Safer Streets 4

Safer Streets 4: November 2022

Safer Streets 4 is an Office of Police and Crime Commissioner led initiative with each of the four areas having a Delivery Group attended by partners and police; chaired by the OPCC. This Group has oversight of the activity and outcomes to track the impact of the funding throughout the areas. Key highlights are:

- Refuge and Safe Space cameras
- Target Hardening throughout the SS4 localities
- Fixed CCTV cameras installed in identified ASB hot spot areas
- ANPR locations have been agreed, the fixed ANPR cameras have been received and are currently allocated dates for fitting
- Match funding patrol by officers and PCSOs within the identified areas

The project is still within it's provisioning stage and so no changes to the crime data has been seen at this time; however several positive outcomes have been noted as a result of activity:

Mansfield & Ashfield

As part of the SS4 visibility patrols the team arrested a prolific shoplifter. As part of the partnership work they were later sentenced for breach of injunction and subject to a prison sentence. A closure order on their property was completed and successful.

In Ashfield, numerous reports of ASB/criminality at a council property has resulted in a closure order application which is likely to be successful. If approved, and thanks to SS4 funding, this will send a strong message about partner activity following reports of ASB / criminality.

Nottingham City

To date, 4 fixed CCTV cameras have been installed within Lytham Gardens, with a slight underspend enabling the purchase of a wireless CCV camera to be deployed to any new ASB or crime hotspots.

A success story has been the engagement of the local community with the initiative: initially there was a concern that due to a lack of trust in police within the area, this may stifle households accepting support. There have been 76 target hardening

security assessments within the Bestwood area following a bespoke communication strategy: a success for both the approach and funding.

South Notts

Focusing on Eastwood South, whilst out on routine electric bike patrol, PC LEASK identified a wanted person suspected of committing multiple shop thefts in the Eastwood area. The suspect was notorious for running from officers however, utilising the bikes silent approach, the male was quickly detained and arrested. Whilst being searched he was found to be in possession of class A and B drugs. Had PC LEASK been in a patrol car the chances are the suspect would have been alerted and made off.

In addition to the bike success, the mobile ANPR cameras are awaiting fitting and we anticipate their roll out by December. We await the roll out of laptops for the PCSOs.

Newark and Sherwood

We have completed 481.25 hours of high visibility patrol within the last 5 months in the identified area, the target number of hours over the 15 month period being 909 hours.

We have undertaken 8 Police led operations targeting our core offenders and from this we have made 10 arrests and achieved 12 sanctioned detections.

This month linked to the patrols and operations we have issued 7 directions to leave under the Newark Town Centre PSPO, more than any previous month and reasonable to link to SS4 and the raising of awareness.

Finally on our most recent night of action 19/11/22 Officer being out in the town centre were close by to react to a male threatening door staff with a knife, as a result detained the suspect, recovered the knife and through that good initial work set the tone for having the suspected remanded into custody.