

# Stronger Communities Select Committee

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## Epping Forest

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Unit: West LPA

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# Policing Structure

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- Two Community Policing Teams (CPT) based at Loughton Police Station comprising of 2 Sergeants, 9 Constables, and 7 PCSOs.
- Town Centre Team comprising of 1 Sergeant, 8 constables.
- Epping Forest District Council fund the Community Safety Team (CST) comprising of 1 Sergeant and 2 Police Constables.
- There is a dedicated rural officer who is shared between Epping Forest and Brentwood.
- Two Children and Young Persons Officers (CYP)
- Community Safety Engagement Officer (CSEO)
- Criminal Investigation Department (CID)
- Local Policing Team (LPT) is based at Loughton Police Station. 24/7 cover comprising of 5 Inspectors, 5 Sergeants, 55 Police Constables. 1 Uplift Sergeant for Casework and allocations.





## How we work

### WE ARE PROFESSIONAL

- How we behave
- How we learn
- How we lead
- How we work
- How we look

### WE LEARN AND DEVELOP

- We innovate
- We attract
- We develop
- We support

### WE ARE SKILLED, EQUIPPED & ENABLED

- We are data driven
- We use technology
- We are agile
- We are efficient and effective, and we protect our environment

### WE VALUE DIFFERENCE

- We are inclusive
- We respect people
- We build community trust & confidence
- We are anti-discrimination

### WE ARE COLLABORATIVE

- With other forces
- With our partners
- With communities
- With each other

## Our priorities

Prevent, Respond & Investigate to get the best outcomes for communities



## Main effort

Victims

Violence

Vulnerability

Visibility



# Delivering Community Priorities

- Tackling serious, organised crime
- Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls
- Reducing serious injury and death on our roads
- Working with our Partners



Op Claymore



Joint patrols with British Transport Police



Crimestoppers Zones



# Walk With Us



Debden



Loughton



# Ongar ASB: issues, actions taken and outcome

## How was it identified:

Complaints were made by residents and Councillors regarding Antisocial behavior in Ongar

## Action taken:

- Targeted patrols from CPT and CST.
- Dog walkers, carpark users and parents taking children to the playground have been engaged with.
- CYP Officers used Body Worn Footage, taking it into schools for teachers to identify children responsible for ASB. From this, 17 youths were identified. PC Shepherd worked with EFDC and letters were drawn up and hand delivered to eight of the youths responsible for the ASB.
- The school is sanctioning some of those students.

## Success:

- Significant reduction in issues in the area.
- The library staff have noticed a difference in the area with little to no issues reported lately.
- Regular patrols of the area has been posted on social media, coupled with advice on how to report ASB if seen.
- Positive outcomes.



# Community Engagement

Contact with our faith centres

Youth engagement

Working with the Independent Advisory Group

Fraud prevention

Dementia cafes



Police Cadets visting Hainault and Chigwell Shul



Nagar Yatra parade



YES conference



# Performance – Rolling 12 months to January 2023

Top Level		Offences			
Crime Type	% DA 2023	2022	2023	# diff.	% diff.
Anti-Social Behaviour (incidents)	-	2293	1487	-806	-35.2
All Crime (excl. Action (NFIB) Fraud)	17.1	10730	10368	-362	-3.4
- State Based Crime	5.0	1790	1637	-153	-8.5
- Victim Based Crime	19.4	8940	8731	-209	-2.3
Violence Against the Person	37.8	4207	3814	-393	-9.3
Sexual Offences	28.1	315	253	-62	-19.7
Robbery	0.0	75	114	39	52.0
- Burglary Residential	1.8	346	400	54	15.6
Criminal Damage inc. Arson	12.1	965	966	1	0.1
Racial/Religiously Aggravated Offences	4.6	160	153	-7	-4.4
Hate Crime HO Definition	4.7	282	255	-27	-9.6
Domestic Abuse	100.0	1934	1774	-160	-8.3





# Public Perception Survey Results

Question	Q3 December 2019	Q2 September 2022	Comparison	Force Performance September 2022
Confidence in local policing (% strongly/tend to agree)	62%	59%	↔	63%
Importance of a regular uniformed police presence in the area (% very important)	71%	66%	↔	69%
Essex Police understand the issues that affect your community (% strongly/tend to agree)	58%	48%	↓	51%
Essex Police are dealing with Crime and ASB (% strongly/tend to agree)	45%	36%	↓	45%
Confidence in receiving a good service from Essex Police (% very/fairly confident)	67%	66%	↔	65%
Police in this area are doing a good/excellent job	66%	70%	↔	73%
Feel Crime and ASB have become more of a problem in your area in the last 12 months	34%	36%	↔	32%
Feel informed about what the Police are doing in my local area (% very/fairly informed)	25%	36%	↑	41%



Questions?

