

Partnership Strategic Assessment Evidence Base Summary Melton Borough 2007/08

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Total Crime (Section 4) pages -	-	Yes Melton Borough had an overall 9% reduction in total recorded offences, in line with the County reduction over the last five years. However, the reductions over five years in Leicestershire are significantly lower than the national reductions. Also, the total number of recorded offences in Melton Borough in the first six months of 2008/09 is higher than in the previous year to date.	Yes Melton Borough has a total crime rate per 1,000 population at a similar level to the County as a whole, but is considerably lower compared to both the Force area and nationally. Melton Borough has an average total crime rate compared to similar areas.	No One-third of residents in Melton Borough live within 'villages' and 'hamlets and isolated dwellings'. These areas have some of the lowest total crime rates compared to the rest of the county. However, the total crime rates within the 'urban' areas of Melton Borough are higher than in the average for 'urban' areas across the county. There is a proportion of residents who live in "Constrained by Circumstances" and 'Typical Trait' communities. These communities are disproportionately affected by crime.	No Respondents in Melton Borough are most concerned about the possibility of being a victim of burglary, vehicle crime and physical attack. In general, respondents in Melton Borough are equally concerned about crime issues compared to respondents from the rest of the county.	Victims in Leicestershire are significantly more likely to be male rather than female, and aged between 18 and 44. Considering both police recorded and non-recorded offences in Leicestershire, the ethnic profile of a victim is unlikely to affect their likelihood of victimisation. Victims of total crime are much more likely to live in the OAC areas of either 'Blue Collar', 'City Living', 'Constrained by Circumstances', 'Multicultural' or 'Typical Traits', which in terms of the Urban and Rural classification, translates into 'Urban' areas.
Criminal Damage (Section 5.1) pages 33 - 34	Yes Criminal damage offences accounted for 22% of total recorded offences across Melton Borough in 2007/08.	Yes The number of recorded criminal damage offences within Melton Borough reached a five-year low in 2006/07. However, an increase between 2006/07 and 2007/08 means the number of criminal damage offences in 2007/08 is now at a similar level to five years ago. Also, the number of criminal damage offences recorded in Melton Borough in the first six months of 2008/09 is above the partnership reduction target of 5%.	No Melton Borough has a criminal damage rate per 1,000 population similar to the county average. Also, compared to local authorities Melton Borough has an average rate of criminal damage offences.	No The criminal damage rate in Melton Borough is highest in 'urban' areas. Also, the criminal damage rates across the 'urban' areas of Melton Borough are higher compared to the average for 'urban' areas across the county. The relatively small proportion of all Melton Borough residents (4%) living in 'constrained by circumstances' areas are disproportionately affected by criminal damage offences (12%). 2 of the 16 areas within the county with a significantly high volume of criminal damage are within Melton Borough: Melton Sysonby North, and Melton Craven West. There has been a significant increase in the number of criminal damage offences recorded in Melton Craven West in 2007/08.	No The proportion of respondents in Melton District who felt that 'Vandalism' was a problem in their local area was similar to the proportion of respondents in the rest of the county. In Melton District, out of 11 aspects of anti-social behaviour, 'Vandalism' was ranked as the 5th biggest problem, behind 'Speeding Vehicles' and 'Teenagers hanging around on the street', 'rubbish and litter' and 'uncontrolled dogs and dog messes',	Victims of criminal damage in Leicestershire are significantly more likely to be male. There are significantly fewer BME victims of criminal damage offences in Leicestershire considering the total county BME population. Compared to both the total population and to all other victims, criminal damage victims are much more likely to be aged between 30 to 44 years, and are equally unlikely to be aged either under 18 or over 60.

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Anti-social behaviour (Section 5.7) pages 43	Yes The number of anti-social behaviour incidents reported to the police in 2007/08 (1,939) equates to almost two-thirds of the volume of all recorded crime in the same time period in Melton Borough (3,185).	Yes Data for ASB incidents reported to the police has only been available for the last two years so long term trend information is unavailable. The number of ASB incidents reported in 2007/08 is slightly higher compared to the number reported in 2006/07.	- The ASB incident rate per 1,000 population in Melton Borough is lower than the county rate.	Yes The rate of ASB incidents across the 'urban' and 'rural' areas of Melton Borough follow a similar profile to the county, with a disproportionately high rate of offences recorded in 'urban' areas. However, the ASB rate in the 'urban' areas of Melton Borough, is considerably higher compared to all 'urban' areas across the county. The relatively small proportion of all Melton Borough residents (4%) living in 'constrained by circumstances' areas are disproportionately affected by ASB incidents (15%).	No Respondents in Melton District are most concerned about the possibility of speeding cars, teenagers hanging around on the streets, and rubbish and litter. In general, respondents in Melton District are equally, or less concerned about each of the 11 aspects of anti-social behaviour measured in the survey.	Information about victims of ASB incidents is currently not available for analysis.
Deliberate Fires (Section 5.10) pages 47	- The number of deliberate fires recorded within Melton Borough (94) is relatively low in relation to other offences recorded by the police. However, the potential consequence of these incidents does not allow a sensible comparison with other problems.	No In 2007/08, a total of 94 deliberate fires were recorded in Melton Borough, compared to 67 in the previous year.	- The deliberate fire rate per 1,000 population in Melton Borough is similar compared to the county rate. Other comparable data is not currently available.	Yes Approximately half of deliberate fires in Melton Borough are recorded in 'urban' areas. However, deliberate fire rates across the 'urban' and 'rural' communities of Melton Borough, are similar to the county profile. 2 out of the 24 areas in Leicestershire with a significantly high number of deliberate fires are within Melton Borough: Melton Sysonby South and Melton Dorian Centre and East.	- Deliberate fire setting is not an aspect of anti-social behaviour that is currently consulted on.	Details for deliberate fire victims are not currently available for analysis.

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Violence Against the Person (Section 6) pages 33 - 34	Yes Violence against the person offences accounted for 19% of all recorded offences in Melton Borough in 2007/08.	Yes Melton Borough had an increase of 4% in the number of violence against the person offences over the five-year period. The number of recorded violence against the person offences in Melton Borough has followed the county trend over the last five years. Also, the number of violence against the person offences recorded in Melton Borough in the first six months of 2008/09 is higher compared to the same period last year.	No The violence against the person rate in Melton Borough is similar compared to the county rate.	Yes The violence against the person offence rates in 'urban' areas of Melton Borough are similar compared to 'urban' areas across the whole county. However, as the 'rural' areas of Melton have some of the lowest violence against the person offence rates across the county, the disparity between rates in 'urban' areas of Melton Borough and the 'rural' areas is more evident than other Leicestershire Districts. Using the OAC classification, there is a relatively small proportion of residents living in the 'typical traits' and 'constrained by circumstance' areas (19%) who are disproportionately affected by violence against the person offences (50%).	No The proportion of Melton District respondents worried about the possibility of being a victim of a 'physical attack' compares to the proportion of respondents across the rest of the county.	Violence against the person victims are significantly more likely to be from BME groups in the context of the whole county population.
Serious Violent Crime (Section 6.3) pages 59	Yes In terms of volume, the number of recorded serious violent offences within Melton Borough is relatively small, 17 in 2007/08. However, the scale of the problem is under-represented due to the serious nature of these offences, the emotional cost to the individuals and resources required by agencies to deal with them.	No The number of serious violent crimes in Melton Borough has remained below 25 per year for the last five years. However, the number of recorded serious violent crimes in Melton Borough in the first six months of 2008/09 is above the LAA reduction target of 5%.	Yes Melton Borough has a serious violent crime rate similar to the county average. However, compared to similar local authorities, Melton Borough has a serious violent crime rate in the bottom (worst) 25% of all similar areas within its group.	- See individual section below	- see violence against the person	Males aged under 30 years of age were four times more likely than average to be a victim of a non-domestic serious violent crime, where alcohol had been a contributory factor.
Assault with less serious injury (Section 6.5) pages 62	Yes Assault with less serious injury accounts for half all violence against the person offences in Melton Borough.	No Melton Borough had a 25% increase in recorded assault WLSI offences in the last five years, in line with the county. Also, the number of assault WLSI offences recorded in Melton Borough in the first six months of 2008/09 is lower compared to the same period last year.	Yes Melton Borough has an assault WLSI offence rate similar to the county average. However, compared to similar local authorities, Melton Borough has an assault WLSI offence rate in the bottom (worst) 25% of all similar areas within its group.	Yes 4 of the 27 areas in Leicestershire with a significantly high number of assault WLSI offences are within Melton Borough. However, the area with the highest number of recorded assault WLSI offences (Melton Craven West) had a significant decrease in the number of recorded assault WLSI offences in the last year.	- see violence against the person	Individuals of White British background aged 29 years and under are more likely to be a victim of assault with less serious injury when compared to other types of violence against the person offence.

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Serious Acquisitive Crime (Section 7.1) pages	Yes Recorded serious acquisitive crime accounted for 20% of police recorded crime in Melton Borough during 2007/08.	Yes Melton Borough had a 22% decrease in serious acquisitive offences recorded in the last five years, in line with the county. However, the number of serious acquisitive crimes recorded in Melton Borough in the first six months of 2008/09 is above the Leicestershire Constabulary reduction target of 3%.	Yes Melton Borough has a serious acquisitive crime rate similar to the county average. However, compared to similar local authorities Melton Borough has a serious acquisitive crime rate in the bottom (worst) 25% of all similar areas within its group.	See individual sections below	-	-
Burglary Dwelling (Section 7.3) pages	No Recorded burglary dwelling offences accounted for 6% of police recorded crime in Melton Borough during 2007/08.	Yes Melton Borough had a 14% reduction in recorded burglary dwelling over the last five years. This is a significantly smaller reduction compared to the county. However, the number of burglary dwelling offences recorded in Melton Borough in the first six months of 2008/09 is more than 25% higher than during the same period last year.	Yes Melton Borough has a burglary dwelling offence rate similar to the county average. However, compared to similar local authorities Melton Borough has a burglary dwelling offence rate in the bottom (worst) 25% of all similar areas within its group.	Yes The burglary dwelling offence rates across 'urban' and 'rural' areas of Melton Borough are similar compared to the whole county. Although the rate in 'hamlet and isolated dwelling' areas is relatively high compared to similar areas across the county the number of offences is small (7). 1 of the 21 areas in Leicestershire with a significantly high number of burglary dwelling offences is within Melton Borough: Melton Warwick West.	Yes The respondents of Melton Borough were most worried about being a victim of burglary when considering the list of eight possible crime categories.	The highest risk group for burglary dwelling are females aged over 66 years and living in the urban and rural classified 'Village' areas. Similarly males of the same age group and living in the same areas are also a high risk target. Both profiles fit well with known targets of distraction burglary. Other high risk groups include females living in city centre areas, classified by OAC as either 'Multicultural' or 'City Living' and aged between 18 and 27 years of age; along with individuals of Black and Minority ethnic background, of the same age and living in OAC classified 'Blue Collar Communities', 'Constrained by Circumstances' or 'Typical Trait' areas.
Vehicle Crime (Section 7.13) pages	Yes Vehicle crimes account for 13% of recorded offences within Melton Borough during 2007/08. Also, compared to other districts in the county, Melton Borough has a significantly higher proportion of theft from vehicle offences.	Yes Melton Borough had a 27% decrease in recorded vehicle crime over the last five years, in line with the county. The number of theft from vehicle offences recorded in the first six months of 2008/09 is lower than during the same period last year. However, the number of theft of vehicle offences is more than 25% higher in the first six months of 2008/09 compared to the same period last year.	Yes Melton Borough has a vehicle crime rate similar to the county average. However, compared to similar local authorities Melton Borough has a vehicle crime rate in the bottom (worst) 25% of all similar areas within its group.	Yes The vehicle crime rates across the 'urban' and 'rural' areas of Melton Borough are similar to the county rates. Using the OAC classification, there is a relatively small proportion of residents living in the 'typical traits' and 'constrained by circumstance' areas (19%) disproportionately affected by vehicle crime offences (32%). None of the 18 areas in Leicestershire with a significantly high number of vehicle crime offences are within Melton Borough.	Yes The proportion of Melton Borough respondents worried about being a victim of car crime ranked second, after burglary, when considering the list of eight possible crime categories.	The group at highest risk of being a victim of vehicle crime proved to be males aged between 18 and 22 years of age, living in either a 'Town and Fringe' or 'Village' area. However, this profile changes slightly when considering the composite offences that make up vehicle crime. Individuals aged between 18 to 22 years and living in 'Village' areas are twice as likely as average of being a victim of theft from vehicle. Whereas males aged between 22 and 27 years and living in the OAC classified 'Blue Collar Communities' and 'Constrained by Circumstances' are four times more likely than average of being a victim of theft or unauthorised taking of motor vehicle.

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Burglary Other (Section 7.8) pages 33 - 34	No Recorded burglary other offences accounted for 8% of all recorded crime in Melton Borough in 2007/08.	Yes Melton Borough had the largest reduction in burglary other offences of any of the seven districts in Leicestershire over the five-year period. The reduction of 40% in Melton Borough is significantly greater than the overall percentage reduction across the whole county. However, the number of burglary other offences is more than 25% higher in the first six months of 2008/09 compared to the same period last year.	No Melton Borough has a burglary other offence rate similar to the county average. Also, compared to similar local authorities, Melton Borough has an average burglary other offence rate.	Yes Across Leicestershire burglary other is a bigger problem in 'rural' areas compared to 'urban' areas. However, in Melton Borough the rate of burglary dwellings in 'rural' areas is considerably lower compared to 'rural' areas across the county. Using the OAC classification, there is a relatively small proportion of residents living in the 'typical traits' areas (15%) disproportionately affected by burglary other offences (30%). 1 of the 20 areas in Leicestershire with a significantly high number of burglary other offences is within Melton Borough: Melton Egerton East.	-	-
Domestic Violence (Section 8) pages 107	Yes Recorded domestic violence incidents account for 14% of all recorded and non-recordable offences within Leicestershire during 2007/08. The British Crime Survey estimates that only 40% of domestic violence incidents were reported to the police during 2007/08. Based on this proportion, the actual number of domestic violence incidents occurring within Melton Borough during 2007/08 is estimated at 1,163.	No The number of domestic violence incidents reported to the police within Melton Borough is at a five-year high in 2007/08.	- Comparable data not currently available	Yes Rates of reporting are approximately twice as high in 'Urban' areas compared to 'rural' areas. This is compounded in a much lower rate of reporting in 'Countryside' and 'Prospering Suburb' areas of the county.	-	Victims of reported domestic violence incidents are significantly more likely to be female than male. They are also significantly less likely to be from a BME group rather than White-British and are more likely to be aged 18 to 44, and less likely to be under 18 or over 45 year old. Victims of reported domestic violence incidents are more likely to live in urban areas compared to rural areas, and less likely to live in the OAC clusters 'Countryside' and 'Prospering Suburbs'.

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Hate Incidents (Section 9) pages	- Although hate incidents account for only 1% of all recorded and non-recordable offences the extent to which incidents go unreported is not clear.	No Through the Hate Incident Monitoring Project (HIMP) there was a 7% increase in incidents reported across Leicestershire in 2007/08, exceeding the 2.5% target to increase reporting across the county.	No Leicestershire has an average level of recorded racially and religiously motivated offences compared to similar local authorities. Comparable data not currently available for similar districts	Yes A total of 24 hate incidents were reported in Melton Borough during 2007/08, considerably lower than any other district within Leicestershire.	- The proportion of respondents who were worried about being a victim of assault due to sexual orientation, disability, or racism is significantly lower in Leicestershire compared to the rest of the force area. However, the influence of an individual respondents' sexual orientation, disability, or ethnicity on their responses to these questions needs to be considered.	Age, gender, and where victims live (urban or rural, OAC Classification) does not significantly influence the likelihood of an individual being a victim of an incident motivated by hate compared to other incidents.
Reducing Reoffending (Adults) (Section 10.1) * See section 10.3 for a profile of adult offender needs pages	-	- Historic data not currently available	No The rate of re-offending within Leicestershire, based on the December 2007 cohort was 7.2%. This rate is below the comparable re-offending rate for Leicestershire Probation Area and England and Wales.	Yes A higher proportion of offenders are resident in the 'Prospering Suburbs' within Leicestershire. Also, approximately one-quarter of probationers across the Leicestershire Probation area reside in 'Multicultural' communities, although there are far fewer areas classified as 'Multicultural' within Leicestershire.	-	Probationers are significantly more likely to be male, of white British origin and aged 25 to 44. In Leicestershire 8.8% of offenders were of a Black Minority or Ethnic background compared to 24.9% of all probationers within the Leicestershire Probation Area. This will be attributable to the higher proportion of BME residents within the Leicester city probation area.
Reducing Reoffending (Young People) (Section 10.4) * See section 10.5 for a profile of adult offender needs pages	-	- Historic data not currently available	- Comparable data not currently available	Yes A higher proportion of offenders are resident in 'Blue Collar Communities' within Leicestershire. Also, there are significantly more youth offenders that reside in 'Multicultural' communities, although there are far fewer areas classified as 'Multicultural' within Leicestershire. There is a far smaller proportion of youth offenders resident in both the 'Prospering Suburbs' and the 'Countryside' areas within Leicestershire when compared to the profile of the general population.	-	Proportionally there are far more male youth offenders than males in the population. Although there are far fewer female young offenders there are in fact a higher proportion of female youth offenders than female adult offenders (21.5% compared to 13%). The proportion of young offenders increases sharply after the age of 13 and continues to disproportionately rise the older the age group. There is a significantly higher proportion of offenders resident in the 'blue collar communities' within Leicestershire. Also, there are significantly more youth offenders that reside in 'Multicultural' communities, although there are far fewer areas classified as 'Multicultural' within Leicestershire.

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Drugs (Section 11) pages	-	- The number of recorded drugs offences recorded in Melton Borough is at a five-year high in 2007/08 (76 offences).	Yes Compared to the baseline year, 2007/08, the number of problematic drug users in treatment has increased in Leicestershire, and also within the East Midlands and Nationally. The problematic drug user rate per 100,000 population in Melton Borough is the lower than the county rate.	Yes The proportion of offenders with a high risk of reoffending due to drugs misuse in Melton Borough is similar to the overall county proportion (15%).	No Respondents in Melton District ranked the problem of people using or dealing drugs within their local area 6 th out of the 11 categories, below the problems of speeding vehicles, teenagers hanging around on the street, rubbish and litter, uncontrolled dogs and dog mess and vandalism.	-
Alcohol (Section 12) pages	Yes 8% of all recorded offences within Leicestershire were committed under the influence of alcohol during 2007/08. This proportion rises to over one quarter of all violence against the person offences and one-third of serious violent crimes. The proportion of reported domestic violence incidents where alcohol was recorded as a factor was 36%, which is comparable to the proportion of serious violent offences where alcohol was recorded as a factor.	-	No Leicestershire has an average rate of hospital admissions for alcohol related harm, compared to similar local authorities. The rates of recorded crime and violent crime attributable to alcohol for Leicestershire are below both the regional and national rate.	Yes There is a significant difference between the proportion of alcohol related offences within the town-centre areas compared to the rest of the county on Friday and Saturday between 21:00 and 02:59. Between 21:00 and 02:59 on Friday 61% of violence against the person offences were recorded as alcohol related. The peaks in A & E attendances for assault align to the peaks in violence against the person offences on Friday and Saturday night.	Yes Through community consultation Leicestershire Constabulary have identified tackling underage drinking as a neighbourhood priority in over one-third of the 60 neighbourhood beats across Leicestershire. Respondents consistently ranked the problem of people being drunk or rowdy in public places within their local area below the problems of speeding vehicles, teenagers hanging around on the street, rubbish and litter, uncontrolled dogs and dog mess and vandalism, across all seven districts. Pupil respondents in Leicestershire are more likely to have had an alcoholic drink and to have been drunk than pupil respondents nationally. However, a similar proportion of respondents locally feel that the information and advice on alcohol is good enough, compared to national response rates.	Based on the estimated demand there are serious shortfalls in the capacity of specialist alcohol treatment services within Leicestershire. 40% of all offenders (probation) in Leicestershire have a high risk of reoffending, due to alcohol misuse. Alcohol misuse is ranked the second biggest offender need, after offending information.

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Road Safety (Section 13)	<p>Yes</p> <p>The issue of road safety is measurable in two ways: the number of individuals being killed or seriously injured on roads within the county and the perceived level of speeding vehicles within the local area.</p> <p>Both constitute actual or likely serious physical risk to individuals and so should be considered a high level problem.</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Over the last five years there is no significant change in the number of people killed or seriously injured within Melton Borough.</p> <p>There is also no significant change in the number of children killed or seriously injured within Melton Borough.</p>	<p>-</p> <p>Comparable data with other local authorities is not currently available.</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>In Melton District 'Speeding vehicles' was ranked as the biggest problem out of all eleven aspects of anti-social behaviour.</p>	<p>-</p>
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