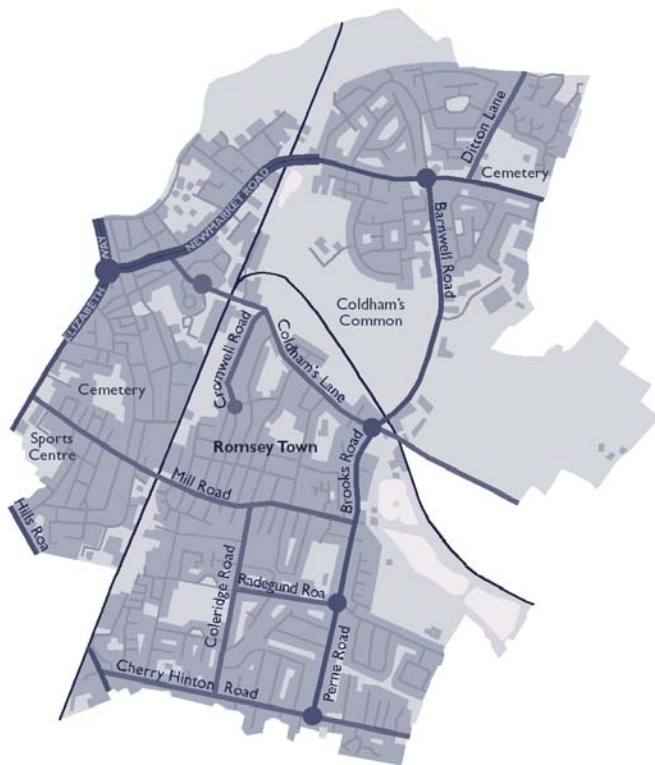


Policing and Safer Neighbourhood report Cambridge City East Neighbourhood

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1. Introduction

Aim

The aim of the Neighbourhood profile update is to provide an overview of action taken since the last reporting period, identify ongoing and emerging crime and disorder issues, and provide recommendations for future priorities and activity in order to facilitate effective policing and partnership working in the area.

The document should be used to inform Area Committee meetings, multi-agency neighbourhood action groups and neighbourhood policing teams, so that issues can be identified, effectively prioritised and partnership problem solving activity undertaken.

Methodology

This document was produced using the following data sources:

- Crime data and incident data August to October 2009 and as a comparison data from April to July 2009 and August to October 2008.
- Information from Neighbourhood Policing Team November 2009.
- Community intelligence.
- Cambridge City Council, City Services data, August – October 2009 and as a comparison, the same period in 2008.

2. Previous Priorities & Engagement Activity

Previous Priorities

At the Area Committee meeting on 3rd September 2009, the following issues were adopted as priorities. The tables below summarise action taken and the current situation regarding the agreed priorities:

1. Speeding Vehicles in City East	
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To ascertain both through analysis and public perception, areas believed most frequently subject to the use of vehicles at excessive speeds. • To retrieve and review findings of previous speed surveys and commission further surveys in any areas where necessary or previously not subject to survey. • To define particular areas for focused enforcement, carry out speed checks, take action against those involved (in a manner defined as most appropriate) and record and report on findings. • To ensure that findings are shared with all persons in an open and honest fashion
Action Taken	<p>This priority was consider in two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To review the approach taken to complaints of speeding across the neighbourhood and produce and implement a plan of action that involves effective problem analysis, response and assessment. b) Continuation of stand alone action in City East during the period focusing on streets proposed at hotspots through earlier discussion. <p>Following the discussion that occurred at the last meeting it was clear a new approach was needed to deal with this issue. A meeting was held on 21.10.09 with Area Councillors and representatives of the police, city and county council to agree the approach. It was further agreed to from a working group, produce terms of reference and a plan of action that would</p>

	<p>address the current weaknesses. This plan is currently with councillors for their comments and endorsement.</p> <p>It is hoped that the learning from the approach now being taken in the East Area can be transferred to other areas with similar problems.</p> <p>During the period 682 vehicles were checked in City East. The locations for speed checks were Barnwell Road, Coldhams Lane, Cherry Hinton Road, Coleridge Road, Birdwood Road and Wadloes Road.</p> <p>17 were captured through speed camera being used at excessive speed. It is arguable that the presence of officers in high-visibility clothing (in accordance with enforcement policy and health and safety) served as deterrent causing a number of other drivers to check and adjust speed.</p> <p>During this period, all speeding drivers were contacted by PS Kathro and advised of the current neighbourhood priority, road safety issues and informally warned.</p> <p>In support of these speeding patrols, a full day of action on 28th October under the title of "Operation Blackwall" was carried out across City East, utilising the specialist resource of the Roads Policing Unit and partners. 3 reports for summons to attend court, 12 fixed penalties and 14 verbal warning were issued for a variety of vehicle offences.</p>
<p>Current Situation</p>	<p>Currently officers continue to conduct enforcement patrols in the locations identified.</p> <p>It is proposed that given the emerging demand City-wide for enforcement that the working group continues and develops better ways to address complaints about speeding issues across the city.</p>
<p>Continue or Discharge?</p>	<p>Suggest continue, but that the plan is revised to focus on speeding as part of wider initiative to tackle vehicle related ASB and criminality across key areas of City East.</p>

2. Anti-social Behaviour(ASB), Drug Misuse and Associated Environmental Issues - Norfolk Street	
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seek to engage more effectively with residents and build a regular opportunity to engage through on-going surgeries • Define the particular problems experienced by residents, gather evidence for action and challenge misconceptions constructively and honestly if and where relevant. • Evidence and market examples of good work in the area to local residents to ensure that all activity is understood and shared
Action Taken	<p>A local residents meeting was held at the Cherry Trees Centre early in the period to promote engagement and assist in identifying the key issues of note for local residents.</p> <p>A similar meeting was proposed and held with the Friends of Mill Road cemetery as an active and valued voluntary group. The key emerging issue was that of environmental matters, refuse collection and the general upkeep of the residential areas adjacent to Norfolk Street.</p> <p>Analysis of calls for service and crimes recorded in the area in the previous period showed no particular patterns of note to inform prevention or enforcement work. Residents raised concerns regarding possible drug dealing, particularly given the proximity to St Matthews School.</p> <p>High visibility patrols were conducted throughout evenings, highlighted as the times of greatest concern. During patrols there was the notable arrest of a male wanted on suspicion of supply of class A drugs (Crack Cocaine and Heroin). The male is currently on bail to return to Parkside Police Station in early December.</p>
Current Situation	<p>The period has seen a significant reduction in ASB across Petersfield compared to both the previous period and same period last year.</p> <p>There were 30 calls to Norfolk Street during the period. No patterns in crimes or ASB.</p>

Continue or Discharge?	Discharge. Individual concerns from residents should be passed to Cambridge City Council ASB Team, local Housing Officer or Neighbourhood Policing Team for resolution.
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3. Anti-Social Behaviour - "North Barnwell"	
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and engage persons suspected of committing offences/ASB, taking positive action where necessary and proportionate • Identify from analysis and public feedback targeted areas and times and provide high visibility patrols to reassure communities and engage suspects • Consider diversionary / preventative activities appropriate to their age range and ability • Utilise both ABCs and tenancy to seek to curb behaviour • Ultimately to seek to positively influence community feeling on the responsiveness and effectiveness of the Police and Local Authority and seek to decrease reports of crimes / ASB in the target locations
Action Taken	<p>Following on from work to date, analysis was conducted on the findings from Police and Council records pertaining to the North Barnwell area. In addition a number of engagement events were held at key sites in the area to gauge local views and experiences.</p> <p>Police and City Homes are looking closely at a small group of juveniles who appear to be influenced by one member and linked to a number of incidents and regularly present at locations attracting the greatest number of complaints.</p> <p>An ASBO application is currently being made, the proportionality and necessity of such action having been considered in the context of the detrimental impact that alleged behaviour has had.</p> <p>The ASBO seeks to apply conditions preventing the individual from attending certain areas and to curb disorderly, nuisance</p>

	<p>and anti-social behaviour and will be tailored to respond to the needs of the local community.</p> <p>In addition, Police are engaging with both Social Services and the Youth Offending Services to approach the individual case both in terms of enforcement where required but longer term tactics to seek to prevent future similar behaviour.</p>
Current Situation	Anti-social behaviour across Abbey is currently steady compared to the previous year, but reduced from the previous reporting period.
Continue or Discharge?	Continue.

Engagement Activity

In addition to the specific community engagement surgeries mentioned previously set up in response to emerging problems, City East team provide fixed monthly surgeries where local residents and traders can discuss any policing and community safety matters they wish privately.

Details of all future surgeries can be found at the Police website www.cambs.police.uk under the section entitled "My Neighbourhood".

The Forum, Tiverton Way

The Forum was, until recently, a City Council facility comprising approximately 30 units of sheltered accommodation. The building was bought by the Whitfield Group and now houses just under 110 students all of whom attend the Anglia Ruskin University. The Forum was opened around September 2009.

The Police and the City Council have received complaints about the Forum. At a meeting held with residents on 26th November 2009 certain issues were raised. These included:

- Road Congestion (caused by students/student visitor cars)
- Litter/Refuse (inadequate/inappropriate type of bins and general litter in the vicinity)
- Lack Student Facilities (causing students to congregate outside with associated noise)

- Lack of Guidelines/information for students (some students unaware that accommodation was in a residential area)
- Lack of Supervision of students (no resident warden/lack of control)
- Noise/Sleep disturbance cause to residents (general noise at night/loud music etc.)

Prior to the meeting on 26th November with the residents a meeting was held between representatives of the Whitfield Group, the ARU, the Students' Union, Environmental Services, Safer Communities and the Police to examine the facts and agree upon an action plan. This action plan was outlined to residents and further developed as a result of the meeting. A follow up/progress meeting with residents is to be held on 21st January 2010.

The Streets project – this is a multi-agency project delivering a programme of workshops to year 8 and 9 students across the city. The project aims to raise young people's awareness of what anti-social behaviour is, its impact on communities and what to do if you are a victim of ASB. The agencies involved in delivery the workshops include, the City Council, Police, Fire Service and Addaction. Schools covered so far include Coleridge, Manor, and Parkside with St Bedes and Chesterton to follow.

Burglary of homes priority – as part of the Community Safety Partnerships burglary of homes priority a Community Safety and Environmental action day was held in the Perne Road area on Saturday 19th September. Over the course of the day council staff, police staff and fire staff visited around 250 houses in the area to provide crime prevention information, home security and fire safety advice and SmartWater kits.

In addition to this the Cambridgeshire 'Bobby scheme' attended the day and offered home security upgrade services to vulnerable or elderly residents for free. Street scene officers were also out and about removing graffiti and clearing up litter in the local area.

Barnwell Hospital was used as both a hub for agency staff and also the location for a 'surgery' for the public to attend throughout the day.

3. Emerging Issues

Cambridge East Trends

Offence levels across the neighbourhood have decreased when compared to the previous period but increased compared to the same period last year. This decrease is in part due to Strawberry Fair falling in the previous period which was associated with a rise.

ASB incidents across the neighbourhood have decreased compared to the previous period and the same period last year.

Abbey Ward

- Total crime figures for Abbey Ward have decreased from 678 offences in the previous period to 381 offences in this period. As mentioned above this large decrease was a result of high figures in the previous period linked to Strawberry Fair. This is an increase compared to the 322 offences in the same period last year.
- Dwelling burglary offences have decreased to 20 offences compared to the previous period (24 offences) and the same period last year (27 offences). The peak times for these offences were between 23:00 – 00:00 and 03:00 – 04:00. Laptops were stolen in four of these offences, whilst jewellery was stolen in another two.
- Burglary (other than a dwelling) offences have decreased from 26 offences in the previous period to 16 offences in this period. Figures have remained stable compared to the same period last year when there were 14 offences. There appears to be no patterns or trends in the offences over the period.
- Violent crime offences have remained stable compared to the previous period (78 offences vs. 77 offences) but increased compared to the same period last year (58 offences). Four of the offences have occurred at the same licensed premises on Newmarket Road on the same date and appear to concern the same suspects who were involved first in a domestic dispute and then in assaulting others. Three of the offences occurred at a football match on the same date in September, whilst another three offences occurred following a dispute at a party.
- Theft from vehicle offences increased from 26 offences in the previous period to 35 offences in this period. Offence levels have remained

stable compared to the same period last year when there were also 35. Common locations for the thefts were Newmarket Road and Beche Road. The peak times for all 35 offences were between 21:00 – 01:00.

- Cycle theft offences have increased from 31 offences in the previous period to 51 offences in this period. This is also an increase compared to the same period last year when there were 36 offences. Common places for cycle theft were Cheddars Lane, Grebe Court, Newmarket Road, Empire Leisure on Pool Way, Saxon Road, and Whitehill Road. The peak times for cycles to be stolen were between 16:00 – 17:00 and 20:00 – 22:00.
- Thefts from shops have decreased from 74 offences in the previous period to 54 offences in this period. This is almost double the number of offences in the same period last year (28 offences). Common locations for thefts were outlets on Cambridge Retail Park, Newmarket Road and Ditton Lane. Common items stolen were alcohol (13), toiletries (12), clothing (4), meat (3), and non prescription drugs (2).
- Criminal damage offences have decreased by a third compared to the previous period (50 offences vs. 75 offences). Offence levels have remained stable compared to the same period last year when there were 52 offences. In 16 of the offences a window was smashed by an offender and in another 3 offences a vehicle has been dented.
- Other crime offences have decreased from 326 offences in the previous period to 65 offences in this period many of which were associated with Strawberry Fair. This is mainly due to the fact that there were 265 offences for possession of drugs in the previous period compared to 21 offences in this period.
- ASB incidents have decreased from 312 incidents in the previous period to 257 incidents in this period. This is also a decrease compared to the same period last year when there were 265 incidents. Seven of the incidents occurred at McDonalds on Newmarket Road and involved youths being rowdy or causing a disturbance at the location. Forty one of the incidents occurred at Ditton Field, with 13 of the incidents reported from the same address, concerning noise and rowdy neighbours. Seven of the incidents occurred on Coldhams Common and 3 concerned youths using motorcycles inappropriately.
- Between August and October there were 8 reports of abandoned vehicles in the ward, compared with 10 during the same period last year. This included two vehicles, which were later claimed by their

owners and 1 case, which was referred to the Council's Housing Department. In addition, CLE26 notices were issued to 2 offenders on behalf of the DVLA for not displaying road tax on a public highway and will result in a fine issued by the DVLA. One vehicle was also impounded on behalf of the DVLA for not having valid road tax and was later destroyed for non-payment of the DVLA fine. There were no hotspots during either period.

- Between July and October there were 73 reports of fly tipping in the ward compared with 87 during the same period last year. All were removed within 24 hours and there was sufficient evidence to issue 2 warning letters to domestic offenders. Ekin Road (18), Dennis Road (8), Helen Close and Peverel Close (each with 5) were the main hotspots during the 2009 period. Ekin Road (17), Anns Road (10), Dennis Road and Occupation Road (both with 9) were the main hotspots during the 2008 period.
- 44 derelict cycles were dealt with between August and October 2009 compared with 34 during the same period last year. Latimer Close (13), Fison Road (6), Ditton Fields and Newmarket Road (3) were the hotspots during the 2009 period. During the same period last year, Burgholt Close (13) and Ditton Fields (3) were the hotspots.
- Between August and October 2009, 131 needles were removed, compared with 9 during the same period last year. 112 needles were removed from Stourbridge Common over three occasions, which included a large find of 95 on one occasion close to the gate at Garlic Row. In addition, 10 needles were also removed over six occasions from bins close to the shops/library at Barnwell Road. In the 2008 period, 6 needles were removed from Garlic Row and 2 from Stourbridge Common.
- 24 items of graffiti were removed by the City Rangers between August and October 2009. 22 items were removed from play equipment from Thorpe Way Recreation Ground. During the 2008 period Dennis Road (3) was a hotspot.

Petersfield Ward

- Total crime in Petersfield has decreased compared to the previous period (365 offences vs. 474 offences) and the same period last year (402).

- Dwelling burglary figures have remained stable compared to the previous period with 13 offences in each period. This is a decrease compared to the same period last year when there were 33 offences. In three of the offences offenders gained entry via either an insecure window or door.
- Burglary (other than a dwelling) offences have almost halved from 21 offences in the previous period to 11 offences in this period. Offence levels have remained stable compared to the same period last year when there were 10 offences. Three of the offences occurred at the allotments on New Street during October. In all three offences a garden shed was entered and garden tools were stolen.
- Violent crime offences have decreased compared to the same period last year (34 offences vs. 43 offences) and the same period last year (54 offences). There don't appear to be any patterns, trends or common locations in offences in this period.
- Theft from vehicle offences have decreased compared to the previous period (44 offences vs. 62 offences) but increased compared to the same period last year (29 offences). The common MO for these offences was smashing a window to gain entry, searching the vehicle and stealing items from within. Common items stolen were small, easy to carry items such as satellite navigation systems, MP3 players, laptops, luggage and mobile phones. The peak times for these offences were between 01:00 – 06:00.
- Cycle theft offences have remained stable compared to the previous period (98 offences vs. 102 offences) but increased compared to the same period last year (81 offences). Common locations for cycles to be stolen from were Gwydir Street (6), Mill Road (6), Norfolk Street (9), Kelsey Kerridge Sports Hall on Queen Anne Terrace (8), St. Matthews Gardens (6) and Tenison Road (7). The peak times for all 98 offences were between 20:00 – 00:00.
- There were 50 thefts from shops in this period compared to 63 in the previous period and 45 in the same period last year. In 32 of the 50 offences an offender has been arrested and charged with theft from a shop. Common locations for these offences were the Beehive Centre (19) and convenience stores on Hills Road (8). The most common items stolen were alcohol (9), clothing (11), sunglasses (4) and meat (3).
- Criminal offences have decreased from 59 offences in the previous period to 36 offences in this period. This figure has halved compared to

the same period last year when there was 72 offences. There were 3 offences on Tenison Road on the same date in August in which 3 vehicles had their wing mirrors damaged overnight. Windows were broken in 10 of the offences (2 dwellings, 2 non dwellings and 6 vehicles).

- Other crime figures have decreased from 98 offences in the previous period to 77 offences in this period. This figure is an increase compared to the same period last year when there were 62 offences. There were 16 possession of drugs offences (14 of which were cannabis). There were 33 other theft offences, 7 of which occurred at premises in East Road and in three of these offences a mobile phone was stolen.
- ASB incidents have decreased compared to the same period last year (162 incidents vs. 202 incidents) and the same period last year (266 incidents). Common locations for ASB incidents were the Beehive Centre (12), East Road (10), Mill Road (20), St. Matthews Gardens (9) and Tenison Road (11). Eighteen of the offences concerned youths engaging in rowdy or inconsiderate behaviour such as drinking alcohol, shouting and playing loud music.
- Between August and October there were 17 reports of abandoned vehicles in the ward, compared with 20 during the same period last year. This included 3 vehicles which were later claimed by their owners and 3 cases which were referred to the Council's Housing Department. In addition, CLE26 notices were issued to 2 offenders on behalf of the DVLA for not displaying road tax on a public highway and will result in a fine issued by the DVLA. 4 vehicles were not on site following inspection and another offender was issued with a fixed penalty notice. There were no hotspots in the 2009 period, but New Street (3 reports) and Ravensworth Gardens (4 reports) were the hotspots during the 2008 period.
- Between July and October there were 67 reports of fly tipping in the ward compared with 92 during the same period last year. All were removed within 24 hours and there was sufficient evidence to issue 17 warning letters to domestic offenders and one warning letter to a trade offender. Further action is also pending following an interview with a domestic offender and another case is pending further investigation. Mill Road (8), Emery Street (6) and Coldhams Lane (5) were the main hotspots during the 2009 period and accounted for 7 of the formal warning letters being sent. Mill Road (12) and Staffordshire Street and Staffordshire Gardens (each with 6) were the main hotspots during the same period last year.

- 91 derelict cycles were dealt with between August and October 2009, compared with 102 during the same period the previous year. Mill Road (45), York Terrace (8), Norfolk Street and St Matthew's Estate area (both 6) were the main hotspots during the 2009 period. In the 2008 period, the St Matthews' Estate area (28), East Road (16), Mill Road (9) and Tenison Road (7) were the main hotspots.
- Between August and October 2009, 322 needles were removed, compared with 493 during the same period last year. 243 needles were removed from Mill Road Cemetery, the majority over three occasions compared with just over 390 needles during the same period last year. 27 needles were removed from Petersfield Green over three occasions (compared with 5 over 2 occasions during the 2008 period), 21 from Staffordshire Street over one occasion, 11 from the Bath House area over two occasions and 12 from garages at St Matthew's Street on one occasion, compared with 80 over one occasion in 2008.

Romsey Ward

- Total crime offences have decreased from 297 offences in the previous period to 281 offences in this period. This is an increase compared to the same period last year when there were 225 offences.
- Dwelling burglary offences have increased compared to the previous period (26 offences vs. 17 offences) and the same period last year (19 offences). The peak times for these offences were between 14:00 – 15:00 and between 02:00 – 03:00. Common items stolen in the burglaries were those that were easy to carry such as laptops (13), televisions (4), games consoles (3), mobile phones (3), MP3 players (6), cash (5) and jewellery (4).
- There were 10 burglary other offences in this period compared to 16 offences in the previous period and 11 offences in the same period last year. In four of the offences a shed was broken into a cycles stolen from within.
- Violent crime offences have decreased from 50 offences in the previous period to 35 offences in this period. Offence levels have remained stable compared to the same period last year when there were 32 offences. In 9 of the offences an offender has been arrested and charged.

- There were 30 thefts from vehicle offences in this period compared to 23 offences in the previous period and 33 offences in the same period last year. Three offences occurred on the same date in October, 2 on Burnside and 1 in adjacent Seymour Street, the windows were smashed and items stolen from within. The peak times for all 30 offences were between 01:00 – 02:00.
- Cycle theft offences have increased compared to the previous period (85 offences vs. 75 offences) and compared to the same period last year (25). The peak times for these offences were between 18:00 – 21:00. Common locations for the thefts were Coldhams Lane (6), Cromwell Road (4), Hemmingford Road (5), Mill Road (12), Ross Street (4), Sedgwick Street (4) and Vinery Road (4).
- There were 13 thefts from shop offences in this period compared to 22 offences in the previous period and 12 offences in the same period last year. Common items stolen were alcohol (4) and meat (4). Eight of the offences occurred at a supermarket in Coldhams Lane throughout the period.
- Criminal damage offences have decreased from 47 offences in the previous period to 37 offences in this period. This is an increase compared to the same period last year when there were 30 offences. Car windows were smashed in 7 offences and houses had their windows smashed in 3 offences.
- ASB incidents have decreased from 225 incidents in the previous period to 163 incidents in this period. This is also a decrease compared to the same period last year when there were 199 incidents.
- Between August and October there were 15 reports of abandoned vehicles in the ward, compared with 12 during the same period last year. This included 1 vehicle, which was later claimed by their owner and 6 which were not on site following inspection. In addition, a CLE26 notices was issued to 1 offender on behalf of the DVLA for not displaying road tax on a public highway and will result in a fine issued by the DVLA. In addition, 2 vehicles were impounded on behalf of the DVLA for not having valid road tax. One of these vehicles was claimed following payment of a fine to the DVLA and the other vehicle was destroyed. Another vehicle was also destroyed after the registered keeper could not be contacted. In the 2009 period Argyle Street was a hotspot with 3 reports, but there were no hotspots during the 2008 period.

- Between July and October there were 30 reports of fly tipping in the ward compared with 31 during the same period last year. All were removed within 24 hours and there was sufficient evidence to issue 6 warning letters to domestic offenders. Another domestic offender was given a simple caution and waste transfer documentation was requested from a trade offender. Mill Road (5), Sedgwick Street and Thoday Street (both 3) were hotspots during the 2009 period and the offence at Mill Road resulted in the waste transfer documentation being requested. Brooks Road, Cyprus Road and Mill Road (each with 4) were the main hotspots during the same period last year.
- 10 derelict cycles were dealt with between August and October 2009 compared with 9 during the same period last year. There were no specific hotspots during the 2009 period, but Coldhams Lane (3) was a hotspot in the 2008 period.
- Between August and October 2009, 34 needles were removed compared with 4 during the same period the previous year. 20 needles were removed from Romsey Recreation Ground over three occasions, primarily from the rear of the toilets or in bins. 5 needles were also removed on one occasion from Mill Road and from Hobart Road.

Coleridge Ward

- Offence levels in Coleridge decreased compared to the previous period (140 offences vs. 245 offences) but remained stable compared to the same period last year (140 offences).
- There were 9 dwelling burglary offences in this period compared to 13 offences in the previous period and 8 offences in the same period last year. There doesn't appear to be any patterns or trends in the offences during this period. The peak times for these offences were between 20:00 – 21:00 and between 01:00 – 03:00.
- Burglary other offences have more than halved compared to the previous period (8 offences vs. 20 offences). This is a decrease compared to the same period last year when there were 11 offences. Three of the offences occurred on Rustat Road on different dates and in each offence an insecure pedal cycle was stolen from within a shed. The peak times for all eight offences were between 17:00 – 20:00.
- There were 36 violent crime offences in this period compared to 32 offences in the previous period and 20 offences in the same period last year. Nine of the offences occurred at Cambridge Leisure Park across

the period. All of these offences occurred in the evening, with eight of them occurring on a Friday or Saturday night so alcohol may have played a part in the offences.

- Theft from vehicle offences have decreased compared to the previous period (8 offences vs. 12 offences) and the same period last year (20 offences). In six of the offences the vehicles had their windows smashed and items stolen from within. The peak time for all 8 offences was between 22:00 – 23:00.
- Theft of cycle offences have remained stable compared to the previous period (59 offences vs. 58 offences). This is more than double the number of offences in the same period last year when there were 25 offences. Common locations for cycle theft offences were Cambridge Leisure Park (4), Cherry Hinton Road (9), Clifton Road (5), Radegund Road (5) and Rustat Avenue (6). The peak time for all 59 offences was between 10:00 – 12:00.
- Theft from a shop offences have halved compared to the previous period (7 offences vs. 15 offences) but increased compared to the same period last year (2 offences). Six of these offences occurred at the supermarket on Adkins Corner on different dates across the period.
- Criminal damage offences have more than halved compared to the previous period (22 offences vs. 47 offences) and almost halved compared to the same period last year (42 offences). Most of the offences occurred overnight although there doesn't appear to be any patterns or trends in the way they were carried out.
- Other crime offences have decreased from 50 offences in the previous period to 36 offences in this period. This is also a decrease compared to the same period last year when there were 61 offences. Seven of the offences occurred at Cambridge Leisure Park. In 5 of the offences a mobile phone was stolen and in the other two a wallet was stolen.
- ASB incidents have decreased compared to the previous period (140 incidents vs. 245 incidents) but have remained stable compared to the same period last year (144 incidents). Ten of the incidents occurred at Cambridge Leisure Park and involved rowdy behaviour. Forty-six of the incidents involve youths engaging in rowdy and inconsiderate behaviour such as drinking, shouting, playing football and fighting.
- Between August and October there were 10 reports of abandoned vehicles in the ward, compared with 11 during the same period last

year. This included three vehicles, which were later claimed by their owners and 1 case, which was referred to the Council's Housing Department. Three vehicles were not on site following inspection and one vehicle was destroyed as the registered keeper could not be traced. Rustat Avenue/Road (4 reports) was a hotspot in the 2009 period compared with Chalmers Road (4 reports) in 2008.

- Between July and October there were 32 reports of fly tipping in the ward compared with 21 during the same period last year. All were removed within 24 hours and there was sufficient evidence to issue 2 warning letters to domestic offenders and also a verbal warning. Hobart Road (5) was a hotspot during the 2009 period and resulted in the verbal warning and one of the formal warning letters. There were no hotspots during the same period last year.
- 12 derelict cycles were dealt with between August and October 2009 compared with 12 during the same period last year. There were no specific hotspots during either period.
- Between August and October 2009, 32 needles were found, compared with 34 during the same period previously. The 32 needles were on account of a one-off find at Budleigh Close. In the 2008 period, 21 needles were removed from the same street on one occasion.

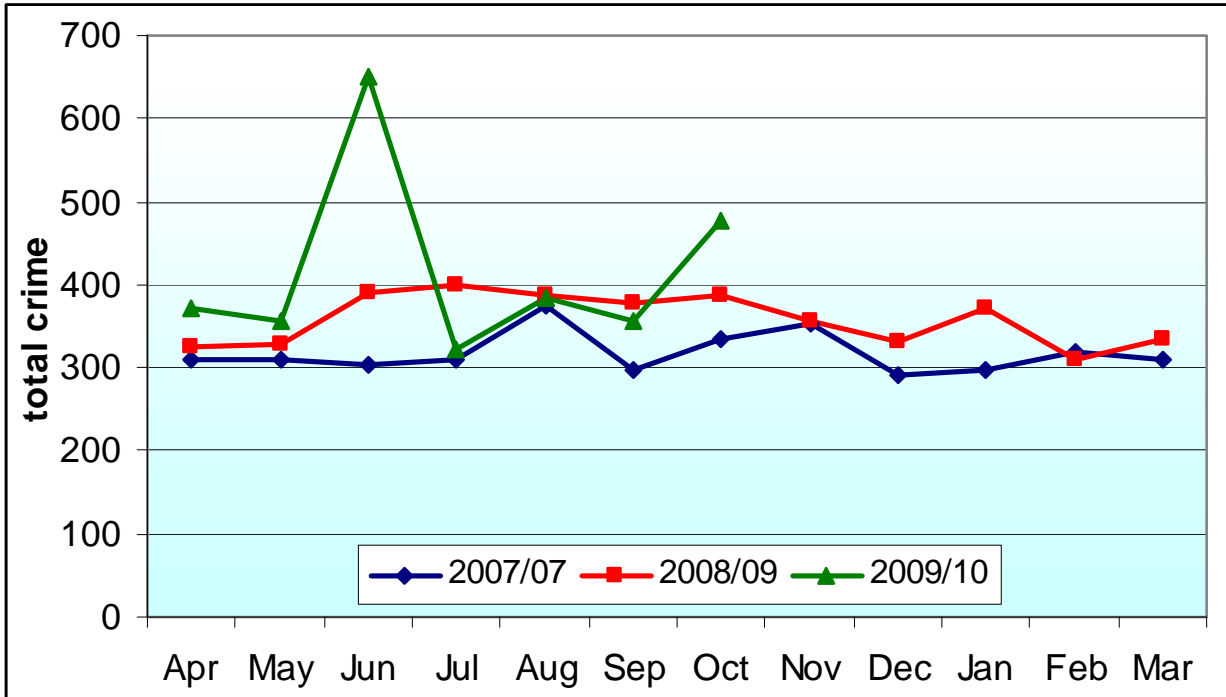
4. Recommendations

The following Neighbourhood Priorities are recommended for consideration:

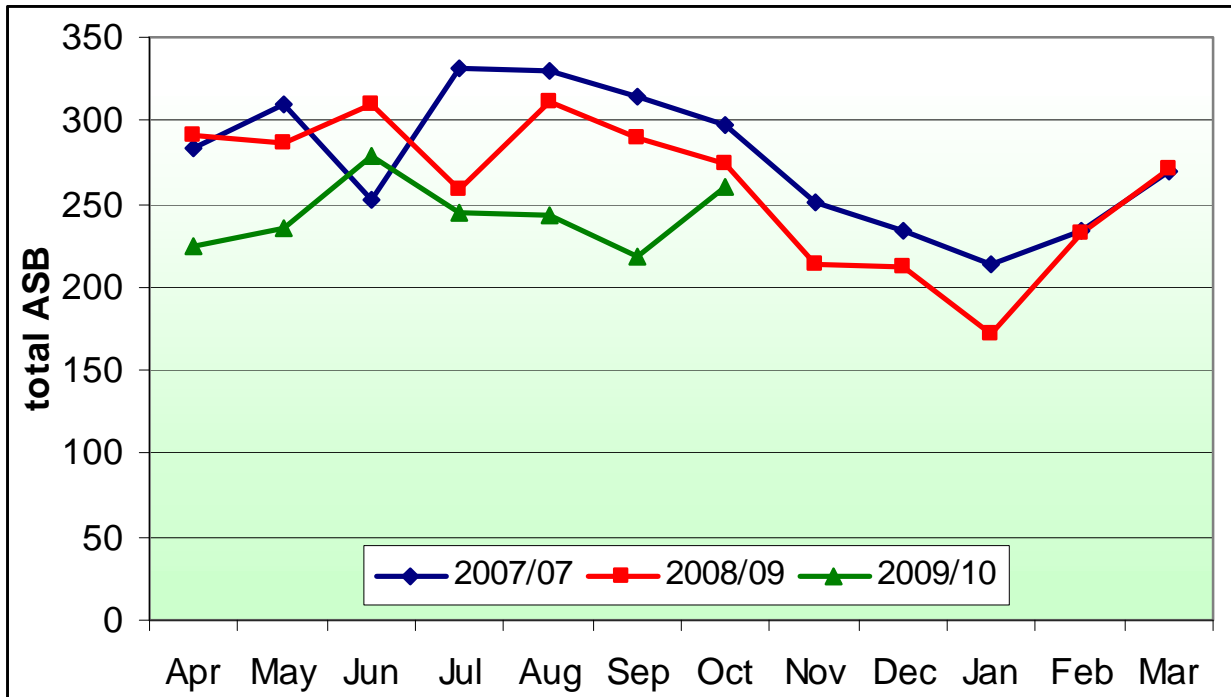
- Continuation of work to tackle anti-social behaviour in North Barnwell
- Promotion of community cohesion in Tiverton Way in response to complaints of localised anti-social behaviour, focused around the Forum
- Vehicle-related crime and anti-social behaviour incorporating speeding

5. Current Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour Incident Levels

Total Crime



Total Anti-Social Behaviour



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Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour Incident Levels in the Cambridge East Neighbourhood, by Ward

			Dwelling Burglary	Other Burglary	Violent Crime	Robbery	Theft of Vehicle	Theft from Vehicle	Cycle Theft	Theft from Shop	Criminal Damage	Other Crime	Total Crime	Total ASB
N'hod	City East	Aug 09 – Oct 09	68	45	183	7	19	117	293	124	145	218	1219	722
		Apr 09 – Jul 09	69	83	202	19	27	123	266	174	228	510	1701	984
		Aug 08 – Oct 08	87	46	164	20	40	118	167	87	196	225	1150	874
Wards	Abbey	Aug 09 – Oct 09	20	16	78	4	8	35	51	54	50	65	381	257
		Apr 09 – Jul 09	24	26	77	9	10	26	31	74	75	326	678	312
		Aug 08 – Oct 08	27	14	58	5	12	35	36	38	52	55	322	265
	Petersfield	Aug 09 – Oct 09	13	11	34	2	0	44	98	50	36	77	365	162
		Apr 09 – Jul 09	13	21	43	3	10	62	102	63	59	98	474	202
		Aug 08 – Oct 08	33	10	54	8	8	29	81	45	72	62	402	266
	Romsey	Aug 09 – Oct 09	26	10	35	1	4	30	85	13	37	40	281	163
		Apr 09 – Jul 09	17	16	50	5	4	23	75	22	47	38	297	225
		Aug 08 – Oct 08	19	11	32	7	9	33	25	12	30	47	225	199
	Coleridge	Aug 09 – Oct 09	9	8	36	0	7	8	59	7	22	36	192	140
		Apr 09 – Jul 09	13	20	32	2	3	12	58	15	47	50	252	245
		Aug 08 – Oct 08	8	11	20	0	11	21	25	2	42	61	201	144

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