



Dacorum Community Safety Partnership – October 2013

2nd Quarter 2013-14 Crime & ASB Summary

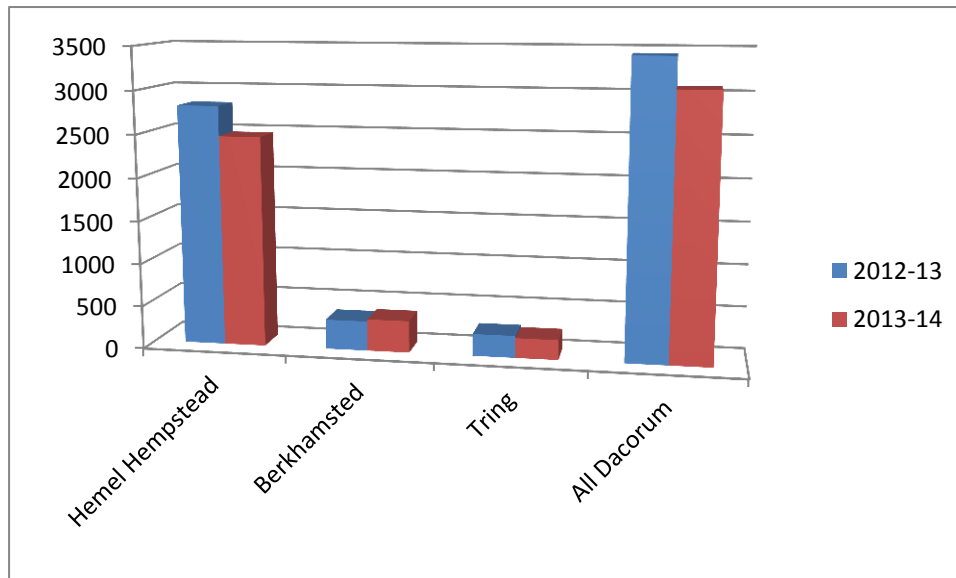
1/4/13 to 29/9/13 compared with same period in previous year showing percentage increase/decrease followed by rise/fall in number of crimes, followed by total number of crimes in period.

	Hemel Hempstead	Berkhamsted	Tring	All Dacorum	Position in County (10 Districts)per 1000 population
All Crime	-12.4% (-348,2460)	+7.2% (+25,372)	-8.9% (-23,232)	-10.4% (-358,3073)	6th
Burglary Dwelling	-33% (-52,101)	+122% (+27,49)	+38.8% (+7,25)	-17.1% (-33, 160)	3rd
Vehicle Crime	-5.8% (-16,257)	+4.9% (+2, 43)	-15.9% (-7,37)	-5.9% (-21, 337)	3rd
Violent Crime	-1.6% (-6,364)	-8.8% (-4,41)	-16.6% (-6,30)	-3.1% (-14, 437)	7th
Criminal Damage	-3.5% (-19,523)	+6.4% (+4,66)	+3.1% (+1,33)	-2.7% (-17,622)	8th
Anti-Social Behaviour	-34.7% (-775,1458)	-38.4% (-94,151)	-35.7% (-64,115)	-35.2% (-938,1724)	5th

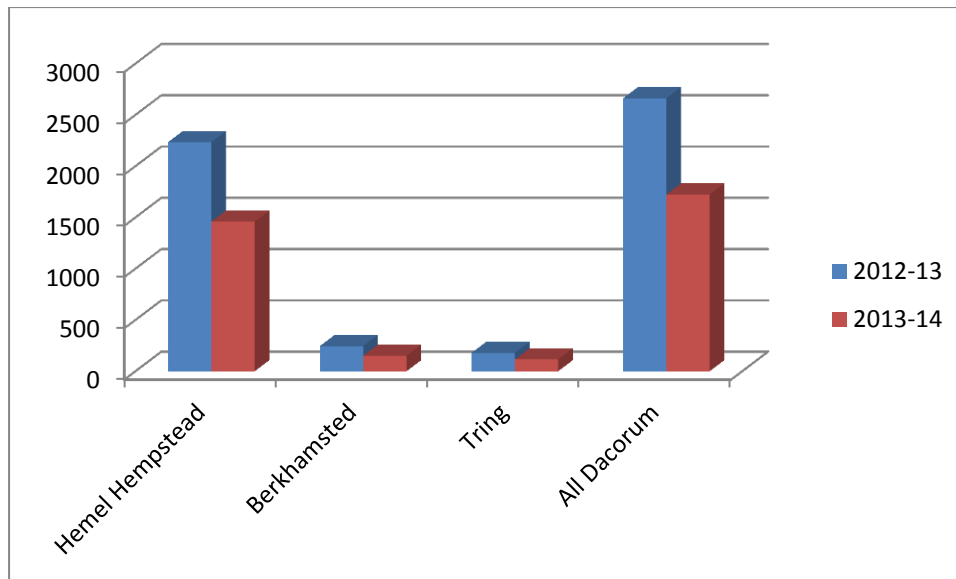
Please find attached the crime and anti-social behaviour figures for the first six months of this fiscal year.

At the end of the last complete year 2012-13, the drop in All Crime across the Borough was 12.4% compared to the previous year, so to have achieved a further reduction on already reducing figures over the six month period of 10.4% is a continuation of a very strong performance.

The chart below illustrates the numbers of crimes this six month period for the whole of Dacorum along with Hemel Hempstead, Berkhamsted and Tring compared to the same period in the previous year.



Reported incidents of antisocial behaviour continue to fall (35% in the first six months of this year against a reduction of 28% for the whole of the previous year) See chart below. Again this is a strong performance as a result of good working relationships across the member agencies.



Although the figures are strong the first six months of this year have presented challenges to this partnership, particularly in Berkhamsted, which saw a significant increase in Residential Burglaries. This part of the Borough was targeted by several teams of criminals. As a result of adopting a problem solving approach to this issue, the partnership contributed to the tactical response by the police to this problem, which resulted in arrests being made and the number of burglaries in Berkhamsted subsequently reducing.

This illustrates the sometimes unpredictable nature of crime and the serious impact it can have on specific localities.

The challenge in the coming six months is to maintain performance, bearing in mind that Halloween, Bonfire Night, Christmas and New Year's Celebrations and dark evenings all have the potential to have an adverse effect on Community Safety.

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