

# Neighbourhood profile update Cambridge City North 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:

- Cambridgeshire Constabulary crime and incident data for May to August 2012, compared to the previous reporting period (January to April 2012) and the same reporting period in 2011;
- City Council environmental services data for April to August 2012 compared to the same reporting period in 2011; and
- Information provided by the Neighbourhood Policing Team and the City Council ASB Team.

## 2 PREVIOUS PRIORITIES

At the North Area Committee meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> of July 2012, the following issues were adopted as priorities. The tables below summarise action taken and the current situation regarding the priorities that were set:

<b>Continuation of arson preventative work</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	Continue with arson prevention work.
<b>Action Taken</b>	<p><b>Arbury:</b> There was 1 fire-related anti-social behaviour (ASB) incident. Three young people were identified at the scene and they are now participating in the <i>Fire Setters</i> intervention scheme.</p> <p><b>East Chesterton:</b> There have been 11 fires, not all of them reported to the Fire Service, in Discovery Way, Nuffield Road and Cam Causeway area. They are linked to ASB in the area. The <i>FireWatch</i> scheme has been introduced into the area and robust partnership intervention and detection work is on going.</p> <p><b>King's Hedges:</b> Fire-related ASB in this ward has decreased. Contributory factors to this reduction from last year will include the <i>FireWatch</i> scheme and the robust partnership work. There were 3 vehicle fires, but these did not relate specifically to the ward.</p> <p><b>West Chesterton:</b> There have been 2 bin fires during the period with no significant issues for the community.</p>
<b>Current Situation</b>	There has been a significant reduction in deliberate fires compared to the situation last summer. The weather may well have had an effect as well as the pro-active work that was undertaken.
<b>Continue or Discharge?</b>	<b>Continue in East Chesterton ward (Nuffield Road) only and discharge for remaining wards.</b>

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<b>Continue to address ASB in the vicinity of 222 Victoria Road</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	Reduce ASB in the vicinity of 222 Victoria Road.
<b>Action Taken</b>	<p>The ASB Team has not receiving any complaints specifically about ASB in this area during the reporting period, however ASB officers continue to liaise with the hostel staff and any emerging issues will be referred to the City Council's monthly problem solving group.</p> <p>The police have worked closely with 222 and the City Council over this priority in the preceding months. The police maintain daily liaison with 222 and the surrounding area remains a patrol priority for the Neighbourhood team.</p>
<b>Current Situation</b>	There has been a significant reduction in calls associated with this priority. Changes to how 222 works with clients has also helped reduce ASB in the area.
<b>Continue or Discharge?</b>	<b>Discharge.</b>

<b>Anti-social cycling issues across the area</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	Reduce anti-social cycling issues across the North area.
<b>Action Taken</b>	The Special Constabulary have been deployed to tackle this priority. Against the backdrop of the Lights Instead of Tickets campaign they have issued 40 Fixed Penalty Notices for offences of cycling without lights and cycling on the footpath. Local Police Community Support Officers have also provided a visible deterrent presence in key risk areas.
<b>Current Situation</b>	As the nights draw in, cycling without lights is likely to increase and further work in this area is recommended.
<b>Continue or Discharge?</b>	<b>Continue.</b>

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3 CURRENT CRIME & INCIDENT LEVELS BY WARD

			Dwell Burg	Other Burg	Violent Crime	Robbery	Theft of Vehicle	Theft from Vehicle	Cycle Theft	Theft from Shop	Criminal Damage	Other Crime	TOTAL CRIME	TOTAL ASB
<b>Area</b>	<b>City North</b>	<i>May 12 – August 12</i>	33	32	196	13	11	42	147	67	135	218	<b>894</b>	<b>552</b>
		<i>May 11 – August 11</i>	48	51	189	10	11	49	133	76	164	186	<b>917</b>	<b>697</b>
		<i>Jan 12 – April 12</i>	44	35	173	8	9	75	89	61	135	187	<b>816</b>	<b>493</b>
<b>Wards</b>	<b>West Chesterton</b>	<i>May 12 – August 12</i>	9	7	27	1	0	8	56	6	20	44	<b>178</b>	<b>94</b>
		<i>May 11 – August 11</i>	8	16	37	4	2	9	53	10	25	52	<b>216</b>	<b>117</b>
		<i>Jan 12 – April 12</i>	10	4	33	2	2	16	30	8	24	32	<b>161</b>	<b>120</b>
	<b>East Chesterton</b>	<i>May 12 – August 12</i>	7	11	64	4	5	21	37	7	45	58	<b>259</b>	<b>154</b>
		<i>May 11 – August 11</i>	12	12	42	0	4	12	22	14	32	41	<b>191</b>	<b>198</b>
		<i>Jan 12 – April 12</i>	16	11	40	4	3	17	22	6	42	65	<b>226</b>	<b>141</b>
	<b>King's Hedges</b>	<i>May 12 – August 12</i>	7	8	52	6	5	8	30	26	35	54	<b>231</b>	<b>150</b>
		<i>May 11 – August 11</i>	8	6	62	4	2	20	24	29	64	42	<b>261</b>	<b>185</b>
		<i>Jan 12 – April 12</i>	8	10	55	2	0	22	18	25	45	40	<b>225</b>	<b>115</b>
	<b>Arbury</b>	<i>May 12 – August 12</i>	10	6	53	2	1	5	24	28	35	62	<b>226</b>	<b>154</b>
		<i>May 11 – August 11</i>	20	17	48	2	3	8	34	23	43	51	<b>249</b>	<b>197</b>
		<i>Jan 12 – April 12</i>	10	10	45	0	4	20	19	22	24	50	<b>204</b>	<b>117</b>

## **4 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DATA**

### **Arbury**

Between April and August 2012, there were 22 reports of abandoned vehicles in the ward compared with 6 during the same period the previous year. This included 6 vehicles that were not on site following inspection and 1 that was subsequently claimed by its owner. In addition, 6 CLE26 notices were issued to offenders on behalf of the DVLA for not displaying road tax on a public highway, which will result in a fine issued by the DVLA. Arbury Road (3), Histon Road (3) and Perse Way (3) were hotspots during the current reporting period.

Between April and August 2012, there were 71 reports of fly tipping in the ward compared with 88 during the same period the previous year. There was sufficient evidence to issue 3 formal warning letters to domestic offenders and in addition, 2 verbal warnings were issued. Aylesborough Close (5), Brackley Close (4), Cockerell Road (3), Fordwich Close (3), Hazelwood Close (8), Molewood Close (9), Perse Way (3) and Rutland Close (5) were the main hotspots during the current reporting period. The offences at Hazelwood Close accounted for 1 of the formal warning letters being sent. Akeman Street (4), Bermuda Road (3), Brackley Close (7), Cockerell Road (9), Francis Darwin Court (4), Gilbert Close (4) and Harris Road (5) were the main hotspots during the previous year.

Between April and August 2012, 22 derelict cycles were dealt with compared with 16 during the same period the previous year. Chesterton Road (3) was the main hotspot during the current reporting period. Victoria Road (3) was the main hotspot during the previous year.

Between April and August 2012, no needles were reported compared with 7 during the same period the previous year. During the previous reporting period, 4 needles were removed from Victoria Road.

### **East Chesterton**

Between April and August 2012, there were 19 reports of abandoned vehicles in the ward compared with 7 during the same period the previous year. This included 13 vehicles that were not on site following inspection and 3 that were subsequently claimed by their owners. In addition, 1 CLE26 notice was issued to an offender on behalf of the DVLA for not displaying road tax on a public highway, which will result in a fine issued by the DVLA. Moss Bank (7) was the hotspot during the current reporting period.

Between April and August 2012, there were 18 reports of fly tipping in the ward compared with 44 during the same period the previous year. There was

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sufficient evidence to issue a formal warning letter to a domestic offender. In addition, 1 verbal warning was issued. Church Street (7) was the main hotspot during this reporting period. Church Street (4), Dundee Close (5) and Fen Road (4), were the main hotspots during the previous year.

Between April and August 2012, 14 derelict cycles were dealt with compared with 13 during the same period the previous year. Logans Way (4) was the main hotspots during the previous year.

Between April and August 2012, 1 needle was reported compared with 27 during the same period the previous year. 1 was removed from Ramsden Square. During the previous reporting period 13 needles were removed from Church Street, 5 from Nuffield Road and 6 from Church Street.

### **King's Hedges**

Between April and August 2012, there were 9 reports of abandoned vehicles in the ward compared with 11 during the same period the previous year. This included 5 vehicles that were not on site following inspection and 1 that was subsequently claimed by its owner. 1 vehicle was also impounded on behalf of the DVLA for not having valid road tax. Crowland Way (3) was the hotspot for the same period the previous year.

Between April and August 2012, there were 80 reports of fly tipping in the ward compared with 126 during the same period the previous year. There was sufficient evidence to issue 10 formal warning letters to domestic offenders. Aragon Close (3), Cadwin Field (3), Caledon Way (4), Campkin Road (7) and Sackville Close (3) were the main hotspots during the current reporting period. The offences at Caledon Way accounted for 2 of the formal warning letters being sent. Hanson Court (3), Aragon Close (4), Arbury Court (11), Atkins Close (5) and Sackville Close (8) were the main hotspots during the previous year.

Between April and August 2012, 10 derelict cycles were dealt with compared with 17 during the same period the previous year. There were no specific hotspots during either period.

Between April and August 2012, 4 needles were reported compared with 19 during the same period the previous year. 2 were removed from Nuns Way and 1 from Sandwick Close. During the previous reporting period 11 needles were removed from Aragon Close and 2 from King's Hedges Road.

### **West Chesterton**

Between April and August 2012, there were 8 reports of abandoned vehicles in the ward compared with 18 during the same period the previous year. This included 2 vehicles that were not on site following inspection and 1 that was

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subsequently claimed by its owner. In addition, 4 CLE26 notices were issued to offenders on behalf of the DVLA for not displaying road tax on a public highway, which will result in a fine issued by the DVLA. 1 additional vehicle is also currently pending further investigation. De Freville Avenue (3) was the hotspot for the same period the previous year.

Between April and August 2012, there were 7 reports of fly tipping in the ward compared with 9 during the same period the previous year. There was sufficient evidence to issue a formal warning letter to a trade offender. An offence at Chesterton Road accounted for 1 of the formal warning letters being sent. There were no specific hotspots during either period.

Between April and August 2012, 21 derelict cycles were dealt with compared with 11 during the same period the previous year. Chesterton Road (6) was the main hotspot during the current reporting period. Birch Close (4) was the main hotspot during the previous year.

Between April and August 2012, 3 needles were reported compared with 4 during the same period the previous year. 2 were removed from Milton Road. During the previous reporting period 2 needles were removed from Trafalgar Street and 2 needles were removed from Hurst Park Avenue.

## 5 PRO-ACTIVE WORK & EMERGING ISSUES

- ❑ Two good drug arrests by the North team; one a suspected dealer from London.
- ❑ Cycle theft has seen an increase and would benefit from further work.
- ❑ The ASB Team is currently dealing with reports of ASB in the vicinity of the Akeman Street and Darwin Drive area; these relate to specific households and is being addressed through the problem solving group.

## 6 RECOMMENDATIONS

- ❑ Continuation of arson preventative work in East Chesterton
- ❑ Anti-social cycling issues across the area
- ❑ Theft of pedal cycles