

**CUMBRIA POLICE AUTHORITY  
Audit and Performance Committee**

**7 Sept 2006**

**Agenda Item No ....**

**Local Priorities Monitoring Report**

**A Report by the Chief Constable**

**1. SUMMARY**

This report provides an update on the agreed Local Domain Targets for 2006/7. These targets were approved by the PPBV on February 21 2006.

In 2006/7, there is a Home Office requirement to set PPAF Local Domain priorities with associated measures and targets\*. The Constabulary has followed Home Office guidance, taking into account community consultation, partner consultation, Constabulary Control Strategy and continuous improvement.

Through a consultative process and by following the Local Priorities guidance, the Constabulary identified three areas not effectively covered by the current SPI measures. These are:

- Youth Disorder
- Anti-social Behaviour
- Anti-social use of Motor Vehicles

Appropriate measures and targets were drawn up in order to provide a means to grade Constabulary performance in these areas. Section 3 of this report provides an updated year-to-date position in relation to performance against these targets.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

That members note the updated target position.

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\* The guidance document 'Setting Local Priorities and Assessing Performance for PPAF's Local Domain' issued by SYMBIA was used as the basis of the target setting process.

### 3. DETAIL

#### 3.1 Targets for Youth Disorder

##### Measure 1

Question in annual consultation survey to establish a baseline level of worry about Youth Disorder.

##### Comment

Survey results being analysed. Outcome will be reported to next Audit and Performance meeting in November.

##### Measure 2

To increase by 5% across each BCU the youth offenders brought to justice for offences symptomatic of youth disorder (Section 4/5 offences, Criminal Damage and Shoplifting).

#### Performance Update

BCU	Performance April-July 2005/2006	Performance April-July 2006/2007	% Change	Target	✓ x	Performance June 2006	Performance July 2006	% Change	✓ x
North	375	439	17.1%	391	✓	123	100	-18.7%	x
South	527	396	-24.9%	479	x	68	98	44.1%	✓
West	380	353	-7.1%	328	✓	86	94	9.3%	✓
<b>Force</b>	<b>1282</b>	<b>1188</b>	<b>-7.3%</b>	<b>1198</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>✓</b>

##### Comment

The table above shows numbers of youth offenders that have been brought to justice in each BCU, together with the target. The Constabulary is currently 0.8% (10 offences) just outside the year-to-date target in this category. In June 2006 the street issue of fixed penalty notices was implemented Constabulary-wide. The table shows that there has been an increase in performance since this occurred.

Applying the grading criteria: Poor but improving.

#### 3.2 Targets for Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

##### Measure 1

Use 2006/7 as a 'baseline year' in order to develop a baseline that is inclusive of the change to the NSIR.

##### Measure 2

A proxy measure for anti-social behaviour is to look at the level of Criminal Damage in the Constabulary. A 5% reduction target was agreed for 2006/7.

**Performance Update**

BCU	Performance April-July 2005/2006	Performance April-July 2006/2007	% Change	Target	✓ ✗	Performance June 2006	Performance July 2006	% Change	✓ ✗	Monthly Average 2005/2006	✓ ✗
North	1414	1453	2.8%	1422	✗	333	351	5.4%	✗	374.2	✓
South	1311	1494	14.0%	1346	✗	387	331	-14.5%	✓	353.8	✓
West	1576	1514	-3.9%	1555	✓	325	353	8.6%	✗	409.0	✓
<b>Force</b>	<b>4301</b>	<b>4461</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>4324</b>	<b>✗</b>	<b>1045</b>	<b>1035</b>	<b>-1.0%</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>1136.9</b>	<b>✓</b>

**Comment**

The Constabulary has improved its year-to-date target position, moving to 3.1% (137 offences) outside the year-to-date target (source PDC Pack July 2006). (In May the Constabulary was 5.6% (183) offences over target.)

A more detailed account of criminal damage performance is contained within the criminal damage exception report (a separate agenda item).

Applying the grading criteria: Poor but improving.

**3.3 Anti-social use of motor vehicles**

This target area reflects the need to ensure the necessary education and enforcement measures are effectively captured in policing activity. Therefore targets were approved in relation to both education and enforcement.

**Measure 1**

Increase the numbers of driver referrals to the Driver Improvement Scheme across the Constabulary by 10%.

**Comment**

The Driver Improvement Scheme is an initiative in which drivers who are reported for Driving Without Due Care and Attention are offered a two-day training course (as an alternative to prosecution), which they have to pay for. They must pass the course in order to avoid prosecution.

**Performance Update**

The referral figures per Criminal Justice Unit for Apr - Jun 06 are as follows:

- Workington - 9
- Carlisle - 18
- Barrow - 27
- Kendal (Kendal) - 29
- Kendal (Penrith) - 19

Applying the grading criteria: Poor but improving.

## Measure 2

To increase by 5% (669 offences) the numbers brought to justice for driving offences in the following table:

### Motoring Offences

#### RETURN OF WRITTEN WARNINGS AND CAUTIONS GIVEN

<b>Force:</b>	Cumbria					
<b>Year:</b>	2006					
		April to June 2006				
Offence Group	Offence Type	Carlisle	West	Barrow	Kendal	Total
1	Causing death or bodily harm					
2	Dangerous driving					0
3	Driving etc after consuming alcohol or taking drugs		1			1
4 (pt)	Careless driving (excluding use of hand-held mobile phone while driving)		17	1	1	19
4 (pt)	Use of hand-held mobile phone while driving (as from 1 December 2003)				2	2
5	Accident offences				2	2
6	Unauthorised taking or theft of motor vehicle					
7	Driving licence related offences	12	11	13	8	44
9	Vehicle insurance offences	8	4	17	5	34
10	Vehicle registration and excise licence offences	1			2	3
13	Vehicle test offences	10	12	23	12	57
14	Fraud, forgery etc associated with vehicle or driver records					0
15	Vehicle or part in dangerous or defective condition			1	3	4
16	Speed limit offences (including offences involving any camera devices) (1)				10	10
18	Neglect of traffic directions (including offences involving any camera devices) (1)	2		2		4
19	Neglect of pedestrian rights			1		1
20	Obstruction, waiting and parking offences	5			3	8
22	Noise offences					0
24	Offences peculiar to motor cycles	2	2	1		5
<b>TOTAL OFFENCES</b>		<b>40</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>194</b>

## Performance Update

Applying the grading criteria: excellent.

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