

**ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR TEAM UPDATE**

OFFICER REPORTING:

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1. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To update the Crime and Disorder Forum on the recent work of the Anti-Social Behaviour Team

2. **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 **That the Crime and Disorder Forum notes the current work of the Anti-Social Behaviour Team and the current trends in ASB across the borough**

3. **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 **Recent developments**

The ASB Officer returns from maternity leave in May 2010 and there is an agency worker, Saduf Baig, covering this role in the meantime.

A full-time officer, Gail Lumsden, is now in the LAA funded post of ASB Projects Officer until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2009. Gail's role will be to ensure that we meet the 2010 LAA targets of:

- 24 Acceptable Behaviour Contracts – 'ABCs' (without intervention e.g. counselling/parenting support)) to be completed by March 2010 (this target has already been met)
- 18 ABCs (with intervention) to be completed by March 2010
- A reduction in the public's perceptions of ASB from 23% in 06/07 to 17% in 09/10 (based on the 7 issues stated in the BVUSS survey, which has now been replaced by the Places Survey)

There is now an ASB Police Officer in place (the post was vacant for 7 months in 2007). PC Marc Phillips is based at Windsor Police Station and covers the whole borough. PC Phillips is working very closely with the ASB team and Community Wardens to prevent and tackle all types of ASB across the borough.

The last few months have been heavy on casework and we have also been doing the usual tasks of:

- Mapping of ASB hotspots e.g. roads or parks with specific problems
- Sharing information with partners e.g. police, licensing, housing associations in order to tackle problems effectively
- Sending out ASB warning letters to perpetrators of ASB
- Working on ABCs with a range of individuals across the borough
- Identifying positive interventions (e.g. victim empathy sessions) to run alongside ABCs
- Working with Neighbourhood Action Groups (NAGs) to reduce ASB in local communities

### 3.2 ASB caseload, ABC's and ASBO's

The ASB Team is currently dealing with 59 open cases; 28 in Windsor and Ascot and 31 in Maidenhead. Of these, 37 are rowdy, nuisance and inconsiderate behaviour, 14 are neighbour disputes, 3 are noise, 2 are environmental damage, 1 is hate, 1 is street drinking and 1 is vehicle nuisance.

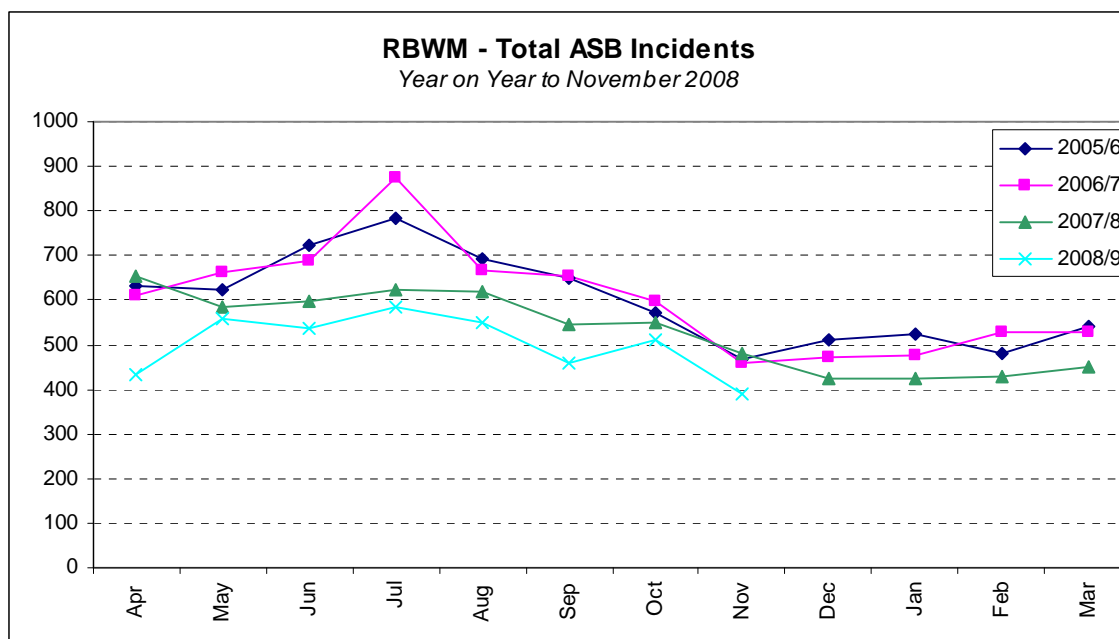
We currently have 17 ABC's without interventions, and 9 ABCs with interventions in place. We have had 42 ABC's without intervention successfully completed to date, which means we have already exceeded the 2010 LAA target of 24 successfully completed ABC's without intervention. We have had 2 ABCs with intervention successfully completed to date, and we have a target of 18 to be successfully completed by 2010.

We currently have 2 ASBOs in the borough, one of which expires in 2011 and one in 2012.

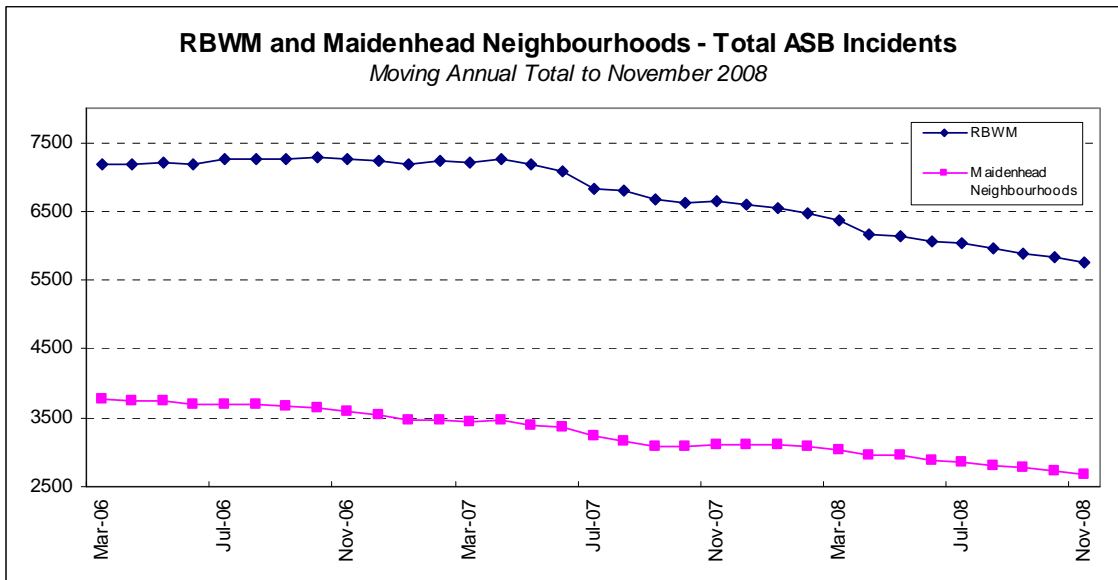
(The figures in the section are correct as of 5<sup>th</sup> January 2009.)

### 3.3 ASB statistics

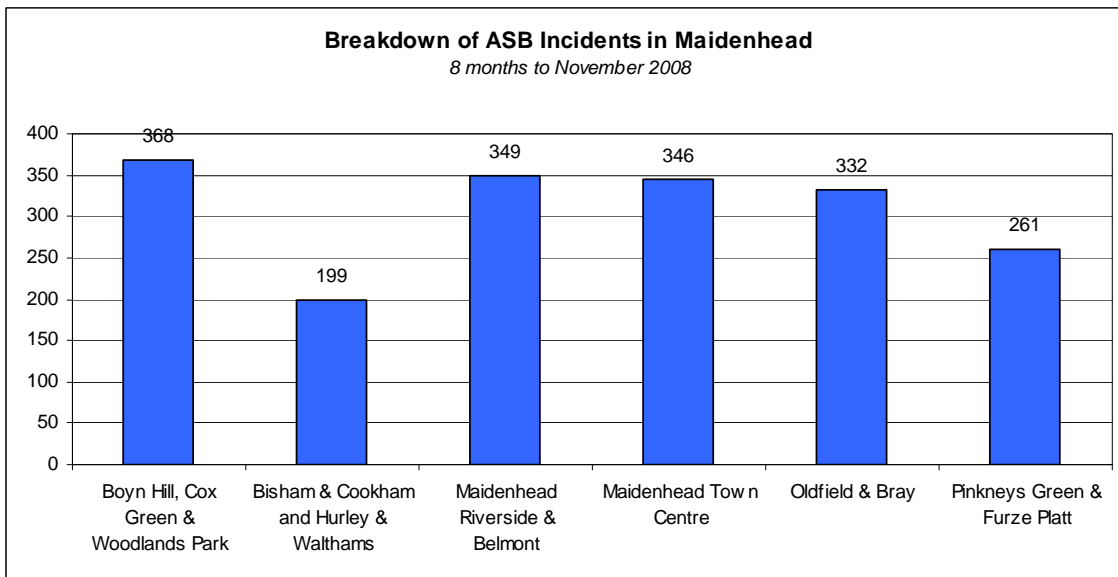
This graph illustrates the reductions in ASB across the borough compared to previous years. The pale blue line at the bottom shows 2008/09 so far, and figures are consistently lower than in previous years.



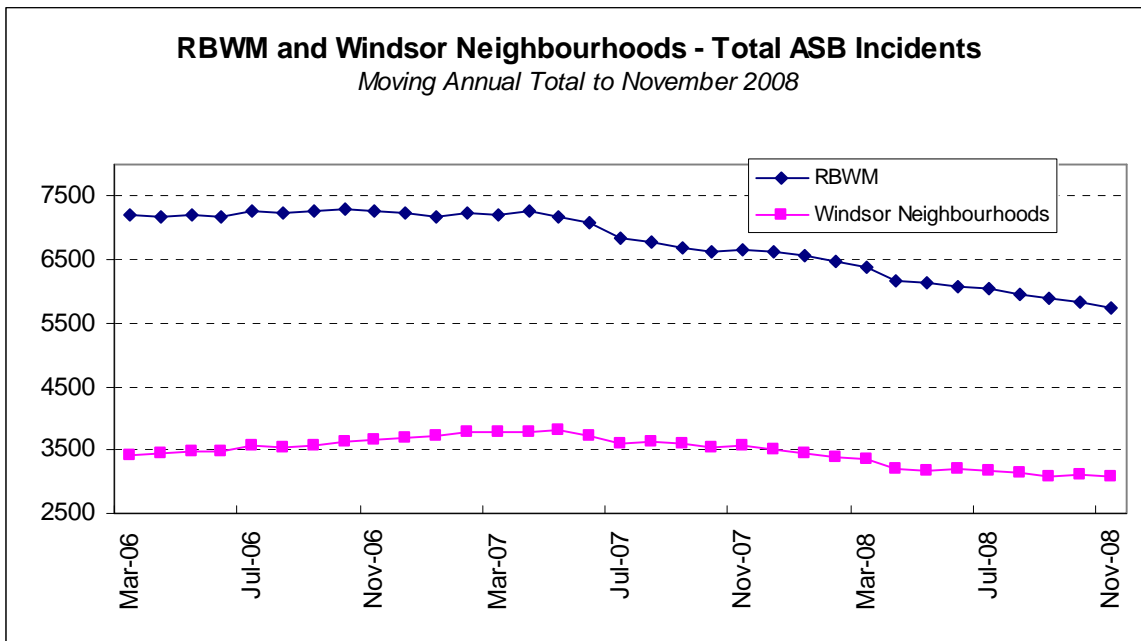
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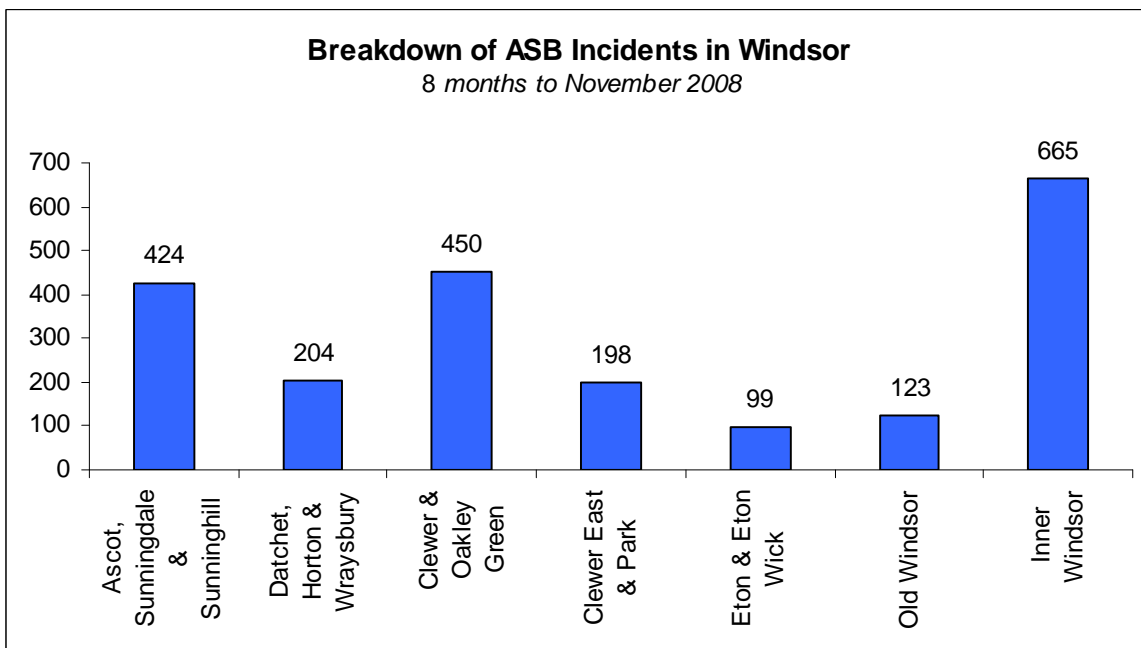
This chart shows the levels of ASB in each police neighbourhood in Maidenhead from April to November 2008. The figures are fairly evenly spread across the neighbourhoods, with Bisham, Cookham, Hurley and the Walthams seeing the lowest number of incidents.



The graph on the next page illustrates the levels of ASB in Windsor from March 2006 to November 2008 – again, both have been falling steadily.



This chart shows the levels of ASB in each police neighbourhood in Windsor from April to November 2008. The figures in Windsor and Ascot are more acutely spread here, with Inner Windsor, Clewer and Oakley Green and Ascot, Sunningdale and Sunninghill having the highest numbers of incidents and Eton and Eton Wick with the lowest.



### 3.3 ASB Strategic Group

The ASB Strategic Group last met in November 2008 and it was agreed that the group would be re-vamped to become smaller and more focussed in the future, and that it will be renamed the Anti-Social Behaviour Joint Action Group (ASBJAG). This group will meet parallel to the Community Safety Joint Action Group (CSJAG) on a quarterly basis, and both groups will report to the Community Safety Executive Group (CSEG) which will then report to the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP).

4. **CONSULTATION CARRIED OUT**

4.1 N/A

5. **IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 Financial

N/A

5.2 Legal

5.2.1 The items contained within this report are in line with;

- Crime and Disorder Act 1998
- Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003
- Licensing Act 2003
- Housing Act 2004

5.3 Human Rights Act

None of the Convention Rights will be affected by this decision