

Progress made within our Family Groups

Most similar groups are used with the aim of making fairer and more meaningful peer comparisons. Forces and their units operate in very different environments and face different challenges, so it would be misleading to compare a force with all other forces, or a BCU with the average of all BCUs. In the Most similar approach each unit has its own unique set of peers. This avoids the situation, occurring with fixed families, of borderline units that do not fit clearly within one family and become an outlier in their family.

Areas with very similar geographical, demographic and socio-economic situations have been shown to have reasonably comparable levels of crime. Variations in crime rates between areas that are similar in character are likely to be due to other factors, such as efficiency of policing or working practices.

Our Family group is made up of the following

- Thames Valley - Milton Keynes
- Thames Valley - Cherwell
- Wiltshire - Swindon
- Essex - Epping Forest
- Sussex - Arun
- Hertfordshire - Three Rivers
- Kent - Sevenoaks
- Hertfordshire - Hertsmere
- Hertfordshire - North Hertfordshire
- Thames Valley - Aylesbury Vale
- Essex - Chelmsford
- Kent - Tonbridge & Malling
- Hertfordshire – Dacorum
- Warwickshire – Rugby

Charnwood Community Safety progress within the family groupings

After examining the movements of members in the family group, since 1st January 2010 until to date, most of the movements have only been one place and these are the followings that have made the most progress.

- Within All Crime category, Warwickshire - Rugby has moved two places and is now 11/15 instead of 13/15
- Within Assault with Less Serious Injury category, Hertfordshire – Dacorum, Thames Valley – Aylesbury Vale and Essex – Epping Forest have all moved two places within the family group. Charnwood has remained stable.
- Within Domestic Burglary category, there has been very little progress with most getting better or worse by one place.
- Within Serious Acquisitive Crime category, there has been very little progress with most getting better or worse by two places.

- Within Robbery category, Sussex – Arun has made the most improvements within this category by moving 4 places from 5/15 to 1/15.
- Within Most Serious Violence category, Charnwood has made the most progress by moving 11 places from 13/15 to 2/15.
- Within Theft from a Vehicle category, there has been very little progress with most getting better or worse by two places.
- Within Theft or Unauthorised taking of a Cycle category, Warwickshire – Rugby has made the most improvements within this category by moving 4 places from 14/15 to 10/15.
- Within Theft or Unauthorised taking of a Vehicle category, Sussex – Arun has made the most improvements within this category by moving 3 places from 4/15 to 1/15.

Overall there is not one family member that is making good progress in all categories but there has been some good progress by Warwickshire – Rugby in Cycle theft and in Sussex – Arun around Vehicle Theft, which will be explored further and a report will be tabled at the next All Crime Delivery Group. This could be monitored on a regular basis to ensure that we are using the best tactics to achieve the overall aims of the partnership.