

GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE, FIRE & CRIME PANEL

Date: 24 July 2024

Subject: Anti Social Behaviour on Motorbikes, Electric bike and Quads

Report of: Assistant Chief Constable Wasim Chaudhry

Purpose of Report

This report and presentation is intended to provide the members of the GM Police, Fire and Crime Panel with an overview of GMP's response to tackle and reduce anti-social behaviour on motorbikes, electric bikes and quads.

Recommendations:

The Panel is requested to:

1. Note the presentation and support the partnership working approach to proactively tackle and reduce ASB on motorbikes ebikes and quads.

Contact Officers

Superintendent John-Paul Ruffle

Superintendent Gareth Parkin

Report authors must identify which paragraph relating to the following issues:

Equalities Impact, Carbon and Sustainability Assessment:

Results of the [Sustainability Decision Support Tool](#) to be included here:

A [training video](#) is available on how to use the tool.

Risk Management

No implications in the context of this report

Legal Considerations

No implications in the context of this report.

Financial Consequences – Revenue

No implications in the context of this report.

Financial Consequences – Capital

No implications in the context of this report.

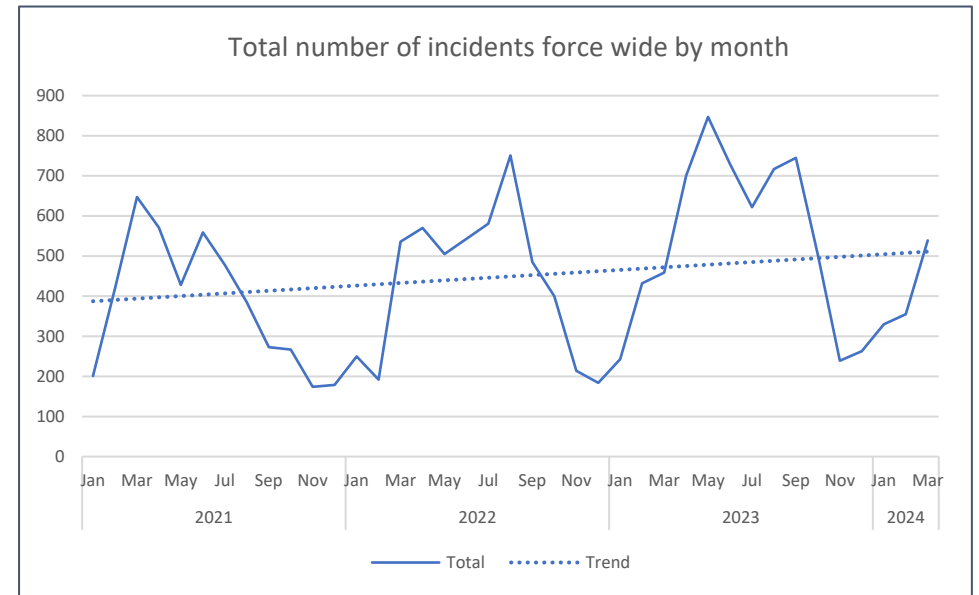
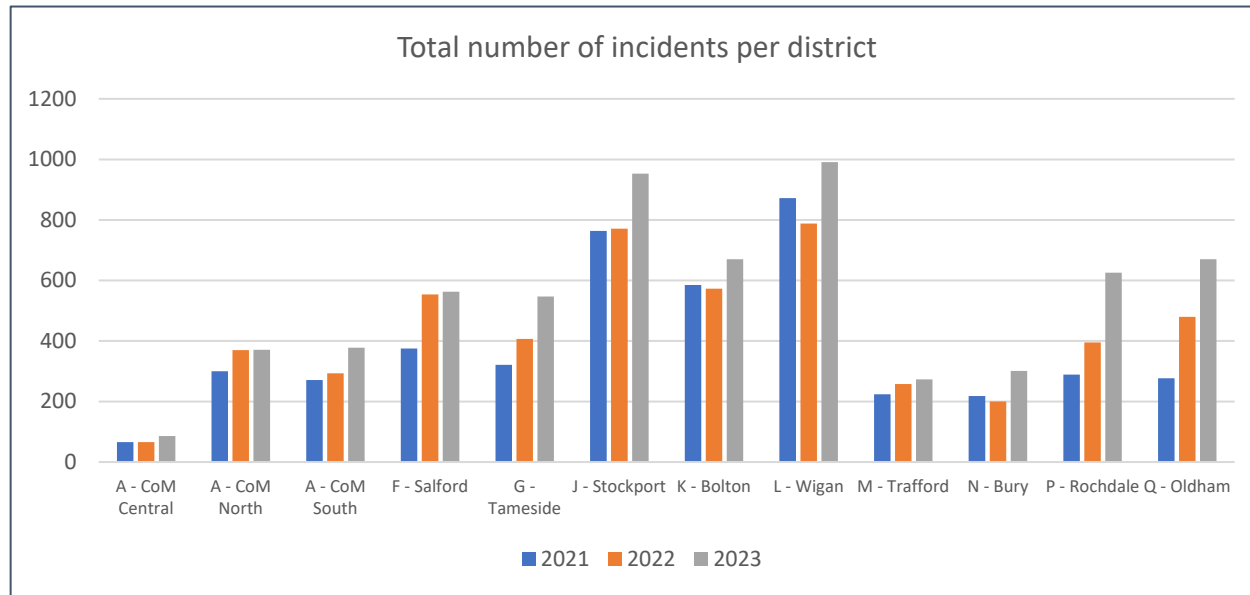
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ASB on Motorbikes, Electric bikes and Quads

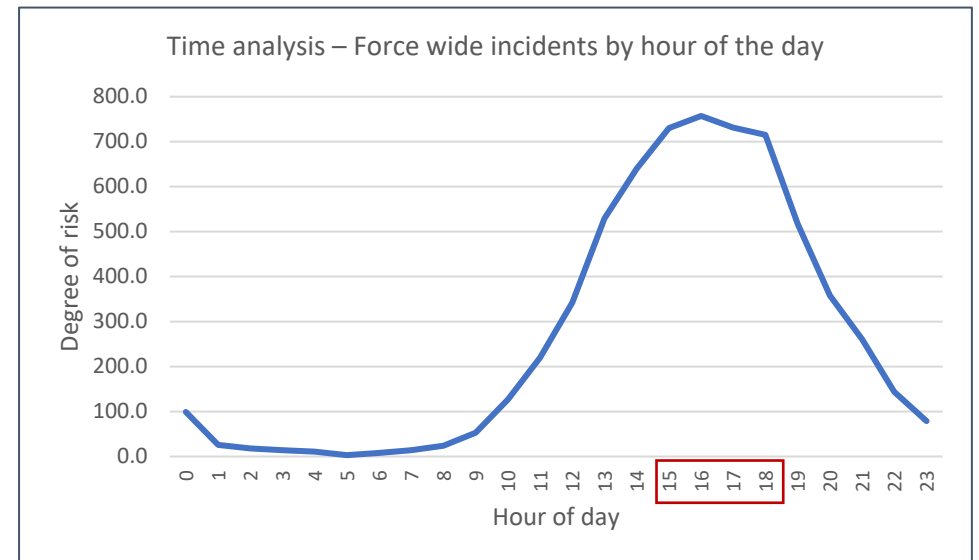
OPERATION HURRICANE

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Trends



District	2021	2022	2023	Previous 2-year average	2023 increase from 2-year average
L - Wigan	872	788	991	830	19%
J - Stockport	764	771	953	768	24%
K - Bolton	585	573	670	579	16%
Q - Oldham	274	479	669	377	78%
P - Rochdale	289	388	625	339	85%
F - Salford	375	554	563	465	21%
G - Tameside	321	407	547	364	50%
A - City of Manchester South	271	293	378	282	34%
A - City of Manchester North	300	370	371	335	11%
N - Bury	218	200	301	209	44%
M - Trafford	224	258	273	241	13%
A - City of Manchester Central	66	66	86	66	30%
Grand Total	4562	5155	6429	4859	32%



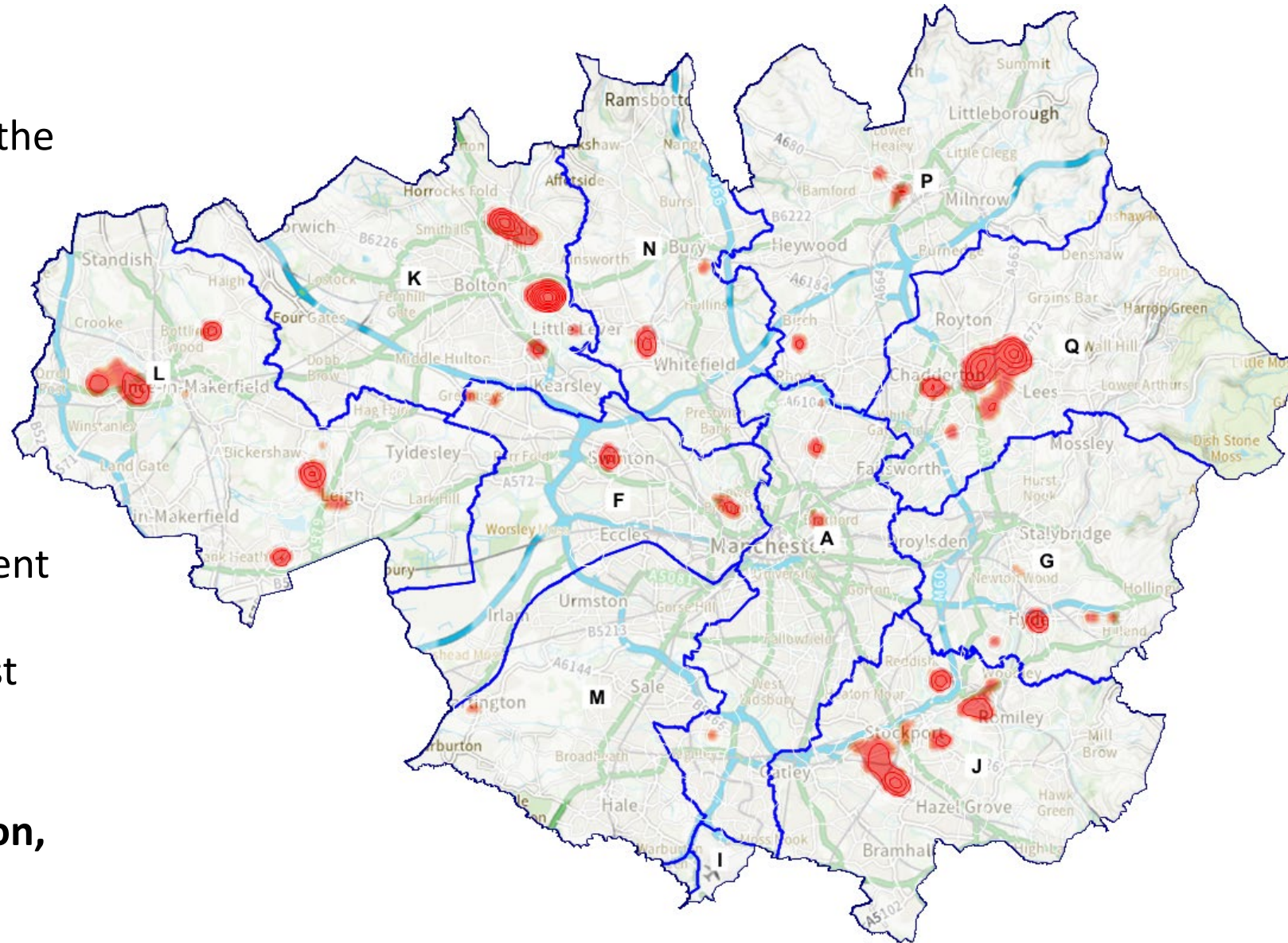
NB: Any theft (of bike) related logs have been excluded from the dataset

Force Hotspots

Using data from the 12-month period ending 31st March 2024 the maps on the following slides highlight areas that record high concentrations of incident reports.

The areas highlighted will not cover all problem areas on a district but will attempt to present the areas of highest risk on the highest risk districts. The highest risk district areas are

1. Wigan, 2. Stockport, 3. Bolton, 4. Oldham and 5. Rochdale.





Op Hurricane

Is the coordinated GMP response to tackle and reduce ASB on Motorbikes, E-Bikes and Quads.

Initial Operation Running:
June – September 2024



“Nearly knocking my neighbour and her 2 young children over.”

“..riding a dirt bike dangerously around the street, states he is ‘going to kill someone’..”

“It’s intimidating behaviour towards pedestrians.”

“driving on the wrong side of the road, running lights and have nearly been hit multiple times..”

“.. oncoming traffic having to swerve out the way.”

“They are forcing dog walkers and children to jump on the grass to avoid them.”



Operation Hurricane

Top 5 Threat Districts

1. Wigan hotspots – Bickershaw, Worsley Mesnes, Aspull, Lowton, Leigh
2. Stockport hotspots- Brinnington, Adswold & Interchange
3. Bolton – Brightmet, Firwood Fold, Heywood Park, Newhouse Farm Playing Field, Levyhulme Park
4. Oldham hotspots- Derker, St Mary's & Alexandra
5. Rochdale hotspots - Middleton/COM, Heywood & Rochdale North/Pennine



Tackling ASB on Motorbikes, E-Bikes and Quads (MEQ)



Spec Ops RPU
Support



Spec Ops
Bike Team



Spec Ops
Drone Team



Neighbourhood
Teams



Wider Spec Ops
Support



Partnership
Support

Seasonal response plan from June – September 2024

Making Effective Use of the Hot Spot Response Budget – Augmented by Duty Time

Method

1. Working with the force intelligence branch
2. Forcewide coordination
3. Targeted prevention activity including SmartTag forensic spray
4. Intelligence led, aerial, video detection capabilities
5. Wide range of enforcement capability (inc partners)
6. Effective PR campaign
7. Effective evaluation of method providing VFM

With Governance, Oversight & Scrutiny





Capabilities

1. RPU using a mixture of cars and bikes
2. Bike Team - working two shifts providing afternoon & weekend cover
3. From October 2024 the team will be significantly increased.
4. Access to 16 road bikes and 5 unmarked off-road bikes
5. Prevent using marked vehicles
6. Detect using unmarked & off-road capability
7. Support from the Drone Unit & NPAS to identify offenders and vehicles
8. In the event of a pursuit, management will be as per policy & Authorised Professional Practice



National Police Air Service (NPAS)

Op Hurricane Support:

- Plane - capable of covering a range of 800 miles
- Helicopter

Crucial in tracking and filming suspects from the air



Operation Hurricane

Capabilities in Action



Results so far:

District	Total Number of Bikes Seized	Total Number of Section 59 Warnings	Total number of Arrests
Wigan	18	3	2
Stockport*	9	3	1
Bolton*	4 (MV)		
Oldham*			
Rochdale	7	10	3
Totals:	38	16	6

Data as of 08/07/24



Questions

