Community Safety Review survey results summary

Results

There were 159 replies.

Q1 Which of the four options is most important to you (allocate 100 points)?

PCSOs	6040
CCTV	4659
Diversionary Activities	4028
Taxi Marshals	970

[A couple of the figures are not what you might expect, as you'd think people would allocate in fives, but one or two did not; two respondents split theirs 33/33/33]

Q2 Agree or disagree that partners deal with the following......

There were seventeen categories of crime/nuisance for people to indicate against

Agree – 894 votes Don't know – 778 Neither – 539 Disagree – 385

Agree – almost average throughout. Residential burglary received the most number of 'agrees' (79), followed by ASB (70) & speeding (68).

Clear lowest number of 'agrees' were for fly tipping and dog fouling (coincidentally, the latter is a 'News' item on the EHDC internet site this week).

A concern is that the 'don't know' category received the second highest total of the four. Is this a communication problem or just that people genuinely don't know because it doesn't affect them?

Commercial burglary received the highest number of 'don't knows' (74) of which perhaps more people would not be aware. However, the next highest number of 'don't knows' were arson (69), sexual assault (62), street robbery (55) and theft from outbuildings (54). Speeding (22) & ASB (24) received the fewest 'don't knows'.

Q3 What may help people feel safer?

There were seven options in total, one of which was 'other'. Most respondents chose more than one.

PCSOs	129
CCTV	107
Diversionary activities	103
Publicising good news stories	86
Publication of crime stats	63
Updates via websites	43

21 people indicated 'other' and stated their idea. Clearly the most popular (8) was greater uniform visibility (mostly police, but PCSOs also), the second was N'hood Watch with 3. The rest are a mixture and some were not answering the question 'What my help people feel safer'?

Q4 Two community safety problems that concern you most (and respondent's location).

There were 15 respondents who left this question blank, but included their location. A few people put one concern, most two and one put six (ASB - overnight commercial vehicle parking, speeding, litter, airport parking, late night music noise, cold calling). It was satisfying to note that 8 people said that they had no concerns.

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General headings used in totalling the foremost issues identified by this question;

ASB 48

Traffic issues 29 (mostly cyclists & parking)

Drugs 23 Speeding 23 Alcohol issues 18 Disorder/vandalism 16

Some quotes from Q4;

'Lack of respect for people and property & anger and greed among younger folk'

'Don't rely on Street Pastors to get problems under control especially when police station is shut & not enough for teenagers to do (questionnaire weighted to what council and police are pushing for)'

'On the whole, Ware feels a very safe place to live. No immediate safety problems' 'ASB - name and shame culprits' a substance abuse - name and shame culprits'

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