

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR BULLETIN – MAY 2009

Welcome to the May edition of the Anti Social Behaviour (ASB) Bulletin. The ASB Unit within the Safer Communities Team is responsible for receiving and investigating reports of ASB across the Bay and working with partnership agencies and the community to address those issues. The monthly bulletin aims to highlight not only the statistics relating to the amount of ASB being dealt with by the team, but also to point out the local events at which you will be able to meet the team and discuss any concerns surrounding Anti Social Behaviour that you, as residents of the Bay, may have.

ASB Statistics

During May the team received 33 new reports of ASB, making a total for the year to date of 66. Figure 1 shows the number of reports of ASB the team have received during the first two months of the new financial year in comparison with the number of reports received over the course of last year. Figure 3 identifies how the incidents of ASB have been reported to the team, with the majority being made via the Hotline – showing that the community is aware of our existence (Hotline No: 01803 207900). Details of the events that have taken place this month can be found at the end of the Bulletin.

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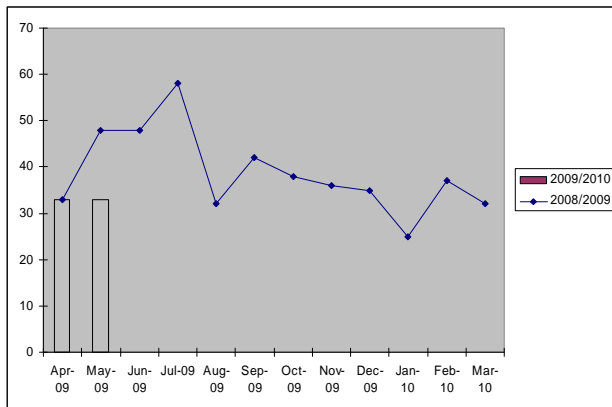


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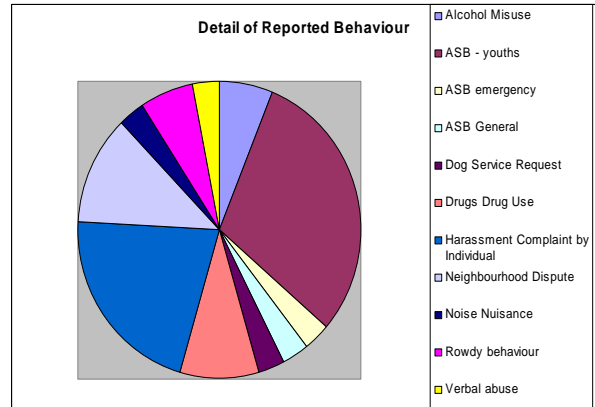


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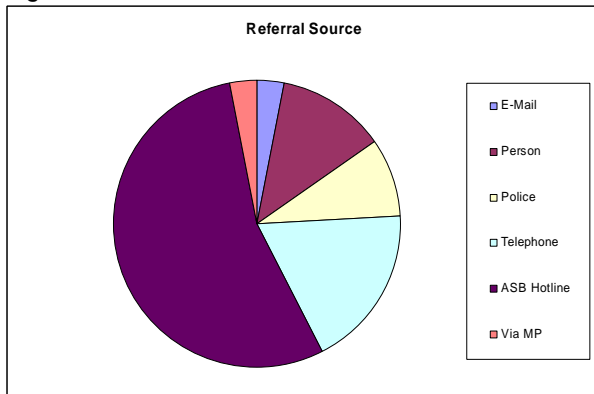
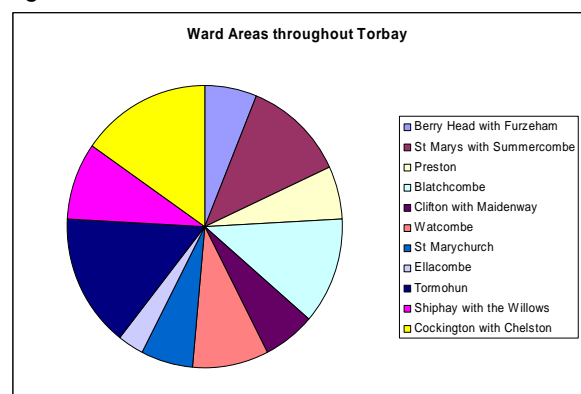


Figure 4



Current Caseload

At present, the ASB team currently have 38 active cases at various stages. We continue to work closely with our partner agencies with a view to reducing the incidences of ASB by reported offenders and monitor those cases where successful outcomes have been achieved.

Queen Elizabeth Drive Community Event – 9 May 2009

This event was held and supported by various agencies and enabled local residents to access the agencies and services while attending an enjoyable community event. There was a clown, face painter, street dancer (giving lessons) and inflatables for children to play on as well as a BBQ. The day was a huge success and it is hoped that similar events could be organised in other local communities.

Connect Caravan – Victoria Road, Paignton

On 14th May we helped man the Connect Caravan and gave advice to a large number of local residents on how to report Anti—social behaviour and how we can help to deal with it.

Launch of Children’s & Young People’s Plan

We were invited to attend the launch of CYPP which took place at Paignton Community College on 15 May 2009. This event highlighted the aims of the CYPP and there were excellent performances from many young people from across the Bay. Whilst this was not a forum which could be used to address ASB by young people, Safer Communities were pleased to be invited and will be happy to support the Plan in any way deemed necessary as it develops.

Street Surgery – Victoria Park, Paignton

We attended the Surgery which was held on 28 May and were able to hand out a lot of information about Anti-social behaviours to users of the park.

Launch of 999 Cadets

Devon and Cornwall Police and Devon and Somerset Fire & Rescue Service, supported by Safer Communities Torbay, held an open day at Torquay Fire Station on 30 May to launch their new initiative “999 Cadets” which is aimed at 13 to 18 year olds. The Fire Service gave a demonstration of the types of activities the young people may expect to be taught. There was also an opportunity to inspect the equipment used by fire fighters. The police were on hand to demonstrate the various kit used by them in different circumstances, as well as appearances from Mutley and Oscar from the dog unit. The event was well attended and application forms were snapped up!



QED Event – 9th May 2009



999 Cadets Launch – 30th May 2009

Forthcoming Events:

Representatives from Safer Communities will be available at the following events if you would like to discuss your community issues with us over the coming month:-

- 1st June 2009 – Street Surgery, Foxhole Shops, Paignton
- 3rd June 2009 – Street Surgery, Pimm Road, Paignton
- 11th June 2009 – Connect Caravan, Union Street, Torquay

Be part of our ongoing bulletin

We are keen to ensure this bulletin is useful to you. It would be appreciated if you could spend a few minutes to complete this electronic form (please click on the following link)

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