

# Neighbourhood profile update Cambridge City West 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 multi-agency neighbourhood panel meetings 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 and Incident data, **from August 11 – November 11** and as a comparison data from April 11- July 11, and August 10 – November 10.
- Information from the Neighbourhood Policing teams, November 2011
- Community intelligence.
- Environmental data from Cambridge City Council for the period August 2011 – November 2011, compared with the same period the previous year.

## 2 Neighbourhood trends

Total crime in City West has seen a decrease of 110 offences from 1605 reported in the previous period to 1495 reported in the last 4 month period. This is also a decrease from the same period last year when there were 1956 reported offences. Anti-social behaviour (ASB) has also seen a decrease with 541 incidents in this period compared to 573 in the last. This is also lower than last year when there were 620 reported incidents.

## 3 Market

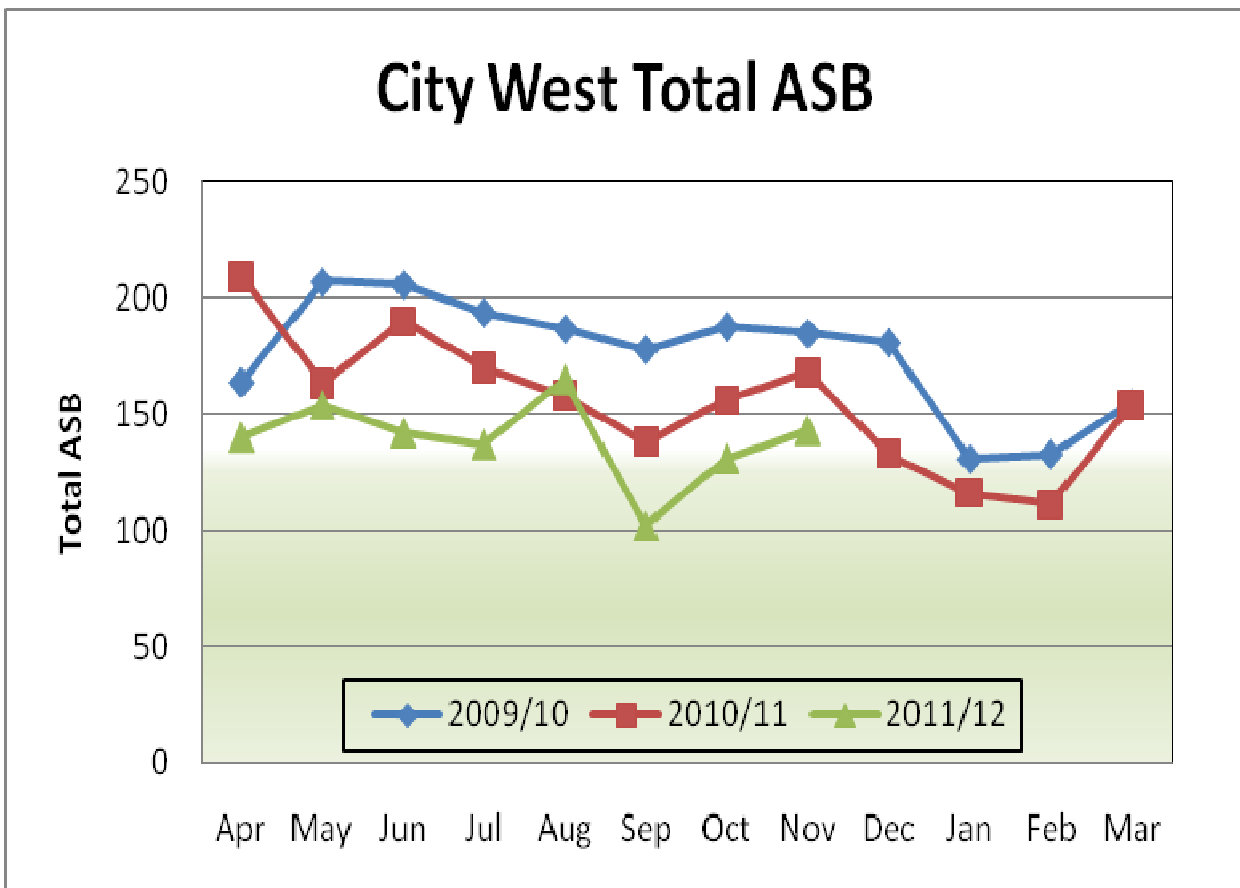
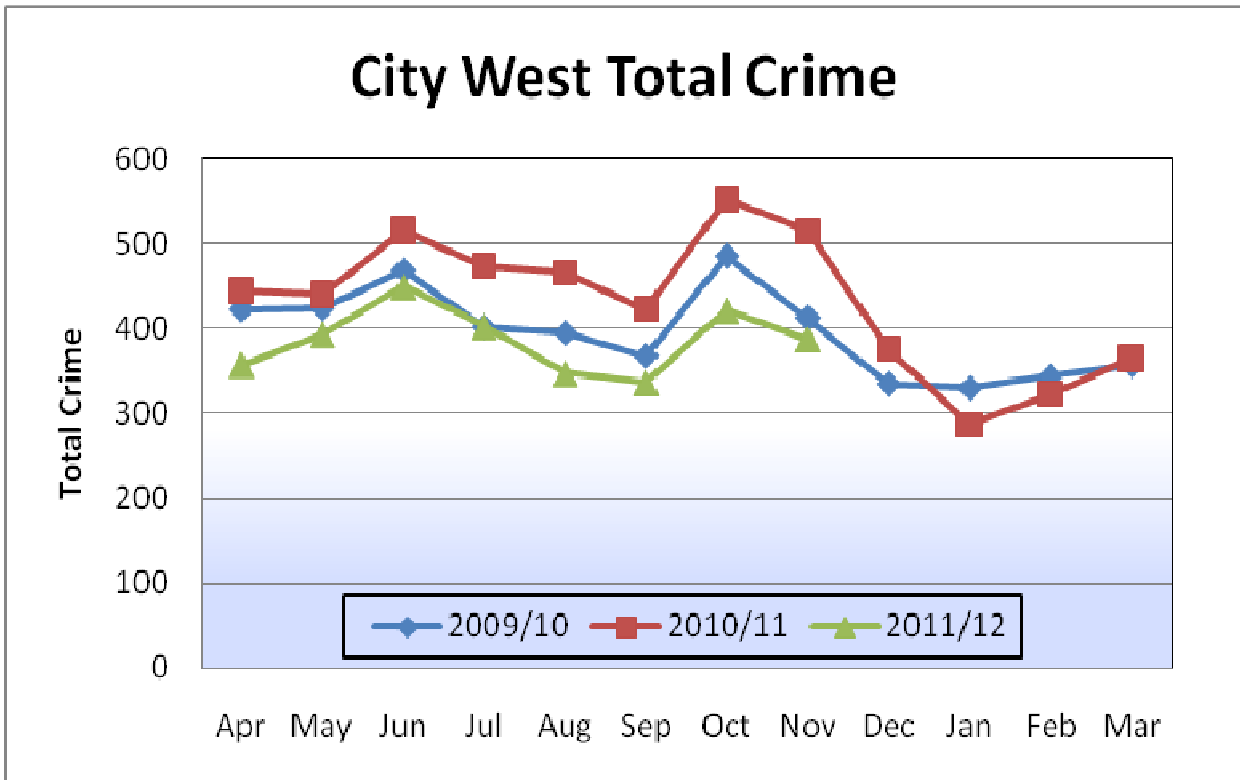
### Crime

- Total crime in Market has decreased from 1324 offences reported in the previous period to 1268. This is also lower than the same period last year (1583).
- During the period there were 3 robberies reported. One of these offences related to a shop assistant being threatened with a knife while an offender stole items worth nearly £18,000. The offender has been arrested and charged for this offence.
- Cycle theft has seen an increase of 36 offences from 244 in the previous period to 280 currently. Cycles were most frequently stolen on Regent Street (22), Parkside (14), Trumpington Street (11) Portugal Place (10) and St. Andrews Street (9). Despite the increase in cycle theft, the level of offences was still lower than the same period last year.
- Theft from shop offences have seen a decrease from 241 offences in previous period to 211 in the latest period, offence levels are also still lower than the same period last year. The majority of these were reported on Sidney Street (57), at the Grafton Centre (36), Petty Cury (18) and Market Street (17).
- The theft of mobile phones and similar devices from licensed entertainment venues is currently a major concern and is receiving priority attention. Since late September large numbers have been stolen at night time venues and multiple offences have occurred on a number of different occasions. The problem has received wide publicity and efforts are being renewed to highlight the problem.

### ASB

- Over the 4 month period, there were 460 ASB incidents reported in Market. Comparatively, this is at a lower level than the previous period which recorded 471 incidents, and also lower than the same period last year where 525 incidents were recorded.
- During the period, 17 begging/vagrancy incidents were reported in Market. The majority of these were fairly spread out, there were 3 incidents reported in Park Street and another one reported in nearby Malcolm Place.
- There were 288 Rowdy/Nuisance incidents which were mainly reported on Regent Street (24), St. Andrews Street (31), Parkside (18), Sidney Street (12), Fitzroy Street (12) and Grafton Centre (12)

#### 4 CURRENT CRIME & INCIDENT LEVELS



## Current Crime and Incident Levels in Cambridge City West Neighbourhood, by Ward

			Dwell. Burg.	Other Burg.	Violent Crime (excl. Robbery)	Robbery	Theft of Vehicle	Theft from Vehicle	Cycle Theft	Theft from Shop	Criminal Damage	Other Crime	TOTAL CRIME	TOTAL ASB
<b>N'hood</b>	<b>City West</b>	<i>Aug 11 – Nov 11</i>	11	37	229	4	5	31	288	212	64	614	<b>1495</b>	<b>541</b>
		<i>Apr 11 – Jul 11</i>	29	42	257	6	5	26	348	246	101	545	<b>1605</b>	<b>573</b>
		<i>Aug 10 – Nov 10</i>	36	52	306	27	5	87	533	296	113	501	<b>1956</b>	<b>620</b>
<b>Wards</b>	<b>Newnham</b>	<i>Aug 11 – Nov 11</i>	5	6	7	0	2	11	40	0	12	33	<b>116</b>	<b>36</b>
		<i>Apr 11 – Jul 11</i>	9	16	8	0	1	6	48	1	9	39	<b>137</b>	<b>47</b>
		<i>Aug 10 – Nov 10</i>	8	15	15	3	2	37	67	1	11	40	<b>199</b>	<b>45</b>
	<b>Castle</b>	<i>Aug 11 – Nov 11</i>	4	7	12	1	1	9	44	1	9	23	<b>111</b>	<b>45</b>
		<i>Apr 11 – Jul 11</i>	10	6	8	3	2	8	56	4	14	33	<b>144</b>	<b>55</b>
		<i>Aug 10 – Nov 10</i>	17	10	7	1	1	19	73	7	12	27	<b>174</b>	<b>50</b>
	<b>Market</b>	<i>Aug 11 – Nov 11</i>	2	24	210	3	2	11	280	211	43	482	<b>1268</b>	<b>460</b>
		<i>Apr 11 – Jul 11</i>	10	20	241	3	2	12	244	241	78	473	<b>1324</b>	<b>471</b>
		<i>Aug 10 – Nov 10</i>	11	27	284	23	2	31	393	288	90	434	<b>1583</b>	<b>525</b>

## Top Ten ASB Incident Types in the City West Area Neighbourhood, by Ward

### Please Note

Incident levels for each of the wards may not be consistent with the official figures that will be published by the Force and Home Office. This is because the data system used to draw the level of detail needed for the ASB type breakdown for this report may not contain precise locations due to the way incidents are reported e.g. ASB reported where ward boundaries lie could initially be recorded in the neighbouring ward but subsequently corrected.

These figures should only be used as a guide and not regarded as official statistics for publication.

			Abandoned Vehicle	Begging/Vagrancy	Concern for Person	Malicious/Nuisance Communication	Noise Complaint	Rowdy/Nuisance Incident	Street Drinking	Suspicious Circumstances	Violence	Vehicle Nuisance	Other Incidents	Grand Total
<b>N'hood</b>	<b>City West</b>	<i>Aug 11 – Nov 11</i>	10	23	7	8	20	318	18	7	65	12	49	<b>537</b>
		<i>Apr 11 – Jul 11</i>	11	23	7	16	22	350	18	9	61	6	56	<b>579</b>
<b>Wards</b>	<b>Newnham</b>	<i>Aug 11 – Nov 11</i>	2	1	0	3	3	13	0	0	2	4	7	<b>35</b>
		<i>Apr 11 – Jul 11</i>	5	0	1	6	5	25	0	1	0	2	2	<b>47</b>
	<b>Castle</b>	<i>Aug 11 – Nov 11</i>	3	5	0	0	6	17	1	2	1	1	8	<b>44</b>
		<i>Apr 11 – Jul 11</i>	4	3	0	5	4	21	0	1	2	3	12	<b>55</b>
	<b>Market</b>	<i>Aug 11 – Nov 11</i>	5	17	7	5	11	288	17	5	62	7	34	<b>458</b>
		<i>Apr 11 – Jul 11</i>	2	20	6	5	13	304	18	7	59	1	42	<b>477</b>

## **5. Recommendations**

The following Neighbourhood Priorities are recommended for consideration:

- Alcohol and drug related ASB in the city centre and surrounding area