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Making the communities of County Durham and Darlington safer, stronger and more resilient to crime, drugs and anti-social behaviour



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This is my first performance report 2022/23 which provides the Police and Crime Panel with an update on the progress being made against my Police and Crime Plan priorities.

One of the biggest responsibilities of any Police and Crime Commissioner is to listen to the public. This important strand of my work began as soon as I was elected and has continued throughout my first year to ensure the decisions I make and the funding I invest is in the best interests of local people.

In my conversations and meetings with residents, I have come to understand the huge impact issues such as anti-social behaviour and road safety have on people's lives. These issues are now the foundation of my Police and Crime Plan, and I will continue to hold the Chief Constable to account for the successful delivery of any improvements.

While there is always more to do, this performance report acknowledges the huge achievements already being made by the force as well as its enviable position nationally.

Durham Constabulary is now recognised for attaining some of the highest resolved rates in the UK for Neighbourhood Crime which includes vehicle-related theft, domestic burglary, theft from the person and robbery of personal property – crimes which cause considerable concern among residents. These offences have reduced by 23.5 per cent in the reporting period. Furthermore, the Chief Inspector for Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Service (HMICFRS) publicly highlighted the force for its exceptional performance in the way it responds to these acquisitive crimes in his most recent inspection and identified the force as a pillar of national good practice in its problem-solving approaches.

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Meanwhile, proactive work and investment to tackle anti-social behaviour continues to have a positive impact with recent figures continuing to decrease, reflecting a long-term trend. Earlier this year, I delivered on my promise to appoint an Anti-Social Behaviour Champion as part of a tougher approach to persistent anti-social behaviour and I am closely involved in developing new processes to step-up the response to persistent problems.

There are many more successes and I am proud of the work ethic of all our officers, police staff and volunteers and for their commitment in bringing these improvements to fruition. I will continue to work hard to ensure they are supported and well-resourced to keep on making a difference.

Joy Allen

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ACCOUNTABILITY: KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR REPORT

This report covers the period Quarter 1 (Q1- Apr22 - Jun22) and Quarter 2 (Q2- Jul22 – Sep22) of 2022/ 23. All narratives are directed towards this period and/ or provide a current strategic overview and practice examples.

SAFER COMMUNITIES



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FORCE STAFFING LEVELS

Staff Type	2010 (31/03/2010)	2019 (31/03/2019)	Q1 End (30/06/2022)	Q2 End (30/09/2022)	Direction of Travel (From 2010)
Police Offices	1507	1138	1273	1297	↓
Police Staff	920	774	1000	982	↑
PCSOs	175	145	132	138	↓

The reduction in officers and staff between 2010/2020 was a direct result of austerity. The Force lost 408 officers between 2010 and 2020, 27% of Police Officer strength.

I am delighted to report that PCSO numbers per head of population are still approximately 50% above the national average, which reflects my commitment to visible neighborhood policing. In July more than 60 extra police officers hit the streets of County Durham and Darlington determined to protect the public, deter crime and anti-social behaviour.

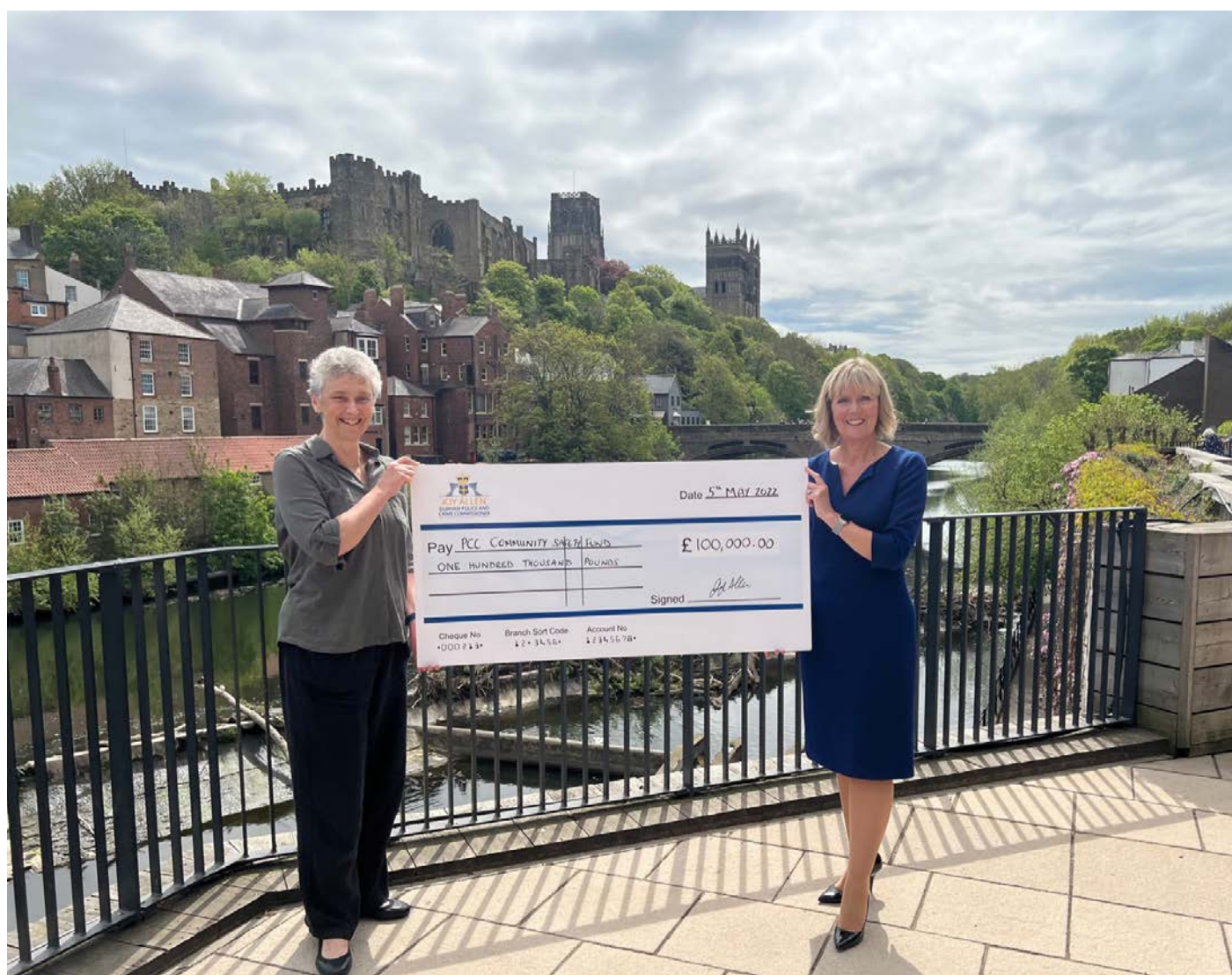
Durham Constabulary also introduced a new shift pattern to bolster the number of frontline officers available to deal with incidents and deter crime into the late evening and throughout the night in communities across the force area.

The increase in overall numbers, has been made possible through the national uplift in recruitment programme. This increase also includes more Sergeants and Inspectors to oversee the response to calls for service from the public.

This new way of working has allowed officers to react more effectively to those high harm crimes which peak during the late evening and into the night such as domestic violence and abuse, alcohol-related violence and public order issues or priority incidents such as missing persons which also tend to increase during the hours of darkness.

Combined, the new officers and the new shift system has improved our capacity to deter and prevent crime, tackle anti-social behaviour and help us protect the public across County Durham and Darlington.

The public repeatedly tell me that they want to see more officers on the streets, particularly at times of peak demand such as the night-time economy. This change in shift pattern, coupled with the additional officers, will have a marked effect on police visibility, and will help reduce crime and anti-social behaviour.



PUBLIC CONTACT METHODS

Often the person answering the call is the first contact people have with the police and it is so important that the call is answered swiftly and professionally.

The public asked for call handling to be made a priority and I pledged to support that agenda. I know that the voice on the end of the phone can provide vital support in times of great stress and has a big impact on the callers' overall trust and confidence in policing.

I have agreed substantial investment to recruit additional call handlers to ease pressure on calls for assistance and this will continue to be an area I will closely scrutinise.

So, I am delighted to report that in May our call handling team was boosted by further nine members of staff.

The table below displays the overarching Key Performance Indicators used for 999 and 101 call data:

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CALL DATA	Q1 - Q2 19/20 baseline	Quarter 1 2022/23	Quarter 2 2022/23	Q1 - Q2 22/20 Total	%Change baseline to 22/23	Direction of Travel (From 2010)
999 Calls	48634	27852	28192	56044	15.20%	↑
101 (SNEN) Calls	156354	68585	66988	135573	-13.30%	↓
Totals	204988	96437	95180	191617	-6.50%	↔

The table below displays the rate at which 999/ 101 calls are answered and abandoned:

Public Access to Services	Q1 - Q2 19/20 baseline	Quarter 1 2022/23	Direction of Travel (From 2010)
Number of 999 calls answered within 10 seconds	19704	23797	↑
Average call wait time for 999 calls (seconds)	25.4	20.3	↓
101 calls abandoned	17005	11623	↓



Over the reporting period, 999 calls answered within 10 seconds increased and the number of 101 calls abandoned decreased. The average answer time to a 999 call during Q1 2022-23 was 25.4 seconds, reducing to 20.3 seconds during Q2.

999 Calls have seen an increase in the second quarter of 2022/23 compared to the first quarter (27852 to 28192) with August having the highest number of calls with 10203. However, comparing Q1-Q2 22/23 baseline to the same period in 19/20 (pre-covid) there has been a 15% increase in 999 calls received.

101 Calls have seen a decrease in the second quarter of 2022/23 compared to the first quarter (68585 to 66988) with September having the lowest number of calls with 20445. However, comparing Q1-Q2 22/23 baseline to 19/20 baseline there has been a 13.3% decrease in 101 calls received.

In addition to 101 and 999, the force has a non-emergency live chat function which is monitored by staff between the hours of 9:00- 18:00 7 days a week. Although, it is important to note that this function still requires an internal resource to manage in real-time in case reports require immediate or priority response.

NEIGHBOURHOOD CRIME

Neighbourhood crime is composed of the following crime types (police recorded crime):

- Robbery - Personal
- Residential Burglary (incorporates all related Home Office sub-categories)
- Theft from the Person
- Vehicle crime (incorporates all four Home Office sub-categories)

The table provides a quarter-on-quarter breakdown, including a comparison with the equivalent baseline pre-pandemic period:

Neighbourhood Crime	Q1-Q2 19-20 baseline	Quarter 1 2022/23	Quarter 2 2022/23	Q1-Q2 22-23 total	% change baseline to 2022/23	Direction of travel (from baseline)
Recorded Crime	3041	1122	1205	2327	-23.50%	↓

The overall category of Neighbourhood crime has seen a decrease of 23.5% in the current quarters when compared with the baseline (pre-Covid in 2019/20) period, a decrease which is reflected across all sub-categories.

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Neighbourhood Crime	Q1-Q2 19-20 baseline	Quarter 1 2022/23	Quarter 2 2022/23	Q1-Q2 22-23 total	% change baseline to 2022/23	Direction of travel (from baseline)
Resolved Rates	11.9%	18.5%	13.2%	15.9%	4.0%	↑





Durham bucked the national trend with top response to burglary, robbery and theft

I am pleased to report Durham Constabulary received national recognition by police watchdogs for the way it investigates burglary, robbery, and theft.

The force has the highest resolution rate in England and Wales for the investigation of robbery, commercial burglary and theft from a motor vehicle and exceeds the national average in all but one of the 22 crime types.

The performance has led to the force receiving high praise in a recent report by Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS) Andy Cooke, who highlighted Durham as one of just two forces nationally that are performing "very well" in its response to serious acquisitive crimes including burglary, robbery, and theft.

I was delighted with the findings of Mr Cooke's report and his extremely positive assessment of Durham Constabulary's response to burglary, robbery, and theft.

Every crime has a victim, and it is critical police forces take account of the emotional impact of crime and maximise every opportunity to deliver justice. I was pleased Durham Constabulary was singled out for good practice in this respect and continues to work hard and innovatively to increase public confidence in investigation processes and achieve results.

It is vital to me as Police and Crime Commissioner that the policing services we provide meet the needs and expectations of local people. Victims of crime are at the heart of everything I do, and I listen very carefully to the experiences of past victims to ensure we get it right.

We take great pride in being a nationally leading force and will continue to identify further any areas of improvement to protect people and resolve the issues that matter to them most. Our resolution rate for neighbourhood crime is the highest in the country and I am determined for that to continue.

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR (ASB)





Whilst ASB incidents have seen the most fluctuation over the pandemic period, the overall downward trend continues.

ASB across the first two quarters in 2022-23 is shown in the table below, along with a comparison with an equivalent pre-pandemic baseline period:

ASB Incidents	Q1-Q2 19-20 baseline	Quarter 1 2022/23	Quarter 2 2022/23	Q1-Q2 22- 23 total	% change baseline to 22-23	Direction of travel (from baseline)
ASB Total	9610	4856	4354	9210	-4%	↓

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ASB levels have seen a decrease of 4% in the current quarters when compared with the baseline (pre-Covid in 2019/20) period.

I am determined to take a hard-line approach to antisocial behaviour and boost support for victims and I have accelerated my plans to prioritise the issue and ensure all victims receive a robust response to their problems.

I am the only PCC in the country to have created and recruited the role of an Anti-social Behaviour Champion to give local victims of ASB a bigger voice in the criminal justice system and to spearhead multiagency action to address persistent problems and making it easier for victims to seek redress through the Community Trigger scheme.

In the past, victims of ASB have felt let down and unsupported, so I am proud of our early success in recruiting the first-ever Antisocial Behaviour Champion in England and Wales and will continue to lead the way when it comes to standing up for victims and securing redress for victims.

It is unacceptable that the actions of a minority should be allowed to bring such intense and inescapable misery to some residents, and I will continue to do everything in my power to support our officers and unleash the full extent of legislation and enforcement powers as part of our response.

SAFER PEOPLE

VIOLENT CRIME

Protecting women and girls from violence is a key area of focus and we have been at the forefront of national efforts to deliver greater justice for sexual violence victims through Project Soteria. Durham Constabulary already has one of the highest charging rates for rape investigations in England and Wales and is playing a critical role in developing future reform. Violence Against the Person (VAP) is composed of three Home Office crime categories:

- Homicide
- Violence with Injury
- Violence without Injury

The table provides a quarter-on-quarter breakdown, including a comparison with the equivalent baseline pre-pandemic period:

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Violence Against the Person (VAP)	Q1-Q2 19-20 baseline	Quarter 1 2022/23	Quarter 2 2022/23	Q1-Q2 22-23 total	% change baseline to 2022-23	Direction of travel (from baseline)
Violence with Injury	3037	1429	1555	2987	-2%	↔
Violence without Injury	10342	4340	4867	9207	-11%	↓
Homicide	3	1	1	2	-33%	↔
VAP total	13382	5770	6432	12193	-9%	↓

The overall category of VAP has seen a decrease of 9% in the current quarters when compared with the baseline (pre-Covid in 2019/20) period, a decrease which is reflected across all sub-categories.

Alcohol continues to be a driving factor in VAP and alcohol.



NON-CRIME DEMAND

MISSING FROM HOME (MFH)



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Reports of a missing adult/ child are logged by the force with details of the missing person recorded as part of the incident log.

The following table shows a quarter-on-quarter analysis of 'missing person' incident data:

Missing from Home (MFH)	Q1-Q2 19-20 baseline	Quarter 1 2022/23	Quarter 2 2022/23	Q1-Q2 22-23 total	% change baseline to 22-23	Direction of travel (from baseline)
Missing Person Incidents	2242	1530	1503	3033	35%	↑

Overall, MFH levels have seen an increase of 35% in the current quarters when compared with the baseline (pre-Covid in 2019/20) period.

Children missing from home account for the largest number of missing from home reports.

MENTAL HEALTH

The table below breaks this data down to show quarter-on-quarter variation, along with a comparison to an equivalent pre-pandemic baseline period:

Incidents with 'mental health' qualifier	Q1-Q2 19-20 baseline	Quarter 1 2022/23	Quarter 2 2022/23	Q1-Q2 22-23 total	% change baseline to 22-23	Direction of travel (from baseline)
Incident count	9580	4308	4439	8747	8.75%	↓

Mental Health incidents have seen a decrease of 8.7% in the current quarters when compared with the baseline (pre-Covid in 2019/20) period. Additionally, Mental Health Incidents consisted of 10.2% of all incidents in Q1 and Q2.

Mental health is a cross-cutting issue which affects over 5% of the entire population of England (2019/ 20 NHS Annual Report), and the proportion is ever increasing which stretches demand on services further. I am determined to build upon existing support structures across the criminal justice partnership and within policing to further enhance the response to mental health and provide the right services at the right times.

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SAFER ROADS



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People continually contact me with concerns about speeding vehicles and safety for all road users. It is a fact that too many people are killed or seriously injured on the roads. That is why I have made Road safety a key priority in my Police and Crime Plan.

CASUALTIES (FATAL, SERIOUS, SLIGHT)

The table provides a breakdown of 'all collisions' data within the Durham Constabulary force area, showing both quarterly analysis and a comparison with an equivalent pre-pandemic baseline period:

Road - Casualties	Q1-Q2 19-20 baseline	Quarter 1 2022/23	Quarter 2 2022/23	Q1-Q2 22-23 total	% change baseline to 22-23	Direction of travel (from baseline)
Fatal	9	6	4	10	11%	
Serious	124	65	41	106	-15%	
KSI (fatal + serious)	133	71	45	116	-13%	↓
Slight	426	131	128	259	-39%	
All Casualties Total	559	202	173	375	-33%	↓

I am pleased to report Fatal and serious casualties decreased over the reporting period by 13%. When combining all casualty levels (fatal, serious, and slight) there was a decrease of 33%. The force's approach to road safety continues to centre around the 'fatal 5' and the wider national/ local road safety campaigns and initiatives associated with this.



PARTNERSHIP & COLLABORATION REPORT

COMMUNITY PEER MENTORS (CPMS)

I relaunched an innovative mentorship scheme supporting victims of anti-social behaviour and vulnerable people at risk

As part of an overhaul of victim services across County Durham and Darlington, I took overall responsibility for the successful Community Peer Mentors project so I could expand support for victims of crime and antisocial behaviour and those with identified vulnerabilities.

The service supports vulnerable and isolated people affected by significant life-changing events including crime and antisocial behaviour and neighbourly disputes. Without help and appropriate intervention, these individuals have the potential to become high-impact users of frontline services.

More than 300 mentors with lived experiences have already been recruited to the scheme to help inspire confidence and trust in the Police and the wider criminal justice system through their engagement work.

Up until recently the scheme was funded exclusively by my office, whilst receiving referrals from other service providers. I am delighted to report that NHS England has allocated funding to enable us to support individuals with addictions to drugs or alcohol.

Between Q1 and Q2 2022/23 the CPMs experienced a 21% increase in referrals, an 88% increase from this same period in 2021. This is a 371% increase from the same period pre-pandemic (2019/20).

The table below displays the source of referrals into the CPM scheme:

	Q1 (April22 - Jun22)	Q2 (July22 - Sept 22)	Quarterly % Change
All Referrals	241	292	21%
Police	120	141	17.5%
MASH	45	70	55.5%
NHS	28	38	35.7%
VCAS	64	81	26.5%

Since the introduction of the 'Alcohol and Substance Misuse' mentors there has been a 116% increase in referrals for clients affected by both alcohol and substance misuse in this period. There has also been a 71.9% increase where ASB has been identified as having a significant and negative impact on clients.

The overall number of individuals referred into the CPMs during Q1 and Q2 2022/23 stands at 533.

Victims of crime are at the core of everything I do and I am determined to make it easier for people to reach out for the help they need – at the earliest opportunity. It makes sense to offer a single front door approach to support and I believe these changes will benefit the recovery journey of all victims in the future.

The CPM scheme provides a service to individuals who come into contact with the police and wider criminal justice system, with the aim of reducing demand on services with a targeted approach to support, in terms of offending and vulnerability.

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I was delighted to receive the Queens Award for Voluntary Service on behalf of the Community Peer Mentors from the Lord Lieutenant on the morning of the 8th of September 2022.



VICTIM CARE AND ADVICE SERVICE (VCAS)

New model of care to create 'one stop shop' for victims' services

In April, I announced new plans to bring support services for victims of crime 'in-house' to improve the care provided. After reviewing current provision, we identified the need for a smoother referral process offering victims of crime a 'single front door' where they could access recovery services swiftly and simply.

This new model provides me with better oversight of the system and enables me to foster closer working relationships between partners and Durham Constabulary.

Victims of crime are at the centre of everything I do and I have made it clear I will spare no effort in ensuring their needs are met. I recognise that one size does not fit all and this move will build additional resilience to the team.

Safeguarding victims of crime is a top priority and I am working hard on my Police and Crime Plan pledge to deliver a full range of high-quality specialist services to help victims recover from the impact of crime. It is vital victims and witnesses continue to have trust and confidence in the support we offer and remain engaged throughout their justice journey for long-term recovery and to encourage future victims to come forward.

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The new model aims to:

- Reduce the number of inappropriate referrals
- Introduce processes that streamline the referral, triage and assessment system, creating less confusion for victims and witnesses and reducing the number of inappropriate referrals.
- Develop more productive working relationships with police officers and other relevant agencies
- Improve response to victims of sexual offences and standard risk domestic abuse
- Additional specialist support in the force control room ready to offer an immediate response to calls in domestic abuse cases
- Development of a specialist court team of advocates to support victims throughout their journey for justice and to continually liaise between partner agencies including Police, Crown Prosecution Service and National Probation Service to deliver maximum care.
- Ensure support is available and accessible at any point in the victims or witness journey, specifically at key 'contact points' such as when an offender is arrested or charged

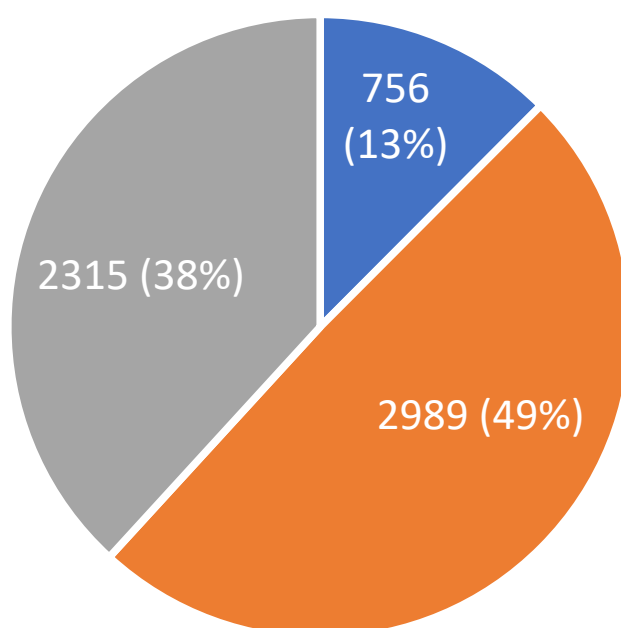
Figures show high victim confidence in post-crime support services

- Results from the first three months showed free and confidential support provided by the Victim Care and Advice Service (VCAS) is having a marked difference on the confidence and mental health of those who have accessed help.
- Between April and June this year, a total of 246 cases were closed after support was provided.
- Of these cases, 178 victims took up the offer of help to address their fears over safety and were provided with dummy CCTV, door chimes, window and personal alarms, shed alarms and security lights. Further support included crime prevention advice and site surveys, coping strategies around checking CCTV and door locks and safety planning advice.
- As a result of the interventions, 92 per cent of the victims reported feeling safer through the VCAS support.
- Additionally, 151 victims reported issues with health and wellbeing as a result of their experience of crime, ranging from anxiety, depression and panic attacks as well as trouble sleeping, and 159 victims reported concerns around lifestyle, reporting issues with housing, finance and benefits and problems at university, work, school or college.
- VCAS provided a range of positive interventions from coping strategies and distraction techniques to support around self-harm and suicidal thoughts and referrals to other specialist support agencies. The service also supported victims with their housing applications and initiated contact with landlords, signposted to services such as Citizens Advice and communicated with educational staff and victims' employers to increase understanding of the victim's position.
- As a result, 90 per cent of victims reported an improvement in their health and wellbeing and 91 per cent of victims said there had been improvement in their lifestyle, often saying they had been able to return to doing things they did prior to being victimised.
- These results show very clearly how vital our support services have become in the recovery journey. I am delighted that more than nine in 10 of those whose cases have recently concluded are highly satisfied with the improvements in their lives they have experienced. This is testament to the committed and compassionate professionals working on the ground.
- In the first three months of this financial year, more than 1,300 automatic referrals were received by the service. I am impressed that both officers and partner services are continuing to recognise vulnerability and ensuring that victims have instant access to the help and support they need at the earliest opportunity.
- Protecting victims of crime is a top priority and this feedback shows we are on the right road. I am determined to build trust and confidence in the support services we provide so we can continue to make a positive impact on people's lives and encourage other victims to come forward in future. I will continue to monitor performance and service provision to make sure we maximise the variety and quality of help we offer.

Between Q1 and Q2 2022/23 the VCAS experienced a 9.8% increase in referrals with 6060 referrals over the entire period. 87% (5304) of all those referred in to the VCAS were offered support, from these 44% (2315) took up the offer of VCAS support.

The chart below demonstrates the proportion of support accepted, declined, and those out of scope for support for VCAS in Q1 and Q2 2022/ 23:

VCAS Support



■ Out of Scope ■ Declined Support ■ Accepted Support

Over the reporting period 428 cases were closed, the outcomes of which were focused around improving feelings of safety by using target hardening equipment and providing crime prevention advice, health and wellbeing which consisted of coping strategy advice and talking changes therapy, and lifestyle which saw the VCAS liaise with local housing providers and landlords on behalf of victims and help with paperwork.

SERVICES FOR VICTIMS AND GRANT FUNDING REPORT

£150k funding scheme launched to support grassroots crime prevention

Charities and voluntary groups across County Durham and Darlington were offered a chance to secure vital funding to support their work to boost community safety.

In partnership with County Durham Community Foundation (CDCF), we set aside £150,000 in 2022-23 to bolster local efforts to address crime, antisocial behaviour and vulnerability and increase public confidence.

The Community Safety Fund 2022 enabled community and voluntary organisations to apply for a grant of between £2,000 and £7,500 to support grassroots projects to help me make County Durham and Darlington safer. I have funded projects and initiatives that tackle quality of life issues that matter most to residents such as antisocial behaviour (ASB), drug use and drug dealing, fly-tipping, speeding and vandalism.

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New support service for victims of sexual violence

In April, I announced improved support for victims of sexual violence with the funding of a new service.

I commissioned Darlington & County Durham Rape and Sexual Abuse Counselling Centre (RSACC) to provide an Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (ISVA) service to survivors across the force area. The service is available for victims and survivors who are considering making a report to the Police or who have already reported their experience to the Police.

ISVAs are specially trained advocates who provide crucial support throughout the survivor's journey through the criminal justice process including reporting the incident to Police through to supporting clients at court.

Among an extensive list of duties, ISVAs keep survivors informed of case developments, liaise with the Police, Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) and other public agencies, assist with court arrangements including special measures and witness service support and act as an advocate on behalf of the survivor.

This new service will help me to achieve my goal of delivering seamless, high-quality support for victims to help them recover from their experiences and to ensure victims feel empowered and confident in reporting their experiences to the Police.

I am determined to provide the very best care and support to all victims of sexual violence from the earliest opportunity. It's vital that victims and survivors can access top quality support throughout the criminal justice process.

CCTV upgrade for Darlington

In July I agreed funding worth £250k over the next 10 years to support a state-of-the-art upgrade to Darlington's CCTV network Council's CCTV system to improve quality and efficiency and opportunities for prevention and detection

I am committed to improving the safety of local people and reducing their fear of crime by investing in new technology that not only deters crime but improves the quality of evidence police and partners are able to retrieve.

Thanks to successful bids to the Home Office's Safer Streets Fund, I have already invested more than £1million into safety improvements in the borough including the enhancement of the existing CCTV scheme in the town centre with a £330k funding boost that has already helped locate vulnerable missing people.

CCTV helps to reassure local people and reduce the fear of crime which is essential to wellbeing. This investment over the next 10 years is part of a long-term to crack down on anti-social behaviour and crime and give local people the peace and quality of life they deserve.



SAFER STREETS

£1.5m funding secured to make County Durham and Darlington safer

I secured funding worth almost £1.5million to crackdown on anti-social behaviour and neighbourhood crime - and boost women's safety.

My office submitted four successful bids to the fourth round of the Home Office's Safer Streets Fund to invest in safety improvements and crime prevention programmes across County Durham and Darlington over the next two years.

The funding, amounting to a total of £1,469,169.00 during 2022/23 and 2023/24, will be spent on a mixture of practical interventions including free home security, CCTV cameras, upgraded street lighting and additional policing resources and diversionary schemes that provide young people with meaningful activities to alleviate boredom and develop their interests and skills to prevent further problems.

Investment will concentrate on four key locations: Darlington East and North Road, Stanley and Ferryhill, Peterlee, and lastly Durham City Centre and Darlington Town Centre.

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In Durham City Centre and Darlington Town Centre, funding will be used to improve the safety of women and girls, reducing the opportunity of violence and street harassment and increasing women's confidence when using public places.

This money will be invested in a number of exciting improvements to make our communities stronger and more resilient to crime and anti-social behaviour. It will also help my team and our partners address the root causes of nuisance behaviour and give young people alternative outlets to channel their energy and attention, bringing longer-lasting solutions to our communities.

The success of these bids is testament to the strong partnerships we have built with our local authority colleagues, educational leads and youth offending/justice leads in these areas, who were consulted and involved in every stage of the preparation process. The delivery of this project will be very much a team effort and I am grateful for their support in both informing this bid and for the valuable role they will play in bringing it to fruition.

This funding has been allocated to the following projects:

Project 1: Durham City and Darlington – Tackling Violence against Women and Girls in the Night-Time Economy (Funding award £632,720).

Project 2: Peterlee – Tackling youth related Anti-Social Behaviour and Neighbourhood crime (Funding award £447,660).

Project 3: Darlington – Tackling Youth related Anti- Social Behaviour (Funding Award £242,256).

Project 4: Ferryhill and Stanley – Tackling youth related Anti-Social Behaviour and Neighbourhood crime (Funding award £146,533).



HIS MAJESTY'S INSPECTORATE OF THE CONSTABULARY & FIRE AND RESUCE SERVICE (HMICFRS) REPORT

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RELEVANT REPORTS (APR 22 – SEP 22):

- PEEL Spotlight - The police response to burglary, robbery, and other acquisitive crime - Finding time for crime (August 2022)
- Twenty years on, is MAPPA achieving its objectives? (July 2022)
- Police perpetrated domestic abuse: Report on the Centre for Women's Justice super-complaint (June 2022)
- Responses to the hidden victims: Report on Hestia's super-complaint on the police response to victims of modern slavery (April 2022)

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FORCE	Q1 - Providing a Service to Victims of Crime	Q2 - Engaging with and treating the Public with Fairness and Respect	Q3 - Preventing Crime & ASB	Q4 - Responding to the Public	Q5 - Investigating Crime	Q6 - Protecting Vulnerable People	Q7 - Managing Offenders and Suspects	Q8 - Disrupting Serious Organised Crime	Q9 - Meeting the Strategic Policing Requirement	Q10 - Protecting the Public from Armed Threats	Q11 - Building, Supporting and Protecting the Workforce	Q12 - Strategic planning, organisational management and value for money	Recording Data About Crime (CDI)
Durham (Oct 21)	Adequate	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Outstanding	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Outstanding	N/A
Gloucestershire (Oct 21)	Inadequate	Good	Good	Inadequate	Inadequate	Inadequate	Adequate	Good	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Inadequate	Inadequate
West Midlands (Nov 21)	Requires Improvement	Good	Good	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Good	Not graded	Not graded	Adequate	Good	Good
West Yorkshire (Nov 21)	Adequate	Outstanding	Outstanding	Good	Adequate	Good	Good	Outstanding	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Outstanding	N/A
Northants (Nov 21)	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Not graded	Not graded	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	N/A
GMP (March 22)	Not graded	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Inadequate	Inadequate	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	N/A	Not graded	Not graded	Inadequate	Requires Improvement	Adequate
West Mercia (April 22)	Not graded	Adequate	Good	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Adequate	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Adequate	Requires Improvement	N/A
Dorset (April 22)	Not graded	Adequate	Good	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Adequate	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Adequate	N/A
Bedfordshire (April 22)	Not graded	Good	Good	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Outstanding	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Good	N/A
Thames Valley (April 22)	Not graded	Good	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Adequate	Good	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Good
Nottinghamshire (April 2022)	Not graded	Adequate	Adequate	Adequate	Good	Good	Adequate	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Adequate	Adequate	Requires Improvement
Cumbria (April 2022)	Not graded	Adequate	Adequate	Adequate	Good	Good	Outstanding	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Adequate	N/A
Leicestershire (April 2022)	Not graded	Good	Outstanding	Adequate	Adequate	Outstanding	Good	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Good	Outstanding
Kent (April 2022)	Not graded	Good	Good	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Good	Outstanding
Cambridgeshire (June 2022)	Not graded	Adequate	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Good	Adequate	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Good	Good
Surrey (June 2022)	Not graded	Good	Outstanding	Adequate	Good	Good	Requires Improvement	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Adequate	Adequate	N/A
Cheshire (July 22)	Not graded	Good	Good	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Adequate	Adequate
Wiltshire (July 22)	Not graded	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Inadequate	Requires Improvement	Inadequate	Requires Improvement	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Requires Improvement	Inadequate	N/A
South Wales (Aug 22)	Not graded	Adequate	Good	Good	Good	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Adequate	Good	N/A
Dyfed Powys (Aug 22)	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Good	Good	Adequate	Good	Adequate	Adequate	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Adequate	Adequate
Suffolk (Aug 22)	Requires Improvement	Good	Adequate	Adequate	Adequate	Adequate	Good	Good	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Good	N/A
Merseyside (Aug 22)	Adequate	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Outstanding	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Good	Good
Staffordshire (Sept 22)	Not graded	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Inadequate	Inadequate	Requires Improvement	Inadequate	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement
Metropolitan Police (Sept 22)	Not graded	Adequate	Good	Inadequate	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Adequate
Northumbria (Sept 22)	Not graded	Good	Good	Requires Improvement	Good	Good	Good	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Good	Adequate
Lancashire (Oct 22)	Not graded	Good	Good	Adequate	Inadequate	Good	Good	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Good	N/A
Norfolk (Oct 22)	Not graded	Requires Improvement	Good	Adequate	Adequate	Adequate	Good	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Outstanding	N/A
Essex (Oct 22)	Not graded	Good	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Adequate	Adequate	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Good	Good	N/A
Warwicks (Oct 22)	Not graded	Adequate	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Requires Improvement	Adequate	Requires Improvement	Not graded	Not graded	Not graded	Adequate	Adequate	N/A

I am delighted to report that Durham performance as judged by HMICRFS Peel inspection is still amongst the best overall results in the country achieving 8 Good and 2 Outstanding judgements including value for money. I am encouraged by the work I have seen the force undertake around each element of the PEEL inspection, with the aim to continually improve their performance across all of the areas listed.

DECISION RECORDS REPORT

In September the OPCC held an internal Commissioning Board during which the following decisions were made.

COMMISSIONING BOARD DECISIONS

The following decisions were taken at the Commissioning Board held on 29th September 2022.

- Modern Slavery Conference (£1,750 to £2,020).
- Darlington NPT Rural (£4,524): Signage to defer rural damage and equipment to be managed by Darlington Rural Watch (match funded by Darlington Borough Council, Darlington Rural Watch, Local MP and National Farmers Union).
- Operation Endurance (£10,000) to address offroad bikes.
- CCTV System at Trimdon Community Centre (£2,000).
- Station Town (£5,000) towards the capital cost of building a Pump Track for young people to ride bikes.
- Anti-Racism Workshops (£20,000): Show Racism the Red Card
- World Cup/Christmas Campaign (£7,900): Purpose of the campaign is to encourage perpetrators of abuse or those worried about their behaviour to access support from Harbour's behaviour changes program.
- Safer Roads (£21,500 presented at a previous board). Speedwatch van with agreement the force will cover the running costs for the 3-year period. This will be managed and located within Newton Aycliffe Police Station. Match funding to be agreed. PCC agreed funding subject to GAMP Council providing matched funding.
- Sextortion Campaign (£400) on social media (linked to a POP plan). The OPCC is linking with the Durham Constabulary Harmful Sexual Behaviour Campaign.





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