

Local Context

The total numbers of crimes recorded in West Dunbartonshire in 2005/6 stood at 9,101, of these 3,401 were crimes of dishonesty, and 457 were non-sexual crimes of violence. The clear up rate for total crimes in that period was 45% with a clear up rate of 37% for crimes of dishonesty and 52% for non-sexual crimes of violence. [need to compare this with Scotland]

In the Scottish Household survey people were asked about their perceptions of their safety when home alone at night. In West Dunbartonshire 66% of people said they felt very safe at night, this increased by 1% in the 20% most deprived areas, but neither figures compare well against the Scottish average figure of 76%. However, 30% of people in non-deprived areas and 26% of people in the most deprived areas felt fairly safe at home at night and this figure does compare well against the national figure of 21%. [need to compare this with Scotland]

There is also a challenge in reassuring communities, as the fear of crime or disorder is often significantly higher than the actual rate of incidents. Crime related to drug addiction is a serious issue and we will work with a variety of agencies to reduce dependency. Violent behaviour, including domestic abuse, is an increasing issue both locally and nationally. Rates of domestic abuse are the 2nd highest in Scotland. We take this issue very seriously and the Clydebank area is part of the new National Pathfinder initiative aiming to explore new ways to tackle this. We have set up CARA (Challenging and Responding to Abuse) – a free and confidential service for women and children experiencing domestic abuse.

Our Community Safety Partnership has developed a comprehensive Anti-Social Behaviour strategy with a large number of detailed indicators of progress – which are described in their 2007 monitoring report. As a major local housing provider we will directly address anti-social behaviour (through community wardens for example) and fear of crime (through CCTV and better street and community lighting). We will continue to support diversionary activities (as described in our Youth Strategy and Integrated Children’s Service Plan for young people such as ‘The Pulse’ and ‘Y-Sort-it’ which are key in tackling anti-social behaviour at source.

Improving our performance within the criminal justice partnership and in child protection plays an important part in reducing anti-social behaviour. Maximisation of the amount of time of community service orders served each week will contribute to reducing repeat offending as will improving our efficiency in providing background reports to hearings and ensuring that children are supervised efficiently and will help keep children and young people safer

Accidents, including falls and fires in the home and road traffic accidents affect different age groups. Improving road safety is an important part of our approach to enhancing community safety, through initiatives such as Kerbcraft we are aiming to reduce road accidents involving children and teach a new generation of citizens. [add stats and comparisons] We are also tackling the number of road accidents involving young drivers through the ‘Safe Drive-Stay Alive’ multi-Agency project aimed at S5/6 school pupils and their passengers

<u>Local outcomes</u>	Relevant Indicators	Frequency	Data Source	Baseline (2006/07)	Local Targets & Timescales
	No. of Non-Sexual Crimes of Violence in West Dunbartonshire based on crime group 1 per 1,000 population	Annual	2006/07 Police statistics	42	Reduce relative to 5-year average (SP Divisional Plan)

Reduce overall crime victimisation rates <i>(National Indicator 24)</i>	No. of Acquisitive Crimes y in West Dunbartonshire based on crime group 3 per 1,000 population	Annual	2006/07 Police statistics	366	Reduce relative to 5-year average (SP Divisional Plan)
Reduce Domestic Abuse	Rate of reporting of Domestic Abuse in West Dunbartonshire per 1,000 population	Annual	Scottish Executive: Domestic Abuse Recorded by the Police in Scotland, 2005-06	1292 (05/06)	
	Rates of referral <i>(Possible indicator to be developed)</i>	Annual	CARA and National Domestic Abuse helpline		
Increase positive public perception of public safety in their local area <i>(National Indicator 31 – which relates to Corporate Objective 'Reduce Fear of Crime')</i>	Percentage of residents stating that they do not feel safe in their neighbourhood after dark (CPI)	Annual	Local Anti-Social Behaviour survey	50%	39%
	Percentage of residents stating that they feel very or fairly safe	Bi-Annual	Scottish Household Survey		
	Percentage of residents concerned about personal safety due to Anti-social behaviour	Annual	Local Anti-Social Behaviour survey		
	Percentage of street lighting stock upgraded to "white light"	Annual	WDC Roads Dept		
	No. of anti-social offences in West Dunbartonshire based on crime groups 4, 5, and 6 per 1,000 population (CPI)	Annual	2006/07 Annual SP Performance Report	584	480

Reduce anti social behaviour <i>(Corporate Objective)</i>	No of reported incidents of vandalism and public drunkenness	Annual	Local Police statistics		
	No of reported incidents of Breach of the Peace, Urinating in public and breaking WDC alcohol bye-laws	Annual	Local Police statistics		
	Satisfaction with what local agencies are doing to tackle anti-social behaviour (CPI)	Bi-Annual	Scottish Household survey 2005/06 Table 4.44	54% (05/06)	
	No of incidents of Fire-Raising	Annual	Local SF&R statistics		
	No of reported incidents of disturbance related to Domestic Noise	Annual	Local Police statistics		Increase rate of reporting but reduce number of incidents
	No of reported incidents of disturbance related to Youth disorder	Annual	Local Police statistics		Increase rate of reporting but reduce number of incidents
	No of reported Neighbour disputes	Annual	Local Police statistics		Increase rate of reporting but reduce number of incidents
Reduce overall reconviction rates and repeat offending <i>(National Indicator 23 –which relates to Corporate Objective – ‘Reduce Re-offending rates’)</i>	Average number of hours per week taken to complete Community Service Orders (CPI, SPI)	Annual	Audit Scotland SPI	3.5	
	Completion rate of Community Service Orders		Wdc data (to be developed)		

Reduce Youth Crime	Rates of Youth Crime (No of children referred to the Reporter on offence grounds as % of population)	Annual	SCRA Annual Report	4.7%	
	% of re-referrals within 6-months of previous hearing	Annual	SCRA Annual Report		
Reduce drug related crime and increase detection rate <i>(Corporate Objective)</i>	Number of recorded offences of supplying and possessing drugs as recorded by Strathclyde Police (CPI)	Annual	Strathclyde Police stats 06/07	To get data	Increase detections
	% of respondents stating drug misuse/dealing is very or fairly common in their area (CPI)	Bi-Annual	ASBOA survey	Baseline 22% in 06/07	
Improve road safety <i>(Corporate Objective)</i>	Number of adults or children killed or seriously injured in road accidents and rate per million vehicle kilometres (CPI)	Annual	Scottish Government – Road Accident Statistics tables 40/41	<i>To get data</i>	Reduce number by 40% on 2001 baseline (by?)
	Number of children killed or seriously injured in road accidents and rate per million vehicle kilometres	Annual	Scottish Government – Road Accident Statistics tables 40/41	<i>To get data</i>	Reduce number by 50% on 2001 baseline (by?)
	Number of persons slightly injured in road accidents and rate per million vehicle kilometres	Annual	Scottish Government – Road Accident Statistics tables 40/41	<i>To get data</i>	

<p>National Outcome</p> <p>NO-9 We live our lives safe from crime, disorder and danger</p>	<p>Required Actions/Commitment by local partners for these outcomes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commitment by partners (WDC, police, health and fire/rescue) to key role for multi-agency work through Community Safety Partnership which is currently preparing its first multi-agency Strategic Assessment which will provide an analysis of local issues and prioritise for action. • Multi agency work on fire-raising and Anti-Social Behaviour • WDC funding for joint working with Strathclyde Police, targeted policing (£100,000 pa) new additional policing 08-09 (£200k), joint working and co-ordinated tasking between Community Wardens and Police, deployment of new CCTV mobile van and redeployable cameras. • Implement action plan from HMIE Child protection inspection • Kerbcraft to continue as a key road safety topic in local primary school curriculum
	<p>Scottish Government required action/commitment to support delivery of local outcome</p>	<p>Support for Strategic Assessment process through national co-ordination and training and support for Scottish Community Safety Network.</p>