

Force Intelligence Analyst Unit

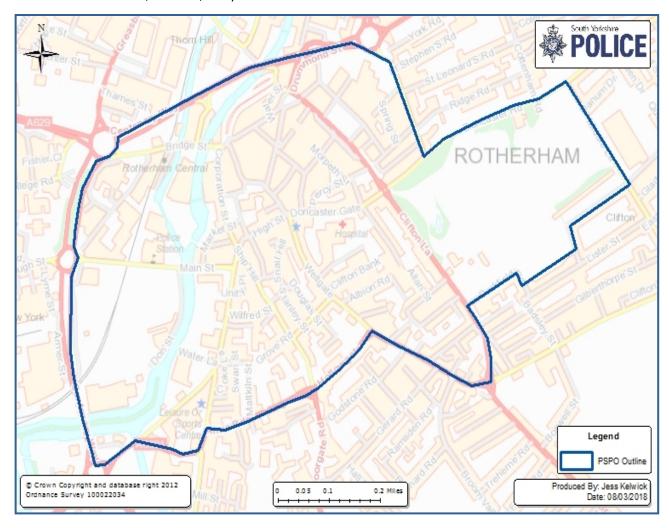
Rotherham Town Centre PSPO Update							
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Data Period	01/10/2020 - 31/05/2023	Protective Marking & Handling Instructions	Official				
Aim & Purpose	The aim is to provide an update of ASB incidents committed within the Town Centre PSPO area since the last review updated up to 30 th April 2020.						
Sources & Parameters	Data is extracted from Smart Contact using BI Software and processed through ArcGIS Pro software.						
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Limitations	This report is the position of the South Yorkshire Police as of 5 th June 2023. The latest data used within this report was sourced from Smart Contact and extracted on 5 th June 2023. Any changes to the data used following this date will not be captured within the report. Therefore, if the data held within the report is required for use elsewhere in the future due to the Retain, Review, Delete requirements of MOPI, additional checks may be required to ensure accuracy of the information.						
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APPENDIX 3



Methodology and Limitations

Anti-social behaviour (ASB) incident data has been extracted for the whole of Rotherham, then filtered to isolate incidents committed within the 'Public Spaces Protection Order' (PSPO) area for analysis. The defined PSPO shape is shown below and has been drawn using Arc Mapping software following receipt of an illustrative map from RMBC on the 28th February 2018. Due to recording practices and human error, some ASB may have been incorrectly included or excluded from the PSPO; however, every effort has been made to avoid this.

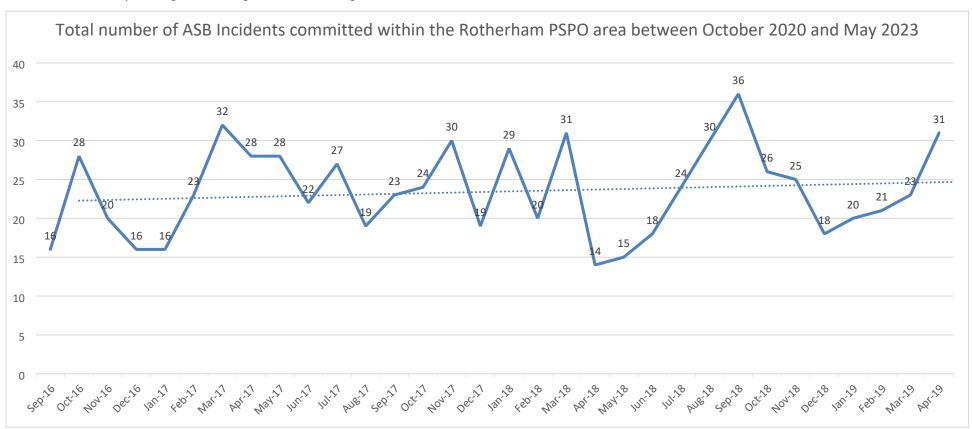




PSPO Overview

The PSPO was introduced on 20th October 2017 and has been in force since this date. Therefore, to analyse its effectiveness, ASB incidents between 1st October 2016 to 31st October 2018 were initially extracted for analysis. The previous update included ASB data between 1st July 2019 to 30th April 2020. The latest update includes ASB data between 1st October 2020 (to ensure the full month was covered) to 31st May 2023. Since 1st October 2020, there have been 752 ASB incidents in the Town Centre PSPO area.

Please note that since the COVID-19 pandemic first case to public notice, there have been notable changes in anti-social behaviour across the country. This has been further impacted by the enforcement of the second 'stay home' policy implemented by the government on 4th January 2021, with notable increases seen in ASB. Therefore, the impact of COVID-19 should be considered when considering any changes in ASB volumes, particularly between January and March 2021. Volumes between April and August 2021 should also be taken into consideration despite the gradual easing of social-distancing measures and COVID-19 restrictions at the same time of the successful vaccination rollout.



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Incident Types October 2020 – May 2023

The most common incident type was rowdy/inconsiderate behaviour, which accounts for 61% of all incidents recorded in the Town Centre PSPO area between October 2020 and May 2023.

Row Labels	Count	
ROWDY/INCONSID	458	
BEGGING/VAGRANCY	98	
VEH NUISANCE/INAPP USE	51	
NOISE	29	
NUISANCE NEIGHBOUR	26	
ABND VEH NOT STOLEN	18	
OFF ROAD BIKE/QUAD	16	
FIREWORKS	15	
LITTER/DRUGS TRAPPINGS	11	
ANIMAL PROBLEM	11	
TRESPASS	10	
STREET DRINKING	9	
Grand Total	752	

2- Year Comparison

This 2-year comparison shows that ASB incidents between Jun 2022 and May 2023 have increased by 0.3% compared to the previous 12-months. There were notable increases in August and September 2022.

Month	Jun 21-May 22	Jun 22-May 23	Change	% Change
May	28	15	-13	-46%
Jun	22	18	-4	-18%
Jul	27	24	-3	-11%
Aug	19	30	11	58%
Sep	23	36	13	57%
Oct	24	26	2	8%
Nov	30	25	-5	-17%
Dec	19	18	-1	-5%
Jan	29	20	-9	-31%
Feb	20	21	1	5%
Mar	31	23	-8	-26%
Apr	14	31	17	121%
12 Month Totals	286	287	1	0%