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Crime and Disorder Committee

Thursday, 28 March 2024 at 7.30 pm Committee Room - Civic Centre Members of the Committee

Councillors: J Furey (Chair), N Prescot (Vice-Chair), A Balkan, T Burton, T Gates, L Gillham, A King, S Lewis and M Singh

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Matters in respect of which reports have been made available for public inspection

1. Notification of Changes to Committee Membership

2. **Minutes** 4 - 5

To confirm and sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 1 February 2024.

3. Apologies for Absence

4. **Declarations of Interest**

Members are invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable and non-registrable interests in items on the agenda.

5. Policing Update

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Part II

Matters involving exempt or confidential information in respect of which reports have not been made available for public inspection.

No reports to be considered.

Runnymede Borough Council

Crime and Disorder Committee

Thursday, 1 February 2024 at 7.30 pm

Members of the Councillors J Furey (Chair), A Balkan, T Burton, T Gates, L Gillham,

Committee present: S Lewis and S Ringham (In place of A King).

Members of the Committee absent:

Councillors N Prescot (Vice-Chair), A King and M Singh.

In attendance: Councillors A Berardi, S Jenkins and S Williams.

10 Notification of Changes to Committee Membership

Cllr S. Ringham replaced Cllr A. King.

11 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 5 October 2023 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

12 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr N. Prescot and Cllr M. Singh.

13 **Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were made.

14 Policing Update

The Committee welcomed the new Borough Commander, Inspector Ian Nash, to the meeting, who reported that the future for policing in Runnymede was inline with the new code of ethics published by the College of Policing, which was aligned closely with the new Surrey Police plan. It was agreed that details of the plan would be circulated to the Committee after the meeting.

Tackling antisocial behaviour remained a high priority for the borough, and officers had been assigned to wards to work closely with communities and take ownership of issues. Following an HMIC inspection that stated there was room for improvement in the police's collation of data for antisocial behaviour, mechanisms were being put in place to automate the process. It was anticipated that fresh data would be presented to the next Committee.

The collaborative approach to dealing with antisocial behaviour through the CHARM (Community Harm And Risk Management) was emphasised, and the Borough Commander agreed to ascertain the number of CHARM referrals and present any appropriate data at the next Committee.

It was also agreed to consider utilising the Council's communication channels to encourage residents to report antisocial behaviour, and signpost them to other agencies where appropriate.

Engaging with schools was another important aspect in dealing with antisocial behaviour, with youth engagement officers playing a key role. The Borough Commander agreed to share any intelligence with the Committee about activities in the community that pupils

would like to see that might provide a positive distraction and help combat antisocial behaviour.

Prevention of burglaries remained another borough priority, with commercial burglaries a bigger target than residential. A dedicated team on division were liaising with businesses to raise awareness and provide support and advice. Obtaining CCTV at the earliest opportunity was a vital part of any subsequent investigation. The Committee asked for a breakdown on burglary statistics in future reports.

The Committee were asked to urge residents to report antisocial driving to the police, and the creation of community speedwatch groups in the borough would be encouraged. This would require a minimum of six participants and options to ensure their safety such as body worn cameras was under consideration. The Committee was disappointed to note that the only community speedwatch group in the borough had recently disbanded.

Several members highlighted utilities companies' failure to deal with graffiti as an issue affecting residents. The Borough Commander advised that dealing with this would require collaboration with multiple agencies through the Joint Action Group (JAG). SCC councillors would raise this through the appropriate channels.

Total offences in the borough over the past 12 months had reduced by 3.2% in Runnymede against a rise of 2.3% across the county. However hate crime had increased by 11.1% and the Committee were encouraged to consider ways of facilitating broader engagement with faith leaders to help the police address the issue.

Child abuse had also increased, and a dedicated child abuse team in north Surrey regularly visits schools to educate pupils on what's appropriate online and how to avoid being targeted.

The importance of suspicious activity reporting was also emphasised, with images and footage from doorbells particularly useful in the prevention and solving of crime, no matter how innocuous the footage might seem to the resident. It was confirmed that utilising the Council's communications channels would also be appropriate to raise awareness with residents.

The importance of Street Safe was also highlighted, which built up a vital intelligence picture. The Committee asked the borough commander to consider adding a telephone number as an additional reporting feature on Street Safe.

The Committee thanked for borough commander for his attendance. As part of the next meeting it was asked that an update was provided on modern slavery.

(The meeting ended at 8.54 pm.)

Chairman

Runnymede Policing Update (Surrey Police – Inspector Ian Nash)

Synopsis of report:

To receive a report on policing in Runnymede (attached at Appendix A) provided by Surrey Police.

Recommendation:

None. This report is for information only.

1. Context of report

1.1 For the Committee to receive its regular policing update from Surrey Police.

2. Report

2.1 Inspector Ian Nash, the Borough Commander, will report to the Committee on policing in the Borough. His presentation is attached at Appendix 'A'

Appendix A

Runnymede Crime and Disorder Committee 28th March 2024





Modern Slavery

Modern slavery is a serious crime being committed across the UK in which victims are exploited for someone else's gain. It can take many forms including trafficking of people, forced labour and servitude. Victims are often hidden away, may be unable to leave their situation, or may not come forward because of fear or shame.

National NRM Mechanism – the national referral mechanism is used to identify and refer potential victims of modern slavery and make sure they receive appropriate support.

In the last 12 months Runnymede has recorded 12 modern slavery crimes, 5 of which have come from the NRM mechanism.

Two crimes remain under investigation, the others have been filed. Full investigations with specialist team support.



Borough Priorities

- Tackling anti-social behaviour.
- Preventing violence against women and girls.
- Targeting high harm and persistent offenders.
- Preventing burglaries.
- Road safety.



Anti-social behaviour

- ❖ Car meets at Thorpe Industrial Estate 5xASB warning letters issued, 1x Community Protection Warning, 1x Community Protection Notice. Further work ongoing to strengthen the area and provide a more effective police response.
- ❖ 10x CPW's (7 issued in 2023), 4x CPN's issued since the start of the year.
- ❖ Dispersal order for Brox Road issued and policed. Additional resources bought into the area from other specialisms to assist.
- Continued partnership work with Royal Holloway University dealing with issues as soon identified to prevent any escalation.



Preventing Violence Against Women and Girls

- ❖ Domestic violence victims visited that day or the next day by neighbourhood teams to build relationships.
- Prepared a CBO for an offender of domestic abuse who also committed offences against wider community.
- Spiking prevention event at the Royal Holloway University and via social media.



Targeting High Harm and Persistent Offenders

- New borough structure in place to target offenders. More intelligence developed which will lead to further action.
- ❖ Two warrants conducted on priority subjects who were also affecting local neighbourhood. Drugs recovered and two suspects arrested.
- Closure order granted at an address known subjects were visiting regularly and putting an elderly vulnerable female at risk.



Preventing Burglaries

- New burglary team in place and established reviewing every burglary for opportunity.
- ❖ Warrant conducted for dwelling burglary. One suspect arrested and bailed. Property recovered which may relate to other offences.
- ❖ Warrant conducted for tools stolen. One suspect arrested and bailed. Property recovered and further intelligence gained.

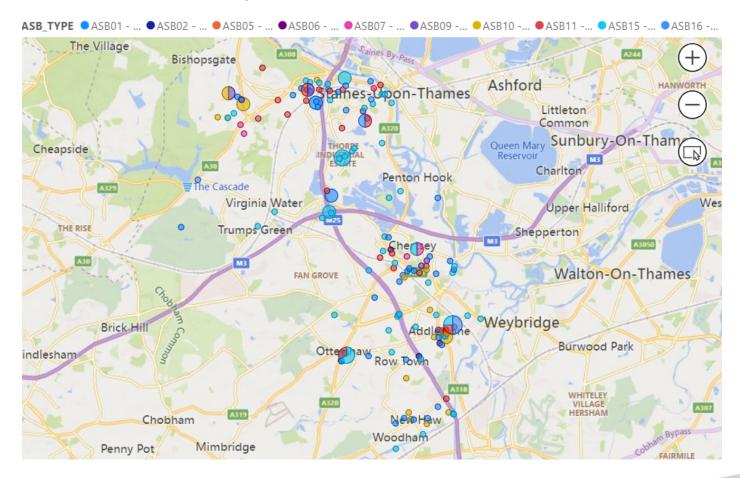


Road Safety

- ❖ Persistent offender targeted. Result reported to court for no insurance, vehicle seized, likely to receive a six-month driving disqualification at court.
- Responded to anti-social driving at RHUL. Result two arrested for drug possession, driver arrested for prescribed limit offence. Both in liaison with the university suspended from campus and CPW's served.



ASB Map – Data from 01/01/2024





ASB Map – Data from 01/01/2024

ASB_TYPE	Incidents •
■ ASB15 - VEHICLE NUISANCE/MISS USE	63
	33
■ ASB11 - ROWDY BEHAVIOUR/NUISANCE	27
■ ASB10 - NUISANCE NEIGHBOURS	19
■ ASB16 - ROWDY BEHAVIOUR/PERSONAL	10
■ ASB09 - LITTERING/DRUGS PARAPHERNALIA	8
⊕ ASB07 - NOISE	5
ASB06 - MALICIOUS / NUISANCE COMMUNICATIONS	2
	1
ASB05 - FIREWORKS - INAPP SALE /USE /POSSESSION	1
Total	169



Crime Statistics in Runnymede



Runnymede

Total Offences: Runnymede: -371 (-5.6%) / Surrey: +1277 (+1.7%)

Division	North						
Categories	Current	Previous	Change	%age			
TNO	6,258	6,629	-371	1	-5.6%		
Domestic abuse	903	1,017	-114	- ₩	11.2%		
High harm	1,207	1,305	-98	1	-7.5%		
Violent DA	734	803	-69	1	-8.6%		
Violence with injury DA	193	211	-18	1	-8.5%		
Violence without injury DA	541	592	-51	1	-8.6%		
Hate crime	237	221	16	1	7.2%		
Serious sexual	163	183	-20	- ₩	10.9%		
Rape	68	78	-10	- ₩	12.8%		
Child abuse	164	138	26	1	18.8%		
Robbery	31	37	-6	- ₩	16.2%		
Adult abuse	44	67	-23	- ₩	34.3%		
Burglary - residential	189	171	18	1	10.5%		
Burglary - business and community	78	65	13	1	20.0%		
Violent Non-DA	2,229	2,425	-196	1	-8.1%		

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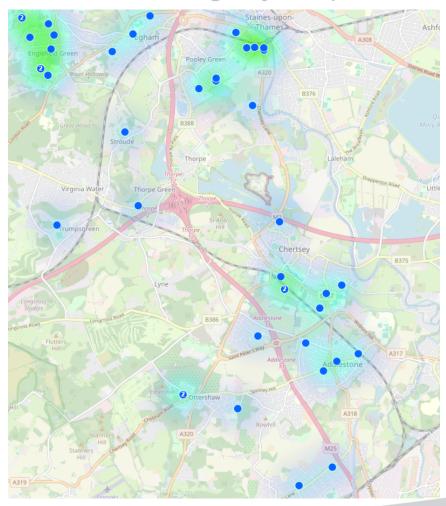
Crime Outcomes in Runnymede

Runnymede

Total Solved: Runnymede: -20 (+0.5%) / Surrey: +243 (+2.9%)

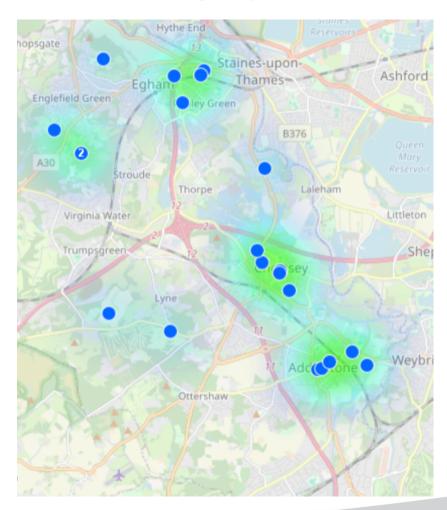
Division	North								
Categories	Current	Previous	Change	%age		Current	Previous	Rate Change	
TNO	864	884	-20	1	-2.3%	13.8%	13.3%	1	0.5%
Domestic abuse	162	131	31	1	23.7%	17.9%	12.9%	1	5.1%
High harm	190	156	34	1	21.8%	15.7%	12.0%	1	3.8%
Violent DA	128	108	20	1	18.5%	17.4%	13.4%	1	4.0%
Violence with injury DA	57	37	20	1	54.1%	29.5%	17.5%	1	12.0%
Violence without injury DA	71	71	0		0.0%	13.1%	12.0%	1	1.1%
Hate crime	46	28	18	1	64.3%	19.4%	12.7%	1	6.7%
Serious sexual	10	11	-1	1	-9.1%	6.1%	6.0%	1	0.1%
Rape	3	4	-1	1	-25.0%	4.4%	5.1%	1	-0.7%
Child abuse	19	16	3	个	18.8%	11.6%	11.6%	1	-0.0%
Robbery	7	7	0		0.0%	22.6%	18.9%	1	3.7%
Adult abuse	2	1	1	1	100.0%	4.5%	1.5%	1	3.1%
Burglary - residential	9	18	-9	1	-50.0%	4.8%	10.5%	1	-5.8%
Burglary - business and community	5	4	1	1	25.0%	6.4%	6.2%	1	0.3%
Violent Non-DA	261	294	-33	1	-11.2%	11.7%	12.1%	1	-0.4%

Residential Burglary Map - 2024



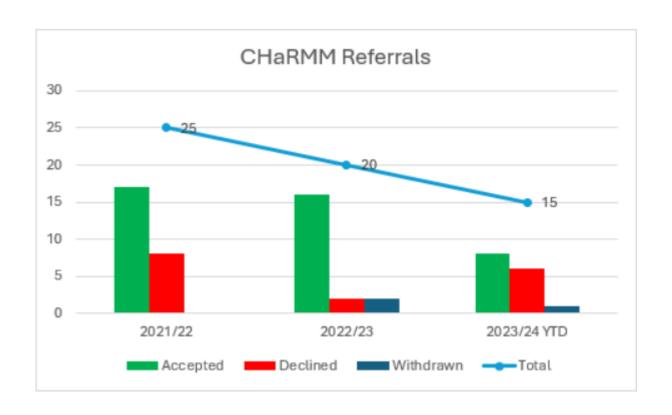


Business Burglary Map - 2024





CHARMM Submissions





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