

## Police Update - JCC for Ethnic Minorities Meeting June 2016

General Performance, (up to 01/06/16)

Crime Type	Offences	Difference from Previous 12 months
Total Crime	13000	+6.1%
Residential Burglary	908	-13.2%
Personal Robbery	230	-14.8%
Motor vehicle crime	1368	-0.8%
Violence against the person	4,138	+25.5%
Domestic Violence with injury	1,485	+17.4%

Crime overall is up compared to the previous twelve months. Much of this rise in reports of domestic violence can be explained by changes in recording standards and how we classify violent crime. Coercive behaviour falls under the category of Domestic violence from the beginning of the year meaning a wider scope of reporting.

Hate Crime Performance, (up until 01/06/2016)

Hate Flag	MPS		Merton	
	Offences	SDs	Offences	SDs
Racist and Religious	14,464	+14.7%	279	+36.8%
Racist	2057	-21.8%	39	+2.5%
Faith	324	6.9%	8	0.00%
Anti-Semitic	440	-9.5%	1	0.00%
Islamaphobic	1,165	+51.9%	27	-10%

Hate crime has increased across the MPS. Training has been delivered to all officers around the reporting of disability hate crime and its impact.

### Challenges

- **Murder. Ongoing problems between the organised crime groups from the Tamil Community in Mitcham. This escalated to violent disorder on 23/11/15 from which three people suffered serious injuries, one of which proved fatal. This matter is due in court this week. There has been police activity surrounding Graveney Ward with the congregation of males around Figgs Marsh. Community protection notices are being issued with new legislation (Anti social behaviour, policing and crime act 2014).**
- **Motor vehicle crime is on the increase. The policy changes around pursuits of two wheeled motor vehicles and how pursuits are managed may be a**

**contributory factor and has been written into the tactical planning specifically around 'Theft of' offences.**

- **Terrorism. The MPS remains at a threat level of 'severe'. There is no intelligence to suggest that the threat is increased locally but the police remain on high alert.**

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