

Response to Mid Devon District Council

Following the Mid Devon District Council Scrutiny Committee held on 20 October 2014, please find below additional information as requested at the meeting.

Call Handling Summary – Force Area as at 26 Oct 2014

- In the rolling 12 months to the 26th of October 2014, 185,303 999 calls were received by Devon and Cornwall Police.
- Of which 4,526 were re-presented or abandoned which equates to 2.4% of total 999 calls received. Data is not currently available to indicate at what point in the call making process the caller abandons the call. There can be many reasons for 999 calls being abandoned, which may include the caller has identified that another person is calling in relation to the same incident, in particular in relation to road traffic collisions, or incidents of public order and abandons their call.
- Overall 89.3% of 999 calls were answered within the 10 seconds target.

Crime Overview – Mid Devon Sector and by largest Mid Devon Sector Towns

The data in this section is based on the 12 monthly period 1st October 2013 to 30th September 2014 unless otherwise stated.

Total Crime

- 2,439 crimes were recorded in Mid Devon Sector. This is 327 fewer crimes recorded than the equivalent period a year earlier and equates to an 11.8% decrease.
- 561 crimes were recorded in Crediton Sub Sector which equates to 23% of total crime recorded in Mid Devon Sector.
- 658 crimes were recorded in Cullompton Sub Sector which equates to 27% of total crime recorded in Mid Devon Sector.
- 1220 crimes were recorded in Tiverton Sub Sector which equates to 50% of total crime recorded in Mid Devon Sector.
- Total crime has fallen in Crediton, Cullompton and Tiverton in the 12 months to 30th September compared with a year earlier.
- In both absolute and percentage terms Tiverton Sub Sector has seen the largest decrease in total crime.

Sub Sector	Recorded Crime	Recorded Crime Previous Year	Recorded Crime % Difference	Recorded Crime Number Difference
Crediton	561	610	-8.0%	-49
Cullompton	658	724	-9.1%	-66
Tiverton	1220	1431	-14.7%	-211

- The overall crime rate in Mid Devon Sector at 31.37 offences per 1,000 population¹ is considerably lower than the Force average (49.32 offences per 1,000 population).
- The violence against the person rate in Mid Devon at 8.91 offences per 1,000 population is also lower than the Force average (12.74 offences per 1,000 population).

Mid Devon Sector

The top 5 offence types in terms of crime volumes in Mid Devon Sector are:

- Other theft (n=405)
- Criminal damage(n=391)
- Violence without injury (n=365)
- Violence with injury (n=328)
- Burglary non-dwelling (n=214)

Breakdown by Sub Sector - % figures represent proportion of total crime in each area

Offence	Crediton		Cullompton		Tiverton	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Other theft	93	16.6	126	19.1	186	15.2
Criminal damage	77	13.7	111	16.9	203	16.6
Violence without injury	84	15.0	98	14.9	183	15.0
Violence with injury	65	11.6	94	14.3	169	13.9
Burglary non-dwelling	77	13.7	53	8.1	84	6.9

Crediton Sub Sector

The top 5 offence types in terms of crime volumes in Crediton are:

- Other theft
- Violence without injury
- Burglary non-dwelling
- Criminal damage
- Violence with injury

¹ Rates have been calculated based on 2011 Census population data

- The reduction in total crime has been driven primarily by decreases in the following offence types: Criminal damage; other theft; burglary dwelling and violence with injury.
- Burglary non-dwelling offences and violence without injury offences however have increased by 97.4% (or 38 more crimes recorded) and 29.2% (or 19 more crimes recorded) respectively.

Cullompton Sub Sector

The top 5 offence types in terms of crime volumes in Cullompton are:

- Other theft
 - Criminal damage
 - Violence without injury
 - Violence with injury
 - Burglary non-dwelling
- The reduction in total crime has been driven by decreases in the following offence types: Burglary dwelling; vehicle offences; other offences; shoplifting; criminal damage; public order; burglary non-dwelling and other theft.
 - Both violence with injury and violence without injury offences have increased by 28.8% (or 21 more crimes recorded) and 22.5% (or 18 more crimes recorded) respectively.

Tiverton Sub Sector

The top 5 offence types in terms of crime volumes in Tiverton are:

- Criminal damage
 - Other theft
 - Violence without injury
 - Violence with injury
 - Shoplifting
- The reduction in total crime has been driven by decreases in the following offence types: Vehicle offences; criminal damage; burglary dwelling; burglary non-dwelling; other theft and violence with injury.
 - Violence without injury and shoplifting however have increased by 15.8% (or 25 more crimes recorded) and 8.3% (or 10 more crimes recorded) respectively.