



Youth Crime in Bracknell Forest

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Background

- Bracknell Forest Community Safety Partnership (CSP) recently commissioned a Strategic Assessment of all crime and disorder from October 2015 to September 2018
- The aim was to identify key crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour issues affecting the community that needed improvement or change
- Youth Crime was highlighted as such an area
- Due to a period of poor data quality identified in 2016, analysis of Youth Crime focussed on the time period from January 2017 to September 2018

Youth Crime Headlines

- The amount of youth crime has not seen much change over the last 3 years
- Of all youth crime, violence and sexual offences make up most of it
- 4 out of 5 hotspots for youth crime were schools
- The most common time for youth crime was 1-3pm
- The most common victim and offender profile for youth crime was male, white British
- 13-15 year olds were the age most likely to be a suspect and victim of violence and sexual offences
- Where the offender status was known for violent crimes, the majority were young people, known, but unrelated, to the victim
- 2 Secondary Schools were highlighted as hotspots for youth crime as a result of violent offences
- The hotspots for repeat youth violence do not feature schools. However, there may be a link as trends indicate a decrease on weekends and a peak at 3-5pm

Next Steps

- A fuller presentation will be made to O&S CYPL – 24 September 2019
- The findings of the Strategic Assessment will be shared with the CSP Steering Group on 3 June
- Priorities of the CSP for the next year will be agreed at the CSP Workshop on 19 June
- Any further analysis and an action plan to tackle youth crime will be agreed in due course