

# Community Safety Strategy 2005-2008

## Final progress report

### **1. Objectives 2005-2008**

The progress for the three year strategy is based on the SMART objectives as detailed in the strategy document against the stated performance measures. It must be noted that some SMART objectives were not allocated a performance measure and some performance measures do not correspond to a SMART objective.

### **2. Data collection**

The figures have been obtained from MIDAS, the Partnership Analyst, the ASB co-ordinator, East Herts Licensing and the Area Partnerships Manager.

### **3. Data health warning**

- It must be noted that data for the period April 07 – March 08 is not shown for the full year. Data for this period has been obtained from April 07 – December 07/January 08.
- It is difficult to compare crime trends year on year for East Herts District because of changes to methods of collection.
- Data for DIP - The data collection and requirements have changed over the life of the DIP programme. The assessments do not necessarily reflect people entering treatment and therefore are of limited value. The PPO data is for PPO's approached and therefore individuals may not have been assessed - there is no accurate figure for that because of the way the programme worked in the past.
- Notes for MIDAS data
  - Figures are intended for operational purposes only and should not be considered official statistics.
  - The categories used for classifying Police recorded incidents changed in May 2005 and therefore data for 2005/2006 is for the period May

2005 – March 2006 inclusive and is not directly comparable to subsequent years.

- From April 2006 there was a further change in the categories used to classify Police recorded incidents in that the categories used in the year previous were condensed into fewer categories.
- Data for the number of Environmental Damage incidents recorded by East Herts District Council is only available from November 2006 from MIDAS.

### **3. BVPI – Awaiting results**

The number of domestic burglaries per 1,000 households

The number of violent crimes per 1,000 population

The number of robberies per 1,000 population

The number of vehicle crimes per 1,000 population

## Performance Management Area: Anti-social Behaviour

### Aims:

- To reduce the incidences of anti-social behaviour and arson in East Herts
- To record and reduce on a yearly basis the number of anti-social behaviour complaints received, specifically regarding groups of young people causing alarm, harassment and distress in East Herts.

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To reduce criminal damage by 12% across the district by 2008.	Number of police reports of criminal damage	Based on the 5839 reports of criminal damage over the 02-05 period, to achieve a 12% reduction by 2008, we would expect to see less than 5138 reports during 05-08.  Based on the current figure obtained (05-Dec07) there is a 14.73% reduction.

Data Source: Eastern Area Intelligence Unit

Year	Total number of reports of criminal damage	3 yearly total
April 2002-March 03	1643	5839
April 2003-March 04	1947	
April 2004-March 05	2249	
April 2005-March 06	1987	5089
April 2006-March 07	2004	
April 2007-December 07	1098	

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To appropriately use anti-social behaviour legislation, including ASBOs, ABCs, Section 30 dispersal orders, Exclusion orders, Alcohol free zones.	Number of ASBOs, ABCs and Section 30 dispersal orders, Exclusion orders, Alcohol free zones	See table below.

Data Source: ASB Co-ordinator

	April 05 – March 06	April 06 – March 07	April 07 – Present
Number of ABCs signed	26	34	21
Number of ABCs declined	18	22	4
Number of ASBOs on conviction	20	10	9
Number of civil ASBOs	0	1	0

Number of Section 30 Dispersal Orders	2	0	1
Alcohol Free zones (running total as order does not expire)	2	2	3

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To increase awareness of anti-social behaviour issues among young people	None allocated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ East Herts Annual Youth Conference (2005) – ASB workshop</li> <li>○ Annual Herts Police Crucial Crew</li> <li>○ Increase in school PCSO's</li> <li>○ ABC interviews</li> </ul>

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
Not allocated	Number of complaints received by/referred to East Herts, Police and Housing ASB co-ordinators	May 05-Jan 08 total no of complaints: <b>23,458</b>  See table below

Data Source: MIDAS

Nature of complaint as recorded by the police	2005/2006 (May 05 - Mar 06)	2006/2007	2007/2008 (end Jan 08)
Abandoned Vehicles (Not Stolen Or Causing Obstruction)	716	807	692
Animal Problems	82	122	71
Begging/Vagrancy	2	7	7
Firearms (Non-Notifiable Crime And Incidents)	7	-	-
Hate Incidents - Gender/Sexual Orientation	2	-	-
Hate Incidents - Race	25	-	-
Hate Incidents - Religion	2	-	-
Hoax Calls to Emergency Services	319	276	353
Inappropriate Sale/Use/Possession of Fireworks	-	45	57
Malicious Communications	137	597	417
Malicious Communications - Abandoned Phone Calls	583	-	-
Malicious Communications - Obscene/nuisance Communication	219	-	-
Malicious Communications - Other Hoax Calls	108	-	-
Noise - Alarms	147	-	-
Noise - Business or Industry	10	-	-
Noise - Pubs and Clubs	23	-	-
Noise - Vehicles or Other Devices	161	-	-
Noise Nuisance	-	468	374
Prostitution Related Activity	1	-	-
Rowdy/Nuisance - Environmental	28	49	35

Damage/Littering			
Rowdy/Nuisance - Inappropriate Use of Fireworks	32	-	-
Rowdy/Nuisance - Inappropriate Use of Public Space	47	-	-
Rowdy/Nuisance - Neighbours	307	337	318
Rowdy/Nuisance - Rowdy and Inconsiderate	3902	4839	3510
Street Drinking	111	78	42
Substance Misuse	1	35	19
Substance Misuse - Drug Related	30	-	-
Substance Misuse - Substance/Solvent Related	2	-	-
Trespass	2	16	15
Vehicle Related Nuisance/Inappropriate Vehicle Use	572	1219	971
Vehicles - Found SMV	104	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>7682</b>	<b>8895</b>	<b>6881</b>

<b>SMART Objective</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
To carry out 12 visual audits of East Herts anti-social behaviour 'hotspot' areas over three years to identify ways to design out anti-social behaviour and associated crime. To be broken down as four per year.	Number of visual audits carried out	4 have been carried out since March 2005

<b>SMART Objective</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
Not allocated	Number of Environmental Crimes reported to the Council	See table below

Data Source: MIDAS

	<b>2006/2007 (Nov 06 - Mar 07)</b>	<b>2007/2008 (end Dec 08)</b>
Abandoned vehicles	400	577
Criminal damage	49	78
Fly tipping	392	679
Litter	79	169
<b>Total</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>1503</b>

<b>SMART Objective</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
To reduce incidents of arson by 7% across the district by 2008	Number of deliberate property fires (including vehicles)	Based on the 239 reports of property fires over the 02-05 period, to achieve a 7% reduction by 2008, we would expect to see less than 229 reports during 05-08.  Based on the current figure obtained (05-Dec07) there is an approximate 6% reduction.

Data Source: MIDAS/ Eastern Area Intelligence Unit

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of deliberate property fires (primary fires)</b>	<b>Number of deliberate property fires (secondary fires)</b>	<b>3 yearly total (excluding secondary fires)</b>
April 2002-March 03	70		239
April 2003-March 04	87		
April 2004-March 05	82		
April 2005-March 06	101	164	226
April 2006-March 07	85	167	
April 2007-Dec 07	40	119	

<b>SMART Objective</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
Focus on tackling crimes that affect the environment throughout 2005 to 2008.	None allocated	Ongoing

## Performance Management Area: Violent Crime

### Aims

- Raise the profile and encourage the reporting of hate crimes and incidents.
- Support a positive night-time economy whilst tackling alcohol associated violent crime.
- Use the new Licensing Act as an enforcement tool for the CDRP.
- Effectively tackle Robbery throughout the district.
- Increase the reporting of Domestic Violence throughout the district.

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To reduce the number of recorded robberies by 4% per year across the district between 2005 and 2008.	Number of recorded robbery offences	05-06/06-07 = approx 6% increase  06-07/07-Dec07 = approx 67% reduction

Data Source: Eastern Area Intelligence Unit

Year	Number of recorded robbery offences	3 yearly total
April 2005-March 06	51	125
April 2006-March 07	54	
April 2007-Dec 07	18	

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To reduce the number of recorded violent crimes by 6% per year across the district between 2005 and 2008.	Number of recorded violent crime offences	04-05/05-06 = approx 14% increase  05-06/06-07 = approx 5% increase  06-07/07-Dec07 = approx 40% decrease

Data Source: Eastern Area Intelligence Unit

Year	Number of recorded violent crime offences	3 yearly total
April 2002-March 03	713	3408
April 2003-March 04	1137	
April 2004-March 05	1558	
April 2005-March 06	1774	4751
April 2006-March 07	1869	
April 2007-December 07	1108	

<b>SMART Objective</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
To reduce the number of repeat victims of Domestic Violence by 2008.	Number of repeat victims of domestic violence	See table below

Data Source: Eastern Area Intelligence Unit (Home Office repeat victimisations)

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of repeat victims of domestic violence</b>	<b>3 yearly total</b>
April 2002-March 03	156	823
April 2003-March 04	364	
April 2004-March 05	303	
April 2005-March 06	294	830
April 2006-March 07	297	
April 2007-Jan 07	239	

<b>SMART Objective</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
To achieve a detection rate for domestic violence crimes of at least 45% by 2006 and maintain this target.	None allocated	Unobtainable

<b>SMART Objective</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
To reduce by 3% per year the number of violent crimes in which alcohol is an aggravating factor across the district between 2005 and 2008.	None allocated	05-06/06-07 = approx 28% increase 06-07/07-Jan07 = approx 34% decrease

Data Source: Eastern Area Intelligence Unit

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of violent crimes in which alcohol is an aggravating factor</b>	<b>3 yearly total</b>
April 2002-March 03	N/A	N/A
April 2003-March 04	N/A	
April 2004-March 05	N/A	
April 2005-March 06	518	1684
April 2006-March 07	668	
April 2007-Jan 08	498	



## Performance Management Area: Acquisitive Crime

### Aims

- Reduce Acquisitive Crimes in accordance with Home Office targets.
- Raise profile of and tackle distraction burglary.
- Support communities to prevent them becoming victims of acquisitive crime.

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To reduce the number of recorded burglaries by 4% per year across the district between 2005 and 2008	Number of recorded burglary offences	04-05/05-06 = approx 5% decrease 05-06/06-07 = approx 7% decrease 06-07/07-Jan07 = approx 16% decrease

Data Source: Eastern Area Intelligence Unit/MIDAS

Year	Number of recorded burglary offences			3 yearly total (dwelling and other)
	Dwelling	Other	Total	
April 2002-March 03	400	764	<b>1164</b>	3535
April 2003-March 04	439	749	<b>1188</b>	
April 2004-March 05	425	758	<b>1183</b>	
April 2005-March 06	408	714	<b>1122</b>	3050
April 2006-March 07	369	678	<b>1047</b>	
April 2007-Jan 08	344	537	<b>881</b>	

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To reduce number of recorded vehicle crimes by 3% per year across the district between 2005 and 2008	Number of recorded vehicle crime offences	04-05/05-06 = approx 8% increase 05-06/06-07 = approx 6% decrease 06-07/07-Jan07 = approx 10% decrease

Data Source: Eastern Area Intelligence Unit/MIDAS

Year	Number of recorded vehicle crime offences				3 yearly total
	Theft of	Theft from	Interference & tampering	Total	
Apr02-Mar 03	N/A	N/A	N/A	1387	3523
Apr03-Mar 04	N/A	N/A	N/A	1135	
Apr04-Mar 05	N/A	N/A	N/A	1001	
Apr05-Mar 06	318	294	230	1088	3011
Apr06-Mar 07	721	642	605	1017	
Apr07-Jan 08	49	81	71	906	

## Performance Management Area: Sense of Community Safety

### Aims

- To increase feelings of safety for people living in and visiting East Herts

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To ensure partnership initiatives are released to the press and communicated to the public through different mediums throughout 2005 – 2008	1. Number of 'good news' partnership stories in the press  2. Number of Partnership run public meetings	Figures unobtainable

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
1. To reduce public perceptions of Crime and Disorder by 2008. (Feelings of Safety public survey) 2. Reduce the number of people worried about the different crime types as highlighted in the feelings of safety survey 2004, by 2007	Feelings of Safety survey to be circulated to residents in 2007 as part of the new Crime and Disorder Audit process.	Survey not carried out?

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
Not allocated	Arrest rate/re-offending rate of Prolific and Other Priority Offenders and successful completion of rehabilitation phase.	Figure not obtained

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
Improve public lighting in identified 'hotspot' areas to improve sense of community safety, where appropriate.	1. Number of 'hotspot' areas where lighting etc improved  2. Feedback from residents in identified 'hotspot' areas	1. Immeasurable due to perceived allocation of hotspot areas against lighting improvements  2. Survey not carried out

<b>SMART Objective</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Achievements</b>
Work with partners to increase the range of activities for young people throughout the district during the life of the strategy	None allocated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Evidence from the Summer Activities 05, 06, 07</li> <li>○ 2006-2007 activities focused year round</li> <li>○ 2006-2007 the age range for activities for young people was extended from the previous year.</li> </ul>

<b>SMART Objective</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
Work with partners to ensure high visibility patrols are available in 'hotspot' areas through deployment of Police Officers, PCSOs and Community Safety accredited staff campaigns.	None allocated	Ongoing (excluding Community Safety accredited staff campaigns)

## Performance Management Area: Alcohol and Drugs

### Aims

- To reduce the harm caused by illegal drugs, including substantially increasing the number of drug misusing offenders entering treatment through the Criminal Justice System.
- To reduce drug-related crime and its impact on communities, individuals and their families.
- Reduce and disrupt the supply of illegal drugs on our streets.
- Reduce the use of Class A drugs and the frequent use of any illicit drug among all young people under the age of 25.
- Effectively tackle alcohol related disorder and reduce the effects this has on communities.
- Identify areas and locations where drug related crime is present on the streets of East Herts

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
Implement the Drug Intervention Programmes (DIP) across East Herts. 45 generic DIP cases and at least 12 PPO DIP cases managed by March 2006.	Number of Prolific Offenders receiving drug treatment / engaged with DIP	<p><b>April 05 - March 06</b> PPO's Approached 20  <b>April 05 - March 06</b> People assessed by DIP - 104 (this does not mean they were case managed by DIP just means they were assessed and are Non PPO's)</p> <p><b>April 06 - March 07</b>  PPO'S Approached - 1  Non -PPO's assessed – 88</p> <p><b>April 07 - Dec 07</b>  PPO'S Approached - 0  Non - PPO's assessed:30  Taken onto Caseload – 21</p>
		The Taken onto caseload (only avail for 2007) show how many people actually worked with DIP as opposed to just who was assessed

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
Provide alcohol education to young people, who have or are considered at risk of entering the criminal justice system (county-wide target)	Number of young people receiving alcohol-specific education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hammered</li> <li>○ Poster campaign on alcohol related injuries</li> <li>○ 2005-08 YP SM Strategy we included a priority linked to alcohol which was to further develop the 'Make It Happen In Sport' programme</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>YP SM set up the Dedicated Drug and Alcohol Service (Tier 2b) to fast track young offenders into services and this has been successful</li> </ul>
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SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
Not allocated	Number of people receiving drug-awareness training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Frank cup provided 11 weeks of informal drugs education with 1971 attendances.</li> </ul>

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
Not allocated	Mediums used to promote FRANK (national drug information line), Crimestoppers, Hertfordshire Constabulary Class A drug information line and <a href="http://www.itsmanicinherts.com">www.itsmanicinherts.com</a> (Alcohol awareness website for young people).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advertised at all diversionary activities, in particular the 'FRANK' cup</li> <li>Public questionnaires to raise awareness of FRANK</li> <li>At town centre drug awareness days</li> <li>Frequent use of FRANK logo</li> <li>Promotional material widely used</li> <li>Advertised in Link magazine</li> </ul>

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
Train 20 frontline staff per year to identify drug paraphernalia, 2005-2008.	None allocated	10

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To increase by 2% year on year the number of offences resulting in a charge, caution or summons for trafficking and supply offences in respect of Class A drugs.	None allocated	<p>04-05/05-06 = approx 69% decrease</p> <p>05-06/06-07 = approx 175% increase</p> <p>06-07/07-Jan07 = approx 18% increase</p>

Data Source: Eastern Area Intelligence Unit

Year	Number of offences resulting in a charge, caution or summons for trafficking and supply offences in respect of class A drugs	3 yearly total
April 2002-March 03	1	17
April 2003-March 04	3	
April 2004-March 05	13	
April 2005-March 06	4	14
April 2006-March 07	11	
April 2007-Jan 08	9	

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To assess the built environment of all drug hotspot areas brought to the attention of the CDRP. 4 visual audits to be carried out per year.	None allocated	Drug hotspot areas have not been identified. No visual audits have been carried out with regards to drugs in the built environment.
		For future reference – mapping drug paraphernalia could identify the allocation of a drug hotspot.

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
To carry out test purchase schemes across the district in each year and prosecute where possible.	Number of test purchases / multi agency licensed premises visits carried out	See table below

Data Source: Area Partnerships Manager

Test purchases / multi agency licensed premises visits	Total for each visit	Total for Year
Tuesday 20th December 2005	7	2005 = 7
Friday 2nd June 2006	6	2006 = 15
Wednesday 29th November 2006	4	
Wednesday 6th December 2006	5	
Thursday 10th May 2007	6 (TUSAC)	2007 = 21
Tuesday 22nd May 2007	6 (TUSAC)	
Monday 4th June 2007	6 (TUSAC)	
Wednesday 5th December 2007	3	
		<b>Total = 43</b>

Data Source: East Herts Licensing

SMART Objective	Performance Measure	Achievement
Not allocated	Number of licensee's warned for breach of their licence	Nov '05 – Oct '06 <b>66</b> Nov '06 – Oct '07 <b>41</b>

Data Source: East Herts Licensing

<b>SMART Objective</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
Not allocated	Number of licensee second breaches enforce	Nov '05 – Oct '06 <b>8</b> Nov '06 – Oct '07 <b>5</b>