

Joint Consultative Committee with Ethnic Minority Organisations Agenda June 2015	AGENDA ITEM:
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SUBJECT: Police Performance Figures

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. This report outlines current Police Performance up to 18th June 2015. The data relies on year to date comparisons to show how the borough is performing in comparison to the previous year.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 For the group to note the current performance figures.

3. BACKGROUND AND REPORT DETAILS

3.1 **Total Notifiable Offences (TNOs)** - Over a rolling twelve month period total notifiable crime in Merton is up from 11,449 recorded offences to 12,310 an increase of 7.5%. This amounts to 861 more offences. The TNO sanction detection remains largely static at 20.6%.

3.2 **MOPAC 7** - Seven crime types are included within MOPAC's crime reduction target of reducing crime by 20% from 2011/12 to 2015/16. The average year on year change for these 7 crime types has improved from -14.7% in November 2013 to 19.8% and is therefore on target. There have been improvements in most crime types as follows:

MOPAC Crime	November 2013	June 2014	June 2015
Burglary	-12.4%	-23.7%	-24.1%
Criminal Damage	-22.8%	-29.0%	-14.7%
Robbery	-23.6%	-48.9%	-55.2%
Theft from motor vehicle	-18.3%	-18.5%	-32.4%
Theft/Taking of motor vehicle	-24.6%	-20.2%	11.8%
Theft from person	+22.2%	+19.9%	-13.2%
Violence with injury	-10.7%	-6.7%	+16.8%

- 3.3 The overall picture is therefore a positive one with continued reductions in most areas except a rise in violence with injury which is primarily down to an increase in reported domestic violence and home office counting rules.
- 3.4 Theft from motor vehicle on the Borough has reduced showing 1,168 offences to 977 offences a 10.1% decrease. Theft of motor vehicle is increased from 342 to 380 offences.
- 3.5 Burglary shows an increase of 5.9% on the previous 12 months.
- 3.6 **Domestic Violence** - Violence with injury incidents totalling 373 in the previous 12 months to 443 an, increase of 18.8%.
- 3.7 **Response Times.** The target for attending emergency calls, '1 calls' is 15 minutes. During the current 12 months this target was met 91.3% of the time. So far this year calls requiring a response within 60 minutes have been attended within target 86.5% of the time.
- 3.8 **Confidence.** Confidence as measured by the Public Attitude Survey remains high in Merton and has improved by 3% to 76% or people stating that the police do a good job in their area. This exceeds the target of 66%. This is reflective of data obtained from the Resident's Annual Survey and represents an improving picture in terms of trust in local policing and a reduction of fear of crime
- 3.9 **User Satisfaction** – Through the delivery of the Total Victim Care action plan and sustained supervision around complying with the Victim's Code of Practice, (VCOP) Merton continues to see excellent performance in the overall satisfaction levels for victims of crime in Merton. During January Merton was best in the MPS but was again beaten into second place after last month's data was published. Merton remains joint second in the MPS at 81.0%, with only Richmond at 83.0%.
- 3.10 The User Satisfaction Survey now measures satisfaction for victims across just three crime types, namely burglary, motor vehicle crime and violent crime. Improvement has been seen in all areas. The pleasing statistic is that victim updates are improving following increased local supervision around complying with the Victim's Code of Practice.
- 3.11 **ASB** - Overall ASB calls are down 21% and confidence figures continue to show that residents of Merton feel that the police tackle ASB more effectively than in other Boroughs. There has been a reduction in repeat callers from % in repeat callers. The increase is predominantly down to callers experiencing issues of mental health and represents a challenge across the Safeguarding Adults piece.
- 3.12 **Hate Crime**
- 3.13 Merton has had 30 crimes reported this year to date where a race or religious flag has been added. This equates to around three offences per week, which is consistent with previous performance. Year on year performance should improve following a spike last year after the Lee Rigby murder. Most of those are incidents of ignorant and insensitive name calling. There are no serious overt incidents of racially motivated offending.

- 3.14 The positive news is that 15 of the offences reported this year have resulted in a sanction detection. This represents a percentage of 50% which is the best of any borough in London.
- 3.15 Stop and Search
- 3.16 The number of stop and searches for the period May 13 to April 14 was 3355. This compares to 2433 for May 14 to May15. At the same time the percentage of people arrested as a result of stop and search has risen from 15.9% to 20.0%.
- 3.17 The reduction in numbers of searches, the percentage resulting in arrest the disproportionality ratios are easily the best in the West area and some of the best for London.

4. Summary

- 4.1 Overall policing performance is very strong with significant reductions around most crime types. The same is true of confidence, satisfaction and response times. New probationary constables are joining monthly and Merton is now working to full strength.

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