

Question:

Please could the Chief Superintendent advise what action is being taken in respect of the obvious drug dealing and drug taking on the six-town housing estate on Coronation Road. We have many vulnerable elderly residents who are feeling intimidated in their own homes. Residents have requested more police patrols of the area, to tackle antisocial behaviour and the drug issues on the estate.

Answer:

I would like to thank Cllr Lancaster for raising these community concerns. There has been a twin track policing approach to addressing this issue, namely covert and overt. My neighbourhood team in Radcliffe have executed warrants in the locality over recent weeks under the Misuse of Drugs Act. They are working with our intelligence teams on developing further enforcement opportunities. In addition, our Challenger team have worked on tackling organised crime groups that supply drugs into the area.

The neighbourhood team are planning a dedicated policing operation and will be able to discuss this with you when you meet later this week.

My ask is for more community intelligence to be provided. This can be done directly with our neighbourhood officers or anonymously through the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or through online reporting.

Supplementary Question:

Do the Police have a Crime Prevention Officer that can provide the Council and SixTown Housing with guidance and advice on security measures to the elderly residents on the estate. It would be helpful if they could attend a walk about with the Council on the estate to assess all doors on the estate which are owned by the Council to look at replacing the doors to composite doors. Composite doors keep the property safer, more secure, and thermally efficient.

Answer:

We do provide that reassurance and work with housing providers, including SixTown Housing and local neighbourhood teams. The local neighbourhood officer and PCSO would be happy to offer any reassurance regarding snap locks and composite doors.