

Tendring Public Meeting

11 December 2013

Briefing information

There are two Police Stations within the Tendring District situated at Clacton and Harwich. Both are open to the public every day. Clacton Police Station is open from 08:00hrs to 24:00 and Harwich Police Station from 12:00 to 18:00.

Crime Data for Tendring

Comparing reports for 1st November 2012 to 31st October 2013 with those from the previous year 2011/ 2012 the areas of note are as follows:

- All crime has increased by 4.3% (364 more offences)
- Criminal damage has reduced by 9.0% (136 less offences)
- Theft and taking of motor vehicles has reduced by 13.7% (22 less offences)
- Robbery has increased by 36.4% (32 more offences)
- Shoplifting has increased by 20.6% (157 more offences)
- Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents have reduced by 4.9% (264 less incidents)
- Serious Violent Crime has decreased by 26.6% (25 less offences)
- Racially Aggravated Crime has increased by 63.2% (24 more offences);
- Other Violence Against the Person has increased by 13.9% (267 more offences).

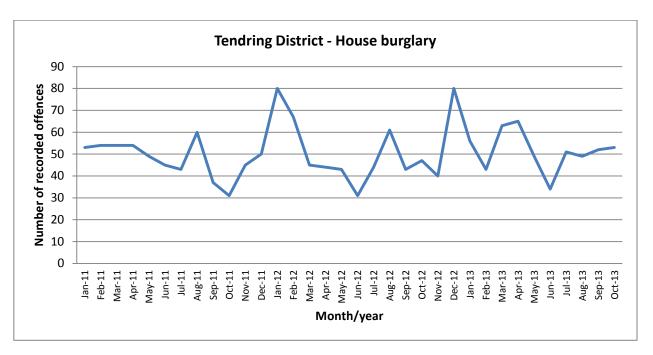
1) All Burglary

Comparing reports for 1st November 2012 to 31st October 2013 with those from 1st November 2011 to 31st October 2012, house burglary in particular in the Tendring district has increased by 6.6% (39 more offences). Burglary other than in a house (burglary of sheds, outbuildings and commercial premises) has increased by 1.2% (9 more offences).

There have been a number of successful arrests as a result of proactive teamwork by detectives and community of officers at Harwich.

Work continues with our partners in Probation, Integrated Offender Management, Housing and Community Safety Departments to ensure that robust supervision is put in place with prolific offenders in Tendring and this has been extremely successful over the last six months.

A forcewide predictive policing operation was launched in October 2013 to tackle dwelling burglary. This policing activity focuses on high visibility patrols being undertaken in identified areas and local policing teams providing crime prevention advice to owners of premises in the immediate vicinity of a burglary, to reduce the risk of them becoming victims.



Partners are supporting the weekly deployment of the mobile police station in key areas which ensures a focused crime reduction/prevention message is delivered and other key issues are identified and rectified. This has resulted in significant intelligence being gained and over 200 door alarms have been distributed.

2) Visibility and Neighbourhood Policing

The Neighbourhood Policing Team are managed by two neighbourhood policing Inspectors and seven neighbourhood Constables and 34 PCSOs. These officers are responsible for local problem solving, community reassurance, offender targeting and proactive enforcement operations.

There are five Neighbourhood Crime Teams working 24/7 cover for the district. These teams are based at Clacton Police Station, Harwich Police Station, Walton Police Station, Mistley Police Station and Brightlingsea Fire Station. The team deal with a range of policing issues including incident demand.

There are three CID teams based at Clacton Police Station which are led by a Detective Inspector who investigate more serious crimes such as domestic abuse, serious assaults such as GBH, fraud, robbery and house burglary.

There are five Response and Patrol teams based at Clacton Police Station who provide cover for all areas of Tendring. Special Constables also work at the police station alongside their regular colleagues.

The Tendring District is also supported by a two dedicated Youth Officers, a Licensing Officer and Clerk, an Essex Watch Liaison Officer and a Crime Prevention Tactical Advisor.

3) Knife Crime

Sadly, there have been a number of high profile incidents involving knives in the county in recent years.

Essex Police has taken strong proactive action, including an increased use of Stop and Search powers, to make it very clear that it is not acceptable to carry knives on our streets and there will be serious consequences for those individuals who do.

The local policing team and partners continue with the engagement activity around knife crime which includes:

- Crimestoppers campaign a media campaign offering a reward for intelligence on knives.
- Publicity through local and regional media.
- Twitter accounts have been created by Tendring police officers to update the public in live-time and links also created to Facebook via Tendring Community Safety page.

A bespoke anti-knife production has been delivered by a group of drama students across schools in Clacton and Colchester in conjunction with the 'Only Cowards Carry' campaign which is led by Caroline Shearer.

The on-going knife crime education programme includes a poster campaign in retail outlets and licensed premises through using Tenbac (Tendring business against crime) partners and licensing officers, an intense ten-week 'Borderline' programme which has been delivered to 30 disaffected teenagers to equip them to make positive lifestyle choices and Crucial Crew sessions delivered over a two-week period in November 2013 to over 1300 children from 35 schools within Tendring.

Essex Police is committed to continuing to tackle knife crime robustly and proactively, and we are very grateful for the ongoing support of the community in tackling this challenge

Your feedback is most welcome.

Should you wish to contact the PCC about this meeting or any other matter please e-mail:

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or write to:

Police and Crime Commissioner for Essex 3 Hoffmanns Way Chelmsford, CM1 1GU

News alerts will usually be tweeted via the Essex PCC Twitter account: <u>https://twitter.com/essexpcc</u>

You can learn more about the PCC's work at: <u>www.essex.pcc.police.uk</u>

The neighbourhood policing teams will always act on intelligence received from the community. If you have information regarding any criminal activity please either call your local team or contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. Crimestoppers is an anonymous line where you can report any criminal activity.