



## Minutes

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### Community, Health and Leisure Committee Monday, 5th September, 2016

#### Attendance

Cllr Parker (Chair)	Cllr Mrs Hubbard
Cllr Ms Sanders (Vice-Chair)	Cllr Reed
Cllr Clarke	Cllr Trump
Cllr Mrs Davies	Cllr Wiles

#### Apologies

#### Substitute Present

Cllr Russell (substituting for Cllr Mrs Slade)

#### Also Present

Cllr Mrs Murphy  
Cllr Mrs Pound  
Cllr Ms Rowlands

#### Officers Present

Kim Anderson	-	Partnership, Leisure and Funding Manager
David Carter	-	Environmental Health Manager
Claire Mayhew	-	Governance and Member Support Officer
Rhiannon Vigor	-	Public Health Improvement Practitioner

#### 117. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs Slade, Cllr Russell substituted.

#### 118. Minutes from the previous meeting

The minutes of the Community, Leisure and Health Committee held on 6 June 2016 were approved and signed as a correct record by the Chair.

#### 119. Variation of the Order of the Agenda

**RESOLVED**, that item 4, Crimestoppers presentation be taken before item 3.

**120. Presentation - Crimestoppers**

Presentation attached at Appendix A.

**121. Community Safety Partnership Plan**

The Community Safety Partnership (CSP) was made up of Responsible Authorities as outlined in the Crime & Disorder Act 1988 which included the Council as a key partner.

Each year the partnership had a statutory duty to carry out a Strategic Intelligence Assessment which reviewed existing priorities and identified any new or emerging priorities that the partnership should focus on.

All partners agreed the Strategic Priorities and set in the Partnership Plan (see Appendix A of the report) how the partnership would work together over the next twelve months to tackle crime and disorder and achieve its priorities.

The CSPs Strategic Priorities for 2016/17 were:

- Protecting People from Harm
- Domestic Abuse
- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Burglary
- Community Engagement

A set of action plans had been developed which underpinned the delivery of the above priorities and set out how the partnership would work together to stimulate activity across the Borough. This would focus on those activities that added value as a result of being delivered in partnership.

A motion was **MOVED** by Cllr Wiles and **SECONDED** by Cllr Russell to approve the recommendations set out in the report.

A vote was taken by a show of hands and it was **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY**:

- 1. For Members to endorse and support the work of the CSP through the Partnership Plan.**

**Reasons for recommendation**

The Council was one of the key partners within the CSP and it was vital that this was supported by Members to ensure that it remained effective in tackling local crime and disorder issues that affect our most vulnerable residents were supported.

**122. Open Space Protection Measures**

The Council owned and maintained large areas of public open spaces, ranging from common land to parks and recreation fields within the Borough.

A Motion was made to Full Council recommending additional protection for land to reduce the risk of unauthorised incursions, which have increased in recent years and had resulted in a cost to remove vehicles and persons from land, and to clear up sites following an incursion.

Members approved expenditure on the work to a number of sites identified which included King George's Playing Fields, Hutton Recreation Fields and the Brentwood Centre.

The report sought to update Members on works completed to date and to request approval for further work identified as a result of damage caused to existing protection measures and on additional sites that had been used for unlawful incursions in 2016.

Cllr Mrs Davies requested cross party working to prevent inclusion in the future.

A motion was **MOVED** by Cllr Parker and **SECONDED** by Cllr Wiles.

A vote was taken by a show of hands and it was **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY** that:

- 1. Members agreed to the programme of proposed works identified in the report to be carried out.**

#### **Reasons for recommendations**

To continue to maintain and protect open spaces in the Borough.

#### **123. Brentwood Borough Council Volunteer Engagement Policy and Procedures and Employee Volunteering Policy 2016**

In 2010, Brentwood Borough Council adopted a Volunteer Engagement Policy and Procedure and an Employee Volunteering Policy in 2011. These two policies had been reviewed and updated, and informed the delivery of the Volunteering Strategy 2016-2019 which had already been agreed by Members of the Community and Health Committee on 14 March 2016 (min. Ref 408).

These policies further embedded the Council's commitment to supporting volunteers and their integral role in our communities in promoting and contributing to community cohesion.

The policies ensured that the Council was working to safeguard volunteers and staff and allowed us to deliver quality volunteering opportunities.

A request from Cllr Mrs Hubbard that the effects of the volunteers should be acknowledged. This was noted by the Officer.

A motion was **MOVED** by Cllr Reed and **SECONDED** by Cllr Sanders to approve the recommendation set out in the report.

A vote was taken by a show of hands and it was **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY** to:

1. **Adopt the Brentwood Borough Council Volunteer Engagement Policy and Procedures and Employee Volunteering Policy 2016.**

#### **Reasons for recommendation**

Adoption of the policies strengthen our commitment to the Council's vision for volunteering, which ensured that we prioritised engagement with volunteers in service delivery to involve the community in influencing decision-making.

The policies also encouraged our own staff to undertake leave to carry out their own volunteering to enhance their wellbeing and demonstrate our commitment to supporting our communities.

The policies ensured that we demonstrate the importance of good practice and management of volunteers.

#### **124. CCTV Code of Practice**

The Council operated the public space CCTV within the Town Centre of Brentwood, Shenfield and other areas of the Borough in accordance with the CCTV Code of Practice which had been reviewed in October 2010.

The report sought Member approval to the revised Code of Practice which had been amended in relation to the current guidance from the Surveillance Camera Commissioner and Information Commissioner.

A motion was **MOVED** by Cllr Parker and **SECONDED** by Cllr Russell to approve the recommendations set out in the report.

A vote was taken by a show of hands and it was **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY** to:

1. **The draft revision of the Brentwood CCTV Code of Practice incorporating the requirements of the Information Commissioner and Surveillance Camera Commissioner's Codes of Practice was approved for consultation with the Police and relevant stakeholders.**
2. **The results of consultation were accepted and, if they do not contravene the national guidance, that the Community, Health and Leisure Committee agree the revised Brentwood Code of Practice.**

### **Reasons for Recommendation**

To keep policies and operating procedures up to date.

### **125. Termination of Meeting**

During the preceding item, in accordance with Rule 28 of Part 4.1 of the Council Procedure Rules, the business of the meeting not having concluded by two hours after its start, Members voted and agreed to continue with the meeting for a further 30 minutes.

### **126. Basildon and Brentwood Public Health Partnership Strategic Plan**

The Basildon and Brentwood Public Health Partnership Group had the responsibility for delivering the Strategic Plan on behalf of the Brentwood Health and Wellbeing Board, and the Basildon Health and Wellbeing Partnership. The Public Health Partnership would ensure that all partner organisations support the delivery of pertinent services in line with the Strategic Plan. The group acknowledged the wider challenges around the improvement of health and wellbeing amongst the residents of Basildon and Brentwood, but had chosen to prioritise its focus on specific areas where health may be influenced.

A motion was **MOVED** by Cllr Ms Sanders and **SECONDED** by Cllr Mrs Davies to approve the recommendation set out in the report.

A vote was taken by a show of hands and it was **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY** that:

- 1. Members approved the Strategic Plan (Version: August-October 2016) produced by the Basildon and Brentwood Public Health Partnership Group, and note that it replaced the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Work Plan produced by Brentwood Borough Council and approved by Committee in July 2014.**

### **Reasons for recommendation**

Members were required to approve the Strategic Plan as it directly affects the future health and wellbeing of residents within the Brentwood Borough. It also impacts businesses with regard to providing healthy food choices where reference to the Council's Tuck-In work is concerned.

### **127. Urgent business**

There were no items of Urgent Business.

The meeting concluded at 21.14

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# Crimestoppers

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**An Independent UK Registered Charity**



**Call anonymously with information about crime**

**CRIMESTOPPERS TRUST - Registered Charity 1108687**

# What is Crimestoppers?



- Established in 1988, it is the only UK charity which helps to solve crimes and find criminals.
- Independent of the police, the Government and Local Authorities.
- Provide a means to detect, reduce and prevent any crime, through the provision of information from anonymous sources, about crimes and criminals to law enforcement agencies.
- Operates a secure, national 24/7 intelligence gathering service, either by telephone number **0800 555 111**, which people can ring to pass on information to professional call handlers about crimes anonymously, or online via our website **[www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)**
- ‘Tell us what you know, not who you are’.
- Rewards are paid anonymously, if their information leads to arrest and charge.
- The public doing their bit for their community, by helping to make it safer.

# Why use Crimestoppers?



- For people who do not want to go to the police to report crime for fear of revenge and reprisals, or do not trust the police, or do not want to get involved and possibly have to go to Court as a prosecution witness.
- Guaranteed 100% Anonymous. We have never broken this guarantee in over 25 years of operating. This guarantee gives peace of mind.
- Callers can not be identified; No personal details are requested; Calls will **never be recorded or traced**; Online contacts are encrypted to ensure anonymity; Will not have to give a statement to the police or be a witness or go to court.
- Crimestoppers is not a replacement for the police. We encourage people to call the police, but to contact Crimestoppers if this is not possible.

# How we are organised



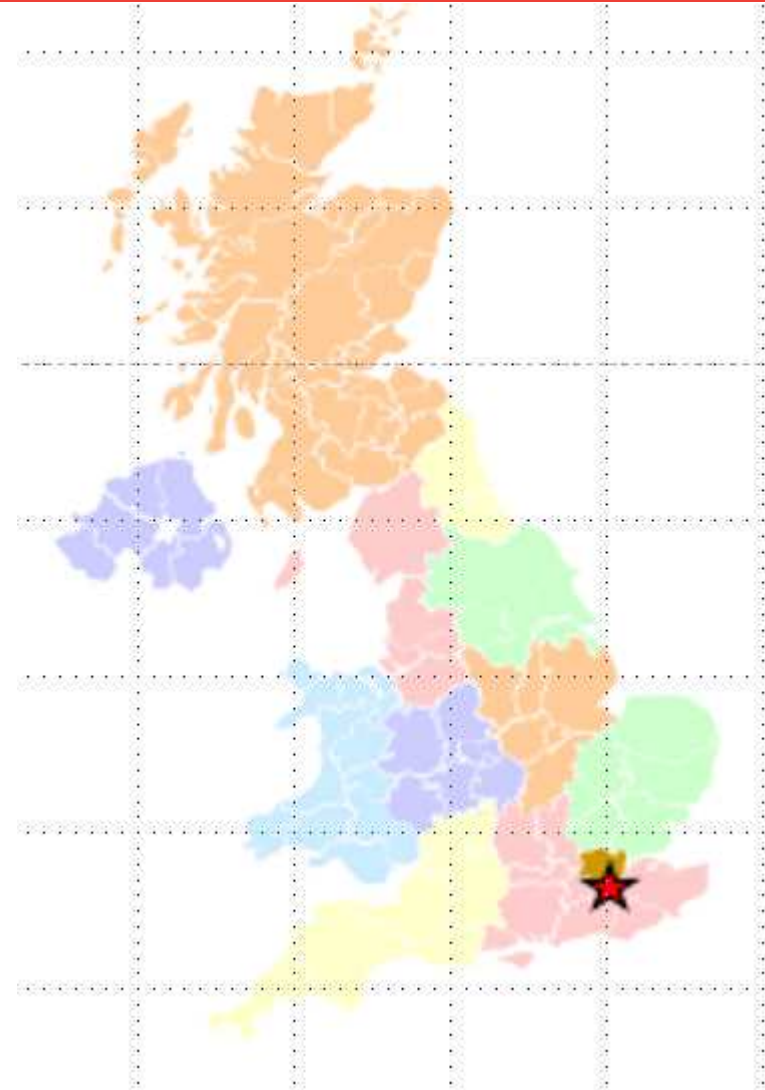
14 UK Regions

44 Volunteer Committees

650 Volunteers

Central Office

24/7 central contact bureau



# What we do



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- National Campaigns
- International Campaigns
- Local Campaigns
- Youth - Fearless.org
- Most Wanted
- Integrity Line
- Corporate Campaigns



# Campaign Examples



Violent attacks on teenagers solved



Child abuse images out of circulation

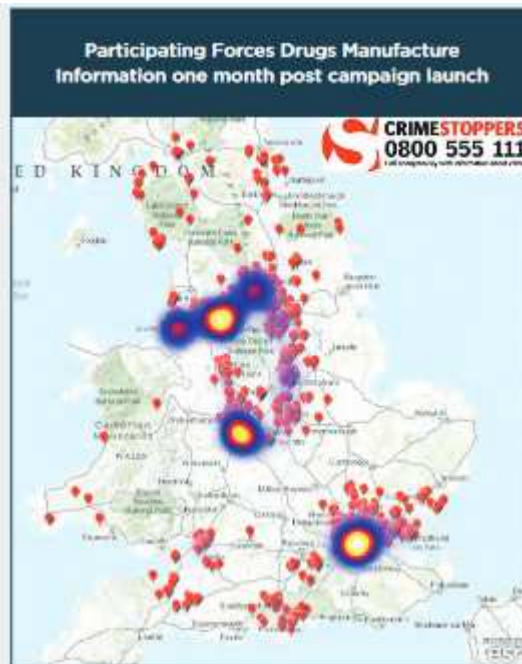
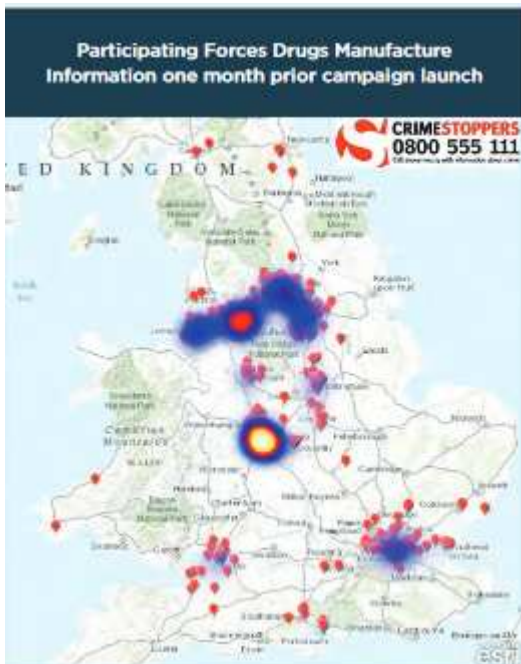


Hidden cannabis farm uncovered



Dangerous fugitive captured

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## Case Study – Cannabis Farms

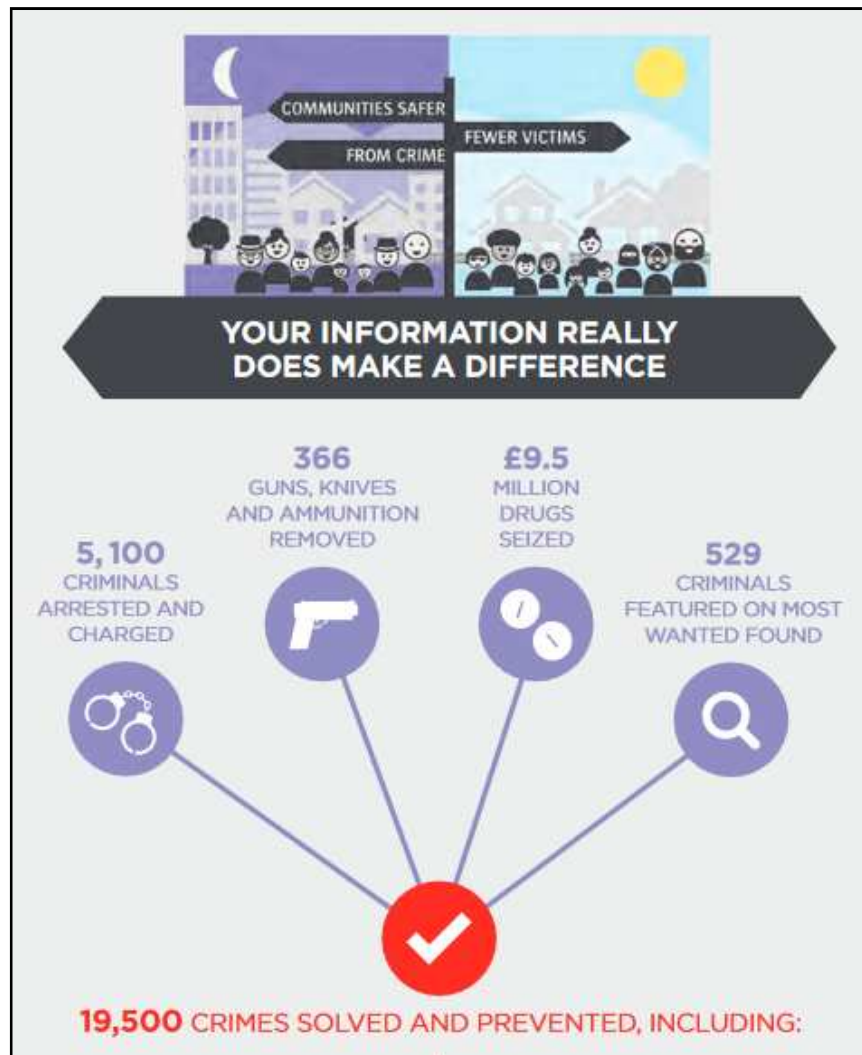
The maps illustrate the difference in the volume of intelligence one month prior to the campaign and a month after.

### Key

**Red Pins**- 1 piece of information

**Heat Map** – The brighter the colour, the more concentrated amounts of information

# Crimestoppers in 2014 - 2015



Over £9.4 million worth of illegal drugs seized.

Around 14 people are arrested every day

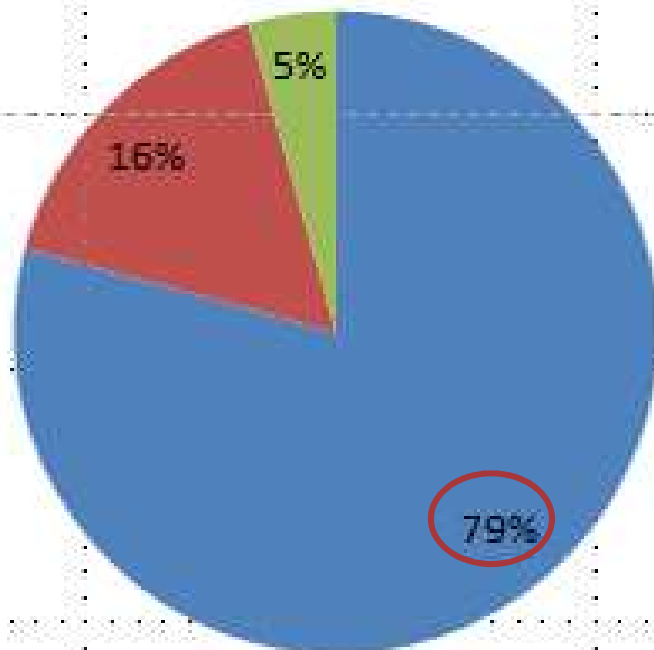
1 person every 8 days is arrested for murder

# Motivation for calling



## How would you rate the importance of being anonymous

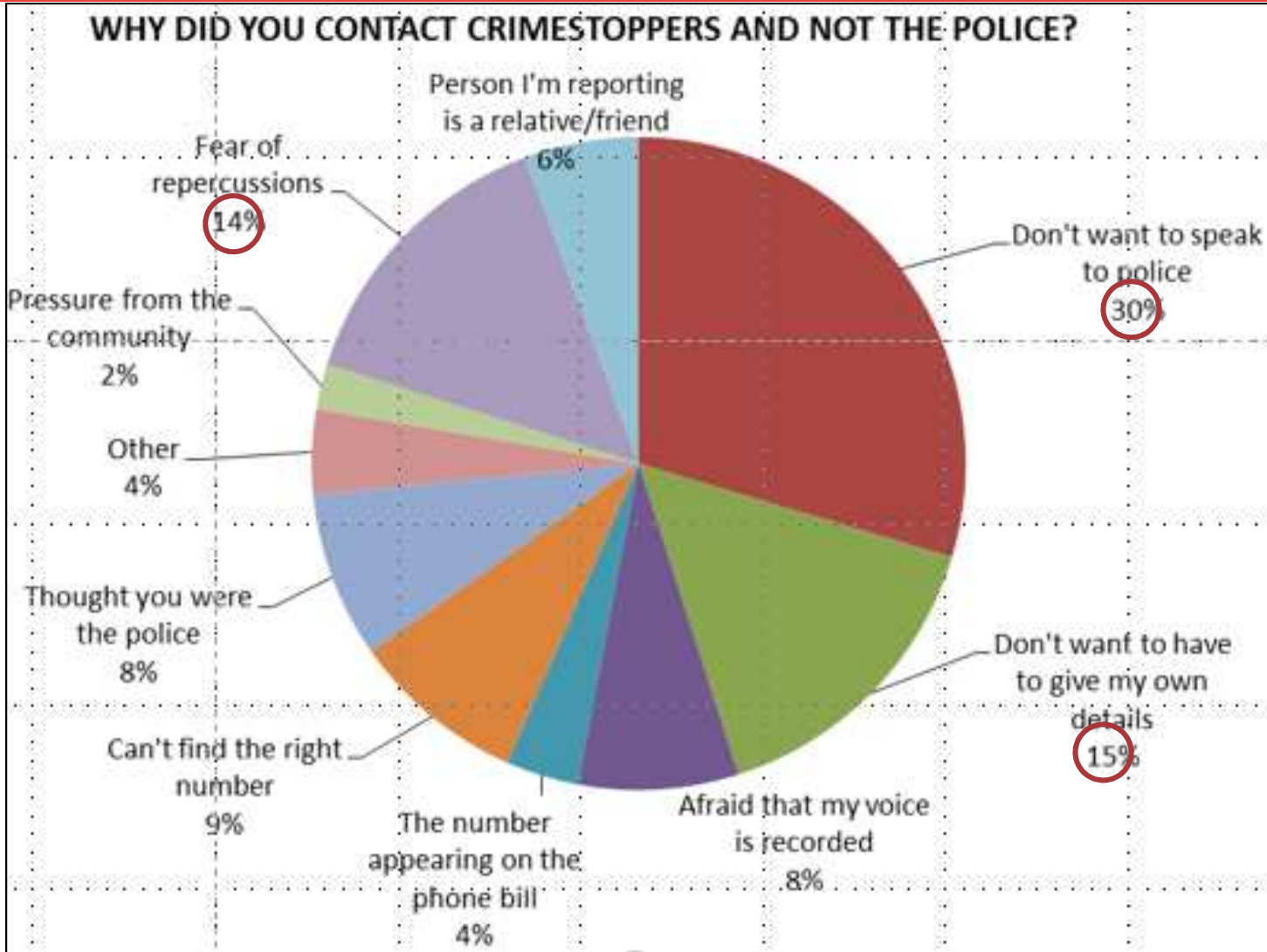
■ Vital   ■ Good to Know   ■ Not important



- Vital = I would not have contacted the Police with this information
- Good to know = I am highly unlikely ever to have contacted the Police with this information
- Not important = I may have contacted the Police with this information



# Motivation for calling



# So how are we funded?



- Grant from Central Government which covers core costs.
- Local funding from statutory bodies, Police & Crime Commissioners, Community Safety Partnerships, Police and local business support.
- Support from charitable trusts and foundations for specific projects.
- Fundraising events and challenge events, e.g. the London Marathon.
- Corporate Partnerships and sponsorship, Business opportunities.

# Fearless



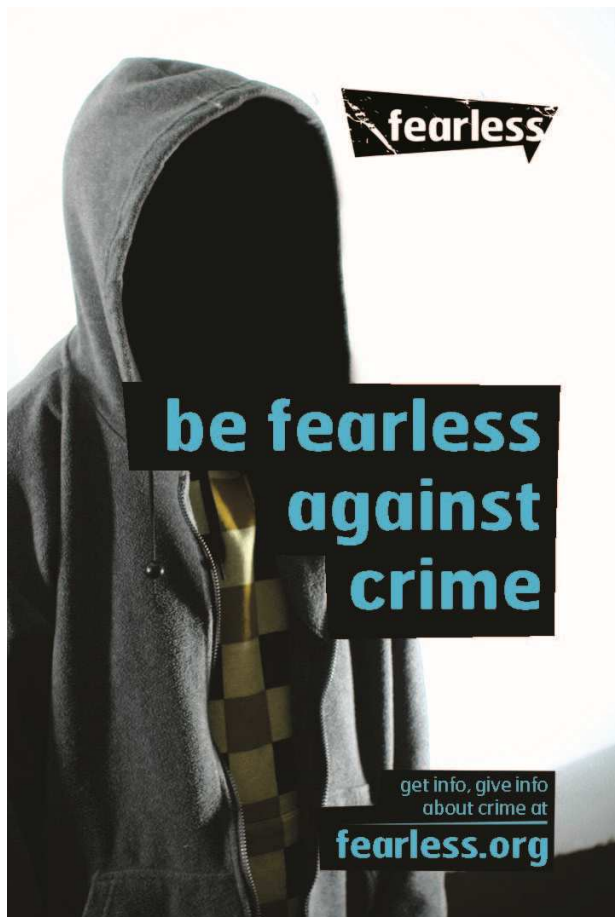
Crimestoppers youth brand, Fearless, to ensure that the charity is recognised and trusted by young people.

Consists of the brand's website, fearless.org and a dedicated youth team.

Fearless.org is a youth oriented website where young people can pass on information online and learn about the law.

Range of materials to support both primary and secondary curricula.

Provide workshops in schools and colleges to promote Crimestoppers call to action.



# Ambassador Programme



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## The Issue

How to target our communications more directly to those best placed to provide intelligence?

## Solution

Establish a network of organisations (Ambassadors) who are in day-to-day contact with, or have information on, those who have committed crime, those who are abused, vulnerable or are victims of crime.



## The Messenger

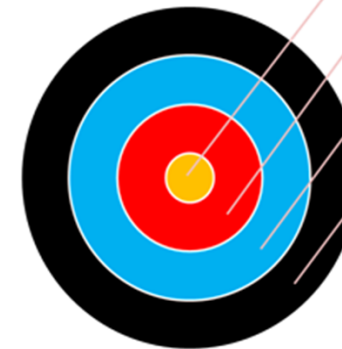
(Services and Associations)

### Example Ambassadors:

- Youth Offending
- Drug and Alcohol
- SOS Buses
- Housing
- Community
- YMCA
- Hospitals
- Schools
- Youth clubs
- Prisons

## The Targets

Includes those who are abused, vulnerable, or other victims of crime.



The Criminal

Their Associates

Their Families

Their Friends

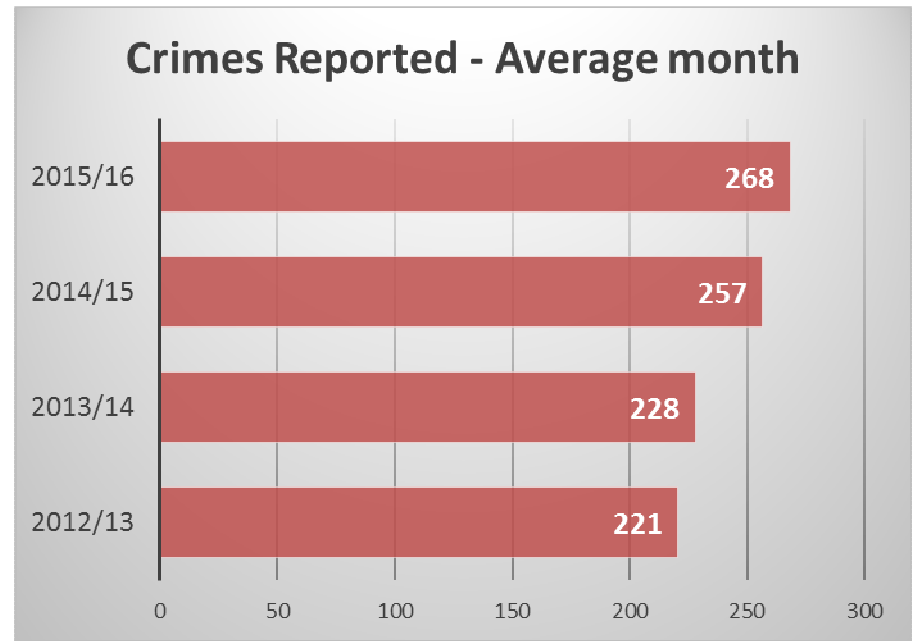
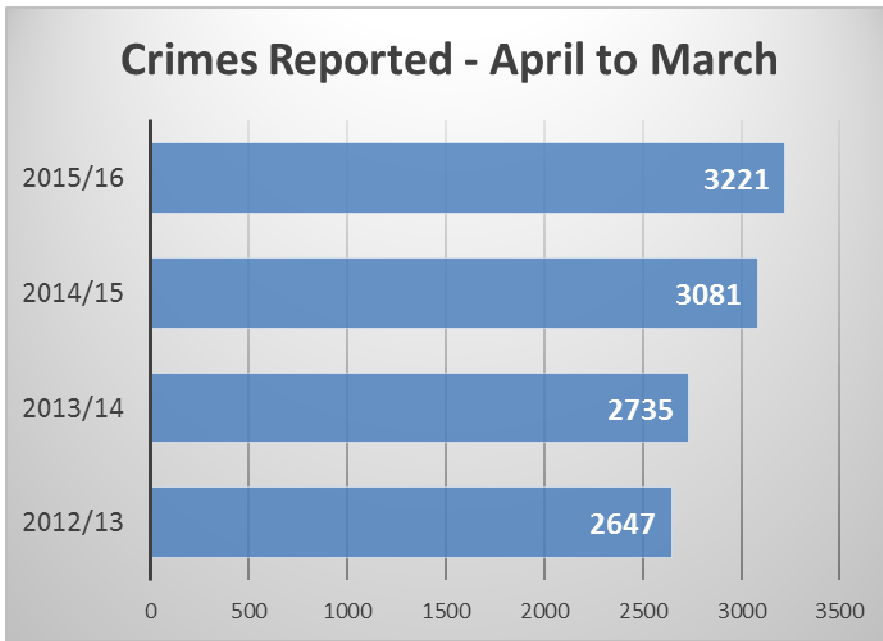
## Ambassador role:

- No Costs - it's part of your day job.
- No Agreements to Sign - we just need your help.
- Spread the word with your colleagues.
- Give support - consider an individuals circumstances and if appropriate 'signpost' them to the option of Crimestoppers.
- Keep it up - display Crimestoppers posters, leaflets and business cards.

# Results



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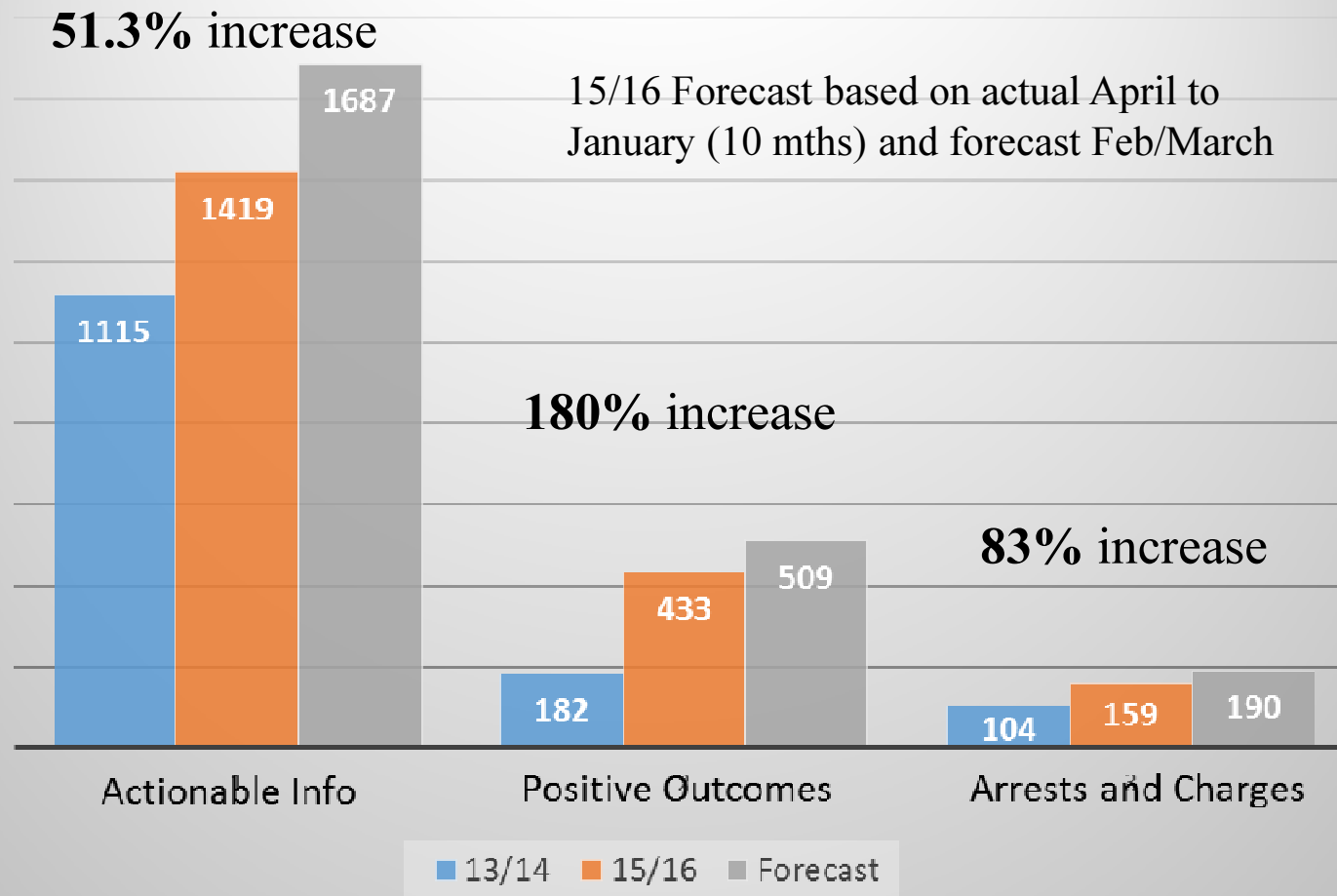


22% Increase between 12/13 and 15/16

# Results



## Essex Crimestoppers - Police Stats





# Crimestoppers

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# Our Impact Summary

