



Tackling Crime

Castlereagh Area

District Policing Partnerships

12 Month Report

Figures Extracted 15 May 2009



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Local people shaping local policing

Section 1) Progress Towards Achieving Targets in the Local Policing Plan for 2008/2009

Domain: Tackling Crime					
LPP Target	Apr-Mar 07/08	Apr-Mar 08/09	% Change (Raw Data)	Target	Comment on reasons for change in performance
3.1.2 To reduce the total number of domestic burglaries by 12	184	261	77 (+41.8%)	✘	Burglaries have increased considerably despite ongoing attempts to tackle the problem. This is the case also in neighbouring areas. Operation Blitzen was conducted again in January and February and as can be seen from the 5year graphs, the trend has decreased during the quarter. Proactive use continues to be made of the media to advise people to secure their properties and advise of the burglary problem. Patrols have been directed to hot spot areas identified through crime pattern analysis. Use has been made of Neighbourhood Watch Schemes to highlight problems.
4.1.1 To increase the clearance rate by 5% points.	22.2%	17.7%	-4.4%	✘	Since the last reporting period, the Crime Controller has worked tirelessly to ensure that all potential clearances are being captured. All crimes remain under review. Although this is well under target it improved throughout the year and processes are now in place to maximize clearances for the forthcoming year.

Strategy

All reported crime is reviewed on a daily basis and actions generated to ensure that incidents are thoroughly investigated. Full use is made of Analysts to identify trends/patterns and locations of crime in the Area and patrols are directed to patrol areas identified.

Each officer who is normally on administrative duties within the station is now deployed for a number of hours a week to perform a beat patrol of Forestside in order to provide high-visibility and deter shoplifting offences.

There have been a number of Media Campaigns advising residents how best to avoid being targeted along with Crime Prevention advice ie secure windows and doors when not at home. Neighbourhood officers have conducted proactive mobile surgeries in order to offer crime prevention advice to residents in local communities especially hot spot areas where burglaries have been increasing. A Crime Prevention Seminar was held in Clonduff with elderly persons to offer reassurance and advice


High visibility patrolling by officers especially in hotspot areas and use of Police Officers Part-Time to increase visibility. Proactive bail checks continue to be carried out in respect of prolific offenders.

Operation Blitzzen was again conducted in January and February and involved the use of, District and Regional resources in order to tackle the increase in burglaries. This resulted in an increase in high visibility patrols along with the deployment of plain clothed officers.

Operation Heartbeat continues to be conducted throughout the Belfast Region and undoubtedly this is having a displacement effect on burglaries within the Castlereagh area as it is mainly focused on North and South Belfast

Domain: Promoting Community Safety

LPP Target	Apr-Mar 07/08	Apr-Mar 08/09	% Change (Raw Data)	Target	Comment on reasons for change in performance
5.1.2 To reduce the number of incidents of anti-social behaviour by 170	3309	2295	-1014 (-30.6%)	✓	Neighbourhood Officers continue to conduct proactive operations to tackle anti-social behaviour. Robust action has been taken at the Ice-Bowl and McDonalds to deal with offenders 2 arrest were made and a number of reports to the Youth Diversion Officer regarding anti-social behaviour. Full use of Police Officers Part-Time for hotspot patrolling. 2 Anti-social Behaviour Order applications are currently being progressed through the courts for youths
5.2.2 To reduce the total number of recorded crimes of criminal damage by 45.	658	630	-28 (-4.3%)	✗	Unfortunately we do not seem to be meeting our target and this was due mainly to a number of incidents of vehicles being damaged in the Downshire, Everton and Cregagh Areas. However, officers successfully caught 4 youths for causing the damage and are currently progressing this through the Youth Diversion Officer High visibility patrolling continues of hotspot areas and house to house enquiries are conducted for all reported incidents.
5.3.1 To increase the number of arrests for disorderly behaviour and breach of the peace by 10%	38	32 (+5 YDO)	-6 (15.7%)	✗	Unfortunately we have not reached the target for this objective. However, I believe that the decrease in the number of anti-social behaviour incidents has contributed to the decrease in arrests. Officers will continue to arrest as and when appropriate.
5.4.1 To increase the number of referrals for consumption of alcohol in a public place by 20%	45	25 (+12 YDO)	-20 44.5%	✗	Proactive patrols continue to be used to detect alcohol offences. Officers are still seizing alcohol as outlined below, however the youths are running away upon police arrival and leaving the alcohol behind. Officers are constantly reminded of the need to be proactive in this area.

5.5.1 To establish a baseline figure for the number of units of alcohol seized in a public place.	N/A	2205	N/A	N/A	Officers continue to proactively focus patrols on identified areas in order to detect underage drinking and seize alcohol. This is clearly having a positive effect in reducing anti-social behaviour overall.
6.1.1 To report the number and location of community engagement meetings in line with the Partners and Community Together (PACT model of neighbourhoods).	-	69 (24 this quarter)	-	-	Neighbourhood officers continue to meet with community partnerships on a regular basis.
9.1.2 To ensure that Neighbourhood Officers work at least 80% of their duty hours on neighbourhood Policing Duties.	-	95.5%	-		On target

Strategy

Proactive patrolling of identified hotspot areas.

Maximum use of Police Officers Part Time to tackle anti-social behaviour and provide reassurance by high-visibility patrolling.

Robust prosecution policy through either PPS or Youth Diversion Scheme. In addition, a system has been introduced to look at young persons and adults who continually come to police attention with a view to commencing proceedings for an Anti-social behaviour contract or Anti-social behaviour order.

An operation was conducted in Dundonald specifically at McDonalds and the Ice-Bowl to tackle anti-social behaviour

The following PACT meetings have taken place:-

Bikesafe (with BELVOIR Youth Club),
Continuing CABAM meetings (including with personnel from MILLTOWN re. the 2009 BONFIRE),
Belvoir Community Association-Housing meetings,
NIHE Belvoir House Conceirge Meetings (with staff at NIHE),
Community transport for Belvoir Pensioners for Christmas Functions
Dundonald CPLC
Ballybeen youth forum
Tullycarnet Action Group
Carryduff CPLC (2)
Tullycarnet Pensioners Group
Joint CPLC (Castlereagh/Dundonald & Carryduff)
Meetings with the Simon Community, Saintfield Road
Queensfort Fold community
Woodland Trust and Forestry Commission

Section 2) Trend Data for Local Policing Plan Targets 2008/2009

Local Policing Plan Targets for 2008/2009								
Local Policing Plan Targets for 2008 / 2009	Apr 08 - Jun 08	Target	Apr 08 - Sept 08	Target	Apr 08 - Dec 08	Target	Apr 08 - Mar 09	Target
3.1.2 To reduce the total number of domestic burglaries by 12	-7	✓	+19	✗	+44	✗	+77	✗
4.1.1 To increase the sanction clearance rate by 5% points.	-4.8%	✗	-8.3%	✗	-8.1%	✗	-4.4%	✗
5.1.1 To reduce the number of recordable incidents of anti-social behaviour by 170	-272	✓	-636	✓	-814	✓	-1014	✓
5.2.2 To reduce the total number of recorded crimes of criminal damage by 45	-19	✗	-29	✓	-53	✓	-28	✗
5.3.1 To increase the number of arrests for disorderly behaviour and breach of the peace by 10%	-27.7%	✗	-48.5%	✗	-39.4%	✗	-15.7%	✗
5.4.1 To increase the number of referrals for consumption of alcohol in a public place by 20%	-58.8%	✗	-25%	✗	-41.4%	✗	-44.5%	✗
5.5.1 To establish a baseline figure for the number of units of alcohol seized in a public place.	715	N/A	1208	N/A	45	N/A	2205	N/A
9.1.2 To ensure that Neighbourhood Officers work at least 80% of their duty hours on Neighbourhood Policing duties.	-	-	93.3%	✓	95.7%	✓	94.5%	✓

Section 3) Summary of Recorded Crime and Clearance Rates within the Castlereagh Area

Crime Classes	Recorded Apr-Mar 07/08	Recorded Apr-Mar 08/09	% Change	Cleared Apr-Mar 07/08	% Cleared Apr-Mar 07/08	Cleared Apr-Mar 08/09	% Cleared Apr-Mar 08/09
1. Offences against the person	417	500	19.9%	179	42.9%	146	29.2%
2. Sexual Offences	26	53	103.8%	5	19.2%	12	22.6%
3. Burglary	297	441	48.5%	16	5.4%	27	6.1%
<i>(Domestic Burglary)</i>	184	261	41.8%	10	5.4%	16	6.1%
4. Robbery	25	34	36.0%	8	32.0%	4	11.8%
5. Theft	512	574	12.1%	122	23.8%	134	23.3%
6. Fraud and Forgery	96	131	36.5%	18	18.8%	17	13.0%
7. Criminal Damage	658	630	-4.3%	56	8.5%	46	7.3%
8. Offences against the state	7	7	0.0%	5	71.4%	2	28.6%
9. Other notifiable offences	74	78	5.4%	59	79.7%	46	59.0%
Violent Crime (1,2 & 4)	468	587	25.4%	192	41.0%	162	27.6%
Total Crime	2112	2448	15.9%	468	22.2%	434	17.7%

Please note these figures are likely to change when official validated statistics are released on 8th May 2009. This will be updated accordingly.

A Breakdown of Crime Types as Shown in the Table Above

<p>Offences against the person (class 1) Murder Manslaughter Infanticide Attempted murder Threat or conspiracy to murder Causing death/GBH by dangerous driving or aggravated vehicle taking Wounding with intent/GBH with intent Wounding/GBH AOABH Common assault/aggravated assault Assault on police Intimidation Harassment Explosives offences endangering life Firearms offences endangering life Other offences against the person</p>	<p>Sexual offences (class 2) Rape Attempted rape Unlawful carnal knowledge of a girl under 14 years Unlawful carnal knowledge of a girl 14 and under 17 years Indecent assault on a female Indecent assault on a female child Indecent assault on a male Indecent assault on a male child Indecency between males Indecent exposure Indecent conduct towards a child Other sexual offences</p>	<p>Burglary (class 3) Domestic burglary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burglary in a dwelling • Aggravated burglary in a dwelling Non domestic burglary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burglary in a building other than in a dwelling • Aggravated burglary other than in a dwelling Going equipped</p>
<p>Robbery (class 4) Robbery Armed robbery Hijacking</p>	<p>Theft (class 5) Theft, one person from another Theft in a dwelling Theft by an employee Theft of pedal cycles Shoplifting Vehicle crime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theft from motor vehicles • Theft or unauthorised taking of motor vehicles Vehicle tampering/interference Handling of stolen goods Other thefts</p>	<p>Fraud and forgery (class 6) Deception Forgery and counterfeiting Making off without payment Other frauds</p>
<p>Criminal damage (class 7) Arson Petrol bombing offences Explosive offences Criminal damage/malicious damage offences Other criminal damage offences</p>	<p>Offences against the state (class 8) Offences under anti-terrorism legislation Firearms offences Offences under Public Order (NI) Order Other offences against the public order</p>	<p>Other notifiable offences (class 9) Blackmail Kidnapping and false imprisonment Drug offences – trafficking and non-trafficking offences Dangerous driving Breach of orders Other notifiable offences</p>

Anti-Social Behaviour

ASB Incidents are a group of non-crime incidents that are reported to the police (i.e. they do not result in a notifiable offence). These are recorded by the PSNI on their Command & Control system and are classified as ASB in accordance with the National Standard for Incident Recording (NSIR). ASB incidents consist of the following incident types:

- Abandoned Vehicles - (Not Stolen Or Causing An Obstruction)
- Animal Problems
- Begging / Vagrancy
- Hoax Calls To Emergency Services
- Inappropriate Use / Sale / Possession Of Fireworks
- Noise
- Malicious Communications
- Prostitution Related Activity
- Rowdy / Nuisance - Environmental Damage / Littering
- Rowdy / Nuisance - Neighbours
- Rowdy / Nuisance - Rowdy or Inconsiderate Behaviour
- Street Drinking
- Substance Misuse
- Trespass
- Vehicle Nuisance / Inappropriate Vehicle Use

Sanction / Non-Sanction Clearance rates

Sanction clearance refers to clearances where a 'sanction' is taken against the accused person as opposed to clearances that result in 'no further police action'. Sanction clearances include the following types; charge/summons, TIC, adult caution, adult informed warning, juvenile restorative caution, juvenile informed warning and juvenile prosecutorial diversion

Section 4) Policing with the Community

Strategy and/or progress under Policing with the Community	Impact
<p>There are '15' Neighbourhood Watch schemes in operation in the Area.</p> <p>1 Glenhugh Park, Castlereagh 42 Glenhugh Park, Castlereagh Sunderland Road / Stirling Avenue, Castlereagh Ballyhanwood, Dundonald Ballyrussell Road, Dundonald Manns Road, Dundonald Oakwood Avenue, Carryduff The Crescent, Carryduff Wynchurch Avenue, Castlereagh Peartree Hill, Dundonald Downshire Road Willowbank Drive Millars Forge Lenaghan Park Cairnshill Court</p>	<p>The Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator continues to meet regularly with Neighbourhood Watch members.</p> <p>She works closely with Neighbourhood Officers, the DPP and CSP Managers to identify areas where there have been burglaries.</p> <p>A further 4 potential schemes are currently pending in the Clonduff Area.</p>

<p>'Clean the Been' is a project aimed at youth outreach to get the youth of Ballybeen to take pride in their Neighbourhood. The aim is to reduce Anti Social Behaviour in the area and promote citizenship. PSNI Neighbourhood officers work in partnership with local churches, Community Safety Partnership, NIHE and Ballybeen Improvement Group (BIG)</p>	<p>PSNI Neighbourhood officers launched an initiative involving youths in Ballybeen encouraging them to take pride in their neighbourhood. Residents are welcoming the fact that PSNI have taken an active interest in the Area.</p>
<p>PSNI Neighbourhood Officers have been working in partnership with CPLC in Carryduff and Dundonald to Renew CPLC. They have been encouraging young people to get active in their Neighbourhood with a view to becoming members of the CPLC. Trying to promote citizenship and regenerate neighbourhoods.</p>	<p>PSNI Neighbourhood Officers and members of CPLC in Carryduff held 4 activities over the summer period for young people in the Area, which included, Wall Climbing, Disco, Trip to the Ice Bowl and a display by PSNI Traffic and Dog Section. These activities were cross community and were very successful with 150 – 200 young people attending. There are plans to run similar activities this summer in Carryduff and Moneyreagh</p> <p>Some activities over the summer included:-</p> <p>In Dundonald Neighbourhood Officers organised a Workshop in the Hanwood Centre along with CPLC members. 25 – 30 young people attended and subjects discussed were Crime in the Area, the effects of crime on residents and young people. How crime affects employment for young people.</p>

Section 5) Community Safety Projects

Strategy and/or contribution towards Community Safety Projects	Impact
<p>The 'Safety Wristband' initiative was launched at Marks & Spencer, Forestside on the 28/11/06. This project was funded by the CSP and is aimed at pre-school, key stage one children and children and young persons with learning difficulties.</p> <p>Forestside continue to support the Wristband campaign with two dispensers placed inside the mall. These have proved very successful with parents of young children and have been used to great effect.</p>	<p>Wristbands continue to be available throughout all shops in Forestside. Community Safety Officer attended schools in June and distributed wristbands to children.</p> <p>This initiative has been adopted by the NSPCC to run in conjunction with their 'Safe Child' scheme.</p>
<p>Cultural Awareness Day Castlereagh Community Safety Team organised a cultural awareness day entitled 'A TASTE OF N.IRELAND'. The event focused on Year 7 pupils from primary schools within Castlereagh. The following groups were represented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Artsecta arts and dance. Filipino Association Indian Community Centre Afro Caribbean/African Association Chinese Association <p>A presentation relating to the Holocaust was also part of the day and was delivered by Community Relations from Castlereagh</p>	<p>Positive feedback was received from the participants of this initiative helping them to develop better understanding of cultural and religious differences within their community</p>

<p>Borough Council. The pupils also took part in fun activities through out the day such as penalty shootouts and assault courses.</p> <p>Approximately 130 pupils took part representing 17 different schools. Castlereagh Police and Castlereagh CSP funded the day.</p>	
<p>'As Safe as Houses' this was the introduction of restructured Crime prevention Initiative in which involved postcard style leaflets. If the officer observed a door or window that may be considered an invitation to a burglar, the officer would check the perimeter of the house to ensure no crime was disclosed and then leave a card for the householder which gives contact details and basic Crime prevention advice.</p>	<p>Cards were carried by uniformed officers on patrol and distributed as necessary. The cards contained simple but basic preventative advice</p>
<p>The annual Bee Safe event held in April is a multi agency partnership, which seeks to educate and advise P7 pupils on a wide range of safety measures. Partners include Police, Translink, Northern Ireland Electricity, South and East Belfast Trust, Council, Northern Ireland Blind Centre and Fire and Rescue Service and Home Accident Prevention.</p> <p>This initiative continues to run on an annual basis. The event for the incoming year will be on 7th and 8th May.</p>	<p>All schools that took part found this event very enjoyable and informative for the children.</p> <p>An evaluation was carried out and good feedback was received from schools.</p>

<p>Shopping Trolley Signage Shopping trolleys in Forestside were fitted with signage highlighting the problem of handbag thefts. The signage is permanent with the ability to change the advert to pertain to any local crime initiative. As part of the Handbag Theft campaign lanyards were given to shoppers to secure their handbags to their trolleys. Leaflets in the shape of handbags were also distributed to shoppers in Forestside to highlight the campaign. Mr Leighton, members of the Castlereagh Council and DPP launched the entire initiative.</p>	<p>80 trolleys have been fitted with the signage</p> <p>It is hoped to extend this initiative to other retail outlets in the area.</p>
<p>Internet Safety – Working with parent groups to promote safer use of the internet by their siblings. Addressing issues such as Cyber Bullying, Paedophiles on line and Internet Fraud.</p>	<p>A number of parents spoken to making them aware of the potential dangers posed by the Internet.</p> <p>Some Primary and High Schools have been visited by Community Safety Officer who gave talks to the children. He also attended some Parent Evenings to speak with parents about the dangers of the Internet.</p>
<p>Work Experience – Encouraging young people to consider PSNI as a career. This project takes young people for a week through Police training, fingerprinting etc highlighting the effects of crime from a PSNI perspective.</p>	<p>30 students have been involved in this project which has been very successful and a number of young people have gone on to join the PSNI.</p>

Section 7) Progress Towards Achieving Targets in the Northern Ireland Policing Plan for 2008-3009

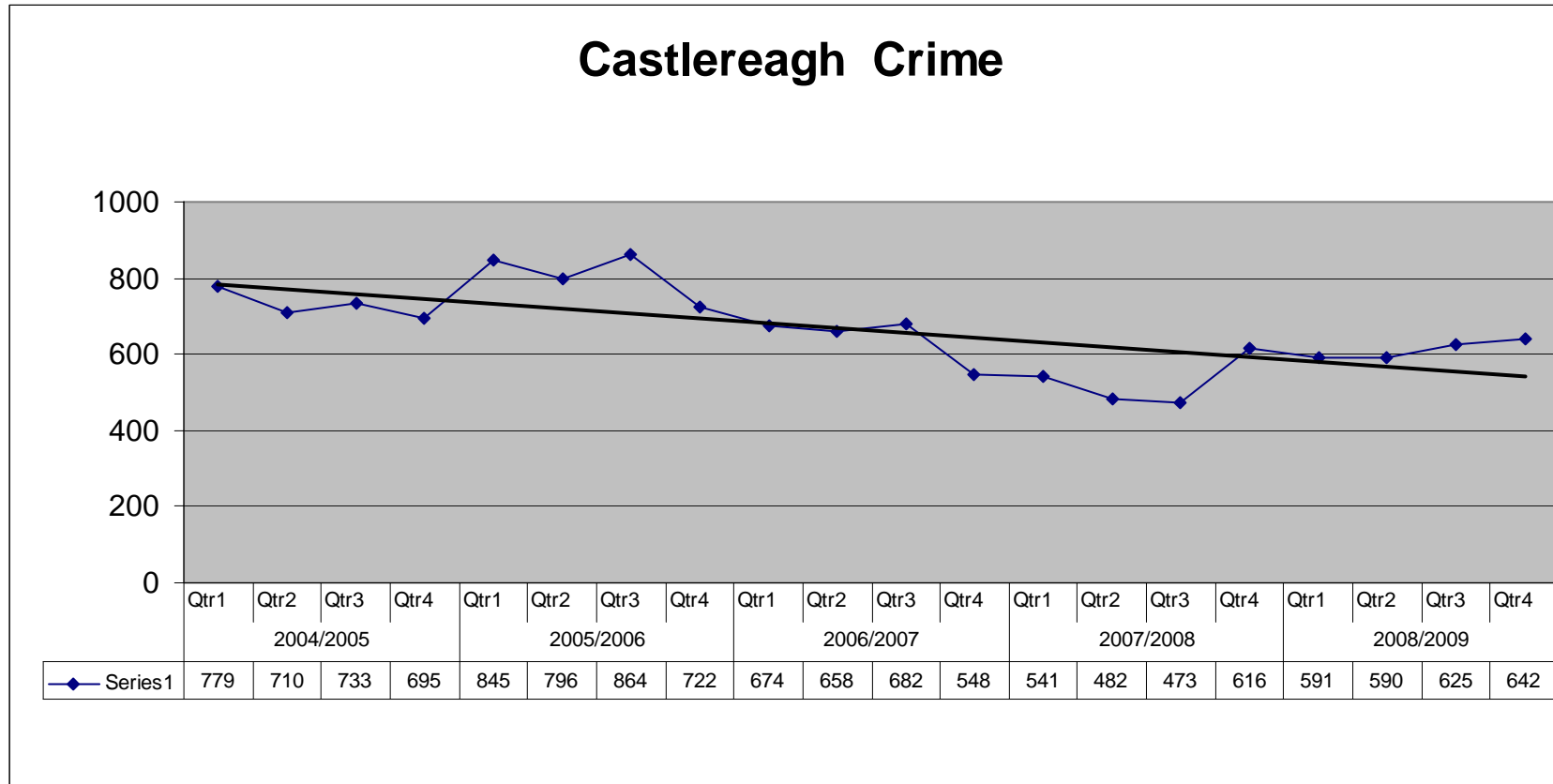
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APP Target	Apr-Mar 07/08	Apr-Mar 08/09	% Change	Target
3.1.1 To reduce the total number of crimes in line with service targets	2112	2448	+15.9%	✗
3.2.1 To reduce the level of violent crime	468	587	+25.4%	✗
3.1.2 To reduce the total number of domestic burglaries by 12	184	261	+41.8%	✗
4.1.1 To increase the sanction clearance rate by 5% points	22.2%	17.7%	-4.4%	✗
4.1.2 To increase the sanction clearance rate for sectarian hate crimes.	7.7%	26.7%	19.0%	✓
4.1.3 To increase the sanction clearance rate for racist hate crimes.	6.7%	21.9%	15.2%	✓
4.1.4 To increase the sanction clearance rate for homophobic hate crimes.	100.0%	0.0%	-100.0%	✗

Domain: Promoting Community Safety				
APP Target	Apr-Mar 07/08	Apr-Mar 08/09	% Change	Target
5.1.1 To reduce the number of incidents of anti-social behaviour by 5%.	3309	2295	-30.6%	✓
8.1.1 To reduce the number of people killed or seriously injured on the road.	22	27	+5	✗
8.1.2 To reduce the number of children killed or seriously injured on the road.	4	1	-3	✓

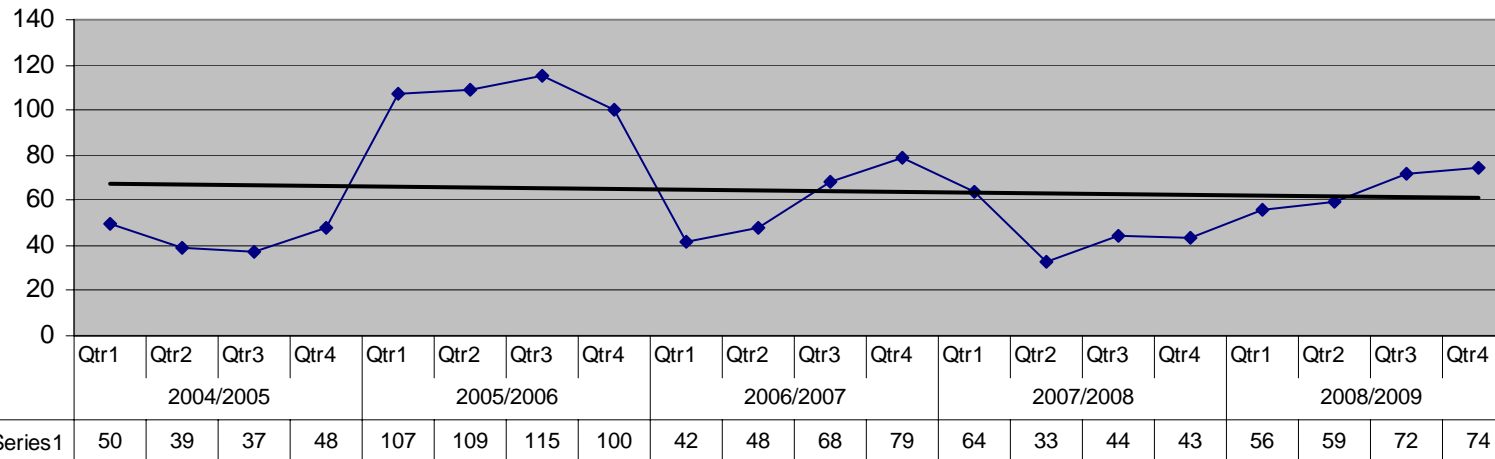
Glossary of Terms

ABC	Acceptable Behaviour Contract	NIACRO	Northern Ireland Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders
ABH	Actual Bodily Harm	NICCY	Northern Ireland Commissioner for Children and Young People
ANPR	Automatic Number Plate Recognition	NIHRC	Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission
ARA	Asset Recovery Agency	NIM	National Intelligence Model
ASB(O)	Anti-Social Behaviour (Order)	NIO	Northern Ireland Office
CID	Criminal Investigation Department	NIPB	Northern Ireland Policing Board
CJI(NI)	Criminal Justice Inspectorate (NI)	NISRA	Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency
CPLC	Community Police Liaison Committee	NSIR	National Standard for Incident Recording
CRO	Criminal Records Office	OCTF	Organised Crime Task Force
CSI	Crime Scene Investigator	OCU	Operational Command Unit
CSP	Community Safety Partnership	OPONI	The Office of the Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland
CSU	Community Safety Unit (NIO)	PACE	Police and Criminal Evidence (Act)
CSU	Central Statistics Unit, PSNI	PCSO	Police Community Support Officer
DCU	District Command Unit	PFNI	Police Federation for Northern Ireland
DPP	District Policing Partnership	PSNI	Police Service of Northern Ireland
FTC	Fatal Traffic Collision	PTR	Part Time Reserve
FTR	Full Time Reserve	RTC	Road Traffic Collision
GBH	Grievous Bodily Harm	SNEN	Single Non-Emergency Number
GIS	Geographical Information System	SOC	Scene of Crime
HVP	High Visibility Patrol	TSG	Tactical Support Group
KPI	Key Performance Indicator	VFM	Value for Money
KSI	Killed or Seriously Injured	YCA	Youths Causing Annoyance
LGBT	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender	YDO	Youth Diversion Officer
MLO	Minority Liaison Officer		
NAO	National Audit Office		
NCIS	National Criminal Intelligence Service		

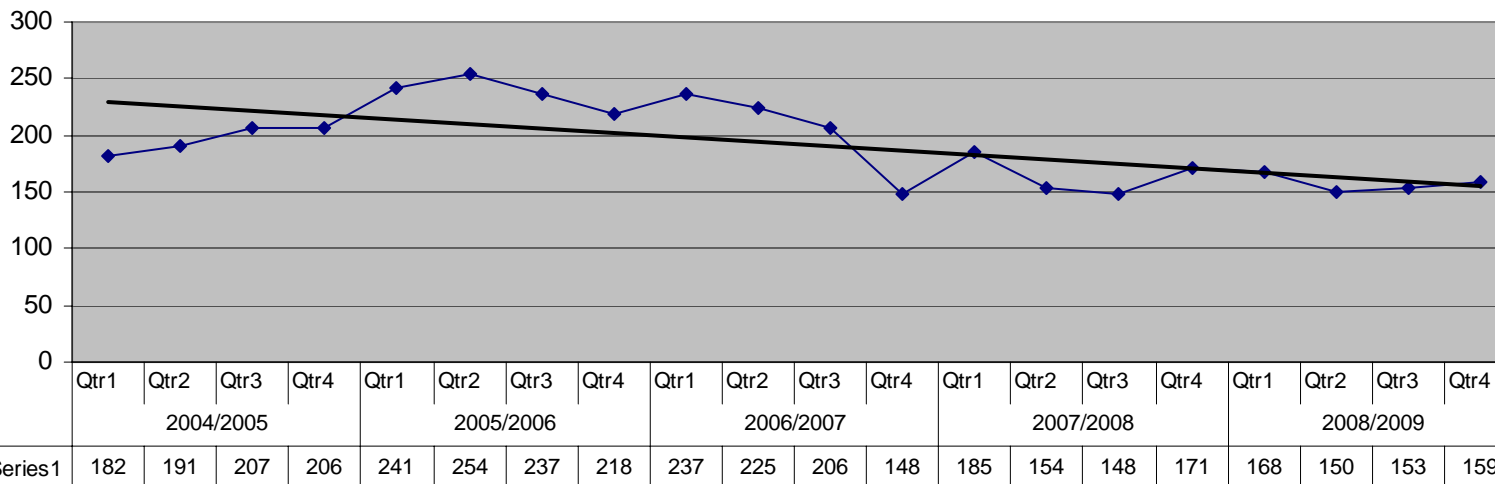
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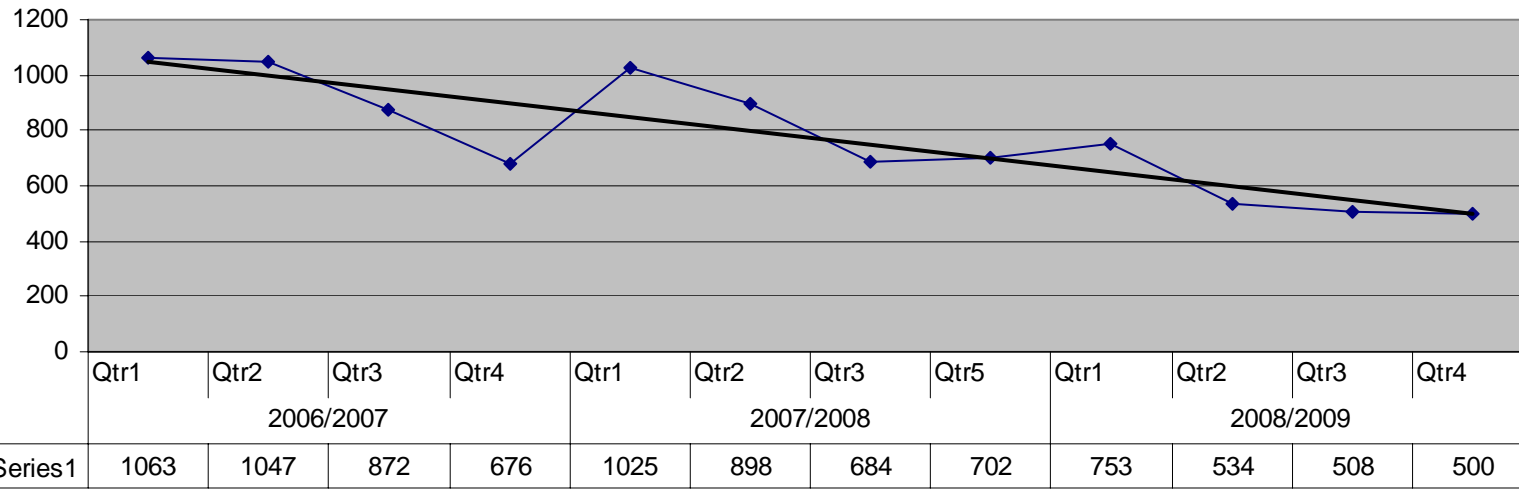
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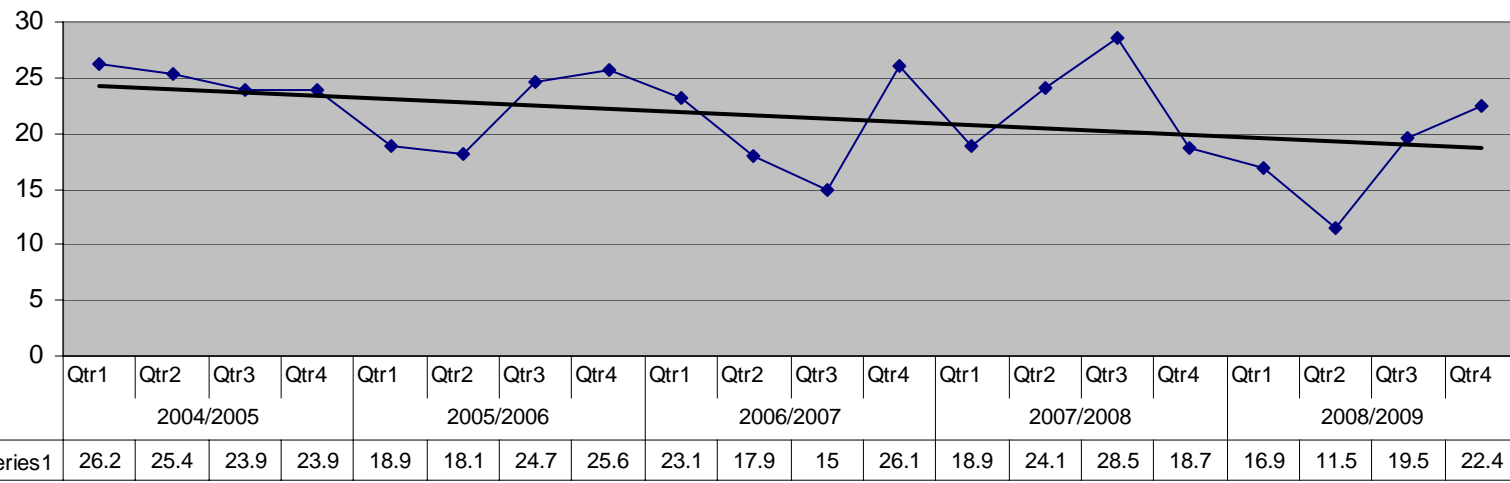
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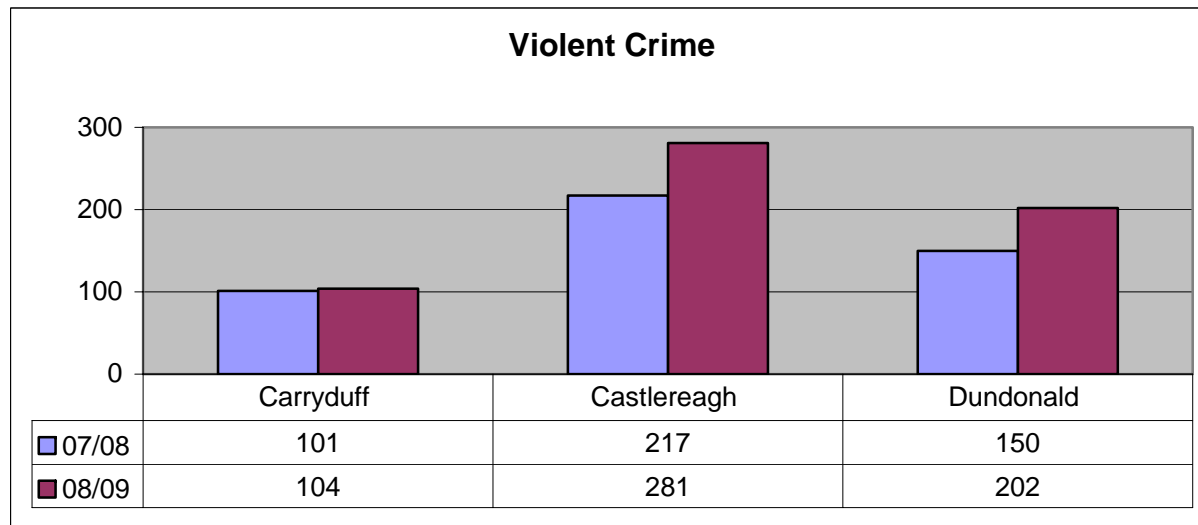
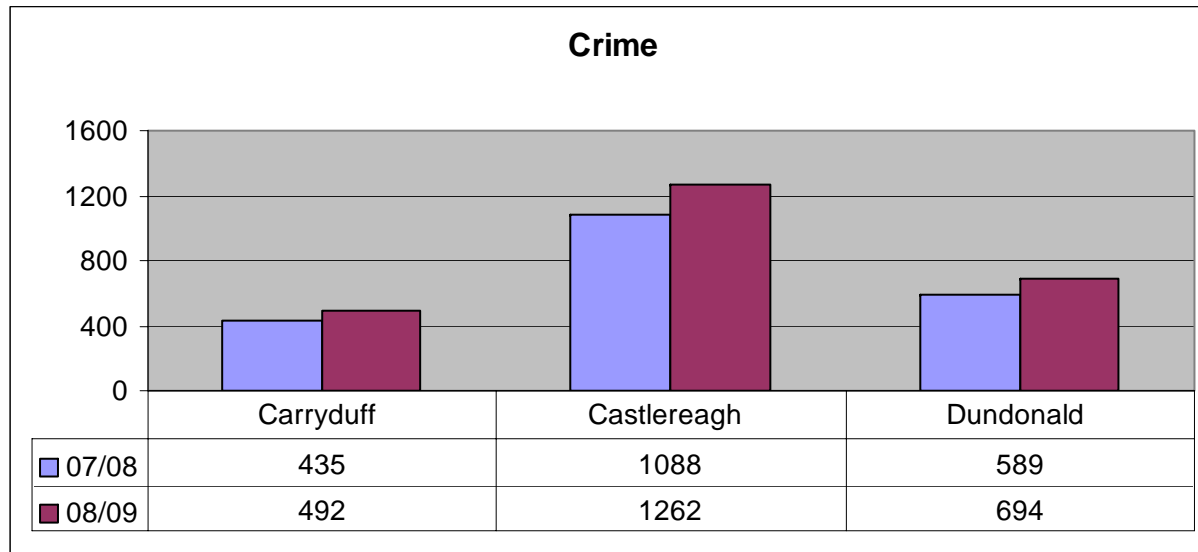
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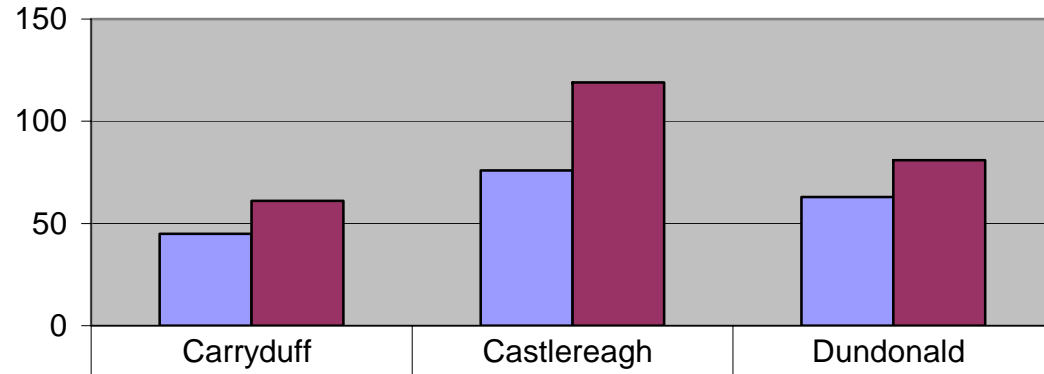
Clearance Rates



Crime breakdown according to Neighbourhood Areas



Domestic Burglary



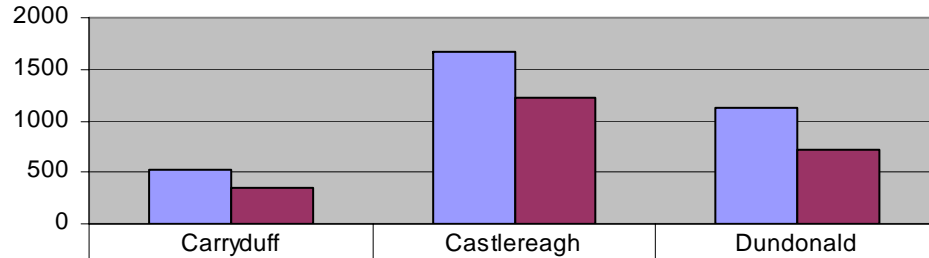
	Carryduff	Castlereagh	Dundonald
07/08	45	76	63
08/09	61	119	81

Clearance Rate



	Carryduff	Castlereagh	Dundonald
07/08	4.4%	7.9%	3.2%
08/09	6.6%	5.0%	7.4%

Anti Social Behaviour



	Carryduff	Castlereagh	Dundonald
2007/08	521	1666	1122
2008/09	347	1232	716