etc. See Good Practice on DCC equalities web page)</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>4. Is there a justification for continuing with this policy even if it cannot be amended or changed to end or reduce inequality without compromising its intended outcome?</p> <p>(If the policy that shows actual or potential unlawful discrimination you must stop and seek legal advice)</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>5. Has a 'Full' Equality Impact Assessment been recommended?</p> <p>(If the policy is a major one or is likely to have a major impact on protected characteristics communities a Full Equality Impact Assessment may be required. Seek advice from your departmental Equality lead.)</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>6. How will the policy be monitored?</p> <p>(How will you know it is doing what it is intended to do? e.g. data collection, customer survey etc.)</p>	<p>By the Community Safety Partnership Strategic Group and regular reporting to the Police, Fire and Community Safety Committee.</p>

Part 4: Contact Information

Name of Department or Partnership	Dundee Community Safety Partnership
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Type of Document	
Human Resource Policy	<input type="checkbox"/>
General Policy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Strategy/Service	<input type="checkbox"/>
Change Papers/Local Procedure	<input type="checkbox"/>
Guidelines and Protocols	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Date of Next Policy Review:	N/A	

DUNDEE COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

ANNUAL REPORT

1 APRIL 2014 – 31 MARCH 2015



1.0 CO-CHAIRPERSONS REPORT

The Community Safety Partnership, on behalf of the Dundee Partnership, delivers on the Community Safety Theme of the Single Outcome Agreement and ensures that we address the priorities which are:

- Dundee has reduced levels of crime.
- Dundee has reduced levels of re-offending.
- Dundee has reduced fear of crime.
- We have improved safety of our local communities by reducing the risk to life, property and the environment from fire.
- We have improved road safety.
- We have improved personal safety in the home and in the community.

The work has covered a wide range of issues and the strength of our partnership working has allowed us to be more flexible, efficient and effective at addressing, in some cases quite serious situations.

We have supported secondary schools where pupils were being targeted by drug dealers and achieved a positive outcome.

The reduction in youth calls has once more been significant and in addition to the community safety partners working to achieve this, our youth work colleagues within the Council and the Voluntary Sector have provided an engaging range of activity for young people. The involvement of young people in these diversionary activities has supported them to become involved in alternatives to antisocial behaviour and other criminal activity. The contribution of the youth work approach cannot be overstated in achieving the continued reduction in antisocial behaviour.

The key principles of the Equalities Act are enshrined in our work and especially evident in our work on protecting people. We have introduced good practice across a range of issues including financial harm; work with the elderly and victims of domestic abuse.

Ongoing work to provide a series of areas where people are safe and feel safe is evident through the Safe Place, the Safe Zone and the Safety Bus initiatives. The quality of these initiatives is evident in their ability to attract significant external funding.

The Community Safety Partnership contributes in a number of ways, some of which are already described, to the protecting people agenda and one of these is through our E-Safety work. The introduction of e-safety self evaluation toolkits in our schools and the roll out of these in other youth work settings will allow Dundee to have a degree of confidence that the welfare of young people when online is a high priority for those who work with them.

We commend this Annual Report to you which shows continued hard work towards making Dundee a place where “Our communities will be safe and feel safe.”

Neil Gunn
Co-Chair

David McIntosh
Co-Chair

2.0 Commissioning Budget Expenditure 2014/15

CSP Priorities	Principal Partners	Proposed Outcomes	Allocation
Impact of Crime/ASB	Claverhouse WRASAC Police	To provide reassurance and prevent break-ins to premises.	£7,600
	Victim Support	To provide support for staff training.	£3,700
	Personal Safety	To provide reassurance through distribution of personal alarms.	£3,000
	Ancrum Outdoor Centre	To provide activities in support of youth work programmes.	£1,500
Youth Disorder/Alcohol/Violent Crime/Sexual Offences	The Bus	To support the upkeep of the Bus to provide diversionary programmes.	£3,000
	Dundee Violence Against Women Partnership	To provide phones for vulnerable women.	£600
	Police Scotland	To provide SKYGUARD phones with alarms for the most vulnerable victims of domestic violence.	£3,110
	Criminal Justice Youth Services	Support to reduce reOffending.	£4,500
Fire Safety	Environment Department Scottish Fire and Rescue Service	Fire risk environmental clean ups.	£5,000
Public Protection	CSP Partners	Info and Education/E-Safety/HIMAP	£3,000
	Social Work	Financial Harm	£2,000

	Tayside Council on Alcohol	Support young people out of alcohol dependence	£1,900
Contingencies	CSP	Courses, conferences and other unexpected expenses.	£1,090

3.0 KEY PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

3.1 COMMUNITY SAFETY HUB

Staff within the Community Safety Hub continue to work collaboratively with partners on a diverse range of community safety issues. The weekly MATAC (Multi Agency Tasking and Co-ordinating) Meeting is the key vehicle by which the work is progressed. A number of difficult issues have been resolved in this way and these include issues relating to serious antisocial behaviour.

3.2 USE OF BODY WORN CAMERAS

Community Safety Wardens have been using BWC's for some time now and their value in terms of providing reassurance, de-escalating situations and providing high quality evidence for use in court has been well recorded.

A number of additional cameras of this type were purchased so that shopkeepers, libraries and others experiencing antisocial behaviour would be able to "try before they buy" as the cameras are fairly expensive.

The cameras have been used over the last year by shopkeepers, Parks staff and Library staff. The resultant decline in antisocial behaviour has been marked and both the Parks staff and Library staff have purchased their own cameras for ongoing use with some shops considering this as an option for the future.

3.3 DIVERSIONARY YOUTH WORK

The Community Safety Partnership funds a number of projects from within the Council and the Voluntary Sector to work with young people with challenging behaviour who are either engaged in, or on the cusp of, antisocial behaviour or more serious crime. The following gives an example of the type of projects funded and the results achieved.

3.3.1 *Hot Chocolate Holiday Programme*

A programme was designed to involve young people in workshops and trips around the theme, "Surround Sound: One voice among many," exploring ideas and experiences around identity, representation (political/social), expression and justice. 126 young people took part.

In open sessions we used creative approaches to engage young people and explore the theme together:

- film-making and audio recording captured young people's voices on sexual orientation, education and employment, empathy etc.
- social media gathered and connected different strands and reflections

including in a physical “hashtag wall”.

- spoken-word poetry helped young people reflect on voice and identity.
- a large art project created a ‘murmuration’ of starlings to reflect on individual and communal voices, creating a flock of hundreds of origami birds.

In group work young people engaged in discussion with local political leaders around independence (then taking a trip to Holyrood), in music and song writing, and those who are parents met together around food, music, story-telling and baby massage. Some of the young people commented:

“Had a fabulous day at the Scottish Parliament today – was better than I expected. So interesting!”

“I just walked in the door and it was like – film-making! Politicians! Music! I’m overwhelmed by opportunity... I love Exodus!”

The following is a testimonial from a young person about the difference diversionary youth work can make to their lives:

“When I first came to the Steeple three years ago I was not a very sociable person. I was really easily led and that got me into bad situations. I was very short-tempered because of a lot of the issues I was facing and that often led to violence, even in Hot Chocolate.

The Hot Chocolate team has been brilliant in the way they’ve supported me. They’ve never judged me and that’s something I’ve always faced, with kids and teachers. Even if I’ve been out of order they’ve been patient and the mature approach they’ve taken towards me has made me more mature in return. Elaine is one of the team that has my trust and respect; no matter how busy she is she’ll always find the time to talk and help me realize how to cope with the way I felt, and that always calmed me down, and now it takes much more to make me react badly.

Now I feel like I’m growing up, and beginning to move on with my life, and being part of Hot chocolate has helped me get to that place.

Everyone here never fails to put a smile on my face.”

3.3.2 Tayside Council on Alcohol

The 4 young people that benefitted from this project had to evidence at least two of the following risk factors;

- a) disruption or disengagement at school
- b) offending, aggressive or anti-social behaviour
- c) conflict in the home/family
- d) Alcohol or substance misuse by young person.

The outcomes addressed;

- a) Reduce aggressive, offending or antisocial behaviour by young people, by developing young people’s positive relationships, their skills and alternative activities within their communities.
- b) Build more resilient young people with a vision and ambition for their life, alongside the confidence that they can achieve their potential
- c) Increase young people’s engagement with school.

4 young people aged between 8 and 14 years were funded for 1 year to have a mentor and engage in a variety of activities.

This meant that these vulnerable young people who were deemed to be at risk of entering the children’s hearing /criminal justice system, were matched with an adult and through doing fun stuff in their community they built good relationships with their mentors.

Out of this consistent and stable relationship the young people were encouraged to

achieve goals in their lives.

Mentors Case Study

B aged 11 was paired up with me after being referred by Social work. The referral was made due to concerns about his behaviour both in school and at home ...

Over the year it was my role to guide B in the right direction to help with his behavioural problems. My main focus was his behaviour in school as this is where he struggled most to control his change in temperament.

To start with I tried to help B recognise when he was getting annoyed, which was normally triggered by him being annoyed by other class mates. Then I helped B think of ways he could calm himself down before his anger got out of control and ending up in him getting into trouble. I feel B started to recognise his temperament very quickly but found it difficult not to react.

B has improved over the year. He is now able to recognise when he is getting worked up and can take himself away from the situation when he is with me.

Unfortunately, after speaking with his mum, I have found out he is still having behavioural issues at home and in school but slow improvements are being made. I have also found out that he is now better behaved when out on family outings.

I am very pleased with B's progress over the year, I have seen a huge change in him and I am sure he will continue to improve.

Quote from B's mum : "The service has benefitted B heaps knowing he can trust people and get to know them in time, and now knows how to behave when out for family trips"

Loren- (Mentor).

3.3.3 The Shore

The key success to the summer provision at The Shore was that most of the activities were peer-led and arranged after consultation with young people who already attend youth work sessions. The young people designed the programme to attract new young people to other skill based diversionary provision with in The Shore.

The young organisation committee group then contacted other geographical areas to identify young people who would benefit from learning a new skill but also being diverted from risk taking behaviour during the summer holidays.

Another success of the provision was that the young people were able to work towards a performance which gave them a reachable goal to aim for. All of this was documented through the participants who chose to start a dynamic youth/youth achievement award.

91 different young people attended 10 different types of youth work provision. The 42 individual sessions had a total attendance of 326 young people aged 10 – 18 years.

73 young people who attended the summer provision now attend additional youth work provided by Dundee City Council.

Both staff and young people felt that the sessions gave the participants the ability to express themselves in a safe environment. They were able to learn new skills and pass on information to their peers.

An end of programme performance showed that the participants had gained in confidence and were willing to showcase their new skills to others.

We have continued to support new groups in Douglas and Menzieshill which are mostly made up of young people who attended the Shore summer programme.

3.4 PROTECTING PEOPLE

3.4.1 Police Scotland - Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit

During the course of the financial year, all 14 Skyguard units were issued to high risk victims. Although there were no activations that led to a perpetrator being arrested, there has been an overwhelmingly positive response from high risk victims of domestic abuse in terms of giving them a real feeling of safety and reducing the fear of further abuse, especially when outwith their home address or other place of safety. Whilst it is difficult to measure the alarms' impact on reducing levels of crime and, in particular re-offending, the Skyguard units are a vital tool in keeping high risk victims safe from further harm.

On activation, the units send an alarm to a dedicated control centre and, via a recording facility, record details of the incident that can be used as evidence in subsequent court proceedings.

The device's effectiveness were highlighted in an adjoining council area recently where the arrest and prosecution of a high risk offender was made possible by the activation to alert police and subsequent recording of the offender's actions that were used for court purposes.

All 14 units have been used extensively and issued as part of comprehensive safety plans developed to protect vulnerable victims at high risk of domestic abuse and honour based violence.

The consistent message from users is that the alarms give them reassurance and self-confidence to be able to about their daily lives knowing a police response will be immediate. A selection of responses include:

'Just made me feel safe'

'I feel safe and know if my ex-partner approaches me it will record what he is saying and can be used in evidence'

'I activated my alarm accidentally whilst in pocket. Peace of mind was reassured that the police arrived there timeously'

'I feel I couldn't go out without it. I'm terrified of my ex-partner. I know I can activate it and the police will find me quickly'

3.4.2 Adult Support and Protection Committee (Financial Harm sub group)

The money was given to fund Dundee's part of a National Financial Harm TV Campaign proposed for the autumn and information leaflets on Financial Harm and Scams.

Unfortunately the National campaign had been put off till February 2015 and is now a generic ASP campaign rather than a focused Financial Harm one. This resulted in the sub group deciding to run their own event on 30th September.

Leaflets have been produced and circulated to local banks, post offices, staff members and members of the public.

In addition, the CSP has funded a re-run of Police Scotland Bogus Caller booklet which is included within the CSP See off Scams Pack.

3.4.3 Hate Incident Multi Agency Partnership (HIMAP)

The HIMAP continues to meet, now on a two monthly basis

The process continues to be well supported by a range of partners; NHS (mental health and BBV team), Police Scotland, Dundee City Council ASB team, Dundee City Council Social Work Department, Dundee City Council Community Safety, Advocating Together Dundee SCIO, SACRO, Victim Support, Dundee Voluntary Action, Terence Higgins Trust, University of Abertay (new

attendee), and is chaired by Police Scotland

Current Work

There is a hate crime HMAP outcome within the current Single Outcome Agreement outcome 6. - *Tackle hate crime through the HMAP, developing preventative approaches and action plans to tackle identified trends, support victims, and tackle offenders*

Hate crimes continue to be an issue for the communities of Dundee. Hate Crime legislation affects Race, Religion, Sexual Orientation, Transgender status and Disability.

The introduction of the Lochee Community Safety Hub has changed the way HMAP operates. Operational partnership matters which may have been discussed in the past at HMAP are now effectively progressed at the Community Safety Hub and through the Repeat Caller process.

The current priority for the HMAP has moved towards the issue of tackling under-reporting. Reported crime trends show that the most prevalent crime remains racial – there is little crime reported by persons for the other characteristics. There is a wide range of well known barriers for communities to report these crimes; e.g. lack of empowerment, accepting harassment as the norm, fear of repercussion, concern the police won't be interested, fear of going to court etc.

There are three basic action plans being progressed

1. Tackle Under-reporting of Hate Crime
2. Tackle Disability hate crime
3. Tackle Hate Crime in shops

Disability Action Plan

This action plan is to tackle under-reporting of Hate Crime in relation to the Disability characteristic. This action plan includes the delivery of Hate Crime inputs, the development of third party reporting sites, and the delivery of “safety calendar” programmes to groups.

Third Party Reporting

The following groups are in the process of being trained or have been trained. Barnardos, AMINA, Audio-visual Department, Ninewells hospital., McKinnon Centre,, Brook Street, Broughty Ferry, Dundonald Day Centre, Dundonald Street, Ellen Mhor care home, Ellen Street, Dudhope Villa, Cornerstone.

The following groups at Gardyne Road College, Dundee:

Fresh Start, Phoenix, Princes Trust, Progression, Magdalene House Care Home., Boomerang, Albert Street, Occupational Therapy Department, Claverhouse East, Swiss Foster Carers.

Safety Calendar inputs

Advocating Together , Fresh Start course Gardyne College, Inclusion, Barnardos, Growing Up project, Magdalene House Care Home, Rose Lodge, Mackinnon Centre, Brook Street Broughty Ferry, Ellen Mhor, Dudhope Villa, Cornerstone

Individual Hate Crime Inputs

Princes Trust, Gardyne College, Progression, Gardyne College, Staff at Audio-visual Department, Ninewells, Staff at Positive Steps, Staff at Includem, Staff at Dundonald Day Centre, Staff at Sense support services, Staff at Ellen Mhor Care Home, Dundee Blind and Partially-sighted Society, Staff at Dudhope Villa.

3.4.4 “Safe Place” – is an idea about making Dundee safer for people with disabilities. This is a new and aspirational project to make people and places safer in Dundee for vulnerable people.

While at the very early stage there are currently three concepts being taken forward.

A steering group, chaired by Colin McCashey, Independent chair of the Adult Support and Protection Committee has been formed to take this forward.

Dundee Community Safety Partnership have been progressing the above Disability Hate Crime Action Plan and this is to be supported by a successful bid for money from the integrated health and Social Care Fund (Avril Smith Hope SWD / Val Johnson NHS)

It will be further supported by the news that the RANK Organisation will fund Advocating Together Dundee SCIO to take forward this idea into practise

The detail of this project will be reported on to the CSP.

3.4.5 Safezone Bus

The static Safezone bus for the night time economy (vulnerable people can go onto the bus and receive support from trained staff) has also been funded by the integrated care Fund and other funding streams including Police Scotland. A steering group is in place for this part of the project, chaired by Eric Knox from Tayside Council on Alcohol.

3.4.6 Polish Community Project

PC Goska Lawson, Police Scotland has been progressing a project with the Polish Community in Dundee.

This includes the development of:

A Polish community focus group

Support to individual Polish people

Tackling Hate crime against the Polish Community

Development of Social Media contact with the Polish Community

Linkage to the Polish Police in relation to; Organised Crime, Trafficking, general criminality sharing of good practise

Hate Crime awareness inputs to Polish newspapers

Development of the concept of third party reporting with the community; e.g. at Polish shops

Development of an Eastern European Police association with Police Scotland.

This project has been supported by the Polish consulate General in Edinburgh.

Goska can report that the Polish Community are not suffering any overt victimisation in this area in relation to Hate Crime.

3.5 PERSONAL SAFETY

3.5.1 A wide range of personal safety work is undertaken by partners and this provides reassurance to both the young and the elderly in our communities.

15 events were attended by the Community Safety Team engaging with 2327 people.

These events include financial harm events, electric blanket testing, dementia café information event, Dundee International Women’s Centre safety event, a week long safety week at Dundee University, Ninewells hospital event and various health fayres. All events are attended to raise awareness of community safety issues and offer help and advice.

The successful safety calendar launched last year has been rolled out to other vulnerable groups and provides a range of community safety information in an accessible format. The topics include shopping safety, personal safety, phone / mobile phone safety, home security and protecting people.



Inclusion Group - presentation of certificates after the Safe Calendar course.

During Personal Safety talks we discuss Bogus callers and scams and distribute See Off Scams packs, which includes useful information from different agencies and a doorstep crime sticker. During the police led operation Monada we handed out over 1000 packs in Dundee during events and in local post offices.

3.5.2 Safe Taysiders

The annual Safe Taysiders event has been running for 20 years. The event is aimed to educate all primary 7 pupils from across Dundee in dealing with emergency or potentially dangerous situations through a series of special scenarios. The event is held at Baluniefield Police Station.

The 2014 Safe Taysiders event consisted of the following partners and scenarios:-

1. Community Safety Team – Internet Safety
2. Police Scotland – Stranger danger
3. RNLI – Water safety
4. Scottish Fire and Rescue – Fire safety
5. Scottish Fire and Rescue – First Aid
6. Anti Social Behaviour Team – Anti Social Behaviour
7. National Express – Bus safety
8. Muirfield Builders – Building site safety
9. Addaction Team – Legal highs/Drugs

The young people are put into groups of 5-8 and go around all of the scenarios spending approx. 10 minutes at each.

The event could not run without the support of the organisations that provide staff and volunteers to deliver the scenarios, also the support it receives from personnel to help organise and set up the event.

In addition we are supported by the Education Dept who pay for the transport for the young people to attend:- C J Lang who supply bottled water for the young people, Cineworld Dundee who allow the winning school free entry to the cinema to see a film of their choice and BT Openreach who supply and fit phones and switchboards to allow the young people to make a 999 call.

We aim to make Safe Taysiders empowering for the young person and help to develop resilience as part of their overall wellbeing. It aims to be relevant to the young person, but also based on evidence of need and for effectiveness in the approach adopted.

Once again this year the event targeted issues that were thought to be important for young people of this age to learn but we also introduced new scenarios after evidence showed an increase in calls with regards antisocial behaviour on public transport and dangerous play in building sites in Dundee.

By allowing young people to be involved in a burning building scenario or having to make a 999 call and knowing what important information they need to get the emergency services there is a really important lesson in a safe learning environment.

This year we introduced a certificate which every pupil who attended received. The certificate gave information on each of the scenarios and the main message given at the event with useful information and websites for more information.

We also introduced a teacher's pack. The pack included a little information from each of the agencies, what they do, where to get more information for any follow up work they would like to do and contact details of the partners involved.



RNLI – Water Safety

3.5.3 University of Dundee

From our £500 grant we were able to give out personal safety alarms to students especially females students who were concerned for their safety when walking home in the dark.

During the campaign we used the breathalyser to highlight to students who had a big

drinking night out what their levels of alcohol were at mid day the following day. Some interesting facts and surprised students.

We were delighted by the cooperation we received from many of the departments within the University and outwith and who are happy to come together on an annual basis to put on future safety campaign awareness weeks.

Our safety Campaign project was a huge success in regard that we had a collective audience and we were able to flag up to our students both from home and abroad a wide range of safety issues that was important for them to know about.

The organisers of the campaign were surprised at how many areas of safety there were to cover. Be it getting home safely after a night out or keeping your password and pin numbers safe.

3.5.4 E-Safety

The E-Safety annual update has been presented to, and approved by, the Community Safety Partnership and the Child Care and Protection Committee.

The E-Safety Group meets regularly and conducts its business by way of several small sub groups feeding into a larger group. Representation on this group is Dundee City Council Education Department, Chief Executive's Department, Social Work Department, Human Resources, IT; Barnardos, Police Scotland, Women's Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre, NHS, Leisure and Culture Dundee.

The Single Point of Contact (SPOC) Group meets regularly and has representation from the above agencies also but at a senior level within the organisation to ensure a more strategic overview of the work streams.

Achievement highlights from year 2 include the following:

- Roll out of 360 Degrees E-Safety Self Assessment Toolkit to all secondary schools and introduction to Primary Schools with associated staff training.
- Online Compass E-Safety Self Assessment Toolkit training for organisations other than schools with planned introduction of Toolkit across organisations as appropriate to their structures.
- Updated Strategic Assessment highlighting emerging trends with new recommendations.
- Peer education input to all P7 classes in Dundee.
- Continuous updating of talks, presentations etc. to reflect emerging trends.
- Development of CSP Media Strategy linking across the protecting people and corporate agendas.
- Social Media Exploitation Group established within Education Department and supported by partners.

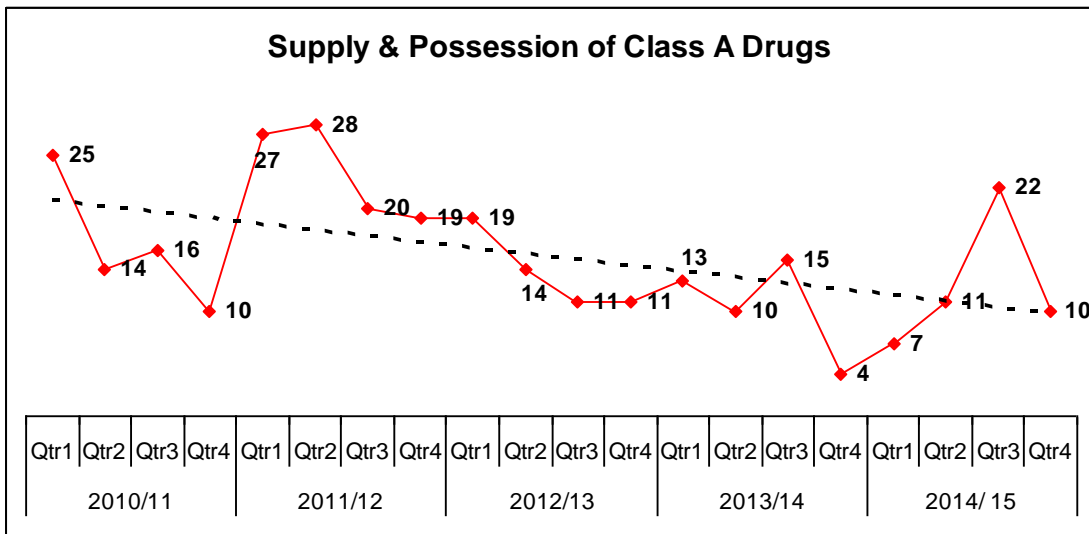
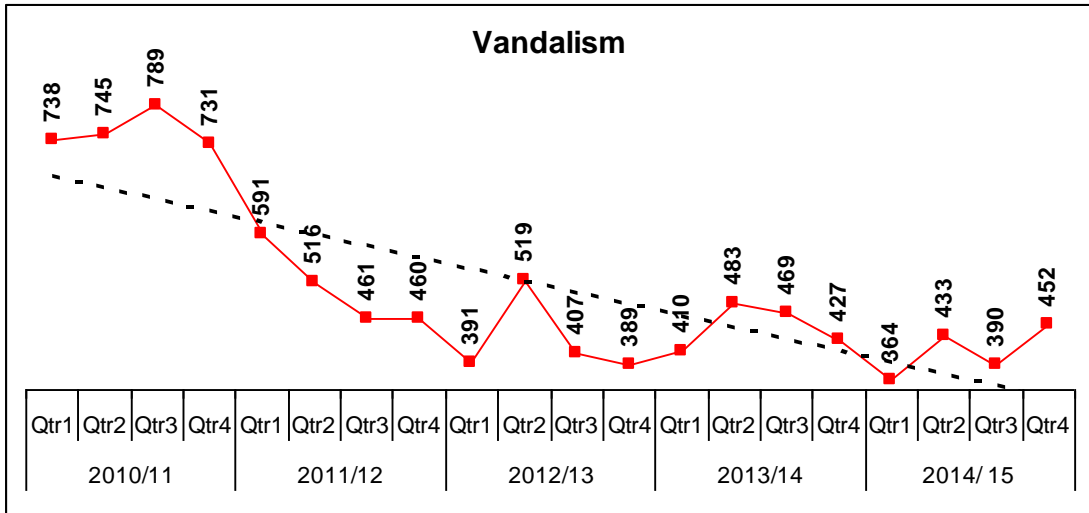
The key actions from the 2012 – 2015 Action Plan have been completed ahead of schedule and it has been agreed that a new 2 year action plan and monitoring framework is produced for 2015 – 2017 based upon the new Strategic Assessment Recommendations.

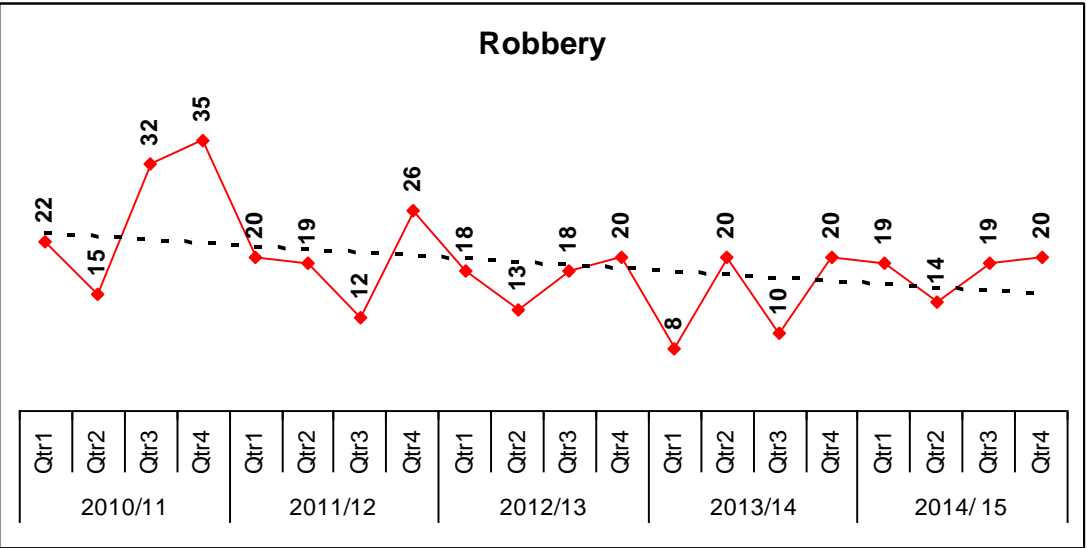
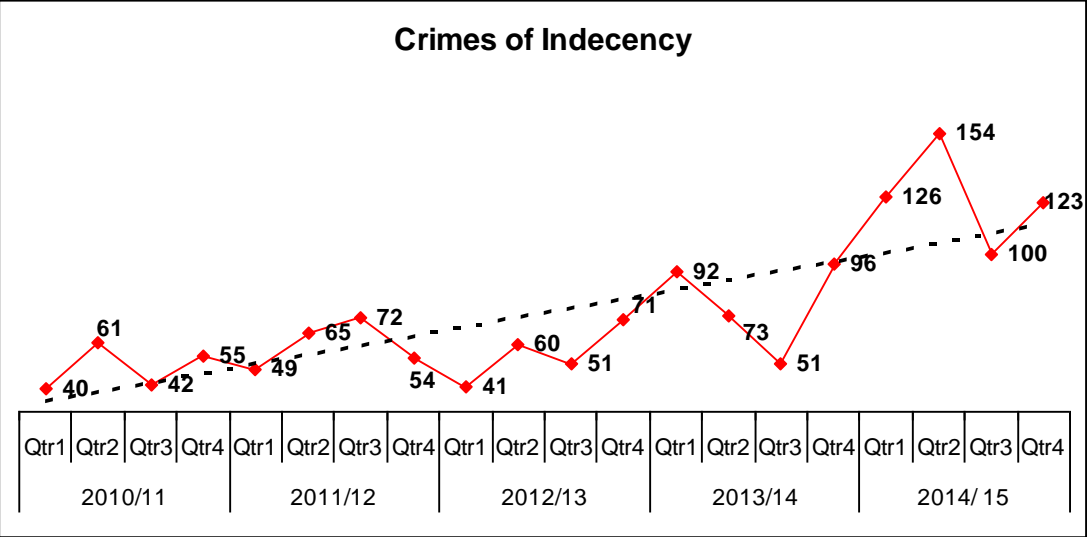
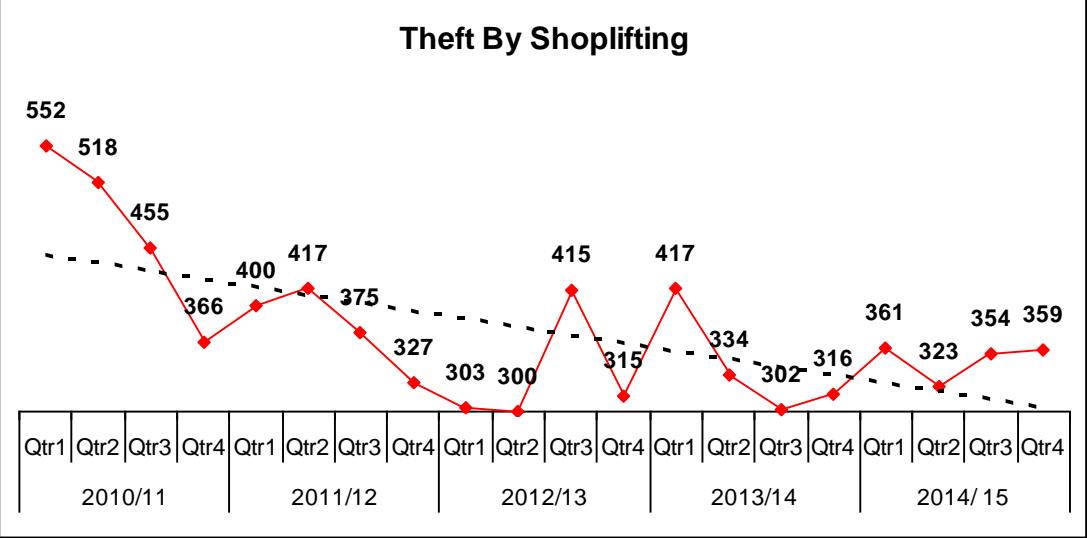
4.0 CRIME TRENDS 2010/11 – 2014/15

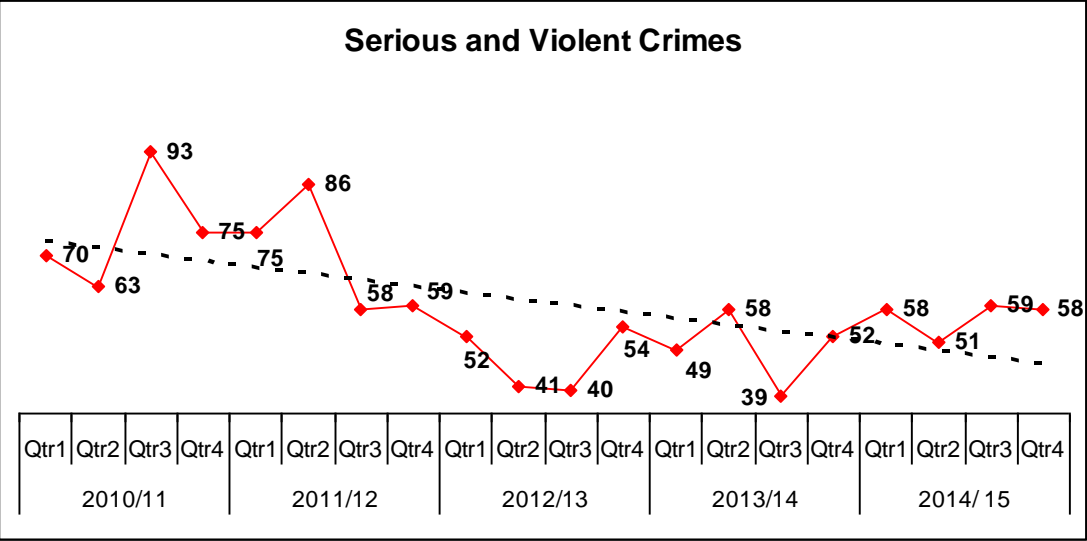
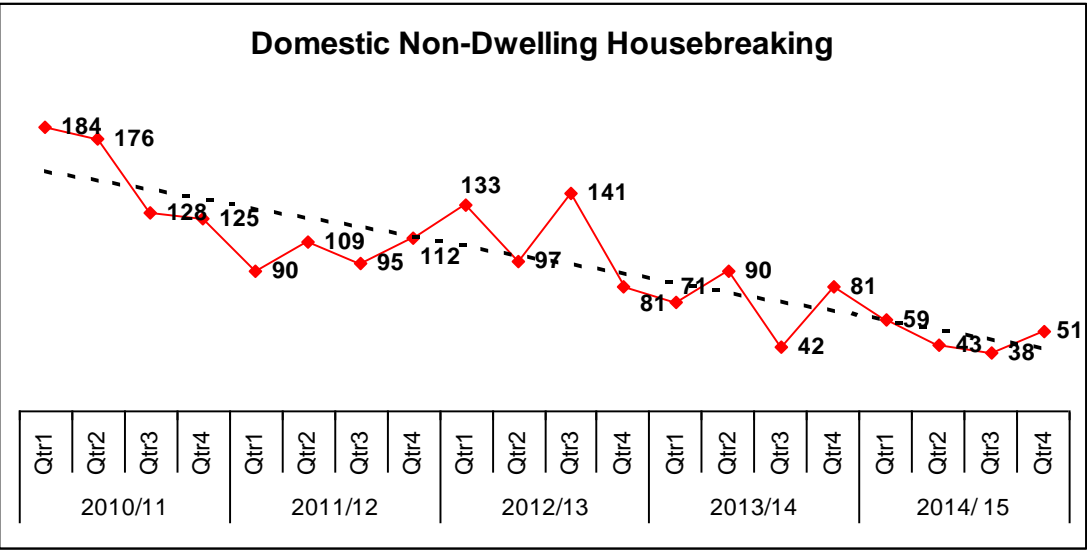
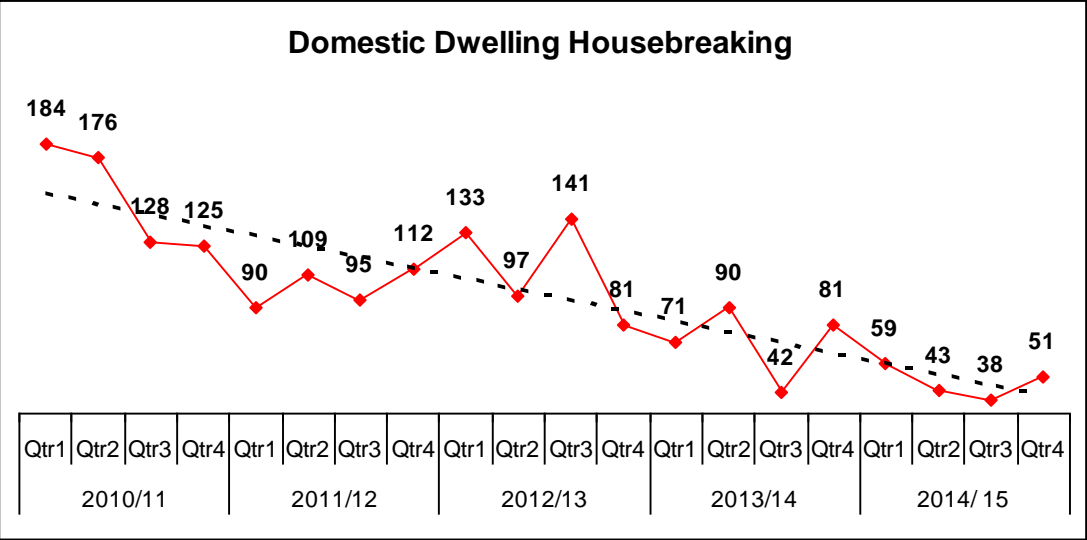
Our trend graphs for the five year period 2010/11 – 2014/15 are showing a positive downward trend in all but two of the categories. One of these is crimes of indecency which we believe can be reflected in the increasing confidence of victims being more prepared to report these crimes and a slight increase in the antisocial use of motorcycles. This is a cyclical issue and partners have been working hard to deal with those responsible. As a result of significant partnership working, particularly between the Community Safety Wardens, Antisocial Behaviour Team and the Police,

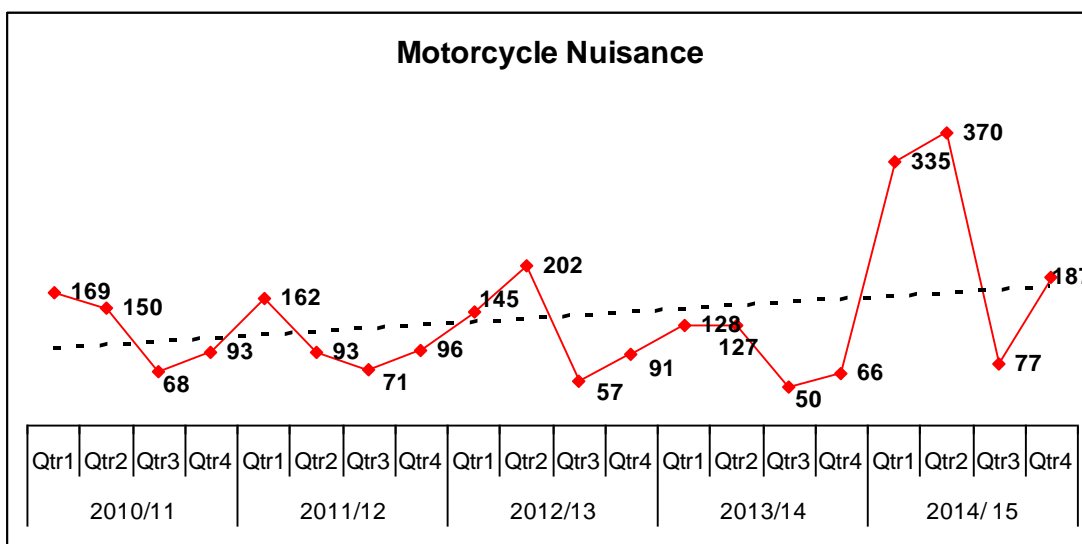
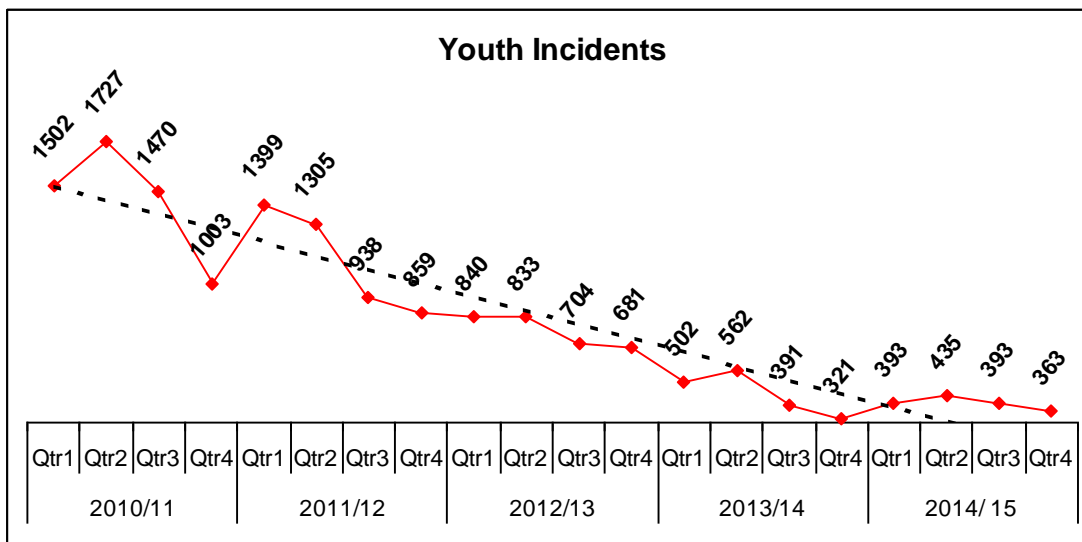
17 motorcycles have been seized and several individuals charged.

The number of youth incidents has decreased by 1,364 and this has been the result once more of significant partnership working involving a range of youth work and community safety partners. The value of positive youth work interventions cannot be underestimated in reducing the levels of antisocial behaviour and low level crime in our communities.









5.0 HIGHLIGHTS AND FUTURE PRIORITIES

5.1 REDUCING CRIME AND FEAR OF CRIME

Campaign Against Violence (CAV) – Police Scotland Initiative whereby officers, based in departments, are deployed operationally alongside front line colleagues. Officers are deployed into areas of most concern to local community in an effort to resolve specific problems of disorder or anti-social behaviour. The Community Safety Unit has provided information and tasking in support of this process.

Violence Reduction Plans (VRP) – This involves supportive visits to licensed premises, intrusive visits at noisy addresses/party flats, curfew bail checks and domestic perpetrator visits. These locations are jointly identified by Police, Anti Social Behaviour Team (ASBT) and partners within the city. This process has been developed further through a Multi-Agency Tactical and Coordinating (MATAC) meeting within the Community Safety Hub. This has given a platform to partners to suggest premises where the police can support with visits.

National Violence Reduction Team – A successful bid was submitted for this team and they were deployed in the city centre of Dundee. The officers were engaged in high profile policing and reassurance. This was well received by members of the public and retail premises. Much of the information that facilitated the bid and tasking of the officers was supplied by Analysts based within the Community Safety Hub.

Operation CentreSafe & FerrySafe – these operations form part of weekly business for Police Scotland. They are supplemented by CAV and contribute to making city centre and Broughty Ferry areas a safer place during the night time economy.

Target Hardening

The Target Hardening Initiative makes homes less vulnerable to break ins by fortifying window and door locks.

Dundee Partnership Facebook Page

The Dundee Partnership Facebook Page has been established to promote Dundee as a Safe Place to visit, live and work.

All of the above forms part of a coordinated approach with partners to reduce violence, disorder and anti social behaviour. The Community Safety Partnership and Hub have played a significant part in this. This activity helps our communities feel safer and reduce the fear of crime.

This year's priorities for reducing crime and fear of crime include;

- Public Protection
- Serious and Organised Crime
- Anti Social Behaviour
- Road Safety
- Acquisitive Crime
- Counter Terrorism

5.2 REDUCED RE-OFFENDING

In respect of reduced levels of re-offending, since 2007-08 there has been a 36.6% reduction in the reconviction frequency rate in Dundee. This compares extremely well with the Scottish average of a 14.5% reduction over the same period, especially when the demographics of the city are taken into account.

There have been particular reductions in the last 2 datasets covering the 2011-12 and 2012-13 periods, with a 19% fall in the reconviction frequency rate compared with a national fall of 4%. Figures for 2013-14 and 2014-15 are not yet available and there is always a 2 year lag in these statistics.

The reduction also applies to both adult males and females and in relation to almost all sentences, including CPO's DTTO's Custody and Fines. The only exception to this a 3-6 month prison sentences, which have involved an increase in reconvictions. Offenders committing crimes of dishonesty are also more likely to be reconvicted.

In respect of short-term prison sentences and crimes of dishonesty, in the last 2 years we have been developing the Short-Term Prisoner Integrated Case Management process with HMP Perth and the Intensive Support Programme with Police Scotland. Early indications are that these initiatives are having a positive

effect.

This year priorities for reducing re-offending include;

- Scoping the development of an Alternative to Remand Initiative with the Scottish Government, Sheriff Court and local partners. This will be informed by views of the Sheriffs in particular on any different and/or additional services necessary to effectively supervise and support persistent offenders who are at a high risk of being sentenced by them to short-term periods of custody. Once we have completed the consultation, we intend to implement and evaluate a 6 month pilot in late 2015.
- Reviewing the Short-Term Prisoner Integrated Case Management Scheme with HMP Perth and other partners. This will involve reviews of internal processes within the prison to ensure they promote the engagement of prisoners and of statutory and third sector services being delivered within the prison and the community to minimise duplication and ensure services are targeted where needed most. It will include substance misuse services.
- Reviewing both literacy and numeracy and financial inclusion services for the general offender population. Typically, they have lower than average levels of literacy and numeracy and often struggle to both maximise their income and budget appropriately.

The other main priority for this year is the development of a transition plan for the new model for Community Justice which will see the responsibility for this work stream transfer from the Community Justice Authorities to Community Planning.

5.3 ROAD SAFETY

- In 2014/15, Dundee had the lowest number of persons seriously injured in road traffic collisions for years.
- Various local and national road safety campaigns were supported throughout the year.
- Analysis of accident data and the provision of engineering solutions led to improvements in road safety.
- Various road safety educational activities including over 1400 students and staff attending the hard hitting 'Safe Drive Stay Alive' event was held in the Caird Hall during November 2014

The main area for focussed attention in 2015/16 is the completion and launch of a road safety plan for Dundee.

5.4 FIRE SAFETY

- Over 3,700 Home Fire Safety Visits undertaken during 2014/15, with the majority targeted at high/medium risk properties.
- In 2014/15, Dundee had an all-time low of the number of accidental dwelling fires and fire casualties in several years.
- Several hundred other fire safety prevention initiatives were conducted across the City, including talks with elderly groups & other vulnerable groups.
- There was a strong focus on youth engagement and diversionary activities with various events undertaken including engagement evenings as well as

safety talks within schools and with offsite education services.

- Over a hundred waste issues, which posed a particular fire risk, were reported, assessed and authorised for collection.
- Several multi agency awareness raising sessions were attended by several hundred personnel from a range of partner agencies, this assisted in targeting prevention activities to areas of greatest risk

The main areas for focussed attention in 2015/16 are:

- Continue to forge and strengthen relationships with key partners to allow the targeting of prevention activities and services to areas of greatest need
- Attention will be focussed on tackling and reducing the occurrences of deliberate fires, particularly in the North East area of the city.

5.5 PERSONAL SAFETY IN THE HOME AND IN THE COMMUNITY

- Safe Taysiders to engage all primary 7 pupils from across Dundee in dealing with emergency or potentially dangerous situations through a series of special scenarios. 1392 pupils attended the last Safe Taysiders event. (see also item 3.6.2)
- An E-Safety Action Plan and Monitoring Framework has been developed. Internet Safety evening events have been held including an Internet Safety Information Evening and a Stay Safe Online event. Talks have also been delivered to schools for teachers, pupils and parents. Similar content has also been adapted and delivered to vulnerable groups (see also item 3.6.4)
- There is ongoing work with individuals and community groups to develop Community Safety Themed Events and Personal Safety Action Plans. Talks and presentations addressing various personal safety issues including victims of crimes delivered to groups and individuals. Personal safety equipment including personal attack alarms issues to citizens and target hardening.
- A Partnership Safety Calendar has been produced with bespoke inputs from Police Scotland, Dundee City Council and Scottish Fire and Rescue. Designed to keep vulnerable individuals as safe as possible in their homes and communities. Inputs are tailored to meet the needs of the individuals.
- The Home Safety Officer in partnership with other agencies has delivered Home Safety inputs to:
 - **24 Mother and Toddler groups**
 - **20 Older People groups**
 - **32 Community groups**
 - **9 Learning Disability groups**

The priorities for promoting personal safety in the home and in the coming year include:

- Identifying and responding to emerging trends within the city and nationally. This will include, but won't be limited to, E-safety, scams both online and offline, and trends in crime including door step issues and housebreak ins.
- Working with communities to develop Community Learning and Development programmes to reduce risk taking behaviour and encourage safe decision making in people's homes and in their communities.
- Develop a Community Learning and Development programme with schools and Local Community Groups around the current threat posed to the UK by terrorism and raising awareness of the mechanisms for reporting concerns.