



**RECORDED ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR IN WESTBURY
FROM APRIL 1ST TO 31ST JULY 2010**

Anti Social behaviour can have a significant impact on its victims, it affects people where they live and often they feel there is no escape. It is often referred to as low level criminality but this undermines exactly how it makes its victims feel.

Anti Social behaviour covers a wide variety of issues. In short it is behaviour that has a negative impact on the community but does not necessarily amount to any specific criminal activities. The following table lists the types of behaviour that make up anti social behaviour and the average monthly calls received by police, for the Westbury Community Area Board.

TITLE	AVERAGE NUMBER OF CALLS TO POLICE PER MONTH
Rowdy/Inconsiderate Behaviour	62.3
Malicious Communications	4.8
Nuisance Neighbours	8.3
Vehicle Nuisance/ Inappropriate use	5.5
Hoax calls to Emergency services	2.5
Abandoned Vehicles	3.3
Noise	3
Littering/ Drug paraphernalia	1
Street Drinking	0.8
Animal Problems	0.5
Begging Vagrancy	0.3
Inappropriate use/sale of Fireworks	0
Prostitution	0
Trespass	1

Taking Anti Social Behaviour as a whole, Westbury suffered from an average of 2.2 incidents per 1000 population every two weeks for the 2009/2010 financial year. Although this figure is good there is room for improvement with only Salisbury, Trowbridge and Chippenham having higher figures, within Wiltshire.

Anti Social Behaviour is the main target for the NPT, and they work extremely closely with the Anti Social Behaviour Officer from the Council. There are numerous interventions that are being used including distractions for young

people such as the Blues and Zues disco recently started to Anti Social Behaviour Orders. Currently there are two interim Orders in place and it is hoped this will have a significant impact on the few people that commit the majority of these types of offence.

Reducing anti social behaviour is absolutely key to the activities of the police. It is vital that the police are informed if and when it occurs allowing us to work with our partners to bring it to an early conclusion letting people get on with their lives.

Inspector Dave Minty