

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL – February 2012 REPORT BY CAROLE SODEN

WILTSHIRE POLICE PERFORMANCE

The below performance relates to the period December 2010 to November 2011 and gives comparisons with the same period last year. Figures relate to Force level performance and give a comparison against our Most Similar Forces (MSF).

Overall Crime

- The total number of **All Crimes** has fallen by 8% which equates to 3,109 fewer crimes with Wiltshire Police currently performing better than peers.
- The rate at which crimes have been detected and resolved has fallen slightly to 24.96% compared to 25.49% last year equating to 1,528 fewer detections. However, Local Resolutions (low level crime and anti-social behaviour settled locally between victim and perpetrator) are not currently reflected in detections, but our own internal measures show that Local Resolutions have increased from 1.5% of total crime in 2010/11 to 2.9% currently for this financial year.

Violent Crime

- The incidence of **Violent Crime** has fallen by 19% (1,640 fewer crimes). The Force is currently performing better than other forces within its MSF grouping with a total of 10.711 per 1,000 residents compared to a MSF average of 12.141.
- The rate at which Violent Crime has been detected and resolved has fallen to 44.93% compared to 47.12% last year with the MSF average at 42.52%. This equates to 861 fewer detections compared to last year. However, we would expect to see this as the volume of crime reduces.

Serious Acquisitive Crime and **Dwelling Burglary** are also performing better than peers and are both showing a reduction of 11% and 13% respectively with a combined total of 852 fewer crimes.

Criminal Damage is down 9% (647 fewer crimes) and **Vehicle Crime** has reduced by 10% which equates to 367 fewer crimes.

	Most Similar Force Position	Year 2010/11 - Most Similar Force Position	Comparison - Current and Previous Year
All Crime	↑	↗	-8% (3109 fewer crimes)
All Detections**	↘	↘	-15% (1,528 fewer detections)
Violent Crime	↑	↗	-19% (1640 fewer crimes)
Violent Crime Detections**	↗	↗	-21% (861 fewer detections)
Serious Acquisitive Crime	↑	↗	-11% (627 fewer crimes)
Serious Acquisitive Crime Detections**	↘	↘	-27% (235 fewer detections)
Vehicle Crime	↗	↗	-10% (367 fewer crimes)
Dwelling Burglary	↑	↑	-13% (225 fewer crimes)
Criminal Damage	↗	↗	-9% (647 fewer crimes)

**Includes sanctioned detections only, comparisons to MSF are not currently available for Local Resolution

Key	
Better than Peers	↑
Inline with peers - better than average	↗
Inline with peers - worse than average	↘
Worse than Peers	↓

Wiltshire Police Performance

On a national level Wiltshire are performing well in relation to rates of Violent Crime for the 12 months from December 2010 to November 2011, recording the third lowest rate nationally at 10.711 offences per 1,000 population. This is 25.60% lower than the national average of 14.396.

Appointment of Deputy Chief Constable

WPA is pleased to confirm the permanent appointment of Pat Geenty to Deputy Chief Constable which was effective from 5th December 2011.

Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act – Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC)

A Transition Board involving all parties, including Wiltshire Council, is to be established. The first meeting will involve suggesting parameters for the Police and Crime Panel which will hold to account the PCC for police performance within Wiltshire and Swindon.

Police Authority Meeting Dates

9th February 2012
19th April 2012 (tbc)

Carole Soden, WPA Vice-Chairman