



Ventnor Neighbourhood Policing Review

Summer 2023

Introduction:

During the summer months of 2023, from June 01 to September 10, the analysis reveals that Ventnor has maintained its reputation as a safe and secure place to reside in and visit. This report provides an overview of the safety situation in Ventnor, emphasizing the prevalence of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) and a comparison with neighbouring towns, Sandown and Shanklin.

Safety in Ventnor:

Ventnor continues to be a safe and welcoming community for its residents and visitors. While several incidents were reported during this period, the majority of these were related to calls made to emergency services and partner agencies. It's essential to note that due to the nature of how crimes are recorded and the associated regulations, one single incident may result in the recording of multiple offenses, such as Assault (with and without injury) and Public Order.

ASB Figures in Ventnor:

ASB-related incidents in Ventnor are categorized as follows:

- ASB Community: 15 incidents
- ASB Environmental: 6 incidents
- ASB Personal: 3 incidents

It is particularly encouraging to observe that the ASB Community figure remains relatively low. The predominant issue in this category was calls regarding a group of youths cycling around the town. However, as the summer progressed, the number of calls decreased following intervention by the Neighbourhood team.

Measures Taken to Address ASB:

Significant efforts have been made to tackle ASB in Ventnor, aligning with the top Police and community priority. These initiatives include dedicated 'Op Spider' ASB patrols, Community Protection Notice warnings, and the issuance of Acceptable Behaviour Contracts to individuals causing the most problems. Proactive stance on getting reporting of incidents recorded. Notably, the mere threat of these measures has proven effective in deterring ASB. The Police teams and the Council are still actively engaged in addressing the concerns posed by a small number of youths who have been responsible for disturbances in the town. Additionally, discussions have been initiated with Jordan Royle regarding future facilities for young individuals in the Ventnor area.



Comparison with Sandown and Shanklin:

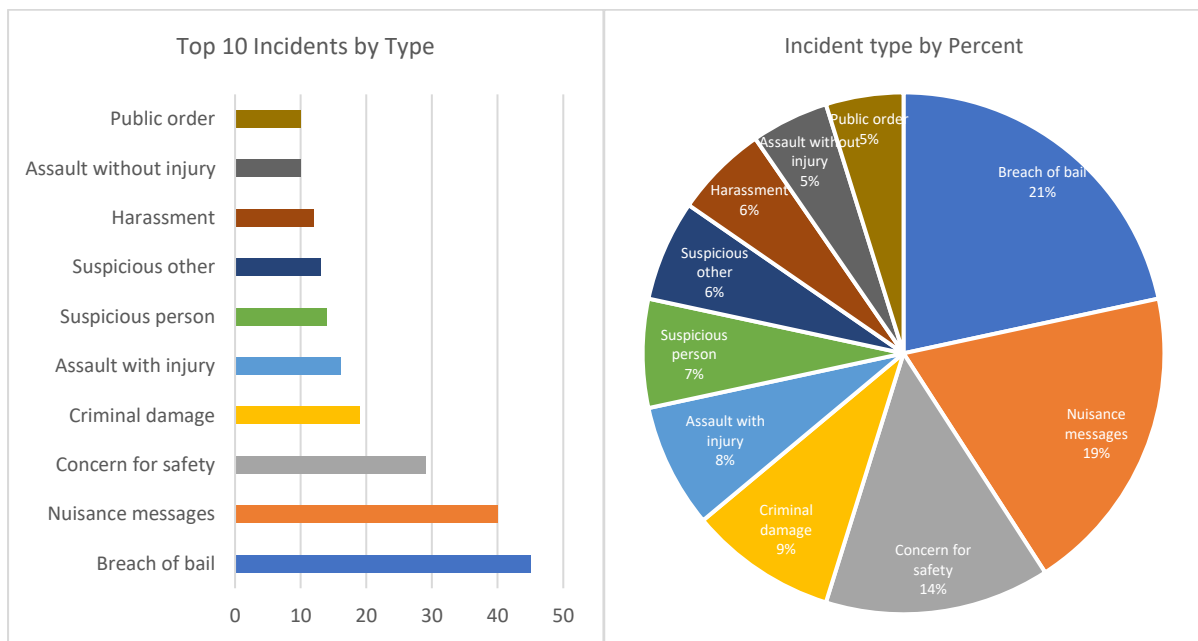
To provide context, a comparison has been made with Ventnor's ASB figures with those of neighbouring towns, Sandown and Shanklin, for the same time frame. The results are as follows:

- Shanklin:
 - ASB Community: 16 incidents
 - ASB Personal: 3 incidents

- Sandown:
 - ASB Community: 56 incidents
 - ASB Environmental: 8 incidents
 - ASB Personal: 3 incidents

It is worth noting that these figures represent a decrease compared to the previous year, largely attributed to the effectiveness of 'Op Spider' patrols, especially in Sandown.

Ventnor Incident Data (provided by Neighbourhood Policing Team)



*These figures shown above are just the incidents that are recorded through the on-line and telephone system. They do not include all unrecorded incidents within the town.

Conclusion:

In conclusion, Ventnor has maintained its reputation as a safe and secure community during the summer months of 2023. While ASB incidents have been reported, proactive measures and community engagement have played a vital role in addressing these concerns. Moreover, when compared to neighbouring towns, Ventnor has seen fewer ASB-related incidents, indicating a favourable safety record. The ongoing commitment to ensuring a safe environment in Ventnor is evident through continued collaboration with local authorities and residents.