

LEICESTERSHIRE SAFER COMMUNITIES STRATEGY BOARD

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LSCSB UPDATE: SUPPLEMENTARY PERFORMANCE DATA

Violence with Injury Analysis

1. What is 'Violence with Injury' and what types of offences are included?

For analytical purposes the term 'Violence with injury' involves a recordable offence during which the victim sustains an injury, this may or may not involve a weapon. These details e.g. types of weapons used (if any) would typically be included in case notes on police systems.

Below are the offence categories for violence with injury. The majority are Assault with injury.

- Assault with injury
- Assault with injury on a constable
- Assault with intent to cause serious harm
- Attempted murder
- Causing death by aggravated vehicle taking
- Causing death by careless driving under influence of drink or drugs
- Causing death by careless or inconsiderate driving
- Causing death or serious injury by driving: unlicensed drivers etc.
- Causing or allowing death of child or vulnerable person
- Endangering life
- Racially or religiously aggravated assault with injury
- Intentional destruction of a viable unborn child
- Causing death by dangerous driving
- Causing death by driving: unlicensed driver

Violence without injury includes:

- Assault without injury
- Assault without injury on a constable
- Child abduction
- Conspiracy to murder
- Cruelty to children/young persons
- Harassment
- Kidnapping
- Malicious communications
- Modern slavery
- Procuring illegal abortion
- Racially or religiously aggravated assault without injury
- Racially or religiously aggravated harassment
- Stalking
- Threats to kill

2. Performance

Rolling 12 months July 2019 – June 2020

For the rolling 12 months July 2019 – June 2020 there were 4027 violence with injury offences in Leicestershire a rate of 5.8 per 1000 population. The regional average is 8.9 offences per 1000 population.

Offences are flagged if they are domestic violence related, alcohol related, or drug related. As shown in table 1 below over one third (38%) of all violence with injury offences were domestic related and 29% were alcohol related.

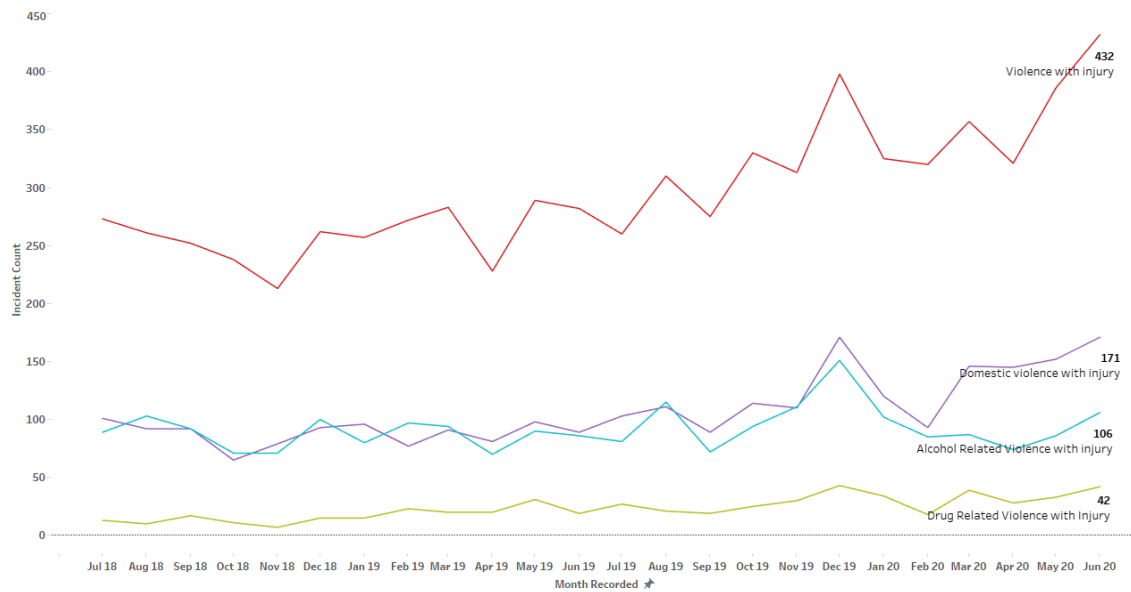
Violence with injury increased by 29% compared to the previous rolling 12 months while Domestic violence with injury increased by 45%.

| Offence Category | Number of offences | Yearly % Change | Rate per 1000 population | % of total violence with injury offences |
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| Violence with injury (all) | 4027 | 29% | 5.8 | 100% |
| Domestic violence with injury | 1525 | 45% | 2.2 | 38% |
| Alcohol Related Violence with injury | 1164 | 12% | 1.7 | 29% |
| Drug Related Violence with Injury | 359 | 79% | 0.5 | 9% |

3. The Offence Trend

The chart below shows the monthly trend of violence with injury offences over the last two years.

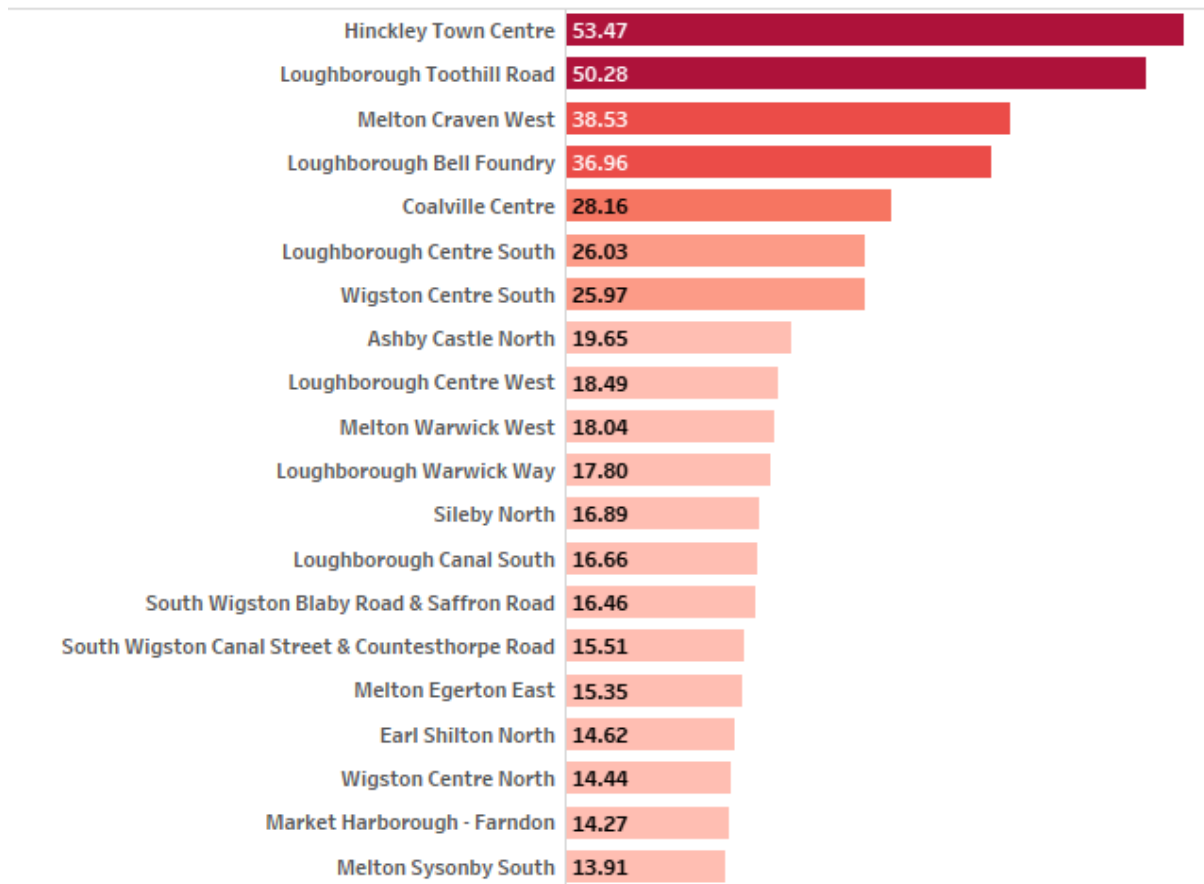
Crime & Incident Trend over time
Leicestershire



Offences have gradually been increasing with a peak in December 2019 and reaching their highest levels in June 2020. Domestic violence with injury offences increased in March 2020 also reaching their highest levels in June 2020. This increase in offences corresponds with the Covid19 lockdown period.

4. Offence Location

The chart below shows the 20 highest areas by LSOA* in Leicestershire for violence with injury offences for the rolling 12 month period July 2019 – June 2020. Unsurprisingly town centres and areas with pubs and bars often have higher rates of violent crime.



*Lower Super Output area.

Data Sources:

- Leicestershire Police Crimsec4 Crime Statistics.
- Office for National Statistics (ONS), Mid-20187 Population Estimates

5. Recommendation

The Board note the supplementary performance information.