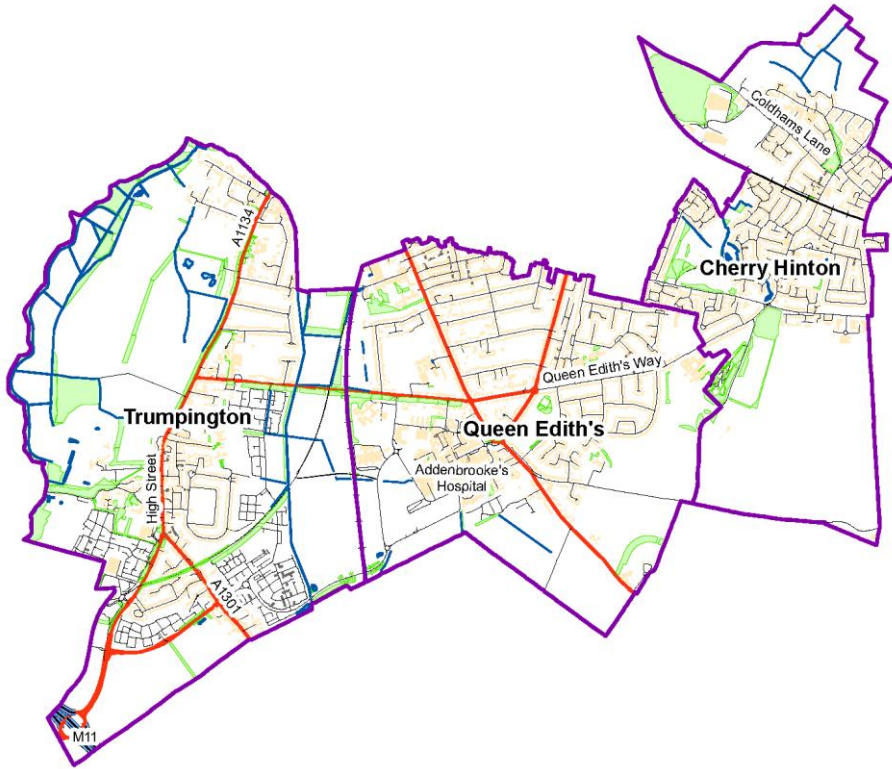


# Neighbourhood Profile

## Cambridge City South – March 2022

**Wards: *Cherry Hinton, Queen Edith's and Trumpington***



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## **1. Introduction**

### **Aim**

The aim of the Neighbourhood profile update is to provide an overview of action taken since the last reporting period, identify on-going and emerging crime and disorder issues, and provide recommendations for future areas of concern and activity in order to facilitate effective policing and partnership working in the area.

The document should be used to inform multi-agency neighbourhood panel meetings and neighbourhood policing teams, so that issues can be identified, effectively prioritised and partnership problem solving activity undertaken.

### **Methodology**

This document was produced using data received from the following sources:

- The Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team for the area;
- The City Council's Community Safety Team;
- The general public, via online and telephone crime and intelligence reporting; and
- Consultation with elected Ward and County members.

## **2. Current Areas of Concern**

At the South Area Committee meeting of 6 September 2021, the committee recommended addressing the following local areas of concern:

- Continue work to tackle vehicle-related antisocial behaviour and driving across the South of the City;
- Continue work (patrols and diverting young people away from crime and antisocial behaviour) across the South of the City, with specific focus on Trumpington Ward;
- Drug dealing, moped riding and anti-social behaviour around Cherry Hinton Rec and Cherry Hinton Hall; and
- Bike theft in Nine Wells and Trumpington Ward.

Lead officers and actions to be taken were agreed following the committee meeting. The work undertaken and current situation is detailed below.

### **Continue work to tackle vehicle-related antisocial behaviour and driving across the South of the City**

Objective: To identify those vehicles and persons engaging in anti-social behaviour and driving; and to reduce the impact of vehicle-related antisocial behaviour and driving through advice, education, and enforcement, where appropriate.

Action Taken:

- Trumpington Park and Ride site – ongoing police and multi-agency approach; OSARA (observation, scanning, analysis, response and assessment) plan created; patrols; CCTV secured at location; signs put up on Park and Ride site to make people aware of CCTV in the area. Police patrols on 22 January led to a large car meet being dispersed and a section 59 warning issued to a driver.
- Operation CROSSFADE – ongoing, with targeted patrols and scanning to identify offenders.
- Traffic Offence Reports (TORs) issued within the Trumpington area for traffic offences during January.
- Engaged with, and words of advice given to, a large group of young adults riding motorbikes, concerning their riding and behaviour.
- TOR issued to youth on moped on Long Road, Trumpington, for anti-social driving and no L plates attached.
- Continued patrols across South of the City to monitor and disrupt vehicle-related nuisance.

Current Situation: Positive feedback from partners around activity so far, likely this activity will need to continue in the next reporting period.

Lead Officer: PC 304 HORSFALL

**Continue work (patrols and diverting young people away from crime and antisocial behaviour) across the South of the City, with specific focus on Trumpington Ward**

Objective: To identify and divert young people at risk of becoming involved in crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB); to take appropriate enforcement action against those responsible for perpetrating anti-social behaviour; and to reduce the community impact of crime and anti-social behaviour.

Action Taken:

- South Team continue to monitor and identify key offenders of ASB within the area.
- Walpole Road – Worked with schools to identify those involved, spoken to around eight young individuals involved so far with more to go. The Community Safety Team (CST) is involved to prevent issues continuing. We have worked with residents regarding the issues and our approach. The long-term plan is for gates to be installed across a stairwell in the area to stop groups congregating (this is ongoing with the CST). Stop and search is also being used in the area as prevention and detection tactic. A suspected stolen bike recovered (Operation KONG) and we liaised with parents and school of young people regarding the stop and search.
- Guided Busway issues – Youth problem solving group held late 2021, with main cohort identified. Many partner agencies involved, including children services, family workers, school, SAFE Teams, Romsey Mill, etc. Operation SPRINGBOARD created to tackle ongoing issue and robberies. Patrols conducted, both hi-vis and plain clothed. Three of the young people involved arrested and bailed, and there is an ongoing investigation for robbery. CCTV camera to be installed in next month or so on Guided Busway, with a temporary Council CCTV camera at Hobson Avenue Junction to identify and disrupt offences taking place there.

- Long Road/Sedley Taylor Road – Students smoking and dealing in cannabis. Engaged with students regarding issue, and principal of the college spoken to regarding issue. Patrols conducted in area.

Current Situation: No further issues on Guided Busway since main cohort identified and dealt with. Likely that the Guided Busway will need continued monitoring, particularly through the summer months, as its location and proximity to skate park lends itself to anti-social behaviour in the future.

Lead Officer: PC 304 HORSFALL

### **Drug dealing, moped riding and anti-social behaviour around Cherry Hinton Rec and Cherry Hinton Hall**

Objective: To assess the scale of drug dealing and anti-social riding and other behaviour in Cherry Hinton; and to take appropriate enforcement action against perpetrators of anti-social riding and behaviour.

#### Action Taken

- Patrols surrounding Cherry Hinton Rec due to moped riding across Fox Gloves Rec Ground. Intelligence and information gathered identified possible offender, and they have now been spoken to.
- Patrols (high vis and plain clothed) in this area, however no major drug dealing or anti-social behaviour (ASB) issues identified.
- Cherry Hinton High Street patrolled, and youths in park engaged with.
- Fulbourn Road (behind the chalk pits) – Reports from residents of drug dealing. Hi-vis patrols conducted, engaged with residents and councillors and the parks manager.

Current Situation: Very few issues; whilst this has not been an issue over the winter months, historically the finer weather attracts ASB to Cherry Hinton Lakes.

Lead Officer: PC 1875 ALI

### **Bike theft in Nine Wells and Trumpington Ward**

Objective: To identify offenders and means of reducing bike theft in Nine Wells and Trumpington.

#### Action Taken:

- Both hi-vis and plain clothed patrols targeting bike theft offenders and identifying target hardening strategies to reduce this offence.
- Partnership work with housing and Design Out Crime officers to hold housing agents and landowners somewhat accountable for the safety of their tenants' property, i.e., bike shed facilities being fit for purpose.
- Musgrave Drive – Patrols and work ongoing, police speaking with residents about bike thefts.

Current Situation: Not sure this needs to remain in next period.

Lead Officer: PC 18 RAONA

### **3. *Proactive Work and Emerging Issues***

#### **Cambridgeshire Constabulary**

- Osprey Drive – Closure order extended and from this, the housing provider (BPHA), managed to seek full repossession of property.
- Scholars Court – Closure order extended; full repossession gained for property.
- Trumpington Park and Ride issues – Ongoing work surrounding this as highlighted in the report.
- Walpole Road – Anti-social behaviour (ASB) at the shops; ongoing work as highlighted in the report.
- ASB and issues reported taking place on Trumpington High Street. Multi-agency approach to tackle the ASB, which the Community Safety Team (CST) is currently reviewing and offering support. Following this, if the behaviour does not improve, further enforcement action will be taken against those responsible.
- Walpole Road/Cherry Hinton Road – Issues reported about an individual causing nuisance behaviour in the area, including shouting and verbal abuse towards others. Ongoing work with CST and health professionals to consider possible support and enforcement options to address this.
- Criminal Behaviour Order ongoing with a pending sentence hearing.
- Ongoing issue around Beaumont Road and Wulfstan Way – A multi-agency meeting was held to agree a plan to address the issues and community concerns. We engaged with residents, businesses, and councillors regarding the matter. Support and enforcement options are being used to address the issues and help to change the behaviour of the individual involved.
- St. Bede's Crescent – Police supported the CST to address serious ASB.
- Operation RESOLUTION – An individual remanded for theft from shop.
- Police support CST to address ASB in Cherry Hinton. Individual involved signed an Acceptable Behaviour Contract.

#### **Cambridge City Council**

The City Council's Community Safety Team (CST) continues to take proactive action where there are reports of antisocial behaviour (ASB) or nuisance behaviour, and works in close partnership with other agencies, such as housing providers and the police neighbourhood teams, when tackling complex cases. We will consider preventative, supporting and enforcement action as appropriate, depending on the nature and risk level of the case.

During the last reporting period, the CST has obtained two anti-social behaviour injunctions. In January, following breaches of one of the injunctions we went back to court for committal proceedings and now await sentencing. We are in the process of pursuing possession of a property due to reports of ASB and drug-related activity and have sought possession of another property for serious ASB. We have worked with colleagues in the police to issue an Acceptable Behaviour Contract and served a notice of seeking possession on another property.

The CST has funded some detached youth work in the Queen Edith's area in response to concerns raised by residents.

The Community Safety Team (CST) has been receiving complaints of anti-social behaviour (ASB), including begging and drinking, in a bus stop in Trumpington. We are working with partner agencies, including the police and support agencies, to deal with the ASB reported. The ASB Officer leading the case has contacted complainants and has also left their contact cards with the Shell Garage so they can pass them on to any customers who complain to them.

Officers from the CST attended the multi-agency Trumpington Meadows Community event. We also worked with police colleagues in setting up a youth problem solving group to discuss a group of young people who were causing problems in the Trumpington area. There has also been an application made for an RCCTV camera on the Guided Busway.

Linked to the Cambridge Community Safety Partnership, the multi-agency Cambridge Cycle Crime Prevention Task and Finish Group continues to share experience and expertise in identifying gaps and areas to focus future work to tackle and to support the reduction in cycle crime. The City Council is the interim chair, with stakeholders working together, from local businesses, various agencies including the voluntary sector, and a Police and Crime Commissioner representative. The Task and Finish Group continues to promote the [Save Our Cycles](#) campaign for the public to encourage locking and registering cycles.

#### **4. Additional Information**

At the neighbourhood level, the [POLICE.UK](#) website allows for swift access to local crime and anti-social behaviour data at street level. The website can display crimes on a map as well as in chart format, along with trend lines. The three most important sections within this website are: 'overview'; 'crime map'; and 'statistics'. This gives a good overview of issues within the local area. To access the local area's relevant data, type "Cambridge" into the search engine on the homepage and then select the relevant area (Cambridge City Centre policing team, Cambridge – North policing team, or Cambridge – South policing team).

#### **5. Recommendations**

None are advised. We seek views from this committee on those local areas of concern that the police and partner agencies can work together to action and report on at the next reporting committee meeting.