

DOWN DCU District Policing Partnership Brief

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**District Policing
Partnerships**

Local people shaping local policing

12-Month Report
Financial Year 2004/2005

Tackling Crime

DOWN District Command Unit

District Policing Partnerships Brief

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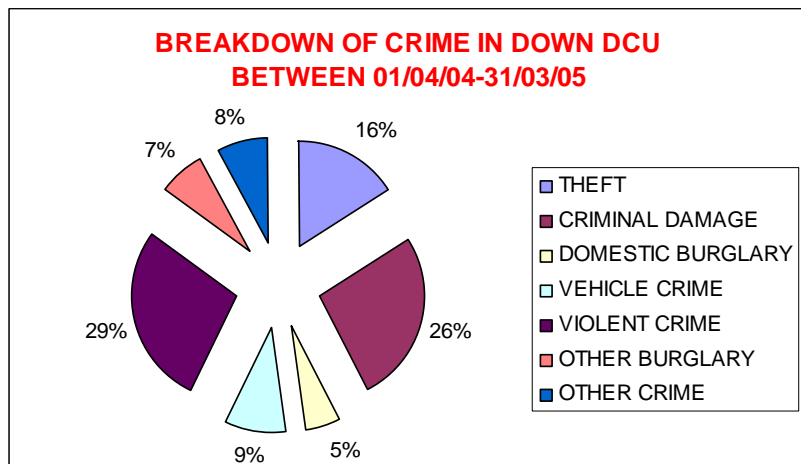
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Crime: DOWN DCU

Overall Crime DOWN DCU



DCU Performance against Policing Plan/Local Policing Plan crime

targets.

CRIME TYPE	01/04/03-31/03/04	TARGET	01/04/04 - 31/03/05	AMOUNT REDUCED
THEFT	717	681	606	111
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	1133	1076	992	141
DOMESTIC BURGLARY	341	334	193	148
VEHICLE CRIME	594	546	349	245
OVERALL CRIME	4568	4340	3758	810
DETECTION RATE TARGET				
VIOLENT CRIME	65.90%	TARGET=55%	54.10%	

There have been 810 less victims of crime in the 2004/2005 Financial Year in comparison to the 2003/2004 Financial Year.

PERCENTAGE INCREASE / DECREASE IN CRIME

Top 3 crime types	Crimes this period	Comparison on last year
Violent Crime	1052	↑ More crime (23 more crimes)
Criminal Damage	992	↓ Less crime (141 less crimes)
Theft	606	↓ Less crime (111 less crimes)

CRIME TYPE	TARGET REDUCTION	ACTUAL PERFORMANCE
THEFT	5%	15.5% DECREASE
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	5%	12.4% DECREASE
DOMESTIC BURGLARY	2%	43.4% DECREASE
VEHICLE CRIME	8%	41.2% DECREASE
OVERALL CRIME	5%	17.7% DECREASE

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Policing Plan/Local Policing Plan Crime Targets

<i>THE PROBLEM</i>	<i>THE INITIATIVES</i>	<i>THE IMPACT</i>
<p>Vehicle Crime</p>	<p>Op Habit campaign to increase the public's awareness of how to avoid opportunistic thefts from vehicles -</p> <p>Op Habit = Letters sent out by Crime Prevention Officer to owners of vehicles who leave items on view – over 300 letters sent out</p> <p>High visibility patrols</p> <p>Analysis of What, When, Who, Where, Why, How the problem occurred for focused Policing</p> <p>Focus on persistent offenders – Focused Policing</p> <p>Concentration on reporting abandoned vehicles</p> <p>Vehicle Check Points in hotspot areas</p> <p>Leaflets distributed by Traffic Branch on vehicle security</p> <p>Foot patrols in hotspot areas, especially car parks</p> <p>Case Programme delivered to primary and post primary schools</p>	<p>Increase in the public's awareness of how to avoid opportunistic thefts from vehicles</p> <p>Increase of intelligence in hotspot areas</p> <p>1st April 2003 – 31st March 2004: 594 crimes</p> <p>1st April 2004 – 31st March 2005: 349 crimes</p> <p>41.2% decrease in Vehicle Crime</p>

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Domestic Burglary	<p>Neighbourhood Watch Scheme being promoted by Community Safety Partnership, the PSNI and the DPP (11 accredited schemes, 1 new application)</p> <p>Analysis of What, When, Who, Where, Why, How the problem occurred for focused Policing</p> <p>Focus on persistent offenders – Focused Policing</p> <p>Crime prevention advice given to locations identified as being at risk.</p> <p>Crime Prevention Officer and Community Beat Team Officers visit all victims of domestic burglary</p> <p>Smartwater initiative continues – made available to all victims of domestic burglary –</p> <p>60 Smartwater kits given to victims of domestic burglary, 70 UV pens accepted instead</p> <p>2000 UV pens also handed out at exhibitions / talks etc</p> <p>Information days for the elderly to be introduced with advice from different agencies and locks given out by the Police</p> <p>400 door chains given to victims of domestic burglary and vulnerable persons, 20 new door restrictors for UPVC doors fitted</p>	<p>Continual analysis has revealed a decrease in domestic burglaries in this period. Also illustrated the benefits of multi-agency partnerships in tackling community issues.</p> <p>Increase in the public's awareness of how to avoid opportunistic burglaries</p> <p>Increase of intelligence in hotspot areas</p> <p>1st April 2003 – 31st March 2004: 341 crimes</p> <p>1st April 2004 – 31st March 2005: 193 crimes</p> <p>43.4% decrease in Domestic Burglary</p>

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Criminal Damage	<p>Analysis of What, When, Who, Where, Why, How the problem occurred for focused Policing</p> <p>Areas identified as hotspots for youths to gather & go on to cause damages to properties</p> <p>Multi-agency approach to reduce petty crimes amongst youths – pilot scheme in Newcastle, the 4-Change project</p> <p>Communication with pubs/bars to initiate schemes to reduce the number of instances of excess alcohol</p> <p>Joint initiative with the District Council and Licensees - 'Chill Out Don't Pass Out' Initiative in Newcastle Town (to be extended to Downpatrick and Newcastle towns this summer)</p> <p>Case Programme delivered to primary and post primary schools</p>	<p>Increase of intelligence in hotspot areas</p> <p>1st April 2003 – 31st March 2004: 992 crimes</p> <p>1st April 2004 – 31st March 2005: 1133 crimes</p> <p>12.4% decrease in Criminal Damage</p>

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THE PROBLEM	THE INITIATIVES	THE IMPACT
<p align="center">Violent Crime</p>	<p>Down Domestic Violence Forum (DDVF) has been re-launched</p> <p>Community Beat Teams focused on removing alcohol from youths</p> <p>Pro-active measures against public order at weekends</p> <p>Focused patrols</p> <p>Analysis of What, When, Who, Where, Why, How the problem occurred for focused Policing</p> <p>Joint initiative with the District Council and Licensees - 'Chill Out Don't Pass Out' Initiative in Newcastle Town (to be extended to Downpatrick and Newcastle towns this summer)</p> <p>Case Programme delivered to primary and post primary schools</p> <p>Violent Crime is now on the Local Policing Plan (2005/2006) with the target to reduce the number of violent crimes</p> <p>Approximately 700 personal attack alarms given out to vulnerable persons, including victims of crime, via talks to groups and through community groups, another 2000 have been acquired for distribution (partnership with Community Safety Partnership)</p>	<p>A step forward in improving the quality of life for victims of domestic violence</p> <p>Increase of intelligence in hotspot areas</p> <p><u>CLEARANCE RATES FOR VIOLENT CRIME</u></p> <p>1st April 2003 – 31st March 2004: 65.9%</p> <p>TARGET=55%</p> <p>1st April 2004 – 31st March 2005: 54.1%</p>

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<p>Theft</p>	<p>Ring Round scheme so premises can warn each other or Police about trouble makers</p> <p>Community Beat Team working with stores to issue advice (posters, leaflets and advice given re thefts from the workplace)</p> <p>Analysis of What, When, Who, Where, Why, How the problem occurred for focused Policing</p> <p>Focus on persistent offenders – Focused Policing</p> <p>Crime Prevention advice issued to help focus on insecure and unattended property – opportunistic thefts.</p> <p>Anti-theft operations to combat thefts from caravan sites and thefts from building sites</p> <p>Foot patrols in hotspot areas</p> <p>Partnerships with licensed premises to combat thefts of mobile phones – leaflets distributed by Crime Prevention Officer</p> <p>Talks to local schools regarding mobile phone security and over 3000 phone security leaflets have been given out to local schools</p> <p>70 bicycles and 40 toys marked with a UV permanent marker after Christmas in Ballynahinch, Saintfield, Crossgar and Killyleagh</p> <p>DOWN DCU District Policing Partnership Brief</p>	<p>Increase in the public's awareness of how to avoid opportunistic thefts</p> <p>Increase of intelligence in hotspot areas</p> <p>1st April 2003 – 31st March 2003: 717 crimes</p> <p>1st April 2004 – 31st March 2005: 606 crimes</p> <p>15.5% decrease in Thefts</p>

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Policing with the Community

Potential Problem-Solving Opportunities

Briefly outline the problem;

What can be done to address the problem?

PSNI	COUNCIL	DOE	HOUSING EXECUTIVE	OTHER AGENCY (SPECIFY)