

Coventry Recorded Crime Performance 2013 / 2014

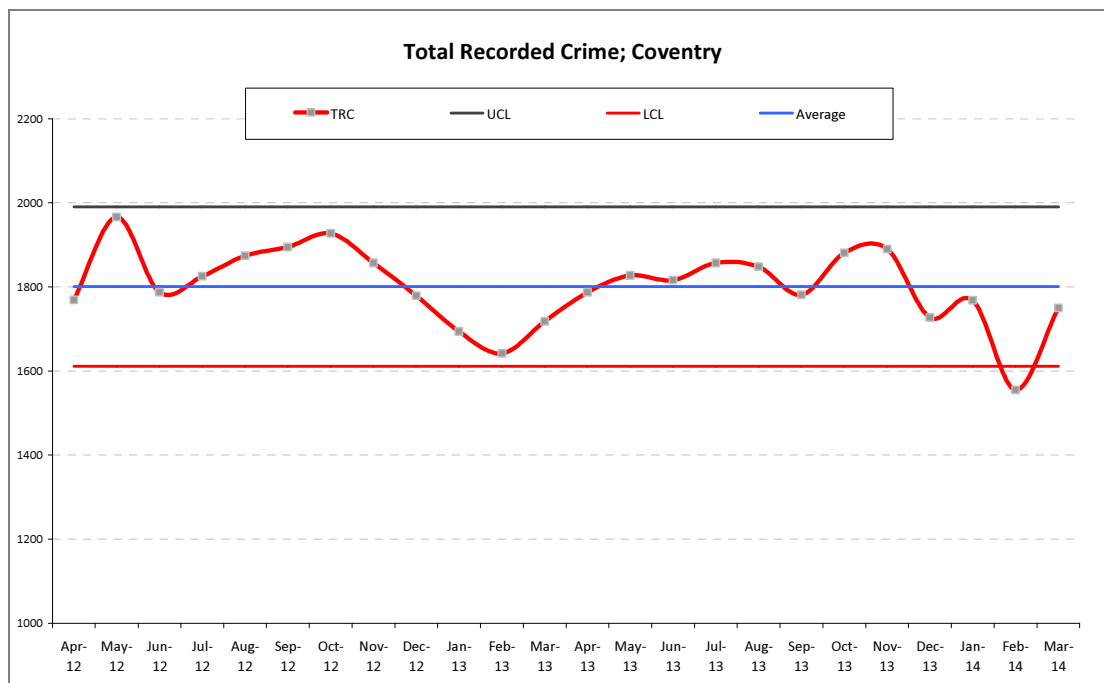
Summary of recorded crime 01 April 2013 to 31st March 2014; Compared with the same period 2012/13.

Performance Measure	Total Offences 2012/13	Total Offences 2013/14	Difference (Numeric)	Reduction Target	% Change	Ranked performance ¹ (7 W.Mids LA's)
Total Recorded Crime	21,828	21,574	-254	-4%	-1.1%	1 st
Burglary Dwelling	2,247	1,897	-350	-10%	-15.5%	1 st
Violence with Injury	2,324	2,273	-51	-10%	-2.1%	1 st
Anti Social Behaviour (Police)	10,116	8,537	-1,579	NA	-15.6%	1 st
Domestic Violence (Police)	1,823	1,981	+158	NA	8.7%	NA
Domestic Non Crime (Police)	2,138	3,469	+1,331	NA	62.3%	NA

¹'Ranked performance' indicates position in terms of the % reduction in recorded offences achieved in 2013/2014 compared with a year earlier.

Performance in Context

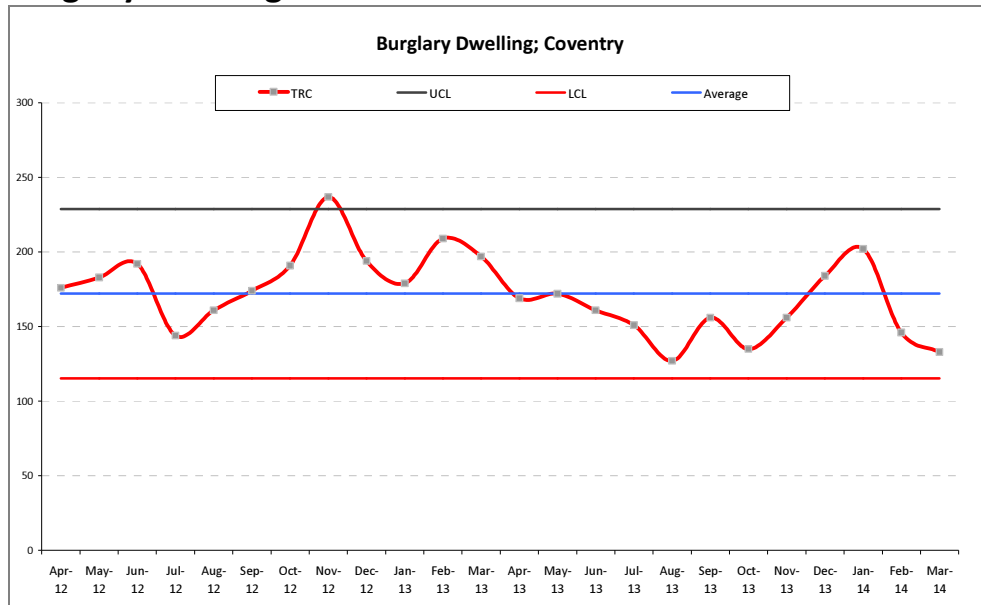
Total Recorded Crime



The overall rate of total recorded crime in 2013/14 has generally been below that seen in 2012/13; seasonal trends are present which indicate that in general more crime is reported in the spring and summer months with a decline between November/December and March.

¹ 1st = Greatest reduction, 7th greatest increase

Burglary Dwelling



Over the course of the past year there were only two months where offence levels were higher than the corresponding month in 12/13; as a result a significant reduction of 15.5% has been achieved (350 less burglaries).

Reducing Burglary has been a priority for Coventry and a number of initiatives have been put in place;

Operation Magpie – Dedicated team developing intelligence and activity in relation to outlets for stolen goods. Criminals are finding it more difficult to dispose of stolen property.

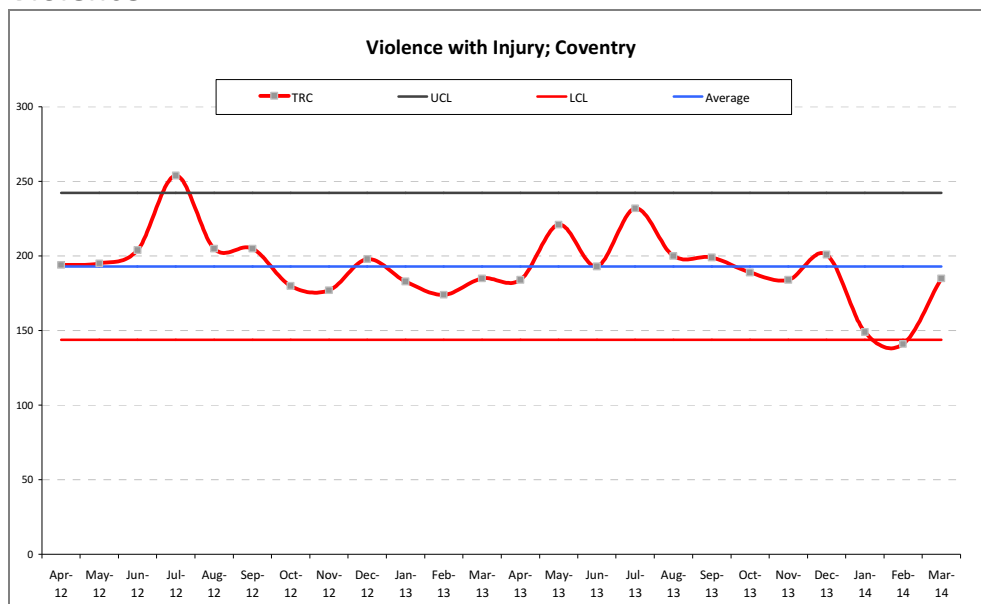
Operation Intrusive – Targeting of known burglars, information gathering around burglary offenders / patterns.

Partnership Working – Strong partnership working with key stakeholders, particularly Coventry & Warwick Universities; Able to influence activity and advice offered to students by the University; Has led to positive results around student victimisation.

Funding - Integral towards engagement with community and offering crime prevention equipment and introduction of property marking scheme, including Smartwater.

Target Hardening – Identification of vulnerable areas and repeat addresses (generally student households), subsequent visits - security advice and alarms supplied. Seasonal leaflets (insecurity, leaving items on show, etc).

Violence



A slight drop in offences which is largely attributable to falls over recent months; though Coventry was the only authority of the seven W.Mids areas to deliver a reduction.

Latest trends indicate that for the first time in recent history as much violence is taking place in household setting compared to public places. This makes policing issues and putting preventative interventions in place more challenging; Domestic violence is one area, though students & new communities are also factors as they are perhaps more adversely affected by budget restrictions and are choosing to socialise in different ways.

In terms of the work that has been undertaken;

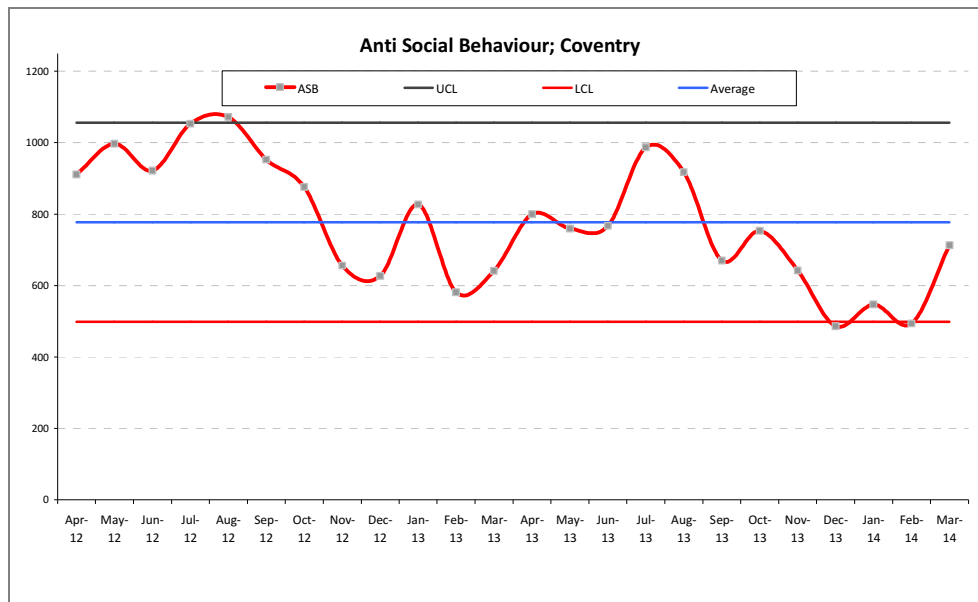
Continued work to monitor licensing issues on a daily / weekly basis; this has led to the closure or restrictions placed on a number of venues, over the course of the past year.

Working with the RA meeting and using partner influence to obtain compliance; e.g use of Environmental Service Team (noise) to support activities (Earlsdon Cottage).

Improving Links between the council noise team and police have been strengthened to improve the response to wider noise issues (household drinking / parties)

Conflict resolution training with budget hotels; links have been identified with Night Time Economy 'after parties', and Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) activity.

ASB



A continuation of reductions around ASB; which is itself a strongly seasonal issue (warm weather = increased ASB). In terms of the work being undertaken there is a dedicated officer who looks specifically at ASB calls and works to identify vulnerabilities through either the type of incident or through repeat calls.

Where appropriate ASB Non Crime numbers are assigned to specific individuals or locations where issues are ongoing. Based on the inherent issues then partner agencies and organisations will become involved where they are needed. This problem oriented approach coincides with a general reduction within ASB.

The advent of the Priority Locations group has also undertaken considerable amounts of work at 'hotspots' in an attempt to improve the environment and discourage this type of behaviour from manifesting itself.