

Hart Community Safety Newsletter

This Newsletter aims to provide information about how we can support those experiencing Antisocial Behaviour (ASB), current issues across the district and successes we have achieved.

We can be contacted online: [Anti Social Behaviour Reporting Form | Hart District Council](#)
by phone: Rachael **07816 109687** or Caroline **07816 109682**
or by e-mail: communitysafety@hart.gov.uk

19th-25th July, 2021 marks the first ever UK **ASB Awareness Week**

Partners and agencies across the UK have reported a huge rise in ASB cases during the various national and local lockdowns as communities and neighbours have found themselves in closer contact with those that they might have previously never, or rarely, noticed or had an issue with.

It is generally expected that the situation is expected to get worse as society starts to open up again and communities, families and individuals potentially find themselves facing increasing pressure or anxiety. Addressing ASB is a national priority. **Persistent ASB** is not low-level crime, it devastates the lives of victims and communities. **#ASBawarenessweek**

“made my life there an absolute misery”

“we were permanently on edge”

Reminder of what **ASB** is:

ASB is defined as '**behaviour by a person which causes, or is likely to cause, harassment, alarm or distress to persons not of the same household as the person**'
([Antisocial Behaviour Act 2003](#) and [Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011](#))

Harassment, alarm and distress are of course subjective and tolerance levels between different individuals vary hugely. Where a behaviour is persistent and to a level that starts to impact the way you live your life or the routines that you have through fear, intimidation or stress – help and support is available. **People deserve to feel safe where they live.**

If you or someone you know is experiencing ASB, it is vital to:

- Keep a record of all incidents – *dates, times, what happened, details of people, vehicles or places involved and, most importantly, how it made you feel*
- Report to Police through **101** or [Report antisocial behaviour | Hampshire Constabulary](#) or **999** where there is an **immediate threat to life or an incident is in progress**
- Contact Hart Community Safety for further **advice and support**:
communitysafety@hart.gov.uk / [Community safety | Hart District Council](#) / 01252 622122

‘we’re safe, we’re happy, we’re able to live our lives like normal’

“now it’s over and I’m beginning to get back to normal”

Fleet BID Crime Prevention Roadshow

Fleet BID are hosting a Crime Prevention Roadshow with the Fleet Neighbourhood Policing Team and Hart Community Safety on Saturday 24th July, 2021 in the Fleet Hub, 164 Fleet Road, Fleet.

Pop along for advice on personal and/or home safety or to have a chat about any other wider safety or crime prevention concerns you may have.

Tackling Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE)

As reported last month, the **Drugs Bus** will be at a number of locations in Hart from **Sunday 18th to Wednesday 21st July, 2021** in the run up to the summer holidays to raise awareness about the potential risks and consequences of being drawn into exploitation.



This experience is not just for the potential children at risk, but also for the parents, wider families, friends and neighbours to learn how to **spot the signs of exploitation** and **what to do to help**.

If you are interested in taking part in a session on the Drugs Bus or have any questions or concerns around Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE), please contact communitysafety@hart.gov.uk and we will do our best to get you in on a session or help signpost or resolve your concerns.

What is our current key message?

As we come out of the current COVID-19 restrictions, continue to take care of yourself and look out for others – communities can be very powerful in looking out for one another and those that may be feeling more vulnerable than normal.

If you have a concern for someone, where you are able, try to speak to them about what might be going on with them and don't be afraid to ask them if they need help or support – you are not expected to provide that help or support, but you can assist in putting them in touch with the right service.

If needed, contact Adults Health & Social Care on **0300 555 1386 /0300 555 1373 out of hours** or at [Adults' Health and Care help and support | Health and social care | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

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