

Safer Streets

for Worksop



Investing £750,000 to make our communities safer

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Nottinghamshire secured £750,000 from the Home Office's Safer Streets fund for a range of public safety projects in Bassetlaw and Newark and Sherwood, with support from Nottinghamshire Police and Bassetlaw and Newark and Sherwood Community Safety Partnership.

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner Caroline Henry said: "Safer Streets is having an impact in preventing neighbourhood crime and antisocial behaviour and violence against women and girls in Worksop. We have listened to local people to address concerns and delivered tailored projects that make public spaces safer for all."

So far we have delivered:



4 new CCTV cameras



Street wardens



Targeting antisocial behaviour



Improved lighting in Canch Park



Training for licensed premises

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CCTV and refuge points

Going out in Worksop is even safer thanks to new CCTV cameras being installed in a busy shopping and leisure destination.

The cameras are placed in key areas as part of the Safer Streets scheme, which aims to prevent neighbourhood crime and antisocial behaviour and violence against women and girls.

The new CCTV cameras will give people an added peace of mind when they are out and about.

Worksop town centre has also benefited from additional CCTV Refuge Points being installed. The 4G HD safer refuge CCTV cameras provide direct access to the control room at the push of a button.

First trialled in Ashfield, these were the first-ever cameras like it in the country - and are now being replicated nationwide.

During the previous round of Safer Streets funding a CCTV refuge point was installed on the junction of Potter Street, Cheapside and Priorswell Road.

The Safer Streets fund will be providing further CCTV and refuge points to be installed across the town centre, giving people an added peace of mind when they are out and about.



Supporting women and girls in Worksop



Safer Streets has funded Stand-by-her and Bystander intervention training for licensed premises in Worksop.

Bystander training has given staff the confidence to take action if they witness a hate incident. The Stand-by-her training focused on empowering men to become allies to women and challenge harmful behaviour they witness. So far, 17 licensed premises have participated with 51 members of staff completing the package. The following comments were made by staff that attended the training:

"We found the support session really helpful, we learnt valuable information and were so pleased that we were one of the first premises to receive training. We will encourage other establishments to complete this training."

"The training was really helpful; I didn't know if I was doing the right thing and the support session has clarified what to do in difficult situations."

Street wardens

A new team of wardens are helping to make Worksop's streets safer by tackling all forms of antisocial behaviour in the town centre.

Thanks to Safer Streets funding street wardens are now carrying out regular patrols in order to increase the feeling of safety for people who visit Worksop Town Centre, and its surrounding areas.

This high-visibility approach has already boosted the confidence of local businesses by acting as a deterrent to those who commit criminal acts and who commit antisocial behaviour in the town centre.

In addition, wardens are engaging with residents, businesses and visitors on community safety and crime prevention as well as working closely with the Police, the Council's Antisocial Behaviour Team, ShopWatch and PubWatch.

So far, wardens have engaged with over 3,640 residents, with over 1,800 hours of patrols carried out in Worksop Town Centre and other antisocial behaviour hotspot areas.



They have also input 20 intelligence reports, including a vehicle being used by a prolific shoplifter, passing on information on an address with strong odours of cannabis.

The wardens have also made 18 referrals to other council departments or agencies. These included referrals for homeless people through to the housing needs team.

Caroline Henry, Police and Crime Commissioner for Nottinghamshire, who met two of the wardens during a public engagement in Worksop, said: "These Safer Streets Wardens are providing a real visible presence and will focus on areas where they will have a big impact on improving people's feelings of safety."

"This gives Worksop an additional resource, boosting the existing work of Nottinghamshire Police officers and Bassetlaw District Council's Antisocial Behaviour Team, providing extra eyes and ears on the streets to ensure people feel safe and supported."



Match-funded action



Following the Safer Streets funding, Nottinghamshire Police and the Bassetlaw, Newark and Sherwood Community Safety Partnership pledged £375,000 of match funding for project delivery and supporting activities.

An antisocial behaviour officer has dedicated 568 hours of their time to patrolling the Worksop area, during which they have engaged with all members of the community but especially those who are behaving in an antisocial manner.

The officer has had a total of 59 positive actions taken which included: warning letters, fire setter's referral, youth service referral, Acceptable Behaviour Contracts and Acceptable Behaviour Contract breach letters.

Canch Park improvements

New lighting has been installed in Canch Park to improve the safety of people walking through the park during hours of darkness.

Alongside the new lighting columns, several existing lights have been replaced and upgraded in the Memorial Gardens, The Canch and along Church Walk. This will improve the safety of people who use this popular route between the town centre and residential areas.



Still to come in your area...



Additional CCTV and refuge point



Safety messages and signage



More pro-active warden patrols

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Look out for a survey on your feelings of safety following Safer Streets – coming soon online and door-to-door.