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North Worcestershire Community Safety Partnership: Incidents of Anti Social Behaviour

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Aim and Purpose



Aim

The aim of this Community Safety Partnership (CSP) product is to develop a common understanding among partner agencies of anti social behaviour (ASB) incident recordings in relation to Redditch and wider into North Worcestershire.



Purpose

To provide the CSP with an updated overview into ASB incidents recorded in Redditch between 1 April 2019 and 31 July 2022, identifying any trends in recordings, incident types and key locations.



Data and Methodology

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Data

Type

Incidents of Antisocial Behaviour

Location

North Worcestershire

Period

1 April 2019 to 31 July 2022

Source

Incidents – WMP OIS/Safe

Extraction

Incidents – BI 4.2



Caveats

Where an incident did not indicate a precise offence location (postcode), an approximate postcode based on the information available was obtained and grid references obtained in order to establish the appropriate ward.

A small number of offences were identified as falling under the Redditch district but did not fall within a Redditch ward when mapped. This will account for the difference between the Redditch incident totals on slide five and slide seven.



Methodology

Incident Types

ASB Incidents for North Worcestershire were identified by final incident class – AS Environmental, AS Personal and AS Nuisance. These were then filtered to those with a district of Redditch.

Incidents of ASB for Redditch were then mapped using Northgate XD and an export obtained identifying totals for the twelve wards of Redditch.

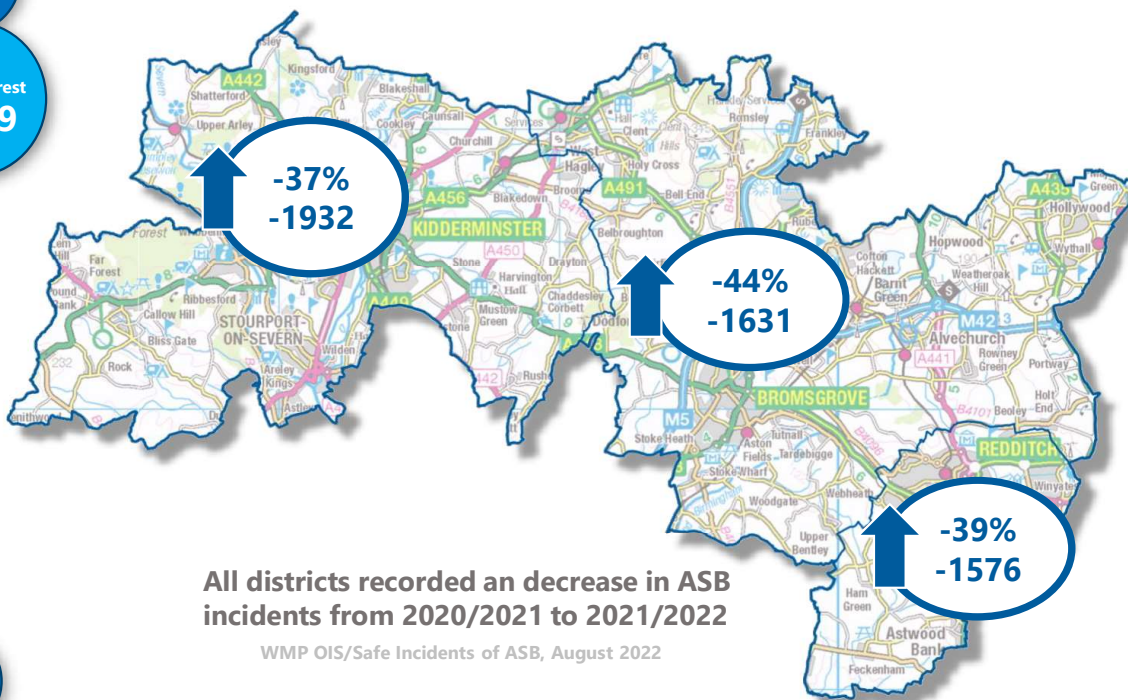
North Worcestershire and Districts

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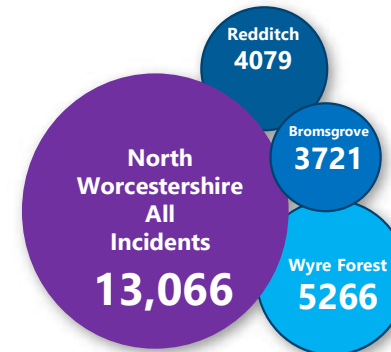
2019 to 2020



There were 39% fewer incidents of ASB recorded across North Worcestershire between 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022 than during the same period the previous year.



2020 to 2021

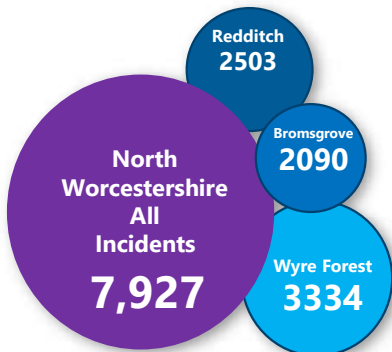


Key



Difference between 2020/21 and 2021/22

2021 to 2022

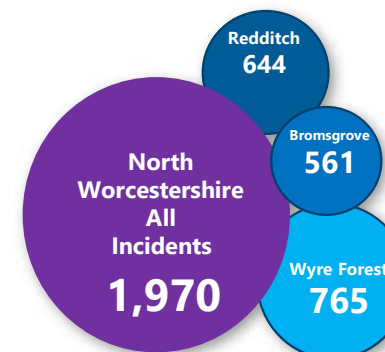


All districts recorded an decrease in ASB incidents from 2020/2021 to 2021/2022

WMP OIS/Safe Incidents of ASB, August 2022

There has been a recent change in recording practices around public order offences and malicious communications offences following improvements to SAAB ASB incident recording. This has led to substantial growth in ASB incidents being crimed as public order offences and malicious communications/ harassment offences. Therefore a decrease in ASB recordings cannot be attributed solely to lower levels of incidents, or implemented initiatives, but the change in recording practices.

1 April – 31 July 2022

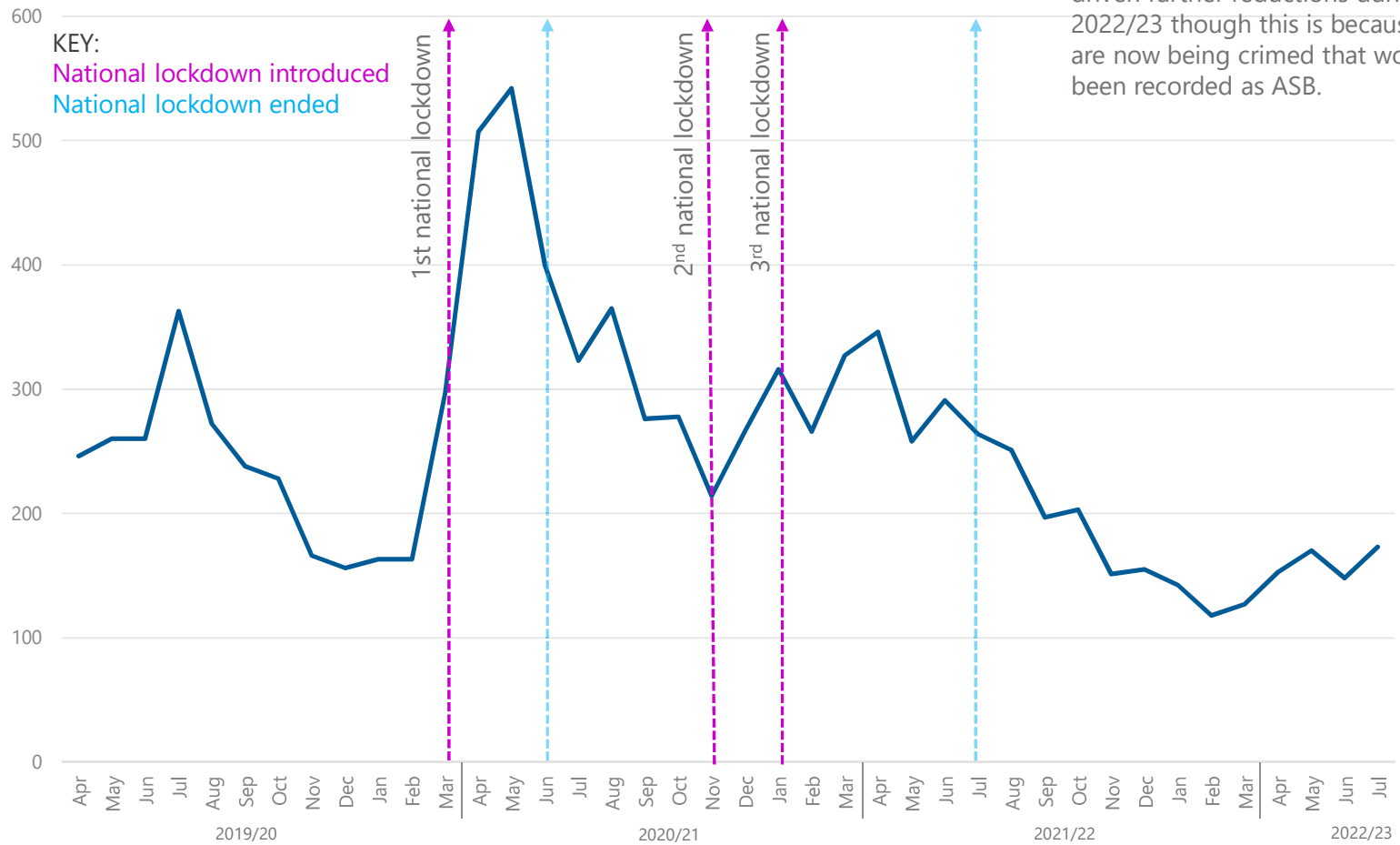


Redditch Seasonal Distribution

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Overall, activity has decreased since 2019, particularly from the end of the last national Covid-19 lockdown. Recording changes have driven further reductions during 2021/22 and 2022/23 though this is because more incidents are now being crimed that would previously have been recorded as ASB.

ASB in Redditch between 1 April 2019 to 31 July 2022



Redditch Wards

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ASB in Redditch between 1 April 2019 to 31 July 2022

Ward	2019 - 2020	2020 - 2021	2021 - 2022	Difference	Percentage Change	1 April to 31 July 2022
Abbey	592	555	433	-122	-22%	111
Astwood Bank and Feckenham	67	136	77	-59	-43%	15
Batchley and Brockhill	246	539	315	-224	-42%	68
Central	231	434	305	-129	-30%	61
Church Hill	338	468	192	-276	-59%	45
Crabbs Cross	101	151	58	-93	-62%	16
Greenlands	406	551	318	-233	-42%	124
Headless Cross and Oakenshaw	255	259	150	-109	-42%	51
Lodge Park	126	225	139	-86	-38%	49
Matchborough	159	198	182	-16	-8%	41
West	69	138	55	-83	-60%	15
Winyates	222	402	264	-138	-34%	47
Grand Total	2,812	4,056	2,488	-1,568	-39%	643

Despite seeing an overall decrease in recordings, **Abbey** ward had the highest number of ASB incidents recorded in 2021/22, which is consistent with previous years. However, current recordings for 1 April – 31 July 2022 place the ward as second highest, Greenlands having the highest total with 124 incidents so far this financial year.

The largest percentage decreases from 2020/2021 to 2021/2022 were observed in **Church Hill**, **Crabbs Cross** and **West** wards.

ASB incident recordings remain low between 1 April and 31 July 2022.

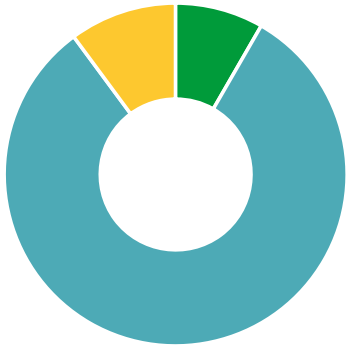
Redditch Incident Types

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ASB in Redditch between 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2022

Final Incident Class	2020 - 2021	2021 – 2022	Increase or Decrease?	Mean	Mean Percentage
AS Environmental	549	208	- 341	379	12%
AS Nuisance	3,181	2,041	- 1,140	2611	79%
AS Personal	349	254	- 95	302	9%

Redditch ASB by Final Incident Class
2021 - 2022



■ AS ENVIRONMENTAL ■ AS NUISANCE ■ AS PERSONAL

WMP OIS/Safe Incidents of ASB, August 2022

ASB has three main headings according to the type of behaviour committed:

- **Personal** - when a person targets a specific individual or group e.g. Trespassing.
- **Nuisance** - when a person causes trouble, annoyance or suffering to a community e.g. Nuisance Neighbours.
- **Environmental** - when a person’s actions affect the wider environment, such as public spaces or buildings e.g. Littering.

West Mercia Police, 2021 www.westmercia.police.uk