

**REPORT TO:** Safer Policy and Performance Board

**DATE:** 14<sup>th</sup> June 2011

**REPORTING OFFICER:** Strategic Director Community

**SUBJECT:** Sustainable Community Strategy  
2010 – 11 Year-end progress report.

**WARDS:** Borough-wide

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To provide information on the progress in achieving targets contained within the Sustainable Community Strategy for Halton.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDED THAT:**

- i. The report is noted
- ii. The Board considers whether it requires any further information concerning the actions taken to achieve the performance targets contained within Halton's 2006 – 11 Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS).

## **3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 The Sustainable Community Strategy, a central document for the Council and its partners, which provides an evidenced-based framework through which actions and shared performance targets can be developed and communicated.

3.2 The current Sustainable Community Strategy included targets which were also part of the Local Area Agreement (LAA). In October 2010 the coalition government announced the ending of government performance management of local authorities through LAAs. Nevertheless, the Council and its partners need to maintain some form of effective performance management framework to:-

- Measure progress towards our own objectives for the improvement of the quality of life in Halton.
- Meet the government's expectation that we will publish performance information.

3.3 Following extensive research and analysis and consultation with all stakeholder groups including Elected Members, partners and the local community and representative groups, a new SCS (2011 – 26) was approved by Council on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2011.

- 3.4 The new SCS will be accompanied by a separate 'living' 5 year delivery plan. This approach will provide sufficient flexibility to evolve as continuing changes within the public sector continue to emerge, for example the restructuring of the NHS and public health delivery, implementation of Local Economic Partnerships and the delivery of the 'localism' agenda.
- 3.5 Work is presently underway to determine a range of performance information that will allow the systematic monitoring of the progress being made in achieving desired community outcomes over time.
- 3.6 Attached as Appendix 1 is a report on progress of the SCS (2006-11) for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011. This includes a summary of all indicators within the existing Sustainable Community Strategy and additional information for those specific indicators and targets that fall within the remit of this Policy and Performance Board.
- 3.7 In considering this report Members should be aware that:-
- a) The purpose of this report is to consolidate information on all measures and targets relevant to this PPB in order to provide a clear picture of progress.
  - b) As the requirement to undertake a centrally prescribed Place Survey has now ceased the development of a localised perception based methodology is currently underway with a likely implementation date of autumn 2011.

#### **4.0 CONCLUSION**

- 4.1 The Sustainable Community Strategy for Halton, and the performance measures and targets contained within it will remain central to the delivery of community outcomes. It is therefore important that we monitor progress and that Members are satisfied that adequate plans are in place to ensure that the Council and its partners achieve the improvement targets that have been agreed.

#### **5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The Sustainable Community Strategy for Halton is central to our policy framework. It provides the primary vehicle through which the Council and its partners develop and communicate collaborative actions that will positively impact upon the communities of Halton.

## **6.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 The publication by Local Authorities of performance information is central to the coalition government's transparency agenda. This has been accompanied by a commitment to reduce top down performance management, with the pre-existing National Indicator Data Set (NIS), being replaced from April 2011 with a single comprehensive list of all data that Local Authorities are required to provide to Central Government.

## **7.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

- 7.1 This report deals directly with the delivery of the relevant strategic priority of the Council.

## **8.0 RISK ANALYSIS**

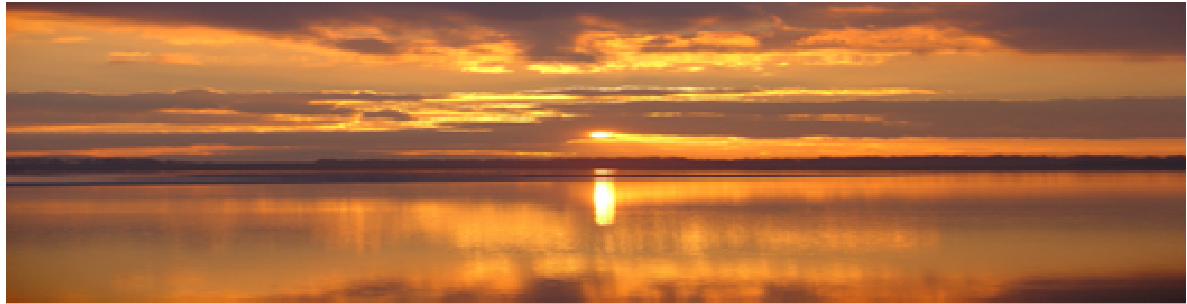
- 8.1 The key risk is a failure to improve the quality of life for Halton's residents in accordance with the objectives of the Sustainable Community Strategy. This risk can be mitigated thorough the regular reporting and review of progress and the development of appropriate actions where under-performance may occur.

## **9.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

- 9.1 One of the guiding principles of the Sustainable Community Strategy is to reduce inequalities in Halton.

## **10.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

Document	Sustainable Community Strategy 2006 – 11
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# **The Sustainable Community**

## **Strategy for Halton**

**2006 - 2011**

### **Year -end Progress Report**

**01<sup>st</sup> April 2010 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011**

**Safer Policy &**







**Performance Board**

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This report provides a summary of progress in relation to the achievement of targets within Halton’s Sustainable Community Strategy 2006 - 2011.

It provides both a snapshot of performance for the period 01<sup>st</sup> April 2010 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2010 and a projection of expected levels of performance to the year-end.





The following symbols have been used to illustrate current performance as against the 2011 target and as against performance for the same period last year.

	Target is likely to be achieved or exceeded.		Current performance is better than this time last year
	The achievement of the target is uncertain at this stage		Current performance is the same as this time last year
	Target is highly unlikely to be / will not be achieved.		Current performance is worse than this time last year

## SAFER HALTON

Page	Ref	Descriptor	2010/11 Target	Direction of travel
7	5	Overall satisfaction with the area	n/a	n/a
7	7	Environment for a thriving third sector	n/a	n/a
8	16	Serious acquisitive crime rate		
10	17	Perceptions of anti-social behaviour	n/a	n/a
11	20	Assault with injury crime rate		
12	30	Re-offending rate of prolific and priority offenders	Data not yet available	Data not yet available
13	32	Repeat incidents of domestic violence		
15	33	Arson incidents		
17	39	Alcohol related hospital admission rates		
18	40	Drug users in effective treatment		

### *Non Local Area Agreement Measures / Targets*

19	47	Reduce the number of people killed or seriously injured in road traffic accidents		
20	SH1	Reduce the number of incidents of ASB in the worst 5 Lower Super Output Areas compared with the rest of the borough		

**NI 5 Increase residents overall satisfaction with the area**

Baseline (2007-08)	09 – 10 Actual	2010 – 11 Cumulative outturn data					Current Progress	Direction of Travel
		Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
70.4%	N/A	Refer comment					n/a	n/a

**NI 7 Increase voluntary and community sector satisfaction by creating a strong environment in which it can thrive**

Baseline (2007-08)	09 – 10 Actual	2010 – 11 Cumulative outturn data					Current Progress	Direction of Travel
		Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
22.2%	n/a	Refer comment					n/a	n/a

**Data Commentary**

The baseline position for this indicator is the perception data that was captured as part of the 2008 National Place Survey. A further survey was planned for 2010 but this requirement has been cancelled as part of the revision of the national performance framework by the coalition government.



**General Performance Commentary**

In the absence of a nationally prescribed survey work is now being progressed to establish a more locally focussed survey to capture community perceptions and satisfaction levels. It is anticipated that such a survey would be undertaken during the autumn of the current financial year.

**Summary of key activities undertaken during the year**

During 2009 the Halton Strategic Partnership commissioned research from IPSOS-MORI to follow-up the key findings of the 2008 Place Survey in more detail.

The key areas residents felt needed to be improved were: – low level crime, ASB, drugs, lack of respect, job prospects, reduces pollution, influence in decision making clean streets and activities for teenagers and an extensive range of interventions have been planned and delivered during the year in order to address these issues.

Baseline (2007-08)	09 – 10 Actual	2011 Target	2010 – 11 Data					Current Progress	Direction of Travel
			Quarterly Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
1968	1738	1820	455	457	405	390	377		

**Data Commentary**

The data is complete and covers the full reporting period of Quarter 4 2010/11.

**General Performance Commentary**

Serious acquisitive crime has decreased by 3% (13 crimes) from Q3 to Q4 of 2010/11. There is also a decrease of 7% (30 crimes) on the same quarter last year (Q4 9/10).

All areas of serious acquisitive crime have seen mixed performance when we compare **Q4 09/10 with Q4 10/11**:

- Domestic Burglary is down 29% (49 less crimes)
- Theft of Motor Vehicle is up 32% (19 more crimes)
- Theft from Motor Vehicle is up 7% (10 more crimes)
- Robbery (personal and business) is down 30% (10 less crimes)

**Year End Performance**

Total Serious Acquisitive Crime	
2009/2010 -	1738
2010/2011 -	1629
Difference -	-6.70%

	2009/2010	2010/2011	Difference
Domestic Burglary	598	540	9.7%
Theft OF motor vehicle	326	266	18.4%
Theft FROM motor vehicle	721	712	1.2%
Robbery	104	109	4.8%

**3 year performance**

Serious Acquisitive Crime	2007/2008	2008/2009	2009/2010	2010/2011	Overall reduction
Recorded crime	1968	2246	1738	1629	17.2%



## **Summary of key activities undertaken during the year**

### **Burglary Day of Action**

On the 24<sup>th</sup> March, 200 houses in the Calvers community had the opportunity to receive door to door community safety advice, including burglary prevention and fire safety products. Cheshire Fire Safety and Cheshire Police PCSO`s). The agencies offered free Smartwater burglary DNA solution to each property together with Fire Home Safety Assessments. Out of 200 premises, 84 premises signed up to and registered with Smartwater.

### ***Theft from Motor Vehicle***

During 26<sup>th</sup> March to 4<sup>th</sup> April there were 9 thefts from vehicles where vehicles were left unlocked (insecure). The partnership Crime Reduction Advisor produced 250 A5 flyers for PCSO`s to disseminate to members of the public in the hotspot areas e.g. Norton area. A further 200 were handed out in Windmill Hill area following a further spate of theft from vehicles.

In addition, all details of the above incidents including Crime Prevention advice have been provided on the police Press line for media attention/press release reminding car owners to lock their vehicles, remove valuables and park the car in locations where they are well lit and overlooked by neighbours.

### **Shed / Garden Security – Burglary “Other”**

With the warmer weather approaching the partnership Crime Reduction Advisor has released a press article to remind tenants’ and home owners to keep doors and windows locked even when they are in the garden. Also, advice is provided on security of outbuildings, property kept inside e.g. bikes, mowers etc and garden equipment left outside.

### **Monitoring of Organised Crime Gangs.**

The Safer Halton Partnership has funded via the Crime Action Group an ANPR camera in a strategic location on the Widnes border. It is recognised that over 70% of burglaries in Widnes are committed from people living outside of the Borough. To monitor and investigate offences of burglary, robbery, theft of vehicles, number plates and petrol drive-off’s we have identified a main point of access and egress into the Borough, by which an ANPR camera will provide useful intelligence and information to assist with bringing offenders to justice.

### **Shoplifting**

On 31<sup>st</sup> March Widnes retail park (17 businesses) signed up to the Facewatch pilot for the Force. Facewatch is an on-line 3<sup>rd</sup> party crime recording and CCTV upload software. This software will eliminate the time taken to complete CCTV / Witness Statements and retrieval of CCTV evidence.

**NI 17**

**Reduce the perceptions of Anti Social Behaviour**

Baseline (2007-08)	09 – 10 Actual	2011 Target	2010 – 11 Cumulative outturn data				Current Progress	Direction of Travel
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
24.3%	N/A	21.2%	Refer comment				N/A	N/A

**Data Commentary**


The baseline position for this indicator is the perception data that was captured as part of the 2008 National Place Survey.

A further survey was planned for 2010 but was cancelled and so an update is not expected.

**Performance Commentary**

The above data is received from the New Place Survey 2008 and so it not current, an update for this should be available early 2011.

A proxy measure that could be used as an indication of current performance may be actual anti social behaviour numbers reported to Cheshire Police:

Halton	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD	Progress
ASB Incidents	2481	2335	1884	1789	8489	

There were a total of 1789 ASB incidents recorded in Halton in Q4 of 2010/11, this is a reduction of 6% (119 crimes) compared to the same period last year. The total for 2010/11 has shown a 15% reduction when compared to 2009/10. Reducing from 9972 during 2009/10 to 8489 in 2010/11.

Youth related ASB has dropped this year by 34% when comparing numbers during 2009/10 (4056) with 2010/11 (2695).



More significant is the reduction in ASB since the commencement of YCAP projects. When comparing Pre ASB numbers (Q2 07/08 to Q4 08/09 10146 – with Q2 09/10 to Q4 10/11 5296) have dropped by a significant **48%** resulting in 4850 less calls for youth related ASB to Cheshire Constabulary.

This is not an accepted proxy measure but one that could be used as a guide line for the general trend in the public’s perception of ASB. Lower recorded ASB incidents may lead to lower levels of perceived ASB but there are many other factors to take into account.

## Summary of key activities undertaken during the year

Activities to reduce the perception of ASB in Halton are similar to those listed under SH LI 1 at the bottom of this document. Details surrounding activities undertaken by the partnership are attached in the form of the COMPASS steering group quarterly report which details the activities of Stay Safe, Reparation, Divert, YISP, FIP, ASB Enforcement Officer, MFH, Partnership Tasking vehicle and Victim and Witness support.

### NI 20 Assault with Less Serious Injury

Baseline (2007/08)	09 – 10 Actual	2011 Target	2010 – 11 Data				Current Progress	Direction of Travel	
			Quarterly Target	Q1	Q2	Q3			Q4
1269	<b>1061</b>	1206	302	<b>300</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>213</b>		

### Data Commentary

This report covers the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011. The data is complete and comprises the actual number of crimes recorded during the period.

### General Performance Commentary

When we compare this quarter with the same period last year there is a decrease of 17.1%, equal to 44 less crimes.

#### Year End Performance

Assault with Less Serious Injury	
2009/2010 -	1061
2010/2011 -	979
Difference -	<b>-7.70%</b>

#### 3 year performance

Assault with Less Serious Injury	2007/2008	2008/2009	2009/2010	2010/2011	Overall reduction
Recorded crime	1269	1172	1061	979	<b>-22.9%</b>

### Summary of key activities undertaken during the quarter

#### ***Violence and protecting vulnerable people.***

Drug dealing brings with it violence and drug dealers also prey on those who are vulnerable. This often is by using their premises from which to sell drugs. By targeting the right people the DDU can take these violent dealers off the streets and get them custodial sentences.

Operation Ayers is a good example of how investing time into an investigation can secure appropriate prison sentences meaning that these people are not on the streets to commit violent offences or ruin the lives of those who are vulnerable.

### Night Time Economy

Operation Stagger, a six hour operation undertaken which took place in Widnes town centre in March 2011, was a first for Halton and was developed in response to an issue that has been identified concerning the negative outcomes of drunkenness. Prior to the operation all of the main bars and public houses were visited and provided with information and literature relating to this issue and the legality of sales of intoxicating liquor.

A Night Time Economy meeting was held at the Widnes Waterfront offices, between Licensing team, Door staff, CCTV Control Room and Town Centre Manager. Many issues were discussed, including Fake IDs, Serving of intoxicated/underage people; communication between control room and venues and the monitoring of incidents to ensure the offenders are not able to simply change venues but are removed from the area. This was considered a very productive meeting and these will be conducted every two months attendance permitting.

## NI 30 Re offending rate of prolific and priority offenders (PPO)

Official Home Office NI 30 stats (fig 1)

Baseline (2007-08)	09 – 10 Actual	2011 Target	2009 – 10 Data					Current Progress	Direction of Travel
			Quarterly Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
82 offences	<b>66</b>	69 offences	19% reduction	27 offences	24 offences	Not available	Not available	-	-

Locally produced re offending stats (proxy measure) (fig 2)

Baseline (2008-09)	09 – 10 Actual	2011 Target	2010 – 11 Cumulative outturn data					Current Progress	Direction of Travel
			Quarterly Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
144 offences	<b>63</b>	117 Offences	29	16	34	12	Not available	Refer to commentary below	

### Data Commentary

NI30 – Q1 has been refreshed, Q2 added. Q3 and Q4 are still unavailable to view on iQuanta therefore, at this point we are unable to see if the reduction target has been met for the year. At this moment in time it is unknown if NI30 measuring will continue into the next financial year.

Locally produced figures – due to reorganisation of reporting mechanism, Q4 is unavailable for publishing. 2011/12 will see the new reporting mechanism in place and therefore figures will be available at the end of Q1 2011/12.

### General Performance Commentary

NI30 – the target figure for this year’s NI30 result is to achieve 71 offences or less. At present, only Q1 and Q2 are formally published on iQuanta showing that at the end of Q2 Halton has 51 offences. Estimations show that at the end of Q4 Halton will achieve 73 offences possibly increasing to 82 offences (due to outstanding charges that have not yet been finalised).

### Summary of key activities undertaken during the quarter



During Q4 2010/2011 the PPO Team, in conjunction with Cheshire Police fitness trainers, helped set up and organise ‘boxercise’ circuit classes for those PPO’s deemed suitably motivated. The twice weekly classes are currently being attended by two PPO’s who have gained discipline and structure along with improving their fitness levels.

During February 2011 one PPO was accepted onto an Army outward bound residential course held in Stoke.

This young man is currently working towards submitting an application to the British Army later this year by improving fitness levels and updating his overall knowledge of the army. It is thought that participating in the outward bound course will improve his chances of success when he submits his application.

Despite numerous attempts at encouraging a youth PPO to engage with services, this proved unsuccessful and he continued to show a lack of compliance and continued offending. This person was therefore targeted by PPO officers and local NPU’s via the Catch & Convict strand and in March was sentenced to a 7yr custodial sentence for burglary and theft.

### NI 32 Repeat Incidents of Domestic Violence

Baseline (2007-08)	09 – 10 Actual	2011 Target	Quarterly Target	2010 – 11				Current Progress	Direction of Travel
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
See Comment	22%	27%	27%	22%	23%	23%	29%		

### Data Commentary

This data represents the actual cumulative total for 2010/11.

## General Performance Commentary

The number of cases presented to MARAC (the Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference) during the preceding 12 months has continued to decline from 178 in March 2010 to 138 in March 2011.

The majority of cases continue to be referred by the Police (119), the Primary Care Trust (7) and Mental Health Teams (5) with numbers being referred by other agencies being low.

Whilst the total number of cases referred during the year has fallen from 239 in 2009 – 10 the number of repeat cases has remained relatively static i.e. 38 in 2010 – 11 as compared to 43 in 2009 – 10. Additionally the average number of children per case discussed has also remained relatively static at 1.28 (2010 – 11) as compared to 1.29 in (2009 – 10). This situation is reflective of the national picture in relation to child representation.

Of the 138 cases supported through MARAC during 2010 – 11 there have been 101 children aged 0 – 5; 177 children 0 – 18; 15 pregnant women and 1 vulnerable adult.

There are a number of inter-related social issues that continue to present in cases of domestic violence relating to victim, offender or both. The following statistics illustrate the extent of these relationships that presented in cases during 2010 – 11.

Drug Use		Alcohol		Mental Health	
Victim	21	Victim	37	Victim	12
Perpetrator	45	Perpetrator	69	Perpetrator	23
<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>30</b>

The statistics clearly re-enforce the complexity of the situation and the need for continued and extensive inter-agency collaboration and intelligence gathering and sharing between a broad range of service providers and agencies.

## Summary of key activities undertaken during the year







There have been a number of activities and interventions that have been implemented during the year that have served to heighten the awareness and response to domestic violence issues.

This has included the provision of training targeted at key service providers and Level 1 and Level 2. The training was available across the partnership and 3 sessions were run during the course of the year. This allowed key messages concerning domestic violence to be communicated to a broad audience to ensure that key staff are conversant with the issues and are able to signpost victims and to make appropriate referrals into local agencies.

Additionally strong links have been established with services for Children and young People, which resulted in a positive outcomes arising from the external inspection of Children’s safeguarding within the borough.

A number of events took place during the year including representation at and participation in an LGBT awareness day to discuss issues of Domestic and Sexual violence for this particularly vulnerable group.

<b>NI 33i</b> <b>NI 33ii</b> <b>NI 33</b>	<b>Deliberate Primary Fires</b> <b>Deliberate Secondary Fires</b> <b>Deliberate Fires (Total)</b>
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Baseline (2007-08)	09 – 10 Actual	2011 Target	2010 – 11 Cumulative outturn data					Current Progress	Direction of Travel
			Quarterly Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
234	<b>115</b>	177	44	26	21	34	13 <b>94</b> total		
1,043	<b>585</b>	678	169	161	128	147	78 <b>549</b> total		
1,277	<b>700</b>	855	213	187	149	181	91 <b>643</b> total		

### Data Commentary

Data presented above has been collated from the Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service Incident Recording System (IRS).

It relates to actual recorded incident volumes and represents the complete data set for each period.

As IRS was introduced on 1 April 2009, baseline data and subsequent targets set were calculated using the previous data capture method.

IRS data is subject to further validation, thus figures recorded may alter slightly following further scrutiny.

### General Performance Commentary

2010/11 saw the fewest number of deliberate fire incidents since records began, both in Halton and Cheshire as a whole.

Both NI33i and ii have experienced a positive downwards trend over the past three years, with a total reduction of 29% over this time.

Deliberate Primary Fires (NI33i) have seen the greatest decrease, equating to 49% (90 incidents). Deliberate Secondary fires decreased by 24% over the three years.

Where Runcorn area had the highest number of deliberate primary fires (62%), it is Widnes that had the most deliberate secondary fires (53%).

Over 14% of incidents occurred in November, in line with the bonfire season. Incident volumes then saw a sharp decline and, where November had been the busiest month, activity volumes decreased and December was the quietest month, with just 2% of the annual incidents.

### **Summary of key activities undertaken during the year**

Arson reduction activities in Halton are intelligence led; each of the stations in Halton (Runcorn and Widnes) produce a monthly arson report to identify trends and peaks in arson activity. Areas of high activity are reported the Halton 'Tasking and Coordination' Group in order to have a multi-agency approach to the problem; recent successes have been on Runcorn Hill and The Old Department of Employment Building in Runcorn plus Bechers in Widnes. Each of the stations has dedicated 'arson routes' which are reviewed monthly to encompass the areas of greatest anti-social fire activity; the crews patrol the areas in their fire appliances to act as a deterrent and provide reassurances to the community.



Both Widnes and Runcorn Stations have a dedicated "Single Point of Contact" in the Police that each Station Manager sends the PNR's which have significant intelligence to which enables the Police to act swiftly on arson related ASB incidents

2010/11 action plans identify several areas of high activity with regards NI33, categorised by priority with regards the need for arson initiatives. By producing analysis at station level, firefighters have an increased awareness and understanding of the issues surrounding deliberate fires and anti social behaviour and are therefore better equipped to deliver targeted initiatives.

The Service is heavily involved in a number of pro-active activities that will hopefully influence the behaviour and thoughts of the children towards fire and fire setting in the coming years including; The Phoenix Project, The Runcorn and Widnes Fire Station Community Bio-diversity Garden, Fire Cadets, Prince's Trust Programmes and the Respect Courses.

In Widnes specifically, Restorative Justice has recently been issued to 2 juveniles as a result of intelligence gained through partnership working and the PNR process



Baseline (2007-08)	09 – 10 Actual	2011 Target	2010 – 11 Cumulative outturn data					Current Progress	Direction of Travel
			Quarterly Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
2180	2548.6	2309	577	696	1391	2088	2524		

**Data Commentary**

Q3 data has been updated. Q4 full data is not yet available and the cumulative figure to the end of February has been used as a proxy.



**General Performance Commentary**

Although the 2001 target has not been achieved progress in relation to the 2009 – 10 year has been positive.

**Summary of key activities undertaken during the year**

A two stage competitive tender has been launched for future Tier 2 and 3 drug and alcohol services (as part of an integrated recovery service), in Halton. Work to support the tender continues.

Successful 115K bid for WNF funding to support alcohol prevention agenda.

Baseline (2007-08)	09 – 10 Actual	2011 Target	2010 – 11 Cumulative outturn data				Current Progress	Direction of Travel
			Quarterly Target	Q1	Q2	Q3		
500	486	515	428	408	433	456	Not available	 

**Data Commentary**

Latest data available is for month 8 (November 2010). In month 8 Halton at 456 is 16 below the expected figure of 472.

**General Performance Commentary**

PDU planned exits for February 2011 are 5<sup>th</sup> best in the NW at 40% and higher than the national average of 34%.

All drug 18+ planned exits are 9<sup>th</sup> best in NW at 49% and higher than the national average of 44%



**Summary of key activities undertaken during the year**

Drug treatment services continue to focus on achieving a high number of planned exits and maintaining prompt access to services.

There is also a current focus on improving the numbers of people being vaccinated for hepatitis B or screened for hepatitis C and having a physical health check.

Service users and carer involvement continues to develop, seen particularly in the increased number of posting to the Patient Opinion website, and the development of a volunteers & mentors group that is in the early stages of development.

**NI 47****Reduce the number of people killed or seriously injured in road traffic accidents**

Baseline (2006)	09 – 10 Actual	2011 Target	2010 – 11 Cumulative Data				Current Progress	Direction of Travel
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
10.7	5.9%	7.2%	14	24	30	41		

**Data Commentary**

NI 47 measures the annual change in the 3 (calendar) year rolling average of people killed or seriously injured in RTC's. Good performance is indicated by a positive % change reflecting a comparative reduction in the number of KSI casualties over the 3 year sets.

The 2010/11 value thus relates to the calendar years 2008/9/10 average relative to the 2007/8/9 average number of KSI casualties. This is the most up to date information available at the time of writing.

**Performance Commentary**

KSI actual numbers each calendar year for Halton are:

2007/08 (2007) = 44

2008/09 (2008) = 59

2009/10 (2009) = 41

2010/11 (2010) = 41

At the end of 2010/11 (2010) Halton recorded a positive 2.1% relative change in the 3 year rolling average for NI47, as actual KSI casualty numbers continued to fall slightly year on year, with calendar year totals well below target levels.

**Summary of key activities undertaken during the year**

The large reductions in casualty and accident numbers in Halton have been achieved through the rigorous application of conventional traffic engineering methods backed by the latest available national guidance and supported by road safety education, training and publicity initiatives (RSETP).

**Engineering Works**

Schemes with a total value of £100,000 were implemented at various priority based locations across the borough during the course of the year to contribute to reductions in accident / casualties.

In addition, £43,000 traffic management funds were expended principally on minor works to enhance highway safety.

The Cheshire Safer Roads Partnership 'Red Routes' scheme continued through 2010, designed to draw motorists attention to the need for greater caution on high accident routes. Investment levels in 2011/12 will be approximately 20% below those for 2010/11.



## RSETP

Over a wide ranging programme, RSETP delivery has been focussed on the most 'at risk' groups in the road using community.

Events ranged from the Too Much Punch for Judy theatre in education event, through winter driving days and drink driving campaigns to pedestrian training as part of walk to school week and Megadive, to assist pre-driver students to prepare properly for their first driving experience.

With greatly reduced resources for 2011/12 through loss of the government's Road Safety Grant, resources are to be refocused with greater emphasis on the training of young users of small capacity motorbikes, car passenger and pedestrian safety and training of cyclists via the Bikeability project. Other schemes will include the 'Fit 2 Drive' days to educate on the effect of drugs and alcohol on drivers and Geared Up For Work for motorists driving for work. No casualty reduction targets have been set nationally.

## SH LI 1 Reduce the number of incidents of ASB in the worst 5 Lower Super Output Areas compared with the rest of the borough

	Baseline 2007/ 2008	09 – 10 Actual	2010 – 11 Data					Current Progress	Direction of Travel
			2011 Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
% difference	24.5%	41.2%	9.5%	36%	38%	31%	41%		
Super output areas		97.88 per 1000 population		28.0	30.4	24.0	20.5		
Rest of Borough		73.91 per 1000 population		17.9	19.0	16.6	12.1		

### Data Commentary

Baselines were set during 2007/08, using the Neighbourhood Management (NMA) areas: Castlefields, Windmill Hill, Halton Lea, Appleton, Kingsway. Data numbers have been taken from Police ward data covering the entire ward areas. It should be noted that these numbers will include a small element of non NMA data. Analysis to street level is not possible at this moment.

By measuring complete wards the numbers should be used as an indicator only.

## **Performance Commentary**

Targets were devised using 2007/08 figures as a baseline. This baseline was set following on from three years continued reduction in numbers, from 11214 in 2005/06, 10440 in 2006/07 to 9641 in 2007/08. The target chosen was therefore to ensure that the number of incidents recorded in each of the NMA's noted above were consistent with the rest of the borough and not to look for reductions in numbers as initially it was anticipated that numbers would rise in line with improved satisfaction.

## **Summary of key activities undertaken during the year**

The main activity that has had an impact on reducing the gap was the 'Respect Weeks of Action'. The week of action aims to tackle ASB and crime while trying to make the neighbourhood more appealing to the residents. These events are supported by youth out reach workers and the bus, Police, Fire along with other agencies.

The continuing work of the various partnership projects help to reduce the gap, projects and teams include; Reparation project, Operation Staysafe, Diversion, Street based teams, FIP and YISP. Whilst the gap has not been reduced to date, the activities have resulted in overall ASB reductions of 15% and youth related ASB has dropped by 48%.