

# Policing in Newcastle 2010/2011



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## Useful contacts

### Northumbria Police

In an emergency call 999

For non-emergencies call 03456 043 043

Text: 07786 200814

For the hearing impaired: Minicom 01661 820 915

Text: 07786 200815

[www.northumbria.police.uk](http://www.northumbria.police.uk)

### Northumbria Police Authority

0191 433 2091

[www.northumbria-police-authority.org](http://www.northumbria-police-authority.org)

### Newcastle City Council

0191 232 8520

[www.newcastle.gov.uk](http://www.newcastle.gov.uk)

### Crimestoppers

0800 555 111

[www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

### Victim Support

0845 30 30 900

[www.victimsupport.org.uk](http://www.victimsupport.org.uk)



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# About your Police Authority

## Northumbria Police Authority is the voice for 1.5 million people

Northumbria Police Authority is an independent body made up of 17 people; nine local councillors and eight independent members who challenge and make sure Northumbria Police are doing a good job and fighting crime.

By listening to the views of local people, we make sure policing services are those which communities across Gateshead, Newcastle, Northumberland, North Tyneside, South Tyneside and Sunderland want.

Each year we plan and monitor the police budget so that local services are the best they can be, making sure costs don't go up.

We work closely with Northumbria Police so that together we can build trust and confidence in police services.

### How the money is spent 2009/2010

Money we received	(£m)
Government funds	158
Business rates	113
Precept from your Council Tax	35
Other income	41
Reserves	11
	<b>358</b>

Money we spent	(£m)
Employees	302
Premises	11
Supplies and services	12
Transport	6
Capital charges	4
Establishment (e.g. support services)	7
Agency services (e.g. forensic science)	6
Miscellaneous	10
	<b>358</b>

## You decide what's important

Since November 2009 Northumbria Police Authority has given nearly £43,000 to 20 projects run by community groups in Newcastle for crime prevention projects through a scheme called Participatory Budgeting.

The Authority invites community groups to make a presentation about crime prevention projects which tackle a real neighbourhood issue. Then members of the community at the event vote on which projects should get funding.

The successful projects include the Young Helpers scheme run by Stepney Bank Stables. The scheme builds confidence and self esteem in young people who might be isolated from their family or their local community.



Authority members visiting Stepney Bank Stables in Newcastle

## Kids get involved too

Last year Northumbria Police Authority worked with children, aged nine and 10, from Christ Church C of E School in Shieldfield, Newcastle to produce a book of poems called 'Our Police – the Super Computers'.

The Authority visited the school and talked to the children about their area and how the police could make it better. The children put their thoughts into poems and presented them at a Police Authority meeting.

Have your say on policing visit  
[www.northumbria-police-authority.org](http://www.northumbria-police-authority.org)

# Protecting your police services

Fewer crimes are happening across Northumbria. Over the last three years the figures show that there has been an 18% reduction in crime and a 30% reduction in anti-social behaviour.

Despite challenging budget cuts over the next few years, we are determined to continue driving crime down and making all our streets, towns and cities safer.

Our priority, during these tough financial times, will be to protect frontline policing, so that when you need help or advice, our officers are available. You should not see any reduction in service.

This year we have been preparing for change, carrying out business reviews and challenging costs, so we can continue to provide the high quality services you want. We will continue to listen to your concerns and act to solve your problems.

Working together we can make sure Northumbria remains one of the safest areas in the country.



Temporary Chief Constable, Sue Sim and  
Chair of Northumbria Police Authority,  
Councillor Mick Henry

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Temporary Chief Constable

Councillor Mick Henry  
Chair, Northumbria Police Authority

## Crime figures 2009/2010

Total crime has gone down in  
Northumbria by 14.9% - that's 15,668  
fewer offences

Northumbria Police Performance	2008/2009	2009/2010	Improved performance
Total recorded crime	105,458	89,790	✓
Violent crime	20,322	18,005	✓
Vehicle crime	11,638	8,628	✓
House burglary	4,934	3,876	✓
Criminal damage	27,178	22,554	✓
Anti-social behaviour incidents (youth-related)	47,232	41,246	✓
Anti-social behaviour incidents (non youth-related)	95,773	79,104	✓
Percentage of users satisfied with the overall service	86.9%	90.4%	✓
Detections	39.3%	39.6%	✓

# Area Command Policing Newcastle

I'm delighted to be area commander for Newcastle and to lead a team who are all committed to providing a quality policing service to the city.

Newcastle is one of the safest cities in the country, crime continues to fall and our overall aim is to make sure it stays that way.

However, keeping crime down is only part of the story here at Newcastle.

We work hard, together with partners from other organisations, to resolve issues raised by you, our residents, whether this is anti-social behaviour, graffiti or speeding.

You can find out more about our work on the Newcastle Area Command pages on the force website at [www.northumbria.police.uk](http://www.northumbria.police.uk), or by following the area command's Facebook and Twitter accounts.

We're keen to hear your thoughts so I'd encourage you to get involved in our work.

Chief Superintendent Graham Smith  
Newcastle Area Command



We're spending more time in your community – every sector of every area command has its own Neighbourhood Policing Team

## Newcastle Area Command Performance



Newcastle	2008/2009	2009/2010	Improved performance
Total recorded crime	28,541	26,128	✓
Violent crime	5,182	5,108	✓
Vehicle crime	3,170	2,563	✓
House burglary	1,666	1,381	✓
Criminal damage	6,116	5,320	✓
Anti-social behaviour incidents (youth-related)	10,748	9,664	✓
Anti-social behaviour incidents (non youth-related)	24,116	20,429	✓
Percentage of users satisfied with the overall service	87.6%	87.4%	✓
Detections	39.3%	38.0%	x

# Neighbourhood Policing

Neighbourhood policing puts the needs of your community first. It is about identifying and understanding the problems which are most important to you and giving you a say over local policing priorities.

Each neighbourhood has its own policing team, dedicated to tackling local issues. They provide a visible, familiar and accessible policing service which deals effectively with local problems and any anti-social behaviour on your streets.

To speak to your local Neighbourhood Policing Team call  
03456 043 043  
extension 69191



## Neighbourhood Inspectors



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In an emergency, if somebody's life is in danger or a crime is taking place call 999

# News from around the area

## Stay safe in the city centre

Police are keeping criminals at bay to ensure residents, workers, shoppers and revellers are safe in Newcastle city centre.

Working with partners from other organisations, officers make sure the vibrant and diverse city centre remains a safe and enjoyable place for people of all ages to visit.

As well as patrolling the streets at key times to ensure the safety of visitors and residents, officers have also been issuing safety cards to revellers.

Newcastle Area Commander Chief Superintendent Graham Smith said:

"Newcastle is a vibrant city and it's our job to make sure it's a safe city for everyone to come here and enjoy.

"We use a variety of tactics and operations take place on a daily basis to tackle criminals and troublemakers and we'll continue to work hard to keep crime down."



City centre officer with safety cards which are given to revellers

## Stamping out anti-social behaviour



Police on patrol in Newcastle

Police continue to reduce anti-social behaviour across the city by working with partners from other organisations, and the community.

Together, issues are identified and resolved and new facilities and projects are created to improve neighbourhoods; while enforcement action is taken against nuisance neighbours, street drinkers and troublesome young people.

It's reaping rewards in the city, which during 2009/10 received 4,771 fewer reports of anti-social behaviour.

## Jubilee Magpies score

Police, working with partners from other organisations, have set up a football scheme which is a big hit in the west end.

The Jubilee Magpies keeps youngsters off the streets of the Jubilee Estate, and in return the team tidies up the estate each week.

The boys are doing well in their five-a-side league - and the estate is also seeing the benefit.



The Jubilee Magpies in their strip (Photo courtesy of the Evening Chronicle)