



DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

**Community Safety and Public Protection Committee –
Monday 12th June 2017**

**DUNDEE CITY LOCAL POLICING AREA
PERFORMANCE RESULTS
1st April 2016 to 31st March 2017**

**Report No 208-2017 by Chief Superintendent Paul Anderson
Police Scotland 'D' Division (Tayside)**

1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 It is recommended that members note and scrutinise this operational report.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The purpose of this report (Appendix A) is to provide information to the Committee regarding the performance of Police Scotland against performance indicators that will facilitate local scrutiny.
- 2.2 Appendix A will provide context to the information provided in relation to performance and give information on some of the work which has taken place within the Dundee City Local Policing Area.
- 2.3 The data provided in this report is for information purposes to allow Committee Members to conduct their scrutiny responsibilities.

3. PERFORMANCE

- 3.3 Performance Indicators detailed in Appendix A are subdivided into the following priorities within this report which are the Local Policing Priorities as identified in the 3 year Local Policing Plan:
- Serious and Organised Crime
 - Public Protection and Safety
 - Road Safety
 - Antisocial Behaviour
 - Housebreaking and Theft
 - Terrorism

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1. There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

5. STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no staffing issues as a result of this report.

6. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

6.1 This report does not have any impact on the environment.

7. SUMMARY

7.1 The attached report updates members regarding significant operational matters and gives context to the performance of the local policing area.

8. COMPLIANCE

Is the proposal;

(a) Human Rights Act 1998 compliant? YES

(b) Equality & Diversity compliant? YES



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BACKGROUND TO THIS REPORT

As from April 2013, the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 has required Police Scotland to produce and publish a Local Policing Plan (LPP) for each local authority area. The LPP clearly sets out the policing priorities for Dundee.

Performance in relation to the identified policing priorities is monitored and reviewed internally on a weekly basis. Quarterly reports are produced to allow scrutiny by Dundee City Council Community Safety and Public Protection Committee. This report covers the period from 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2017.

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This report will make reference to crime groupings. Groups 1-4 refer to an amalgamation of four crime groups. They are Group 1, consisting of violent crime; Group 2 covering sexual offences; Group 3 covers a wide range of crimes of dishonesty; and Group 4 includes vandalism, fire-raising and malicious mischief.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY REPORT

This report brings to a conclusion the reporting year of 2016 to 2017 and highlights the good work that we continue to deliver whilst working with our partners in Dundee.

Within the last 12 months there have been significant changes in Dundee and we have moved to an Inspector led Operating model, based on feedback from our staff, our communities and our partners.

We have introduced a City Centre Policing Team as well as Community Officers within Localities. Early indications and feedback are positive regarding this change and as we move forward we will continue to refine this to ensure we are delivering the best possible service to our communities and working effectively with our partners.

Dundee has been host to a variety of Premier League Football matches, Events and Visits over the last year, all of which have been supported by officers and staff from D Division.

The year ahead will see some significant events being held with several concerts planned at Slessor Gardens and other locations within Dundee and we will continue to support these and work with our partners to deliver safe events.

Within page 3 of this report is an explanation of our crime groupings and details of Group 1 – 4 crimes, thereafter the report contains the statistics in relation to these crimes within Dundee.

There has been an increase in overall Group 1 crime however we have seen a reduction in Common Assault and Domestic Abuse incidents.

We have seen a reduction in House breaking over the last year which is extremely positive. And can be attributed to the proactive patrols carried out by local officers as well as Operation Ferry which is mentioned in this report.

As we continue in to the new reporting year, we will work proactively and positively within Dundee. Our Officers will continue to be visible and approachable within their Localities in order to prevent crime and disorder as well as provide reassurance. And our City Centre Policing Team and Community Investigation Unit will be focussed on problem solving and working alongside our partners.

Serious and Organised Crime

Controlled drugs continue to be found within the city and the use of cocaine has been prevalent. While there have been a large number of recoveries due to proactive and intelligence led operations, there have also been a number of significant recoveries during routine policing activity.

In January 2017, officers in attendance at Ninewells Hospital had cause to search a patient's property and recovered £4000 worth of heroin. The patient was arrested once deemed fit for release from hospital.

Later that month a male was taken to Ninewells Hospital suffering from the effects of drug use. In his property officers recovered approximately £2000 of heroin. This led to a search of the male's house in the West End, which resulted in the recovery of 30000 diazepam tablets which potentially could be sold on the street for £1 each. The male was arrested for drugs supply charges.

On 21 February 2017, officers attended Butterburn Square following a call regarding an incident. While there they met a male outside the building whose behaviour gave rise to suspicions. He was searched and found in possession of 30 grams of cocaine, valued at £1500. The male was arrested.

A gang, of seven men, who caused explosions at cash machines across Scotland and England, has been jailed for a total of 92 years. The group stole more than £550,000 and caused more than £160,000 worth of damage in attacks on 13 commercial premises, targeting those with ATMs. In a raid at the Co-op in Carnoustie in February 2016, they sawed through the roller-shutter doors, dragged the ATM out using a Land Rover Defender and winch, and escaped with £16,000. They were arrested following a joint cross border Police investigation.

Intelligence continues to be sought and received regarding persons involved in the supply of controlled drugs throughout the city.

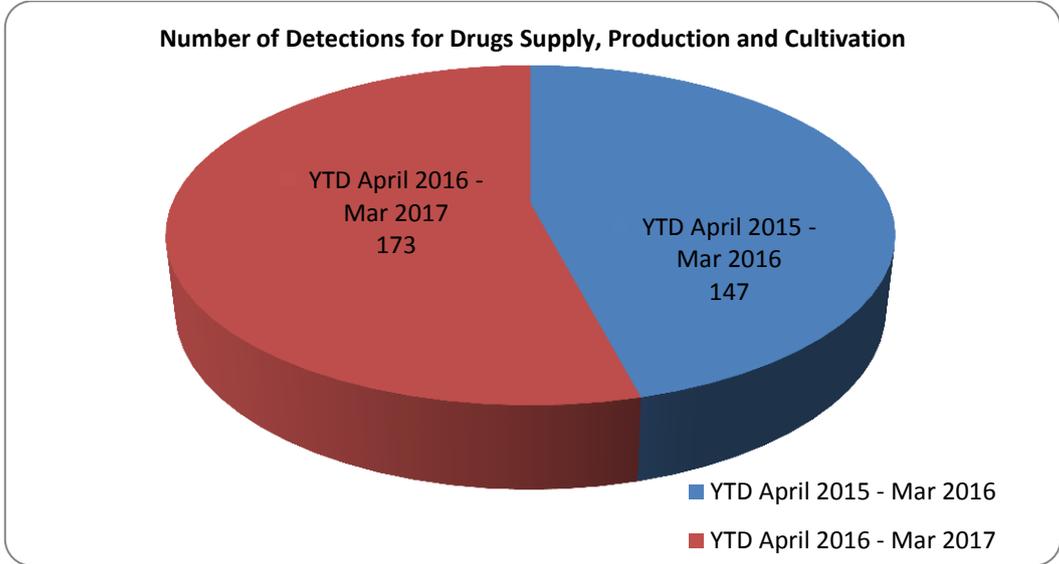
On 3 March 2017, following the receipt of intelligence, the Organised Crime and Counter Terrorism Unit (OCCTU), obtained a warrant and conducted a search in the Coldside area which led to the recovery of 103 grams of cocaine valued at £10300. The occupants of the house were arrested.

On 7 March 2017, intelligence was received regarding a male involved in the supply of cocaine. The male was followed and stopped within a vehicle on Kingsway. During a search of his car over a kilogram of cocaine was recovered with an estimated street value of £58000.

On 15, 16 and 18 March 2017, following the receipt of intelligence regarding the supply of heroin within the Coldside area, the Community Impact Unit conducted the searches of three houses by virtue of search warrants. Several thousand pounds worth of heroin was recovered within the houses along with several thousand pounds cash. Three persons were arrested and held in custody.

Serious and Organised Crime

		5 year average	April 2015 – Mar 2016	April 2016 – Mar 2017	% Change from last year
25	Number of detections for drugs supply, production, cultivation.		147	173	17.7%



Public Protection and Safety

There is a continued focus upon public protection and safety within the city, with a view to reducing violence. Operation Centresafe is carried out each weekend within the city centre. This has contributed to the reduction of assaults within the city. The detection rate for assaults remains reassuringly high.

Sadly in February 2017, the murders of a female and a male took place on the same night within the North East ward of the city. The male responsible was quickly traced and arrested. He still awaits trial.

In March 2017 a series of 6 fireraisings took place over a number of days within a tenement block in the Coldside area. Fortunately the damage was limited and no persons were injured. Given the unusual nature of the fires, officers worked closely with the Council Anti-social Team and as a result of this coordinated approach a female occupant of the block was detected as being responsible for the fires and arrested.

Throughout March, officers from the Community Hub, in conjunction with Dundee City Council, have carried out a number of internet safety presentations to youths at the Dundee colleges and high schools within the city. Additionally they have also joined Addaction to carry out a number of presentations to pupils at high schools in relation to drug use. Community Hub officers, supported by partner agencies, have carried out public greet and meet activity within the city centre in relation to TAKE 5, a Trading Standards led national project to combat bogus workmen and online scams.

Community Officers have arranged drop in surgeries within public buildings in the Lochee, West End, Strathmartine and Coldside wards for residents to attend on a monthly basis to raise any issues they may wish. This has led to improved understanding, by the police, of many local issues. Community Officers have also introduced a Mentors Against Violence initiative into all secondary schools throughout the city to allow a partnership approach to issues such as bullying, sexting and domestic violence.

Officers continue to work towards increasing the public's confidence to report domestic abuse. In addition to the actions of uniformed officers, specialist officers in the Domestic Abuse Task Force may investigate any historical abuse reported to the police. March 2017 saw the conviction and sentencing of a male who was responsible for the terrible abuse of four ex-partners, dating back to 2006. In addition to a Community Payback Order, he was subjected to a non-harassment order for 5 years to protect each of his victims.

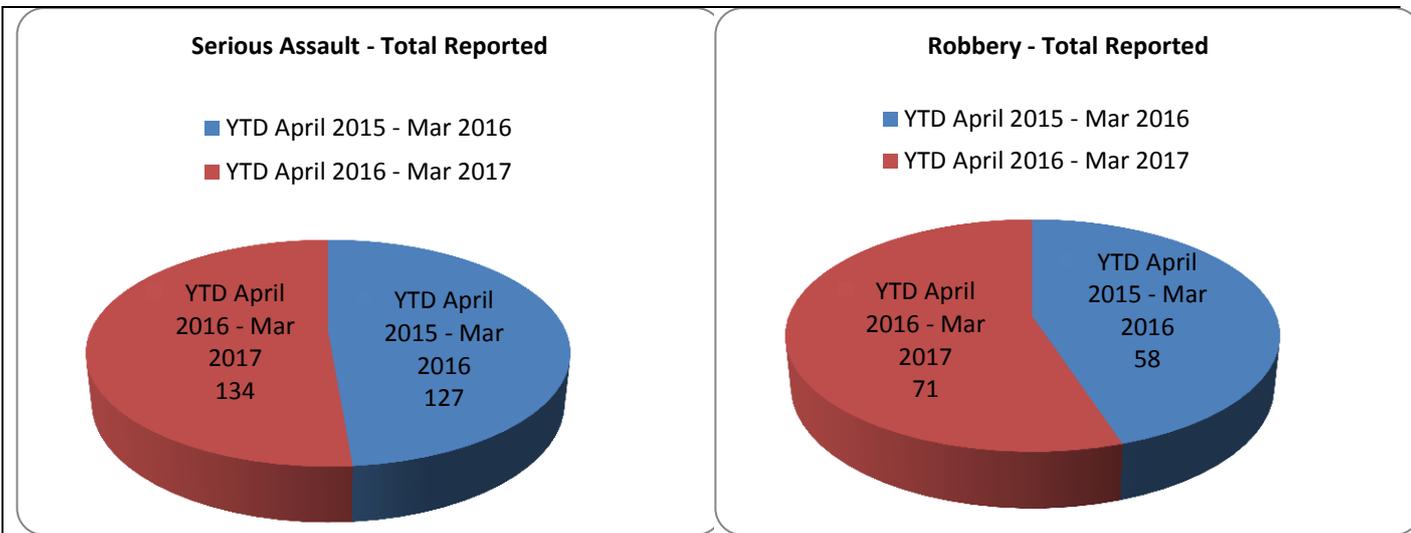
Public Protection and Safety					
		5 year average	Apr 2015- Mar 2016	Apr 2016- Mar 2017	% change from last year
1	Total Number Group 1: Crimes of Violence		237	260	9.7%
2	Murder		1	6	500.0%
3	Attempted Murder		4	2	-50.0%
4	Culpable Homicide (common law)		1	0	-100.0%
5	Culpable Homicide (other)		0	0	-
6	Serious Assault detection rate		92.1%	84.3%	-7.8%
7	Serious Assault		127	134	5.5%
8	Robbery detection rate		86.2%	80.3%	-5.9%
9	Robbery		58	71	22.4%
10	Petty (Common) Assault detection rate		83.2%	76.8%	-6.4%
11	Petty (common) Assault		2289	2083	-9.0%
13	Number of Domestic Abuse incidents reported to the Police	-	2355	2259	-4.1%
14	Total crimes and offences in Domestic Abuse incidents	-	1686	1464	-13.2%
15	Percentage of Domestic incidents that result in a crime being recorded	-	52.6%	48.5%	-4.1%
16	Total crimes and offences in Domestic Abuse incidents detection rate	-	80.4%	74.2%	-6.2%
17	Total detections for Domestic Bail offences	-	89	62	-30.3%
18	95% of initial Domestic Abuse Bail Checks are conducted within 24hrs	-	-	88.4%	-
19	Hate crime and offences detection rate	-	71.4%	73.0%	1.6%

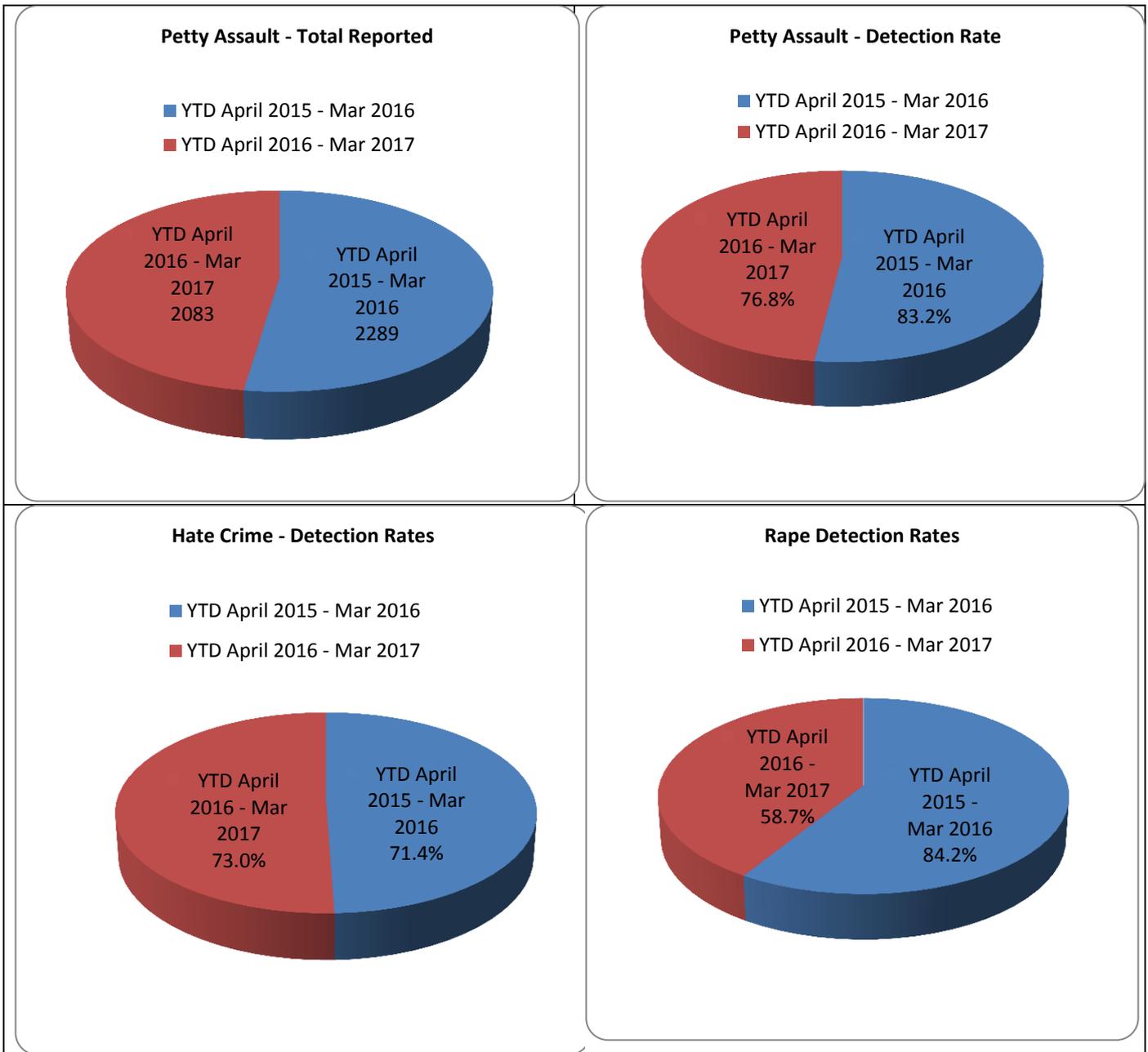
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-	Racially aggravated harassment/conduct (recorded)				
-	Racially aggravated harassment/conduct detection rate				
33	Number of Group 2: Crimes of Indecency		412	526	27.7%
34	Group 2 crimes detection rate		74.0%	66.5%	-7.5%
35	Rape detection rate		84.2%	58.7%	-25.5%

		April 2016 – Mar 2017	April 2016 – Mar 2017 (Positive)	
20	Number of Stop and Searches conducted (total)	1128	386	
21	Number of Statutory Stop and Searches conducted	1105	381	
22	Number of Consensual Stop and Searches conducted	23	5	
23	Number of Consensual Stop and Searches refused	0	-	
24	Number of seizures made	6	-	

An enhanced version of the National Stop and Search Database commenced on 1 June 2015. The enhanced database brought significant changes in the process of data capture and the methodology for recording data items. No previous year to date figures are provided as it has been recognised this data is not 100% accurate, therefore comparisons will provide misleading results or invalid conclusions. Management information and data in respect of stop and search can be found on the Police Scotland website via <http://www.scotland.police/about-us/police-scotland/stop-and-search-data-publication>





Road Safety

Coordinated action continues to take place throughout the city between the Road Policing Unit and Local Policing Area officers. Throughout the festive period and during the early part of the year, a campaign took place to tackle the use of un-roadworthy vehicles which are often sold over the internet or via social media. Such vehicles are frequently used by un-licensed and uninsured drivers. A number of individuals marketing such vehicles were targeted. Proactive use was made of Tayside Division’s social media to highlight the road safety issues and features were also published in the Evening Telegraph and Courier and Advertiser newspapers. This led to the seizure of several uninsured vehicles.

During the latter part of 2016, a rise in vehicle theft took place. Operation Ferry, an operation to combat vehicle theft and associated crime, was instigated, led by D Division’s Proactive CID team. Working alongside the Road Policing Unit, a number of persons

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involved in the thefts have been identified and numerous stolen vehicles recovered. Enquiries linked those involved with various other crimes and associates throughout Scotland.

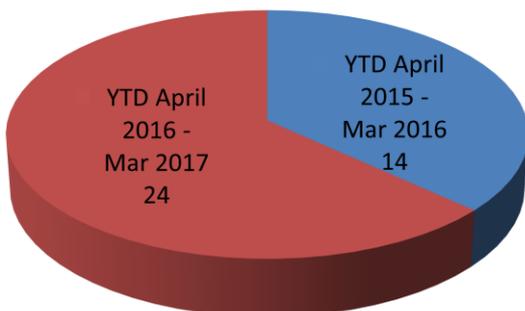
Dangerous and inconsiderate parking around schools remains an issue for our communities. Roads Policing Officers, Community Officers, Local Education and Parkwise are working together to combat this at each school around peak times. Additionally, Community Officers have planned an on-going series of scheduled days of action to monitor speeding around schools throughout the city.

The month long Festive Drink/Drug Drive Campaign concluded on 2 January 2017. The campaign was conducted by both Road Policing Officers and Divisional Officers. 46 offenders were detected in Tayside during the campaign.

Road Traffic Statistics					
		5 year average	Apr 2015- Mar 2016	Apr 2016- Mar 2017	% Change from last year
N/A	People Killed	-	1	1	0.0%
N/A	People Seriously Injured	-	14	24	71.4%
N/A	People Slightly Injured	-	91	91	0.0%
N/A	Children (aged <16) Killed	-	0	0	-
N/A	Children (aged <16) Seriously Injured	-	0	7	-
32	Dangerous driving		97	96	-1.0%
33	Speeding		1183	861	-27.2%
34	Disqualified driving		94	114	21.3%
35	Driving Licence		499	545	9.2%
36	Insurance		876	1213	38.5%
37	Seat Belts		154	68	-55.8%
38	Mobile Phone		176	150	-14.8%

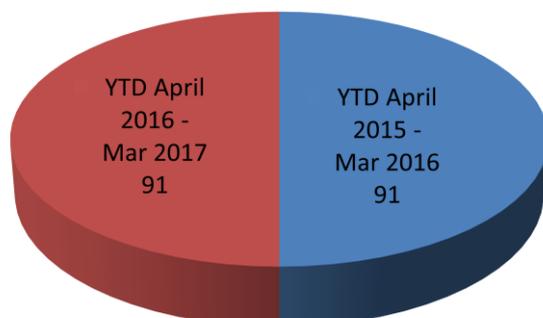
People Seriously Injured

■ YTD April 2015 - Mar 2016
 ■ YTD April 2016 - Mar 2017



People Slightly Injured

■ YTD April 2015 - Mar 2016
 ■ YTD April 2016 - Mar 2017



Antisocial Behaviour

Over the last quarter, anti-social behaviour in the north of the city has been an issue. In particular youths damaging buses and private vehicles in the Fintry area, and youths vandalising buildings in the Kirkton area has been significant.

In January 2017, officers met with members of Dundee City Council, Xplore Dundee and National Express to co-ordinate a response to the criminality of youths in North East ward. Community Hub officers attended schools in the area to present a video, created by youths, to 1st and 2nd year pupils which displayed the impact, on various people, that attacking buses can have. Following a constant police presence in the area and co-ordinated work between Community Officers and youth workers, a 14 year old boy was identified and charged with having damaged the wing mirrors of 25 vehicles over a three day period of destruction in Fintry.

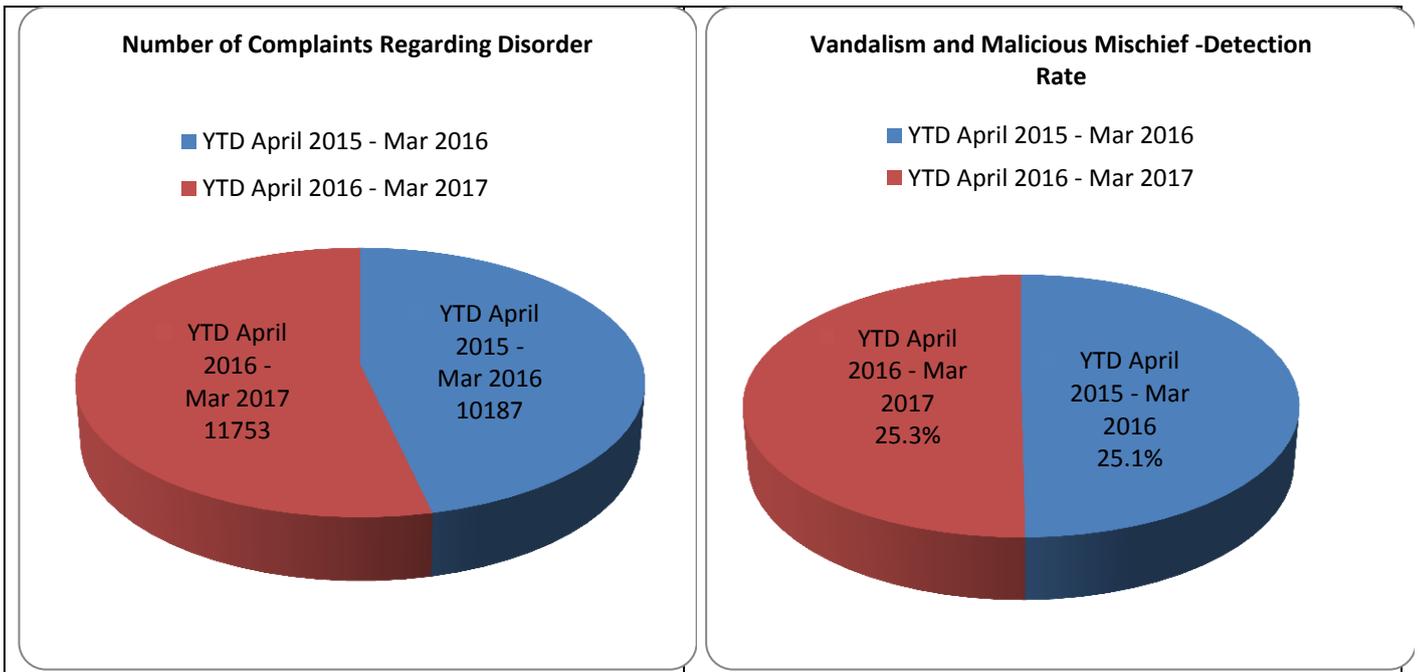
In January 2017, a Community Officer, who is a qualified football coach, introduced football coaching to three primary schools in the North East area which will allow him to engage, at an earlier stage, with youths and their families.

A primary school aged pupil was identified as the ring leader for assaults, thefts and vandalism in the Kirkton area of Strathmartine. A co-ordinated approach between the Community Sergeant, Anti-social Behaviour Team, Housing, Education and Social Work led to increased pressure upon his parents to take responsibility for his offending. The boy and several of his friends were charged with numerous vandalisms and assaults. Anti-social Behaviour action was taken against the boy's family which has seen them give up their tenancy and move to another area of the city. In the absence of his friends, the boys offending has dramatically reduced.

Each Friday evening approximately 60 to 80 youths gather in the Leisure Park at Dayton Drive in the Strathmartine area. This has led to damage to properties and a number of assaults. The area has been monitored extensively by Community Officers and Community Wardens however, throughout March, Youth Workers have attended with officers with a view to diverting the youths to other activities. This has led to more positive engagement between the youths and officers.

Antisocial Behaviour

	5 year average	Apr 2015- Mar 2016	Apr 2016- Mar 2017	% Change from last year
Number of complaints regarding disorder	-	10187	11753	15.4%
Vandalism & Malicious Mischief detection rate		25.1%	25.3%	0.2%
Vandalism & Malicious Mischief		1708	1729	1.2%
Number of detections for Consuming Alcohol in a designated place (where appropriate byelaws exist)	-	44	19	-56.8%



Housebreaking and Theft

Like other crime, acquisitive crime is constantly monitored. No individual area of the city has been identified as susceptible to housebreakings. Instead there have been sporadic housebreakings across the city.

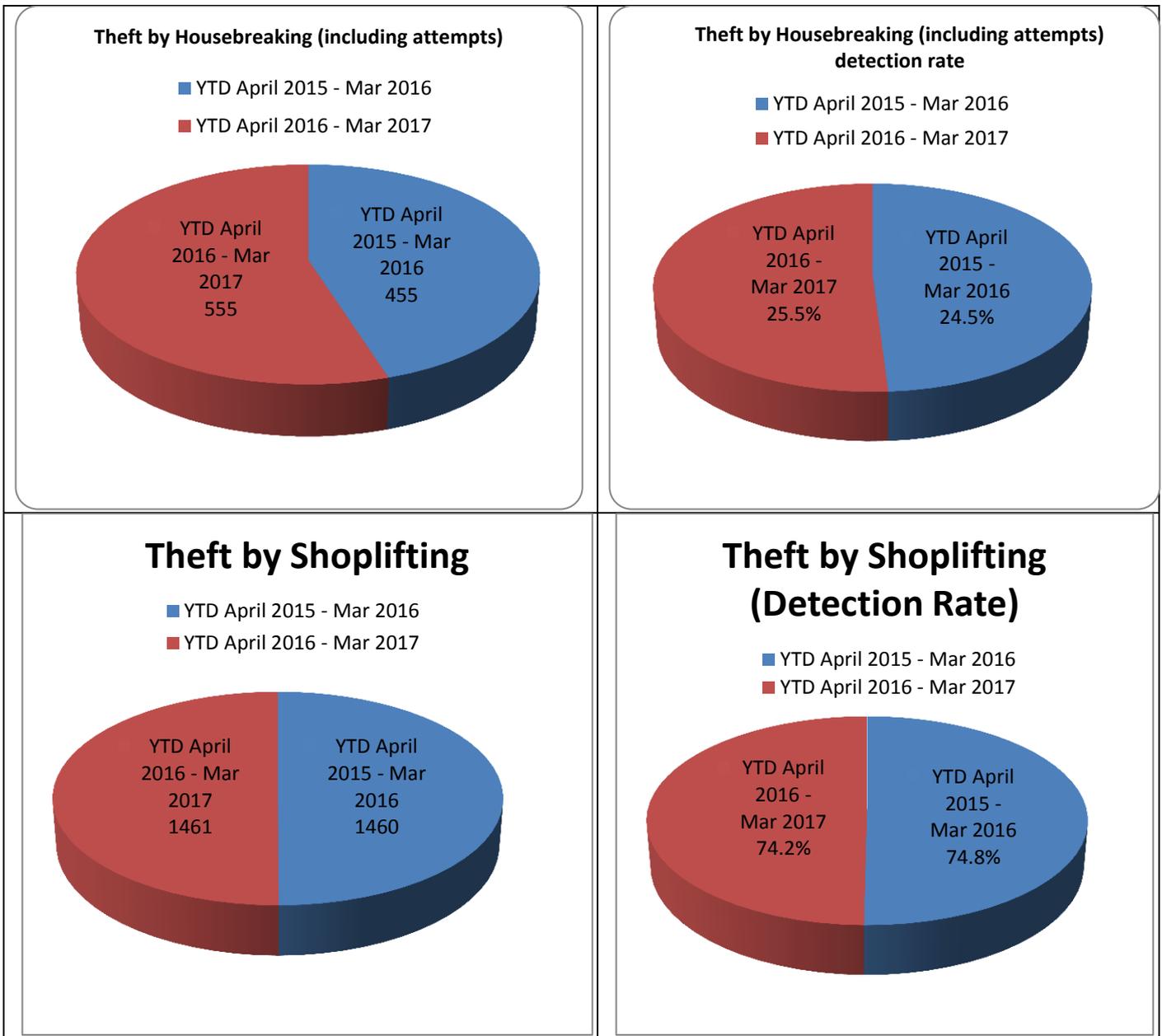
Over a two day period early in January 2017, vehicles and properties in the West End area were targeted by an individual who sought to gain entry for the purposes of stealing from within. Focused police activity and enquiry resulted in the arrest of a male who was ultimately charged with 11 preventative offences. He was remanded in prison.

On a single night in March 2017, 5 x housebreakings took place to garden sheds within the Maryfield area and two cars were broken into. A male was traced that night and arrested by officers. All stolen property was recovered and returned to its owners and the male was subsequently remanded in prison.

On 6 March 2017, the Elm Street area of Dundee was targeted by an individual who sought to gain entry to four houses. Fortunately the male was seen by an occupant of a house and officers attended immediately. The male responsible was found by officers within the street, arrested and later remanded in prison.

The Community Investigation Unit in Dundee are tasked with focussing upon housebreakings and other acquisitive crime. The unit currently consists of a Sergeant plus 6 Constables who carry out duties in uniform and plain clothes. In addition to the investigation of crime, the unit proactively target those involved in criminality. On 6 March 2017, the CIU commenced a Crime Reduction, Week of Action which focussed upon individuals involved in the commission of thefts and housebreakings. During the week the unit were responsible for the detection of 28 offences which included thefts by housebreaking, thefts from motor vehicles and other preventative offences. The unit were also responsible for the arrest of 9 individuals involved in such crimes.

Housebreaking and Theft by Shoplifting				
	5 year average	Apr 2015 – Mar 2016	Apr 2016 – Mar 2017	% Change from last year
Theft by housebreaking (including attempts) detection rate		24.5%	25.5%	1.0%
Theft by housebreaking (including attempts)		555	455	-18.0%
Theft by shoplifting detection rate		74.8%	74.2%	-0.6%
Theft by shoplifting		1460	1461	0.1%
Total number of motor vehicle crime detection rate				
Total number of recorded motor vehicle crime				



Terrorism

Global tensions, aligned with political and religious conflict, remain a clear threat throughout the world and the UK. The threat level to the UK from international terrorism remains at SEVERE - an attack is highly likely.

Throughout January 2017, ERTLP (Emerging and Residual Threat Local Profile) briefings were given to local authority and NHS executive teams regarding the current terrorist threat with local context. This was well received by each local authority and assists with a Multi Agency approach to challenge extremist rhetoric and bring counter terrorism awareness and preparedness to the fore amongst key partners.

Organised through the Scottish Government Resilience structure, two 'Move to Critical' workshops were held for partners from all three Tayside local authority areas. The aim of the workshop was to assist all partner agencies to understand and plan for the potential implications of the threat level being raised from SEVERE to CRITICAL.

During March 2017, ACT - Action Counters Terrorism - was launched by CT policing. This is a powerful new tool brings all CT advisory and appeal messaging under one coherent banner. The first campaign to utilise the ACT platform was a national public awareness advertising campaign called "Make Nothing Happen", which was used across radio and digital channels and urges citizens to contact police about suspicious activity by calling the anti terrorist hotline or using the online reporting form.

In March 2017, Community Officers were trained to deliver the ACT NOW counter terrorism presentation to schools. The presentation is aimed at young persons aged 14 years and upwards, to prevent radicalisation, and will be delivered by Community Officers and Hub Officers at each secondary school, college and university throughout the city.

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