

Policing in Portsmouth



Hampshire
POLICE AUTHORITY
for Hampshire & the Isle of Wight

Hampshire Constabulary is responsible and accountable to the community it serves. Hampshire Police Authority is an independent organisation responsible for overseeing Hampshire Constabulary on your behalf. We have put together this summary of policing to show how we are tackling priorities and dealing with issues where you live.

■ “We work with our partners and consult with the public to find out how we can best deliver the most effective and efficient police service for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight. The information here aims to show you how crime is being dealt with in your area and how the police will focus on your concerns in the coming year.”

**Mike Attenborough-Cox, Chairman,
Hampshire Police Authority.**

■ “This summary highlights how Hampshire Constabulary is performing and provides policing information for 2007/08. With you and our partners, we have identified our priorities, including the continued implementation of neighbourhood policing, to make sure we deliver a service where it matters most to local communities.”

**Paul Kernaghan QPM CBE, Chief Constable,
Hampshire Constabulary.**

If you would like to get involved in the consultation we carry out within the community, find out more about our plans for the future, or read a full copy of the local policing plan, please visit our website www.hampshirepoliceauthority.org or call us on 01962 871595.

Hampshire Constabulary's actual expenditure for 2006/07 will be reported to Hampshire Police Authority and available to read via our website in June 2007. The 2006/07 revenue budget for Hampshire Constabulary was £269.7m. If you do not have internet access, please contact Hampshire Police Authority on 01962 871595 for a printed version.

Policing priorities

By continuing to put resources into neighbourhood policing, we aim to make Hampshire and the Isle of Wight safer places to live, work and visit. By listening to the public and working with our partner organisations, we have targeted a number of issues which we will specifically focus on in the coming year, and we will work to:

- **Enhance Safer Neighbourhoods**
- **Strengthen Public Protection**, including missing persons, child abuse, domestic abuse, Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements and hate crime.
- **Protect our communities** from terrorism, domestic extremism and major disasters
- **Reduce and detect crime**, including drug and alcohol related crime, violent crime, major, serious and organised crime.

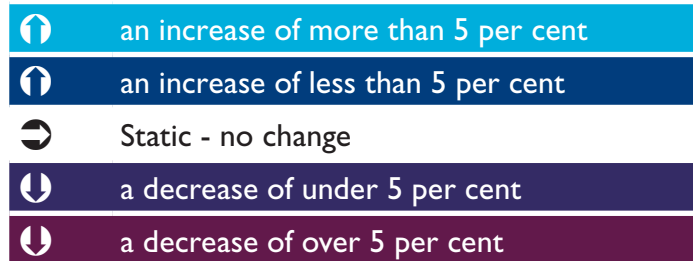
Did you know?

- **There are 419 officers working in Portsmouth**, and over 67 per cent of their time is spent on the beat (national average is 63 per cent). Intelligence gathering is key to modern policing, and many officers are involved in work which isn't always immediately visible.
- **Hampshire Constabulary currently has 347 Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs)** on the beat. There are 51 on the streets of Portsmouth.
- **PCSOs work within their local community** to support the work of police officers. They are there to deal with incidents of disorder and anti-social behaviour. They have the power to detain people, search bags and vehicles, help victims and witnesses but they do not investigate crime or make arrests.

How are the police performing where you live?

Police work is constantly monitored to improve performance. Here are some areas of police work where you can see how the police are doing compared to last year.

Key to figures



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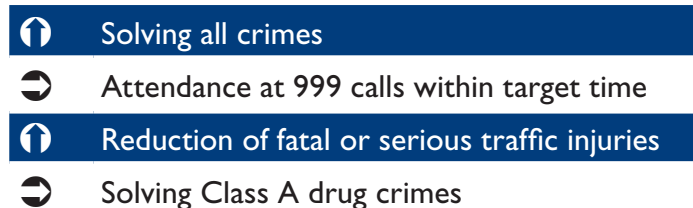
Number of crimes



Number of crimes solved



Force-wide



Of the 43 counties protected by police forces in England and Wales, Hampshire and the Isle of Wight is the second safest place for people to live.*

* Statistical information from the British Crime Survey 2007

Local contacts

■ If personal safety is under threat, always dial 999. To contact the police for non-emergencies, dial 0845 0454545. For advice and action on safety and anti-social behaviour issues, dial 101.

Crimestoppers	0800 555 111
Victim Support Line	0845 30 90 900
National Domestic Violence Helpline	0800 2000 247

■ You can contribute on policing issues at your local neighbourhood forum which police and community wardens attend. Contact Portsmouth City Council, Email: involve@portsmouthcc.gov.uk Tel: 023 9268 8555.

■ "Last year Portsmouth was the first area in Hampshire to introduce a new style of policing, Safer Neighbourhoods. The aim is to ensure that we are in touch with the issues that really matter to the community and help deliver a more local service. It has been a positive experience. Overall crime in the city remains static but importantly violent crime has dropped by over 8 per cent. People in Portsmouth are now less likely to become a victim of violent crime than they were before and we will build on those successes to further reduce crime and disorder, increase the number of crimes we detect and provide an even better service."

Chief Superintendent John Campbell, Commander of Portsmouth Operational Command Unit, covering Central Portsmouth, Cosham, Fratton and Southsea.

Useful website addresses

- www.hampshirepoliceauthority.org – for reports and information on the work of HPA.
- www.hampshire.police.uk – for full contact details and opening times of every police station in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.
- www.cjsonline.gov.uk – information on the Criminal Justice System.
- www.askthe.police.uk – police frequently asked questions for England and Wales.

To find out what is happening in your area go to www.hampshire.police.uk or call 0845 045 45 45