

**WILTSHIRE COUNCIL – MAY 2010
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WILTSHIRE POLICE PERFORMANCE – COUNTY DIVISION

Good performance in reducing crime and securing detections has been maintained by Wiltshire's County Division. It is in the top quartile for key crime categories in comparison to the 15 most similar policing divisions. Performance data for the twelve months to February 2010, are given below.

The Division is keeping the level of violent crime comparatively low, currently in 3rd place, and is in 1st place for violent crime detections. There has been a 2% reduction in serious acquisitive crime (4th place), which includes burglary of dwellings, vehicle crime and robbery. There has been an 11% reduction in criminal damage.

There are some areas where performance can be improved and where the County Division is giving priority. In respect of dwelling burglaries there has been a series in West Wiltshire, which has considerably damaged what would have been a very good performance.

Crime Types	Similar Areas (out of 15)	Comparison : March 09 - February 2010 to same period 08/09
All Crime	2 nd (1 st)	-2% (502 fewer crimes)
Overall Sanction Detections	1 st (1 st)	+1% (65 more detections)
Violent Crime	3 rd (2 nd)	+ 1% (Up 32 crimes)
Violent Crime Detections	1 st (1 st)	-2% (118 fewer detections)
Serious Acquisitive Crime	1 st (2 nd)	-2% (77 fewer crimes)
Serious Acquisitive Crime Detections	4 th	-15% (81 fewer detections)
Criminal Damage	3 rd (3 rd)	-11% (663 fewer crimes)

User Satisfaction (Victims of Crime)

Comparison with Most Similar BCU's (MSBCU): 12 months ending 31st December 2009			
Measure	Wiltshire % Satisfied	MSBCU Av. % Satisfied.	Wiltshire County BCU Position (Out of 15)
1.1 Overall experience of the Police	84.9%	85.7%	Down from 9th to 10th

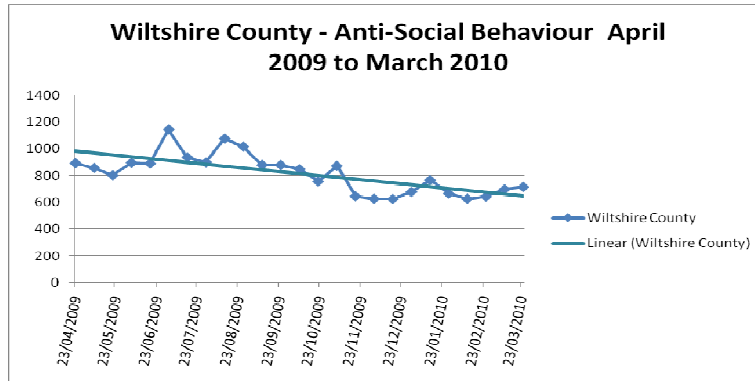
Neighbourhood Policing Team Abstraction Rates

Wiltshire Police Authority set a target of a minimum of 80% for the time spent by NPT staff on their respective areas. County Division has consistently achieved this target since April 2009 and the figures for March 2010 meet the target once again:

- **Community Beat Managers** – Ave monthly performance April - March 85%
- **PCSO's** – Ave monthly performance April - March 92%

Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents Reported to the Police

The level of antisocial behaviour reported to Wiltshire County Division has shown a drop during the year as shown in the graph below, plotting fortnightly figures since April 2009.



WPA Policing Plan 2010-2013

The Authority's Policing Plan for 2010-2013 will be published at the end of June 2010. There are five strategic priorities within the Policing Plan and these are:

- Tackling local issues of crime and antisocial behaviour and improving public confidence
- Tacking violent crime and protecting vulnerable people from harm
- Tacking organised crime and the supply / use of Class A drugs
- Reducing the number of people killed or seriously injured on Wiltshire's roads
- Creating a sustainable policing model for Wiltshire

The Authority's Performance Committee will monitor the Force's performance against these priorities at every meeting.

Assessment of Neighbourhood Engagement by Neighbourhood Policing Teams

WPA recently undertook its fourth assessment of neighbourhood engagement. In summary, feedback from community leaders is generally more positive about all aspects of neighbourhood engagement undertaken by NPTs. The engagement includes: publicising NPTs, attendance by NPTs at community events, consulting with communities over local policing priorities, and providing feedback on the fulfilment of those priorities.

A full copy of the report, which provides detail on the number of positive and negative responses received for each question asked, can be found on the WPA website (www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk). Members have asked the Force to respond to the queries raised at the next Consultation and Public Focus meeting on 12th July 2010.

Recruitment of Assistant Chief Constable

The Authority has recently advertised for a second Assistant Chief Constable. Due to the way in which these vacancies are managed nationally, the Authority will not be shortlisting or interviewing for this post until June. An update will be provided in my next report.

WPA Meetings

The Council is reminded that the Authority's meetings are held in public and that members of the public may attend if they wish. Future meeting dates for the full Authority meeting and Committees can be found on the WPA website (details as above). The Consultation and Public Focus Committee regularly scrutinises neighbourhood engagement and the Performance Committee holds its meeting around the County where local performance updates are provided at the meeting.

Police Authority Meetings :

- 10th June 2010
- 16th September 2010
- 2nd December 2010

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