

# *Crime & Safety* *Q3 Scrutiny*

*January 2021*

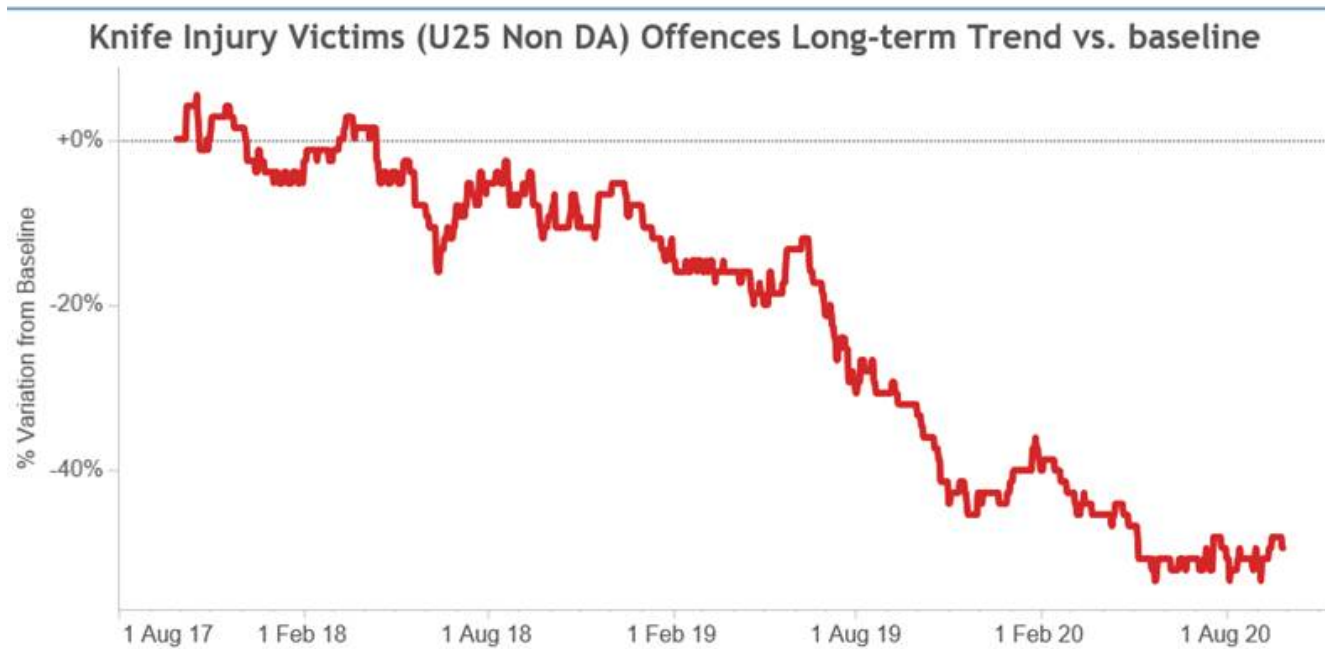
# Crime Performance Summary

## October 2020 to December 2020 vs previous year

- Islington recorded a 5% reduction in violent crime overall, whilst MPS wide there was only a 1% reduction
- There has been an 18.1% reduction in youth violence in the borough (23% reduction in London)
- Large reductions seen in robbery (26%), moped enabled (73%) and pedal cycle enabled (10%) crime locally
- Islington recorded an 11% increase in Public Order offences, which is higher than the MPS as a whole (where there was a 4% increase)
- Good reductions across knife crime types and gun crime types (Islington saw a smaller reduction (9% reduction) in Knife Crime Injury Victims 1-24 (Non DA) compared to the MPS as a whole (28% reduction). However, this is on the back of continual reductions over the last three years
- Islington and MPS wide there have been significant increases in Racist Hate Crime Offs (Islington recorded a 15% increase, compared to MPS as a whole where there was a 17% increase).
- Islington DV Offences are up 2% with Sanction Detections increasing to 18% in 2020 (an increase of 2.6% from 2019)

# Knife Crime Trends

## Year on Year Comparisons



Trend Chart Baseline

### Highlights:

- Sustained reduction over 3 years (Oct 17 –Dec 20)
- Attributed to initiatives including the Integrated Gangs Team, the partnership approach to youth offending, out of court disposal scrutiny panel and the joined up police and partnership tasking
- Introduction of the “No Knife Shop” scheme to promote shops who opt not to sell knives and installation of knife bins at a number of locations

# Youth Crime Update

## Successes, Changes and Challenges

**Education and Employment** – continues to receive focus in order to reduce youth crime. The numbers of YOS young people attending school or AP has improved

**Strategic Gangs panel** – Has been launched and comprises of a number of partners. The objective is to ensure that intelligence is used effectively to disrupt and curtail group offending in the borough and beyond

**Recovery planning** for case holding services – The RAG rated process continues to be implemented ensuring that face to face supervision and interventions can be delivered in a safe way to the highest risk young people/adults

**Employment event for Somali Young people** 9<sup>th</sup> December, chaired by Young Mayor Cllr Husen, included presentations on police careers and young apprentices

**VRU Parent Champion Network** a partnership project led by Minority Matters with Islington council 35 parents/carers attending the first session on the 30<sup>th</sup> December,

**Violence Reduction Unit Parental Support project** – Social Switch and Navigating the Education system training started November - 30 parents signed up

**Knife Crime Prevention film** shared widely with comms campaign in spring

**The Chances programme**, a partnership project between Arsenal, Substance and LBI starts January and will work with 100 young people and families per year.



# Violence against Women and Girls (VAWG)

## Successes, Changes and Challenges

**Daily Safeguarding Meeting (DSM)** fully operational from 4<sup>th</sup> Jan, offering quick time response to incidents/referrals. It is increasing partnership actions to safeguard survivors/children and improved information sharing on risk posed by perpetrators.

**PHD Student** – LBI in partnership with the Uni of Essex, secured funding for a 3 year PHD student who will research and evaluate our VAWG Transformation work.

**The VAWG Workforce & Practice Development Team** have provided 50 consultations to practitioners and are delivering training across the partnership

**VAWG Comms campaigns:** 16 Days of Action and for festive period e.g. VAWG service information, survivors stories, #YouAreNotAlone campaign etc. The Twitter post on DA perpetrators received 358k impressions/700 engagements, the highest number of interaction for a council post since the LBI Twitter account started. FGM campaign to start February.

**Labyrinth project** – Solace have been awarded Tampon Tax funding to establish a national response to support women's centres, groups and networks to help them, and the women they support, to emerge stronger from the damage of the C-19 pandemic.

**Covid 19** – DSM, VAWG partnership meetings and increased VAWG service capacity is supporting the local response to survivors and families during the pandemic although concerns continue especially with the impact of the latest lockdown

# Key Partnership Initiatives

## Successes, Changes and Challenges

- Review of the ASB, Hate Crime, Drugs and Prevent strategies for 2021-24 underway
- Key crime and violence reduction initiatives in Finsbury Park, EC and N19
- Tackling the rise in ASB calls linked to people staying at home
- Partnership supporting police tackling robbery and pedal cycle snatches
- Nationally and across London there has been a visible increase in activity connected to the far right (conspiracy theories, leaflets, stickers, etc) – locally there is a focus on understanding and tackling Far Right and extremism linked to gangs
- In Islington racist hate crime is increasing and being tackled through the multi-agency hate crime forum
- Youth Safety strategy launched in late November. Delivery group established to oversee the delivery and action plan involving strategic and VCS partners with community representation from parents/carers and young people
- VAWG Strategy Project group established to oversee development of new VAWG strategy for 2021-25

# Drugs & Substance Misuse

## Service Users in Islington Receiving Treatment

The numbers of people seeking support for their opiate use increased as a consequence of the reduced availability of street purchased drugs. This is a trend noted in drug services throughout the capital as reported by PHE London but has also been a feature in other areas of the country.

New to treatment	2019/20				2020/21	
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Alcohol	39	65	111	137	30	75
Alcohol and Non Opiate	22	46	96	126	17	48
Non Opiate	10	18	43	57	17	36
Opiate	32	63	146	196	83	129
Total	103	192	396	516	147	288

PH Commissioning were successful in a MHCLG bid for increased funding to improve drug and alcohol support to rough sleepers (£498k for the period Jan 2021 – March 2022). The funding was made available following the excellent work delivered by partnerships as part of 'Everyone In'.



# Overall Crime Performance Summary

January 2020 to December 2020 vs previous year

Crime Type	Number of Offences 2019 (between 1 Jan 2019 - 31 Dec 2019 (LBI))	Number of Offences 2020 (between 1 Jan 2020 - 31 Dec 2020 (LBI))	Difference between 2019 and 2020 (LBI)	MPS Rank* (out of 32 where 1 = highest levels of crime)	Percentage Change between 2019 and 2020 (LBI)	Percentage Change between 2019 and 2020 (MPS)
<b>Total Notifiable Offences</b>						
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<b>Crime Type</b>						
Violence Against the Person	6,391	6,066	● -325	23	-5.1%	-0.8%
Sexual Offences	634	486	● -148	23	-23.3%	-6.3%
Robbery Offences	1,596	1,183	● -413	7	-25.9%	-30.9%
Burglary Offences	2,659	2,109	● -550	14	-20.7%	-24.0%
MV Offences	3,194	2,622	● -572	23	-17.9%	-14.8%
Theft Offences	10,699	7,525	● -3,174	6	-29.7%	-31.6%
Criminal Damage Offences	1,523	1,453	● -70	21	-4.6%	-9.1%
Drugs Offences	1,345	1,509	● 164	20	12.2%	13.9%
Possession of Weapons Offences	247	179	● -68	18	-27.5%	-11.2%
Public Order Offences	1,777	1,972	● 195	12	11.0%	4.4%
Other Offences	325	263	● -62	23	-19.1%	-1.8%

# Youth & Hate Crime Performance

## January 2020 to December 2020 vs previous year

Crime Type	Number of Offences 2019 (between 1 Jan 2019 - 31 Dec 2019 (LBI))	Number of Offences 2020 (between 1 Jan 2020 - 31 Dec 2020 (LBI))	Difference between 2019 and 2020 (LBI)	MPS Rank* (out of 32 where 1 = highest levels of crime)	Percentage Change between 2019 and 2020 (LBI)	Percentage Change between 2019 and 2020 (MPS)
Moped Enabled Crime	745	199	● -546	3	-73.3%	-42.6%
Pedal Cycle Enabled Crime	1,798	1,611	● -187	2	-10.4%	-1.2%
Serious Youth Violence	256	208	● -48	16	-18.8%	-25.6%
Youth Violence	520	426	● -94	20	-18.1%	-23.2%
Gun Crime Offs	43	32	● -11	24	-25.6%	-23.7%
Gun Crime Lethal Barrelled Discharged Offs	9	7	● -2	13	-22.2%	9.0%
Knife Crime Offs	550	432	● -118	12	-21.5%	-25.3%
Knife Crime With Injury Offs	116	91	● -25	17	-21.6%	-21.3%
Knife Crime Injury Victims 1-24 (Non DA)	44	40	● -4	14	-9.1%	-28.2%
Knife Possession Offs	189	135	● -54	16	-28.6%	-11.4%
Anti-Semitic Offs	13	11	-2	11	-15.4%	-7.4%
Disability Hate Crime Offs	28	22	-6	7	-21.4%	11.5%
Faith Hate Crime Offs	53	51	-2	16	-3.8%	-14.4%
Homophobic Hate Crime Offs	125	111	-14	9	-11.2%	-1.0%
Islamophobic Offs	29	28	-1	14	-3.4%	-26.3%
Racist Hate Crime Offs	572	659	87	16	15.2%	16.9%
Transgender Hate Offs	18	13	-5	4	-27.8%	2.1%
Domestic Abuse Incidents	4,113	4,254	141	22	3.4%	8.2%
Domestic Abuse Offs	2,533	2,584	51	23	2.0%	5.6%
Domestic Abuse SDs (Rate)	15%	18%		6	2.6%	1.0%