

Basildon Public Meeting

4th September 2013

Briefing information

There are three police stations within the district that are open to the public (Basildon, Pitsea and Billericay). Basildon has opening hours between 0800 and midnight seven days per week, whilst Pitsea and Billericay are open between 1200 and 1800 Monday to Saturday.

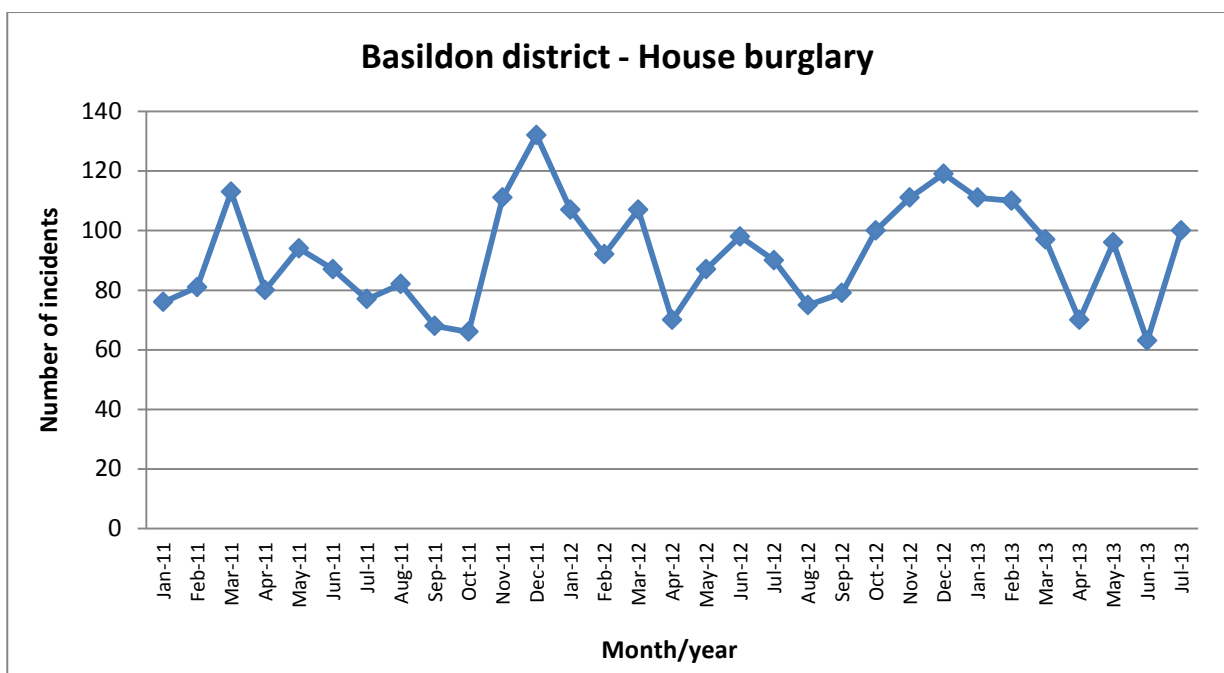
Wickford and Laindon Police Stations have Neighbourhood Policing officers working from them, but are not open to the public.

Crime Data for Basildon

Comparing reports for 1st August 2012 to 31st July 2013 with those from 1st August 2011 to 31st July 2012 the areas of note are as follows:

- All Crime has reduced by 4.7% (585 fewer offences);
- Burglary Other than in a Dwelling has reduced by 28.6% (212 fewer offences);
- Theft from Vehicles has reduced by 13.5% (189 fewer offences);
- Criminal Damage has reduced by 7.9% (142 fewer offences);
- Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents have reduced by 7.0% (468 fewer incidents);
- Burglary in a Dwelling has increased by 1.7% (19 more offences);
- Other Violence Against the Person has increased by 6.9% (150 more offences);
- Serious Violent Crime has increased by 29.3% (27 more offences).

1) House burglary



Basildon has experienced a small increase in dwelling burglary offences, which equates to 19 more offences during the period 1st August 2012 to 31st July 2013 when compared with the same period during the previous year.

Dwelling burglary offences are monitored on a daily basis and the district provides a local response to the force wide reduction strategy known as Operation Nemesis. Activity to tackle dwelling burglary includes proactive policing operations, Integrated Offender Management, developing and actioning community intelligence and on-going collaborative work with partners.

2) Basildon district's busy night-life

There is a specific focus on addressing night-time economy related offences in Basildon both in the town centre and around the Festival Leisure Park area.

Partnership work continues with key stakeholders to develop crime reduction initiatives associated with the night-time economy. Examples of this type of work at the Festival Leisure Park include funding of the SOS bus, provision of taxi marshals and specific operational deployments aimed at policing all High Street locations feeding into the Festival Leisure Park.

3) Community Safety Action Zone

A Community Safety Action Zone (CSAZ) operates in a specific geographical area, providing leadership and support to communities to enable change, whilst offering the opportunity to strengthen partnership working at a local level. The CSAZ allows residents to raise their issues and concerns and enables partners to work with them to formulate responses in a co-ordinated way.

Experience has shown that the CSAZ is an excellent vehicle for the CSP to engage with the local community and many of the solutions developed over the years continue to be in existence even though the focus of activity has moved to another area.

The CSAZ locations will generally be representative of those wards that suffer from high levels of crime and/or ASB or those areas that may be experiencing a specific particular issue.

Previous Community Safety Action Zones have been successful in bringing long-term solutions to local problems, such as establishing youth activity groups, establishing neighbourhood watch schemes, no cold calling zones and other such schemes where residents take the lead in providing sustainable reductions in crime and anti-social behaviour.

Your feedback is most welcome.

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