

JCC update

General Performance (To 31.04.2019 – current rolling 12mth)

Crime Type	Offences	Difference from Previous 12 months
Total Crime	14094	13805 +2%
Burglary	1677	1425 +18%
Theft from M/V	1128	1056 +7%
Theft of M/V	519	538 -4%
Violence against the person	3836	3490 +10%
Robbery of the person	344	335 +3%

Total notifiable offences across Merton is up compared to the previous twelve months.

Across all of MPS, total notifiable offences of crime are up 4.6% compared with the previous rolling year.

Burglary is up across the borough. There is work ongoing to identify any trends. (See chart at bottom).

Emergency call performance across VW is 85.1% of I grades within 15 minutes for January-March. This compares with 83.9% for the whole BCU.

Neighbourhood DWO staffing across the strand has continued to be a challenge. Officers have been provided on attachment to safeguarding strand. These are expected to end in September. There is a predicted vacancy in West Barnes ward and work is ongoing to fill this post. One officer remains long term sick. Three PCSOs are long term restricted. One officer is currently on Maternity leave.

We are currently at correct Sgt strength (six Sgts).

When any officer is posted to the Merton NPT, I consider skills, experience, and where I feel the need is greatest. I also consider expected future vacancies when looking at where I need to post an officer.

There have been a number of high profile violent incidents in the borough. This has led to an increased presence of officers in both uniform and plain clothes operations.

There have also been several S60 authorisations in an effort to reduce the repercussions from the more serious matters.

There have been very heavy aid commitments from all staff on the BCU. This included Extinction rebellion, knife crime / violence operations (which can be across all of the

MPS) and there is a very large resource requirement for Trump (including Insp Whitehead!).

Such requests in addition to critical incidents and support for other risk areas of the BCU has led to limited time available to support the work that has been done in some neighbourhoods.

Sector reports.

Wimbledon

Hugely positive result in arresting the Op Coppi burglar as widely publicised. He was charged with numerous offences and awaits trial. This has had a very positive impact on the local community with one resident stating "Once he was arrested I was finally able to sleep at night".

Additional patrols in place to combat burglary in Wimbledon Park and Wimbledon Village. This has led to several arrests for burglaries and several suspects who have been identified and circulated as wanted.

A suspect for multiple offences of Burglary / Theft of post was identified and charged with several offences. Substantial target hardening has reduced this crime trend but there has been a significant increase in the Burglary figures. Since this arrest however cases have reduced.

A week of action with regards to the Beggars in Wimbledon Town Centre in partnership with Merton CCTV and council ASB unit. Resulted in 15 Community Protection Warnings. Two of these were not complied with and these individuals were given Community Protection Notices. Each beggar was given an information sheet regarding where to get help with housing and food.

A prolific graffiti artist was arrested and charged with 6 counts of graffiti in the town centre. Currently in prison for criminal damage and failing to comply with CPN.

There is still no significant update regarding Wimbledon police station. It remains a 24 hour front office.

Morden

We are still awaiting an update from building services re a police base / facility in Morden. I am still hopeful of a return to Crown parade but this is currently with contractual services.

Officers have been completing proactive operations regarding theft of catalytic converters over the last few months.

There have also been proactive operations regarding a drugs address as well as a venue that was being used as a squat.

Two suspects stopped and searched as a result of excellent work by Lower Morden officers which has identified a team of Burglars. This has led to charges for 19 burglary related offences across the MPS and Surrey.

Mitcham

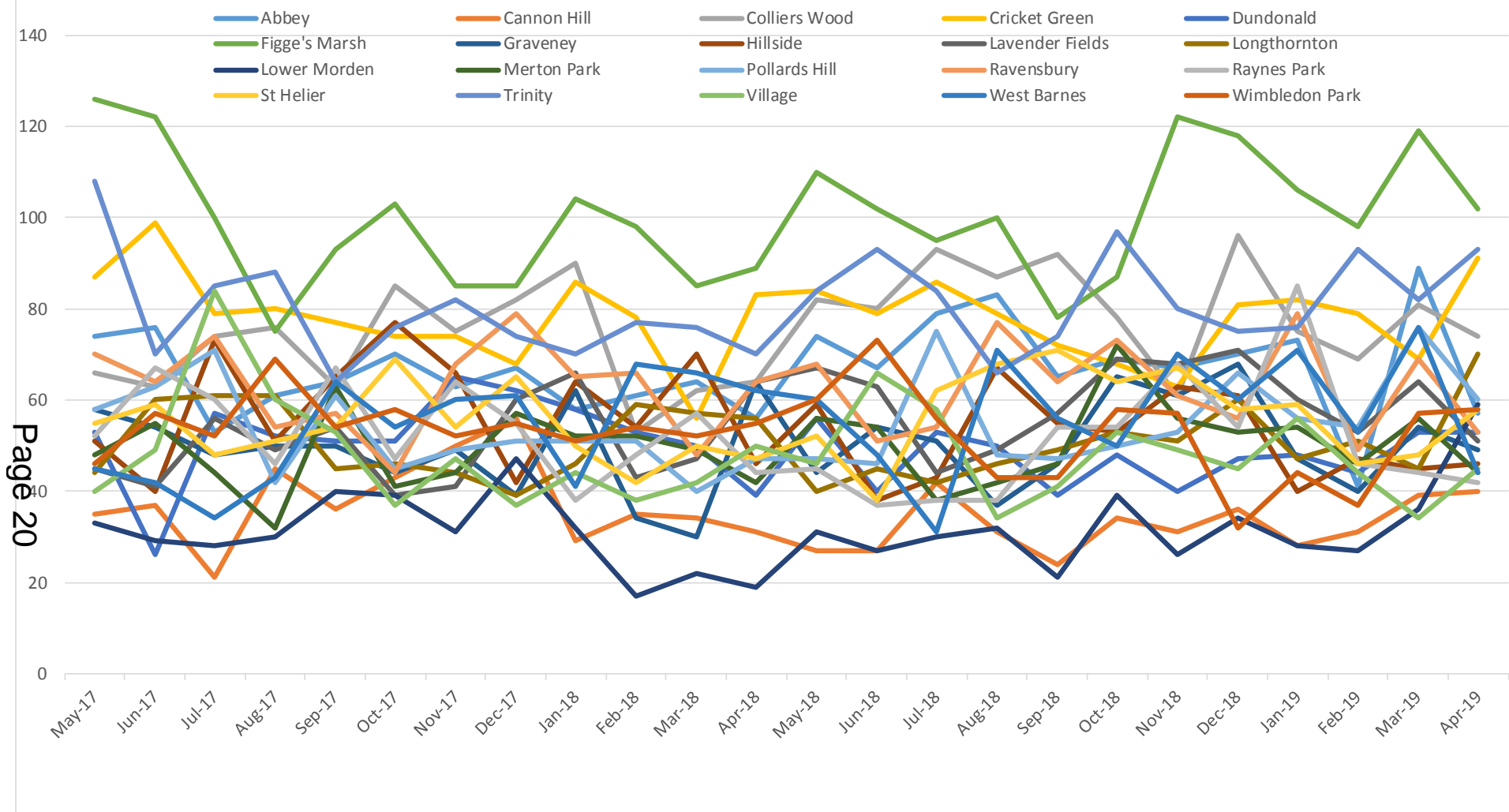
Several further vehicles have been seized in combination with the council fly tipping team.

Work continues to make use of stop and search and other powers in Mitcham town centre. This also includes work with Kingdom to gain assistance in support of the PSPO.

A prolific offender has been identified and charged with in excess of 20 theft from motor vehicle offences.

Several warrants have been executed relating to different types of offence including drugs and abstracting electricity.

Monthly Burglaries by ward over 2 years



Hate crime figures for the Borough of Merton

Category	2018	2019
Racist	253	240
Faith	31	32
Anti-Semitic	1	2
Islamophobic	22	26
Homophobic	30	31
Transgender	11	10
Disability	6	10
Total	331	298

As can be seen there has been a reduction in the number of reports of hate crimes across the borough on the rolling year.

It should be noted that some allegations can be categorised as more than one form of hate incident so the total number is not the sum of all the allegations above.

Some of the incidents may be classified as a hate crime incident but may not be substantive crimes.

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