

Neighbourhood Services Priority Plan - Lemington

NS Ref.	What is the problem?	Where is it?	What are we doing about it?
28 & 821	Youths congregating, disorder and anti social behaviour .	Locations around Waverley Park, Sugley Dene, Hadrian Way, Denton Avenue, Dene Avenue, Lorraine Terrace, Blyth Court, Tyne View, Kielder Road and Valley View.	There are meetings between the Police and the City Council to look at solutions to these problems, including SNAPS meetings (Safe Neighbourhoods Action & Problem Solving group) which bring together the City Council, the Police and Your Homes Newcastle .
			The Safer, Stronger Communities Fund (SSCF) are working alongside Play and Youth Services and the Lemington Community Centre to address issues in the area and deliver the Urban X Youth project. Central Lemington was identified as a SSCF area two years ago and since then funding has been targeted within the area to tackle the key priorities in the area. More information can be found on the Lemington ' Where You Live ' web pages.
			The Police, Neighbourhood Response Manager , Play and Youth Service , Your Homes Newcastle and the Parks and Countryside Service have coordinated a number of solutions for Waverley Park including installing street lighting into the Park. The future use of deployable CCTV in the Park area is being looked at by the SNAPS group. Detached youth workers will be engaging with the young people congregating in the area. There will be future partnership working to address issues within the Park.
			Lemington Ward is a 'Designated Public Place' which means that the Police have the power to confiscate alcohol. Persistent offending could result in a £50 Fixed Penalty Notice , arrest, or even a fine of up to £500 if the person is prosecuted. The 'Alcohol Watch' scheme has been rolled out in both Lemington and Newburn wards on a voluntary basis. The scheme tackles sales of alcohol to underage children through marking bottles which can then be traced to off licenses. Enforcement action has also been taken against outlets selling alcohol to underage drinkers.
784	Problems with dog fouling .	Ward wide, including Valley View, Waverley Park, Sugley Dene, Hadrian's Way and Lower Lemington Village	The Ward Committee has recently funded a project to involve local school children in designing anti-dog fouling posters. A winning design will be picked and used on metal signs across the ward in dog fouling hotspots.
			Neighbourhood Wardens operating in the area can issue Fixed Penalty Notices for dog fouling offences. There have been 3 fixed penalty notices issued for dog fouling since September 2007 in this ward.

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785	Concerns have been expressed about the speed of traffic in this area, particularly as it is a route to Waverley Primary School	Mapperley Drive	A traffic calming scheme funded through Environmental Ward Stewardship fund has been designed and consultation is taking place with local residents. It is hoped that local residents will support the scheme so that installation can go ahead as soon as possible.
911	Lemington Village is a Neighbourhood Renewal Area . Improvements are to be carried out.	Store Street and surrounding area of Lemington Village	Funding has been identified for the Lemington Village area to make improvements to home insulation during 2008/09 financial year. A pilot to provide a number of properties with external insulation will be carried out with help from Warm Zone .
929	Environmental improvements in the Dene	Sugley Dene	A Ranger is now working in the Sugley Dene area to carry out environmental improvements. The Ranger will be encouraging community involvement in the Dene, as well as improving and maintaining the area. The Ranger can be contacted on: 0191 273 2983.
940	Improvements to fencing along Tyne View	Tyne View	Funding opportunities are being investigated to complete the installation of decorative fencing in this location.
954	Environmental projects and improvements	Lemington Centre and Burnside Primary School	There are a number of environmental projects being planned for the coming year. At the Lemington Centre a Community and Sensory Garden is being developed which will be managed by the Centre and open for use by local residents. Burnside Primary School are to celebrate their Centenary in 2009 and plan to develop community work around the school which may include environmental ideas, as well as possible involvement with the Council's Enviro Schools project.
983	A survey of void properties in the ward is to be conducted	Ward wide	A survey looking at the number of void properties, in particular private properties, is to be carried out across the ward. Small increases in void properties have been noted in certain areas. Joint working with the Neighbourhood Response Manager , Ward Coordinator and Public Health Section will hopefully identify those properties which are unsecure, unsafe and in poor condition, and relevant action will be taken.
984	Deployable CCTV to monitor anti social behaviour	Crossway	Reports of anti social behaviour in the area of Crossway were reported to the Neighbourhood Response Manager for Lemington. Issues appeared to be around young people drinking alcohol and causing a nuisance. CCTV was deployed to the area and improvements in behaviour have been seen.

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985	Parking issues and low level ASB.	Linnel Drive	There have been reports of anti social behaviour on green space in this area. This issue was identified by the SNAPS group and following a resident survey in the area a resolution has been achieved. Environmental Ward Stewardship funding has been earmarked to provide 14 parking bays in this location, which will improve parking problems in the area and remove the issue of ASB and congregation.