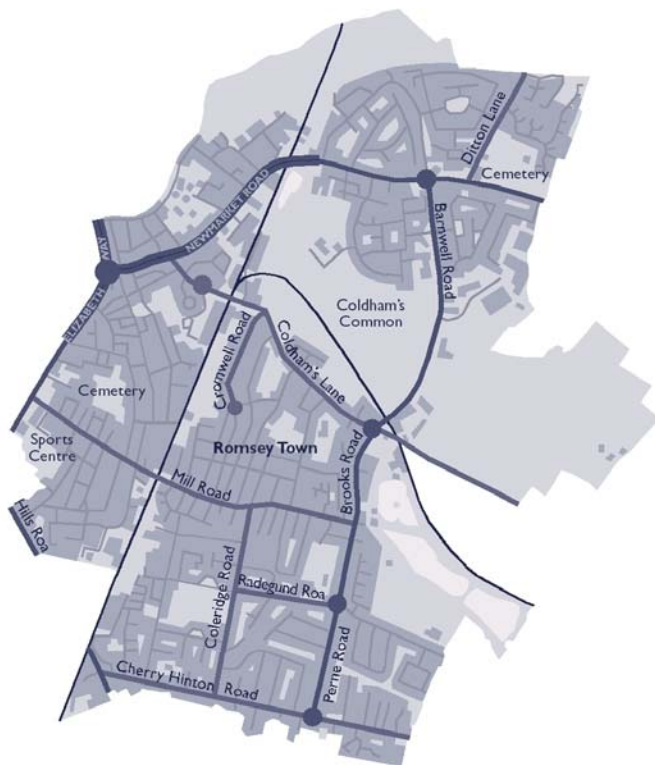


# Neighbourhood profile update Cambridge City East Neighbourhood

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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 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 July to October 2012, compared to the previous reporting period (March to June 2012) and the same reporting period in 2011.
- City Council environmental services data for July to October 2012, compared to the same reporting period in 2011; and
- Information provided by the Neighbourhood Policing Team, Cambridgeshire Fire & Rescue Service and the City Council ASB Team.

## 2 PREVIOUS PRIORITIES

At the East Area Committee meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> August 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>Alcohol and drug-related street ASB in the East, targeting known hot spots (including Mill Road, Mill Road Cemetery and Norfolk Street, plus drug dealing in the Riverside Area) and focusing on education and enforcement to address licensed premises selling alcohol to the intoxicated.</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	As above.
<b>Action Taken</b>	<p>During the last reporting period the Cambridge City East policing team conducted a number of successful drug warrants to impact on the drug-dealing priority. Drug warrants have been executed in Peverel Road, Suez Road and Argyle Street. The warrants resulted in arrests and drug seizures. Offenders for these offences are currently on bail.</p> <p>In addition, street drug dealers in the Riverside area were targeted. Significant arrests were made on 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> August 2012. One male was arrested on 9<sup>th</sup> August on Stourbridge Common in possession of a significant quantity of cash and substances believed to be controlled drugs. This person is linked to the supply of drugs in other areas. He is currently on bail and due to be charged with offences when he answers bail.</p> <p>21 arrests were made for possession of drugs in this period. The effect of these arrests has been to increase crime on the Abbey area. However, this increase needs to be viewed as a direct result of police action in response to the drug dealing priority.</p> <p>Another arrest, recently highlighted in Cambridge News, was made on 12<sup>th</sup> August, which resulted in the conviction and imprisonment of Qassim Hassan for possession of Class A drugs with intent to supply, possession of class B drugs and for assaulting a police officer with intent to resist arrest.</p> <p>Daily patrols have also focused on the hot spot street drinking locations and numerous arrests have been made. ASBOs with geographical exclusions as part of their conditions have been obtained on conviction for offenders (for example, Jason Allum,</p>

	<p>Colin Grierson and Samantha Kiff).</p> <p>A licensing operation has been undertaken by the police to tackle alcohol sales by local off-licences to intoxicated persons.</p> <p>Evidence was obtained as a result of this operation and as a result the police are asking for a formal licensing review of Norfolk News &amp; More. Reviews of other premises are currently being considered. The police are also opposing the granting of an alcohol licence to the Adana Mini Market in East Road because of the impact this would have on alcohol-related crime and ASB.</p>
<b>Current Situation</b>	<p>Drug dealing in the Riverside area remains an issue, despite the pro-active work undertaken.</p> <p>Although a clear decrease has been seen in alcohol and drug-related ASB due to the proactive enforcement actions that have been taken, it continues to be a problem. This is particularly evident as members of the street drinking community have moved from some of the targeted areas into the Petersfield Green area.</p>
<b>Continue or Discharge?</b>	<b>Continue.</b>

<b>Anti-social use of mopeds in Riverside, Coleridge and Abbey areas.</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	As above.
<b>Action Taken</b>	<p>The last reporting period has seen the number of calls regarding the anti-social use of mopeds decrease. This has been due to the proactive patrolling by the East team coupled no doubt with the advent of autumn.</p> <p>Positive action has been taken when possible and recently a moped was seized from an 18 year old because of their manner of riding in Sainsbury's car park. This person has also been reported for summons for an offence of riding without due care and attention.</p>
<b>Current Situation</b>	At this present time the East team are not receiving calls or emails regarding this issue and the police perception is that it is no longer a problem.
<b>Continue or Discharge?</b>	<b>Discharge.</b>

<b>Vehicle crime, such as theft and vandalism, in East of City.</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	Vehicle crime – theft from and of vehicles and criminal damage to vehicles.
<b>Action Taken</b>	<p>Continued patrols by PCSOs and Constables across the area have led to a number of arrests being made relating to vehicle crime. Furthermore, the East team has assisted other departments in vehicle related actions and helped with the targeting of known key offenders. A prolific local offender from the Howard Road area has been arrested and charged in connection with several vehicle crimes and remanded in custody. He cannot be named at this time because he is a young offender.</p> <p>A significant number of criminal damages to vehicles occurred overnight between 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> September, which resulted in 30 vehicles having their tyres punctured or slashed. This crime spree took place in numerous roads and streets in the Romsey and Coleridge wards. Despite an exhaustive investigation which included extensive house-to-house enquiries, CCTV viewing and a press appeal, no person has been arrested to date.</p>
<b>Current Situation</b>	Theft from and of vehicles has shown a slight increase. These offences have occurred throughout the East area, although the Abbey area has seen a spike linked to the local offender currently on remand. There has been an increase in criminal damage to vehicles: 78 offences of damage to vehicles from July to October 2012 compared to 66 offences from March to June 2012. However, this increase was the result of spree offending on one night, which has not been repeated.
<b>Continue or Discharge?</b>	<b>Discharge.</b>

### 3 CURRENT CRIME & INCIDENT LEVELS 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
<b>Area</b>	<b>City East</b>	<i>July 12 - Oct 12</i>	43	51	178	11	18	50	270	78	127	287	<b>1113</b>	<b>611</b>
		<i>July 11 - Oct 11</i>	48	34	215	11	14	49	230	105	121	263	<b>1090</b>	<b>739</b>
		<i>March 12 – June 12</i>	42	38	164	16	19	68	161	111	136	238	<b>993</b>	<b>641</b>
<b>Wards</b>	<b>Abbey</b>	<i>July 12 - Oct 12</i>	8	17	72	3	11	31	52	29	37	91	<b>351</b>	<b>199</b>
		<i>July 11 - Oct 11</i>	13	10	88	6	3	18	41	42	51	72	<b>344</b>	<b>253</b>
		<i>March 12 – June 12</i>	15	16	63	5	9	28	36	51	52	56	<b>331</b>	<b>205</b>
	<b>Petersfield</b>	<i>July 12 - Oct 12</i>	14	11	39	4	4	5	117	28	29	71	<b>322</b>	<b>174</b>
		<i>July 11 - Oct 11</i>	14	15	47	4	3	11	112	36	22	104	<b>355</b>	<b>169</b>
		<i>March 12 – June 12</i>	9	4	37	3	2	10	58	34	30	67	<b>254</b>	<b>175</b>
	<b>Romsey</b>	<i>July 12 - Oct 12</i>	12	13	38	2	1	9	59	17	37	63	<b>251</b>	<b>127</b>
		<i>July 11 - Oct 11</i>	7	7	45	0	8	15	53	26	30	41	<b>232</b>	<b>168</b>
		<i>March 12 – June 12</i>	12	9	30	4	5	10	39	20	32	40	<b>201</b>	<b>154</b>
	<b>Coleridge</b>	<i>July 12 - Oct 12</i>	9	10	29	2	2	5	42	4	24	62	<b>189</b>	<b>111</b>
		<i>July 11 - Oct 11</i>	14	2	35	1	0	5	24	1	18	59	<b>159</b>	<b>149</b>
		<i>March 12 – June 12</i>	6	9	34	4	3	20	28	6	22	75	<b>207</b>	<b>107</b>

## 4 ARSON DATA

Period: July to October 2012

### Deliberate fire summary:

Incident	Refuse	Bin	Vehicle	Residential	Non residential
Abbey	2	0	3	1	2
Petersfield	0	0	0	0	0
Romsey	1	0	0	0	1
Coleridge	0	0	0	0	0

<b>General</b>	There has been a significant reduction in deliberate fires in the area in comparison to last summer. This may be partly attributable to the weather.
<b>Abbey</b>	One arson offence relating to a dwelling. The 2 refuse and 2 non-residential fires in the open are unrelated isolated ASB incidents. Of the 3 vehicle fires, one of which was involved in the arson attack above, the others are connected to other crime.
<b>Petersfield</b>	No deliberate fires during reported period.
<b>Romsey</b>	The 2 fires involving grass and heath land were separate and isolated ASB incidents.
<b>Coleridge</b>	No deliberate fires during the period.
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>No fire related priorities required.</b>

## 5 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DATA

### Abbey

#### *Abandoned vehicles*

- July to October 2012: 10 reports, which included
  - 6 vehicles not on site following inspection
  - 2 vehicles held pending further investigation
- Hotspots: Riverside (3)
- July to October 2011: 6 reports
- Hotspots: None

#### *Fly tipping*

- July to October 2012: 47 reports
- Hotspots: Anns Road (5), Dennis Road (3) & Ekin Road (12)
- July to October 2011: 6 reports
- Hotspots: None

#### *Derelict cycles*

- July to October 2012: 9
- Hotspots: None
- July to October 2011: 26
- Hotspots: None

#### *Needle finds*

- July to October 2012: 1
- Hotspots: None
- July to October 2011: 307
- Hotspots: Cheddars Lane (41 - 2 instances), Ditton Fields (25 - 2 instances) & Stourbridge Common (173 - 5 instances - one of these instances was 130)

### Petersfield

#### *Abandoned vehicles*

- July to October 2012: 5 reports, which included
  - 3 vehicle subsequently claimed by their owners
  - 1 CLE26 notices issued to offenders on behalf of the DVLA for not displaying road tax on a public highway
  - 1 vehicles held pending further investigation
- Hotspots: None
- July to October 2011: 16 reports
- Hotspots: Cheddars Lane (3)

#### *Fly tipping*

- July to October 2012: 40 reports, which included



- 8 formal warning letter issued to domestic offenders
- 1 requests for waste transfer documentation from trade offenders
- The offences at Mill Road accounted for 5 of the formal warning letters sent
- Hotspots: East Road (3), Mill Road (6) & St Matthews Street (4)
- July to October 2011: 77 reports
- Hotspots: Kingston Street (3) & Mill Road (19)

#### *Derelict cycles*

- July to October 2012: 15
- Hotspots: St Matthews Street (3) & Station Road (5)
- July to October 2011: 14
- Hotspots: None

#### *Needle finds*

- July to October 2012: 38
- Hotspots: Vicarage Terrace (20 - 1 Incident) & Mill Road Cemetary (4)
- July to October 2011: 383
- Hotspots: Mill Road Cemetary (80 - 5 incidents) & East Road Garages (100 - 1 incident)

## **Romsey**

#### *Abandoned vehicles*

- July to October 2012: 7 reports, which included
  - 6 vehicles not on site following inspection
  - 1 vehicles held pending further investigation
- Hotspots: None
- July to October 2011: 7 reports
- Hotspots: None

#### *Fly tipping*

- July to October 2012: 21 reports, which included
  - 1 formal warning letter issued to domestic offenders
  - 1 formal warning letter issued to trade offenders
- The offences at Hope Street accounted for 1 of the formal warning letters sent
- Hotspots: None
- July to October 2011: 3 reports
- Hotspots: Mill Road

#### *Derelict cycles*

- July to October 2012: 9
- Hotspots: None
- July to October 2011: 4

- Hotspots: None

#### *Needle finds*

- July to October 2012: 1
- Hotspots: Great Eastern Street
- July to October 2011: 23
- Hotspots: Charles Street (12 - 1 incident)

### **Coleridge**

#### *Abandoned vehicles*

- July to October 2012: 5 reports, which included
  - 3 vehicles not on site following inspection
  - 2 vehicles held pending further investigation
- Hotspots: None
- July to October 2011: 4 reports
- Hotspots: None

#### *Fly tipping*

- July to October 2012: 24 reports, which included
  - 4 formal warning letter issued to domestic offenders
- Hotspots: None
- July to October 2011: 19 reports
- Hotspots: Davy Road (3)

#### *Derelict cycles*

- July to October 2012: 8
- Hotspots: None
- July to October 2011: 10
- Hotspots: Cherry Hinton Road Leisure Park (8)

#### *Needle finds*

- July to October 2012: 3000 (void property)
- Hotspots: Neville Road (1 Incident)
- July to October 2011: 23
- Hotspots: Coleridge Road Rec (8 - 3 incidents) & Britten Place (15 - 1 incident)

## 6 PRO-ACTIVE WORK & EMERGING ISSUES

- Over this last reporting period there have been good ASB reductions in the East area and total crime remains relatively stable with an overall increase of 23 offences (all drug offences). There are increases in cycle theft and burglaries of sheds and garages (where often cycles have been stolen). The increase in drug possession crimes as a result of proactive police activity has increased crime by 21 offences in the Abbey ward which explains the increase in the “other crime” category in that ward and by 20 offences in the Romsey ward which explains the increase in the “other crime” category in that ward.
- A warrant was executed on a suspected brothel in Fanshawe Road. No arrests were made, but the activity was disrupted and ceased.
- Cycle crime has seen an increase over the last two months on the East area and the team have spent a large amount of time arresting offenders and recovering stolen cycles. Cycles have also been stolen from sheds and garages all over the East area. Cycle theft is an on- going issue in the East area and it is recommended that this be taken on as a priority going forward.
- A further open evening has been held at Parkside Police Station where cycles recovered by the East team have been displayed. This resulted in several stolen cycles being returned to their owners.
- The East team have been successful in returning over £10,000 worth of stolen property to their owners over the last three months. Recent examples include:
  - Officers from the East team recovered £6,500 of stolen goods from four Romanian shoplifters. They are currently in custody awaiting sentencing by the Crown Court.
  - Following the theft of an iPhone, officers from the East team tracked it to an address in Ditton Fields (using the Find My iPhone app) and recovered the phone. A man has been arrested and charged with the theft of this phone.
  - Officers from the East team conducted a search warrant in Peverel Road and amongst other items found an iPhone and an iPad. Both of these items were re-united with their owners. The offender remains on bail at this time.

## 7 RECOMMENDATIONS

- Theft of cycles in the East area.
- Alcohol related ASB in the Petersfield area.
- Drug dealing in the Riverside & Stourbridge Common area.