

Performance

Acceptable Behaviour Contracts (ABC's) are voluntary agreements made between people involved in anti-social behaviour, the local police, the borough council and other relevant agencies.

Current Acceptable Behaviour Contracts and Anti-Social Behaviour Orders.

	Buxton	Chapel	New Mills	Glossop/ Hadfield
Acceptable Behaviour Contracts	5	2	1	12
Anti-Social Behaviour Orders	3	0	0	3

Of the 12 ABC's in Glossop, only one of these has been breached. Following this breach an injunction is being considered whereby the youth will be unable to enter Gamesley, as he primarily commits anti-social behaviour in this area. There is currently a 96% non-reoffending rate for ABC's.

Anti-Social Behaviour Orders (ASBO's) are civil orders made against a person who has been engaged in [anti-social behaviour](#).



High Peak Community Safety Team Newsletter

Focus on Anti-Social Behaviour



My name is Hannah Cocker and as I'm a relatively new member of the Community Safety Team, I thought it would be nice if I told you a little bit about my role as an anti-social behaviour officer.

I deal with low-level nuisance such as:

- Nuisance neighbours
- Dropping Litter
- Graffiti
- Shouting and swearing
- Rowdy Youths

I'm part of the High Peak Community Safety Team, which includes Community Safety Officer, Alena Canty and Partnership Sergeant, Garry Staples. Together we work closely with a number of different agencies and organisations, to provide a quick and effective service.

I'm the first port of call whatever the situation, from perceived harassment involving young people to disputes between neighbours. My main aim is to address all issues as early as possible, before they develop into more serious problems and result in Anti-Social Behaviour Orders.

Events to look out for!

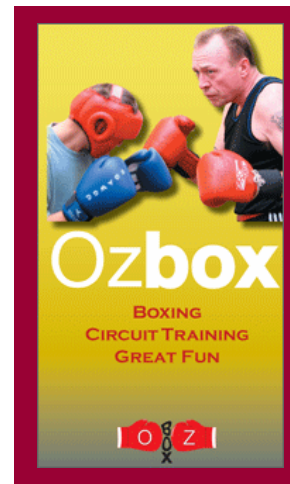
Street Sports

Street Sports is up and running again throughout the High Peak:

- Gamesley Community Centre on Friday 7pm-9pm
- Chapel Youth Club on Friday 7pm-9pm
- New Mills AFC on Friday 7pm-9pm
- Buxton Community College on Wednesday 6pm –8pm
- Furness Vale on Thursday 6pm-8pm



Ozbox



Ozbox is a National boxing-based fitness programme that has been adopted by the High Peak. In addition to being a positive diversionary activity, it aims to build confidence, encourage discipline and improve fitness. The scheme was piloted at Glossopdale School and commenced on the 24th November. P.C.S.O's and Beat Officers all said that the sessions were a success as the young people looked forward to each training day and wanted the scheme to continue. Watch this space for details of future dates and venues.

Community Safety Partnership Event

On November 7th 2008 the annual Community Safety Partnership Event was held at the Palace Hotel in Buxton. The principal aim of this day is to look at the actions plans in place to tackle serious acquisitive crime, violent crime and anti-social behaviour and see how they can be improved. The event as a whole was successful, as a number of useful ideas came from a whole range of agencies in the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership. In relation to drink-related anti-social behaviour I have currently been working with the Community Safety Team in Staffordshire Moorlands to introduce 'Brief Intervention' training into the High Peak. Fundamentally this involves, professionals educating individuals to offer help and support in a short, yet concise way to the people suffering from alcohol abuse.



Example anti-social behaviour case

'A call for service was received about two youths playing football carelessly in the street. As a result their ball repeatedly landed in a neighbour's garden, causing damage to plants. This behaviour had escalated whereby stones were now being thrown at the complainant's windows and in the evening the same two youths are knocking on the door and windows and running away.'

After speaking to the resident about their concerns, I sent out diary sheets for them to complete. Each time they witnessed an anti-social incident, it was logged into the diary. In the meantime, I contacted the local Safer Neighbourhood Sergeant to see if they had received any calls about the youths. As there was no previous intelligence, it was decided that a warning letter should be sent out. Following the letters the problems have stopped and the complainants feels happy with the service they received.

Useful Contacts

Police (non emergencies)

0345 123 3333

High Peak Community Safety Team

0845 129 77 77

High Peak Community Housing

0845 129 8075

Hadfield 'Beat Sweep'

Hadfield was highlighted as an area from which the police and council received a number of calls for service. These calls were in regard to several issues, such as untaxed cars, anti-social behaviour and graffiti.

To alleviate this situation it was decided that a 'Beat Sweep' should take place. A Beat Sweep is where all agencies work together concentrating on a single area. The Hadfield beat sweep commenced on Friday 21st of November, with activities ranging from enforcement i.e. drug warrants and test purchasing of licensed premises, to support and diversionary activities i.e. First contact and Street Sports.

To measure the success of the Hadfield Beat Sweep the partnership will be looking at whether public perceptions have improved. Additionally, statistics will enable us to measure the 'Beat Sweeps' achievement by looking at whether calls for service have reduced and whether crime and anti-social behaviour numbers have gone down. An evaluation is currently underway. It is hoped that this type of multi-agency activity will be repeated and plans are underway for a beat sweep of New Mills.

Spot the Grot' Graffiti and Litter Project

Primary schools across Glossop and Buxton have been offered a chance to take part in this competition and the school that reports the most 'grot' wins £250 of sports equipment for their school. All the pupils have to do is report any graffiti or litter by posting a form into an internal letter drop. The core idea of the scheme is to encourage school children to respect their environment from an early age and to report any bad behaviour.

Initiatives/Achievements since June 2008

Any success in tackling anti-social behaviour will be measured against the National Indicator no. 27 (NI 27), 'Understanding of local concerns about anti-social behaviour'. NI27 does not yet have any targets set. Targets will be developed from the results of the PLACE survey, which are due in the spring of 2009.

Previously the High Peak Partnership measured performance for anti-social behaviour in terms of the number of incidences of criminal damage. For quarter 2, (July-Sep) the High Peak ranked 10th out of 15 in its family group of comparable Local Authorities for criminal damage. (1st is worst and 15th is best) This puts the High Peak in the top third.

