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Review of demand in Harbour Ward, Lowestoft, during a 12 month
period

27/03/2022 – 26/03/2023

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Objective

This review was commissioned to establish if there is a requirement for the continuation of a PSPO granted in 2020 in respect of alcohol use, and whether there is additional demand that may warrant additional PSPO considerations.

Methodology

Lists of crimes and CADs were gathered from 27/03/2022 – 26/03/2023 as follows, all specific to the Harbour Ward only:

All ASB CADs

All alcohol and youth tagged CADs of any type (not ASB specific)

All crimes (crime and non-crime) -

Violence against the person crime type was subject to a keyword search in the Investigation Summary text for any words relating to alcohol (“alcohol”, “intox”, “drink”, “drunk”, “inebriate”) and a separate search for any relating to youths, with the search for “youth”.

All alcohol tagged CADs from 01/10/2019 – 31/09/2020 were gathered to provide a comparison of demand before the PSPO was introduced in October 2020

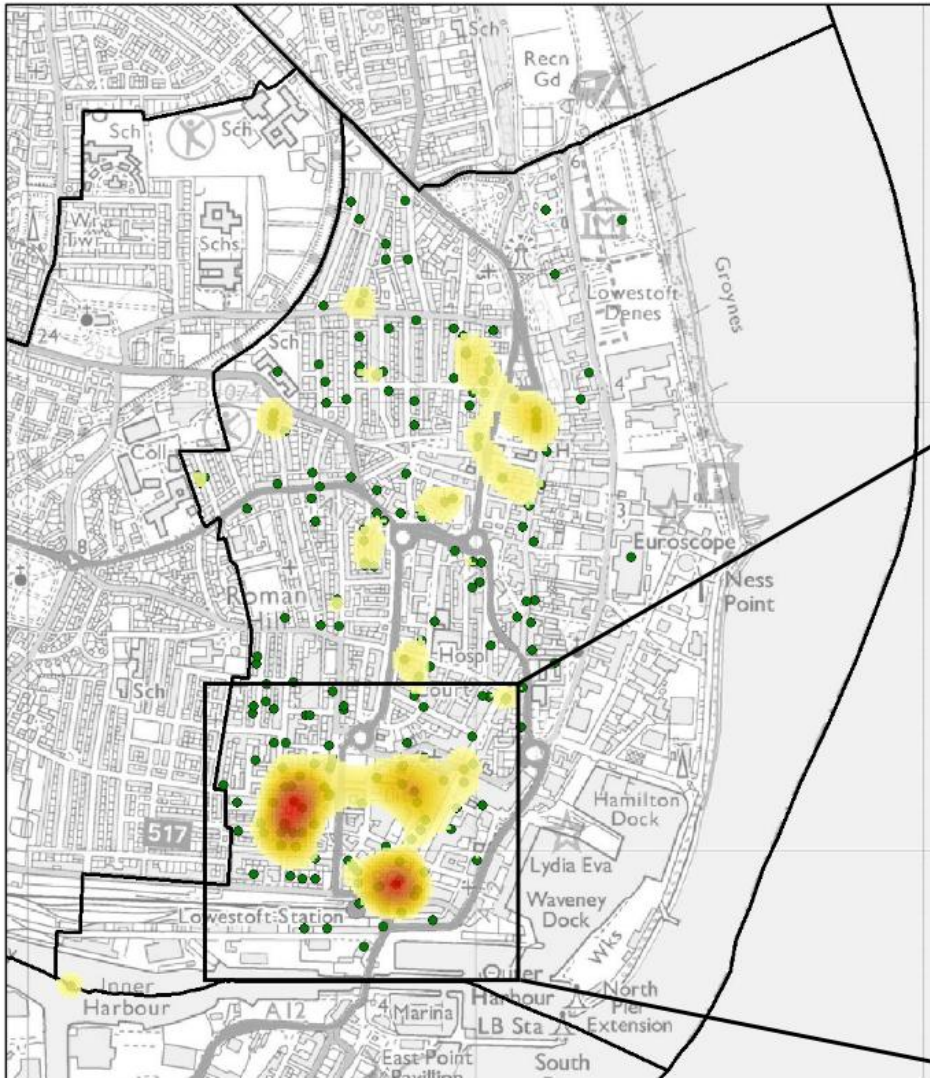
Summary of Findings

Data supports the continuation of a PSPO in respect of prohibiting alcohol use, and other problems to consider include:

Violence against the person is the highest crime type in this area, of which more than a quarter (27%) occur in streets/open public spaces or licenced premises.

One third of all public order and drug offence crimes also occur in these public locations

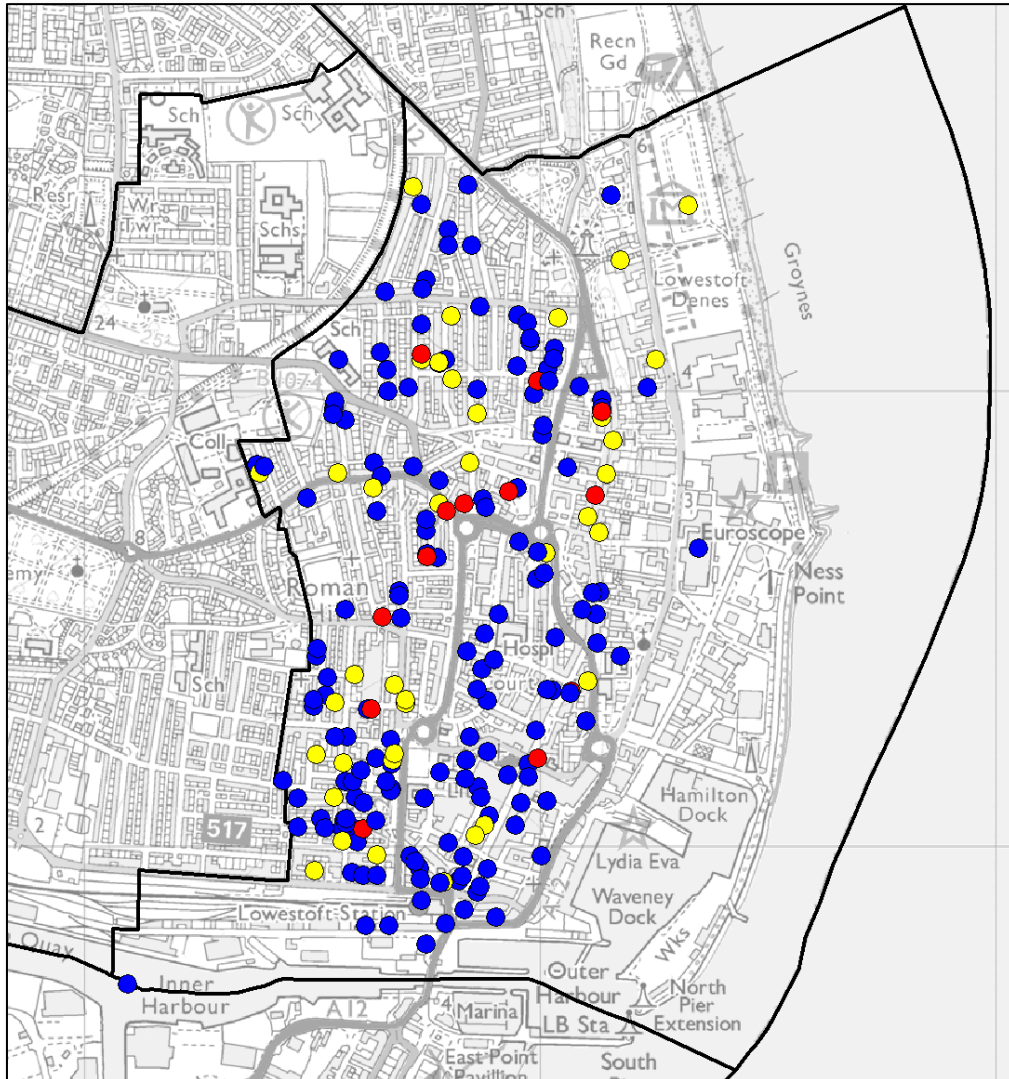
All ASB CADs: Where is it occurring?



- There were 346 ASB CADs logged for the Harbour Ward in twelve months (27.03.2022 – 26.03.2023). This is on average just under one CAD per day.
- The largest hotspot for ASB was around Bevan Street West/Stanley Street/Alma Road which appears to be a residential area.
- Second hotspot around Station Square/London Road North area which is pedestrianised shopping area, and close to a McDonald's.
- Smaller hotspot around the Library area of Lowestoft.



All ASB CADs: What type is occurring?






This map shows the disposal type of the ASB CADs raised in Harbour during this time period. They are categorised according to whether the ASB type was 'Nuisance', 'Personal', or 'Environmental', as shown in the key below.

This can be quantified as:

- ASB Nuisance accounts for 73% (252)
- ASB Personal accounts for 19% (66)
- ASB Environmental accounts for 8% (28)

Key:

	ASB - Nuisance	(252)
	ASB - Personal	(66)
	ASB - Environmental	(28)

All ASB CADs: What type is occurring?

ASB CAD type	Secondary ASB CAD type	Number of CADs
ASB - Nuisance	#N/A	186
	Groups congregating in public areas	18
	Drunken Behaviour	12
	Neighbours - Nuisance/Noisy	10
	Groups or individuals making threats	8
	Vehicle - Nuisance/inappropriate use	3
	Communications - Nuisance/Obscene/Malicious	3
	Climbing Building/Throwing missiles	2
	Trespassing	2
	Begging	2
	Parking - Inconvenient/illegal	2
	Shouting & swearing	2
	Urinating in public	1
	Ball Games	1
	Total	252
ASB - Personal	#N/A	56
	Communications - Nuisance/Obscene/Malicious	4
	Neighbours - Nuisance/Noisy	3
	Shouting & swearing	1
	Climbing Building/Throwing missiles	1
	Groups or individuals making threats	1
Total	66	
ASB - Environmental	#N/A	18
	Begging	2
	Climbing Building/Throwing missiles	2
	Fireworks Sale/Possession/inappropriate use	2
	Drug dealing	1
	Neighbours - Nuisance/Noisy	1
	Groups congregating in public areas	1
	Littering Rubbish	1
	Total	28
Grand Total	346	

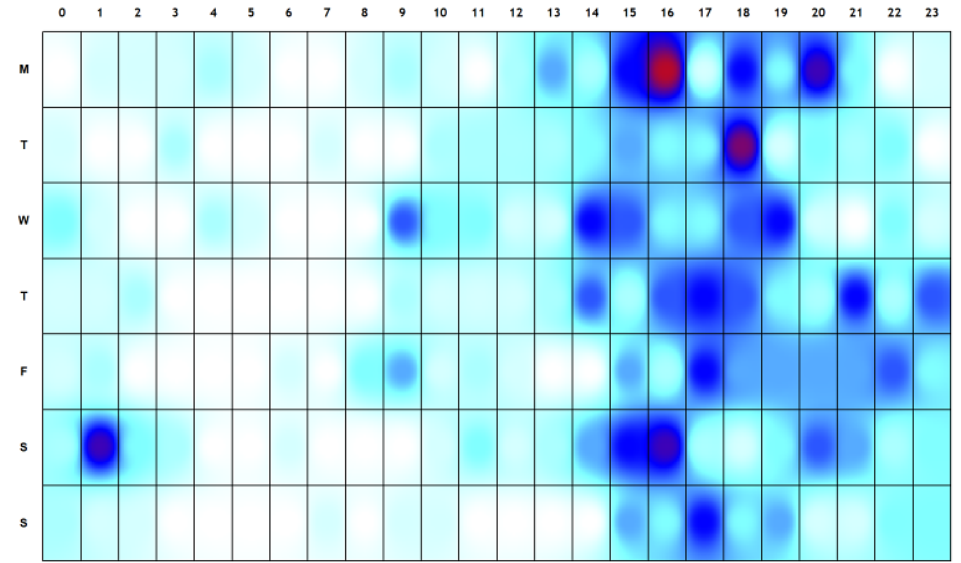
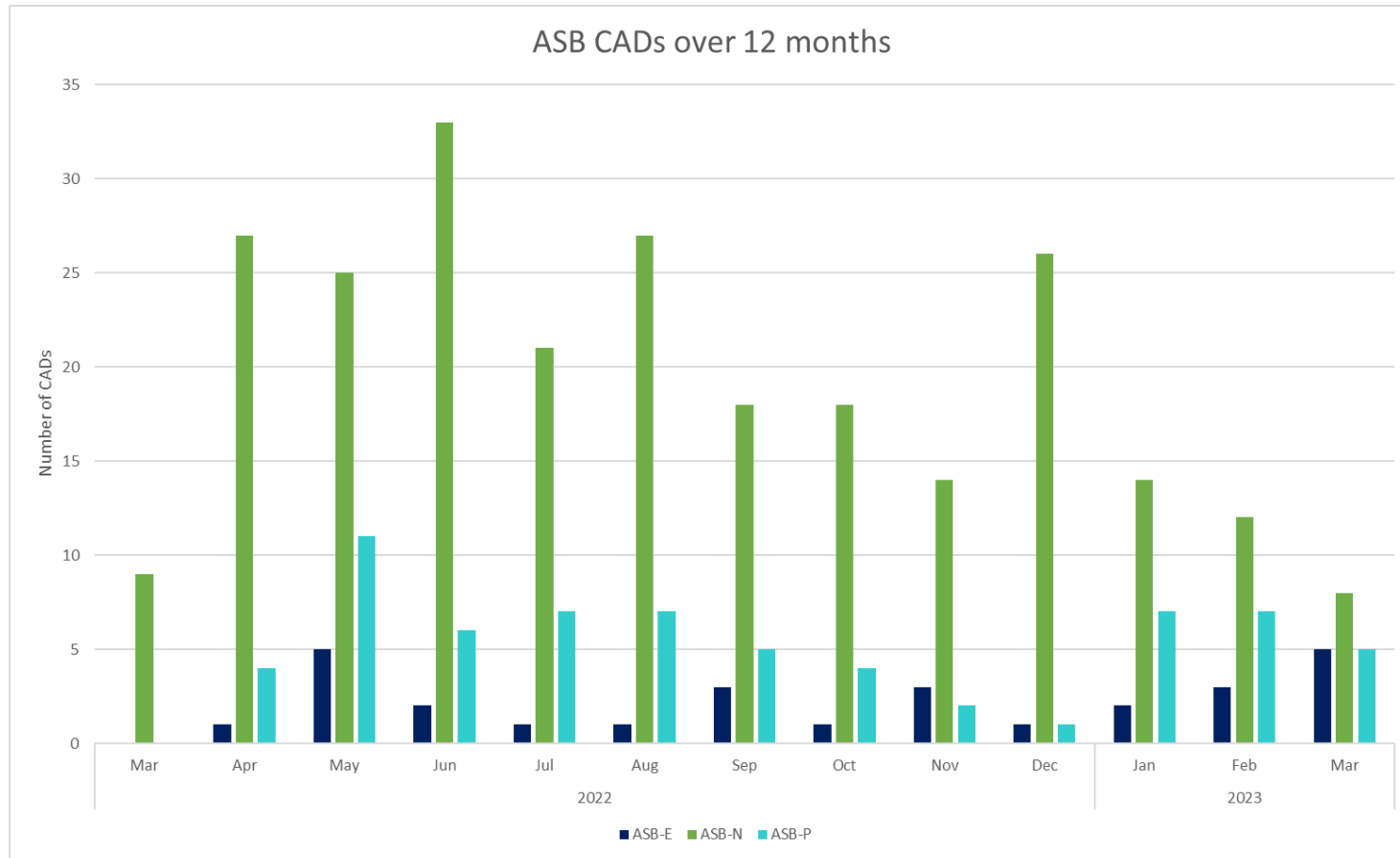
ASB type was investigated in further detail by reviewing the secondary closure codes for the ASB CADs. The proportion of CADs with this secondary code recorded are low: 75% of CADs did not record this level of detail. #N/A refers to the CADs without the secondary closure code. It is therefore difficult to fully understand the type of ASB occurring. Where the data was available, the CAD detail is presented in this table.

Of these 346 CADs:

- 2 x ASB-E and 15 x ASB-N are alcohol related (5% of ASB CADs)
- 3 x ASBE and 24 x ASBN are youth related (8% of ASB CADs)
- In terms of location type, only two CADs were marked as being in licenced premises

All ASB CADs: When is it occurring?

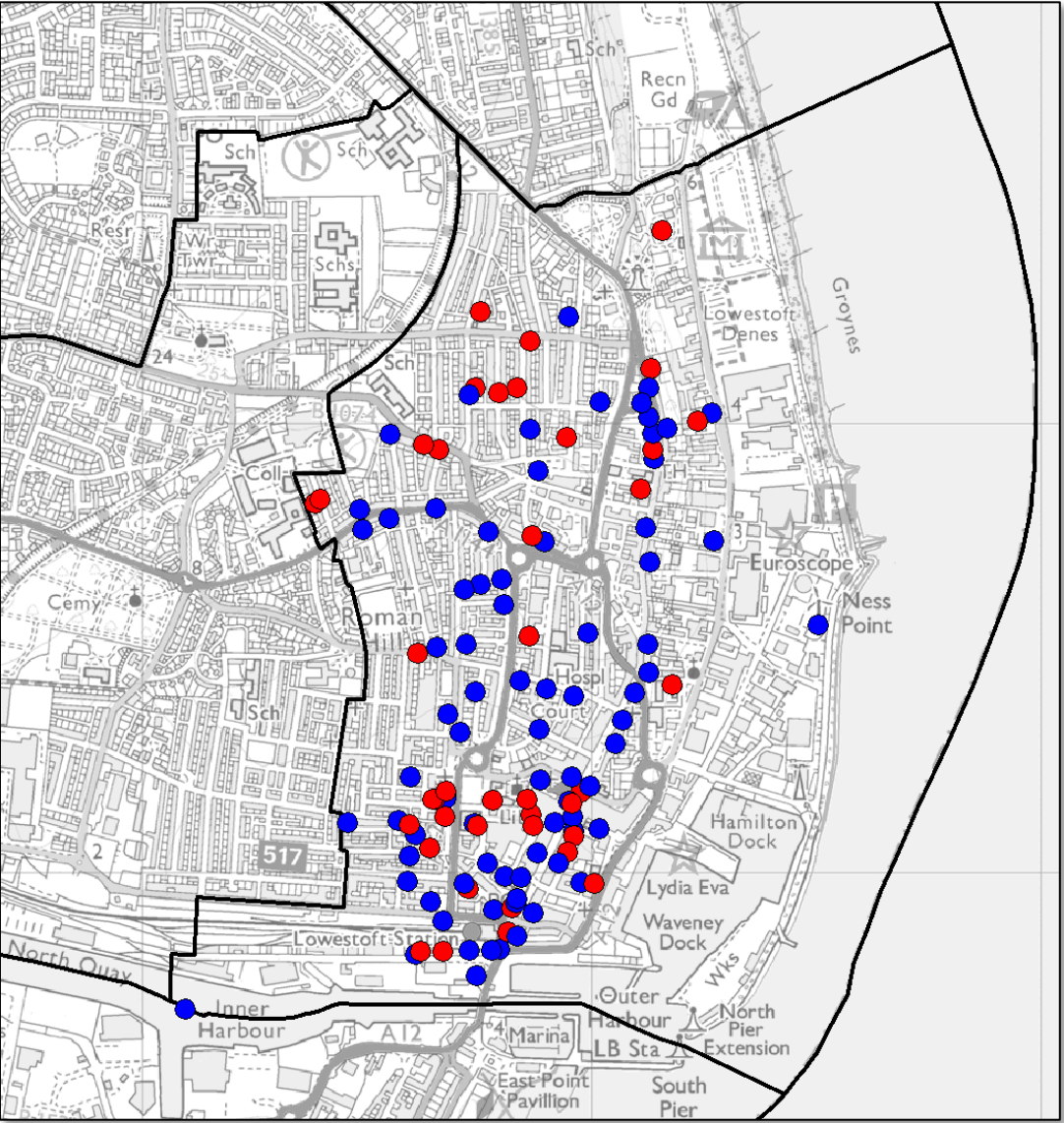
	2022												2023		
	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar		
ASB-E	0	1	5	2	1	1	1	3	1	3	1	2	3	5	
ASB-N	9	27	25	33	21	27	18	18	14	26	14	12	8		
ASB-P	0	4	11	6	7	7	5	4	2	1	7	7	5		
Grand Total	9	32	41	41	29	35	26	23	19	28	23	22	18		



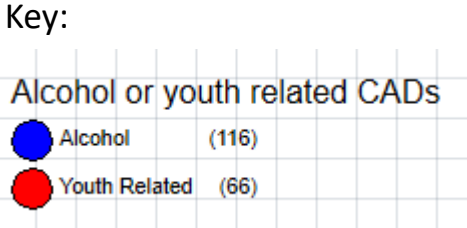
Numbers of each ASB type are displayed in the table top left and plotted on the graph to show changes across the year. ASB is higher over the summer months and also peaked in December, particularly for ASB - Nuisance. This is likely due to the expected fluctuations in demand as a result of better weather, school holidays and the festive period.

Time of day analysis top right shows the times at which ASB CADs are reported. The more intense colours represent busier reporting times. ASB occurs most frequently between the hours of 2 pm and midnight, less so on a Sunday and more often on a Monday afternoon/evening.

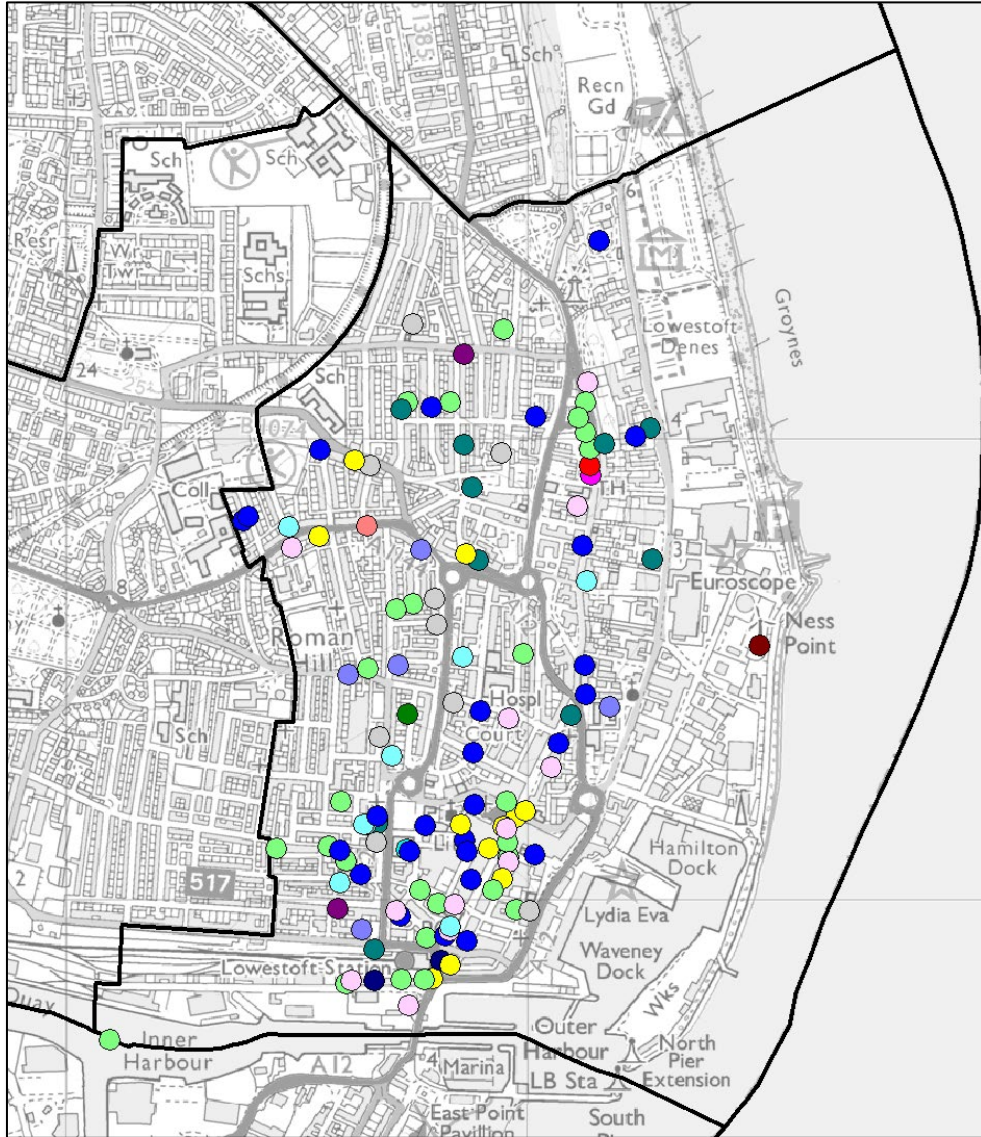
All CAD types: Alcohol and Youth tagged CADs



CADs with a youth or alcohol tag were gathered for the last 12 months, there were 182 of these, 64% were alcohol related and 36% youth related.



All CAD types: Alcohol and Youth tagged CADs



The 182 CADs with alcohol or youth tagged have also been mapped by CAD type. One fifth of these were safe/collapse/ill/injury/trap (19%) and one fifth were ASB – Nuisance (19%). Crime – other covered 9% of the alcohol and youth tagged CADs.

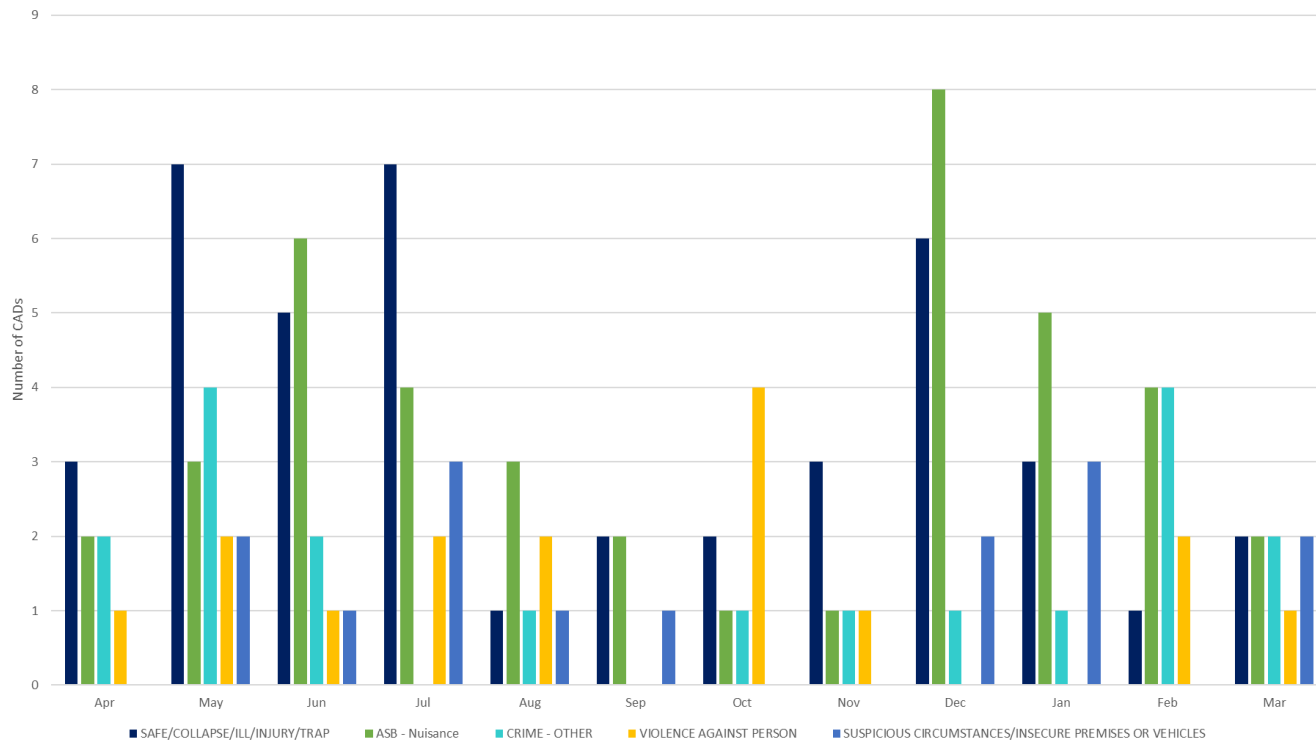
Key:

CAD disposal type	
SAFE/COLLAPSE/ILL/INJURY/TRAP	(42)
ASB - Nuisance	(41)
CRIME - OTHER	(19)
VIOLENCE AGAINST PERSON	(15)
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES/INSECURE PREMISES OR VEHICLES	(15)
ROAD RELATED OFFENCE	(12)
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	(10)
SEXUAL OFFENCE	(6)
ASB - Environmental	(5)
HOAX CALL	(4)
MISSING PERSON	(4)
ABSCND/WANTED/AWOL/ORDER/BAIL	(2)
CIVIL DISPUTES	(2)
DRUG OFFENCES	(1)
HIGHWAY DISRUPTION	(1)
POLICE GENERATED RESOURCE ACTIVITY	(1)
RTC - DAMAGE ONLY	(1)
THEFT	(1)

Alcohol and Youth tagged CADs: Top five CAD types

CAD type	Month/Year	2022					2023						
		Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
SAFE/COLLAPSE/ILL/INJURY/TRAP		3	7	5	7	1	2	2	3	6	3	1	2
ASB - Nuisance		2	3	6	4	3	2	1	1	8	5	4	2
CRIME - OTHER		2	4	2	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	4	2
VIOLENCE AGAINST PERSON		1	2	1	2	2	0	4	1	0	0	2	1
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES/INSECURE PREMISES OR VEHICLES		0	2	1	3	1	1	0	0	2	3	0	2
Monthly total		8	18	15	16	8	5	8	6	17	12	11	9

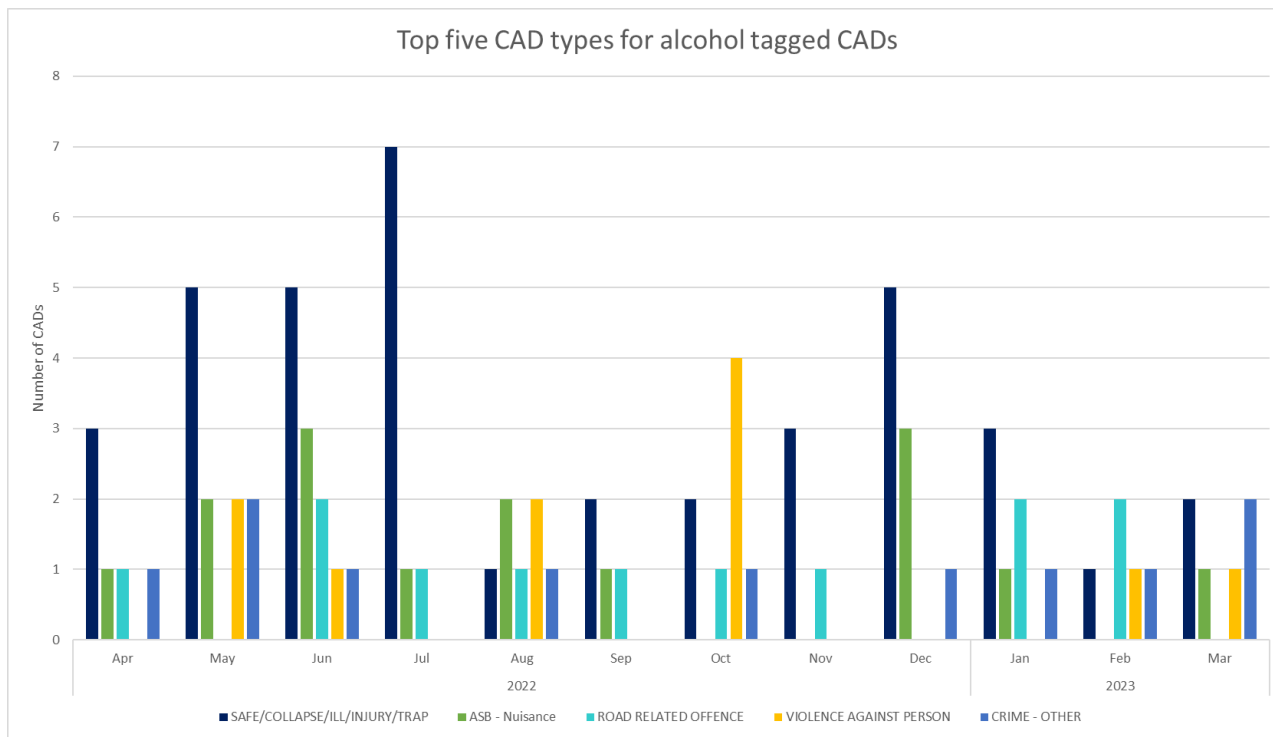
Top 5 CAD types for alcohol and youth tagged CADs



- The top five CAD types with alcohol and/or youth tags have been plotted over time.
- These follow a similar summer and December increase to the ASB CADs, but peaks are earlier in the summer months.
- The following slides (10 – 12) display alcohol tagged CADs separately.
- Slides 13 and 14 display youth tagged CADs separately.

Alcohol Tagged CADs: Top five CAD types

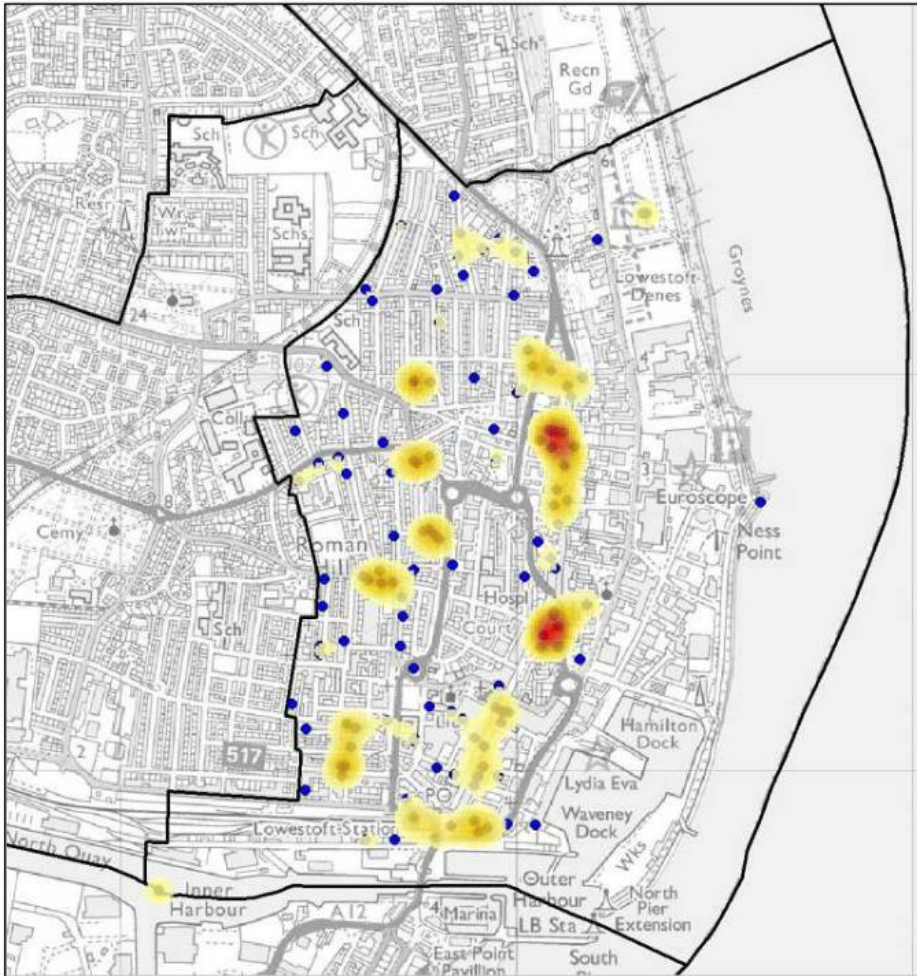
Month/Year	2022										2023		
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
SAFE/COLLAPSE/ILL/INJURY/TRAP	3	5	5	7	1	2	2	3	5	3	1	2	
ASB - Nuisance	1	2	3	1	2	1	0	0	3	1	0	1	
ROAD RELATED OFFENCE	1	0	2	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	2	0	
VIOLENCE AGAINST PERSON	0	2	1	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	1	1	
CRIME - OTHER	1	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	2	
Monthly total	6	11	12	9	7	4	8	4	9	7	5	6	



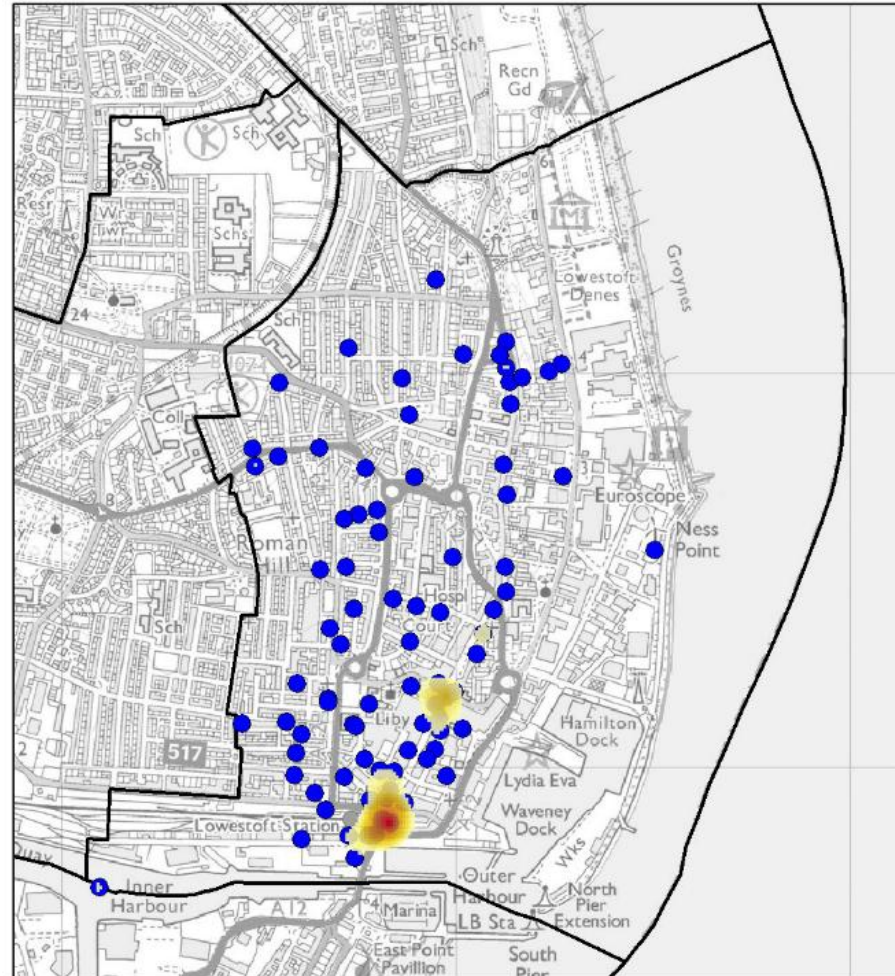
- Safe/collapse/ill/injury/trap is the top CAD type for alcohol only tagged crimes.
- The top five CAD types with an alcohol tag have been plotted over time.
- There is a late spring/early summer peak in the top CAD type, plus a peak in December.

Alcohol CAD Hotspots: Before and after introduction of PSPO

BEFORE: 2019-2020



AFTER: 27/03/2022 – 26/03/2023

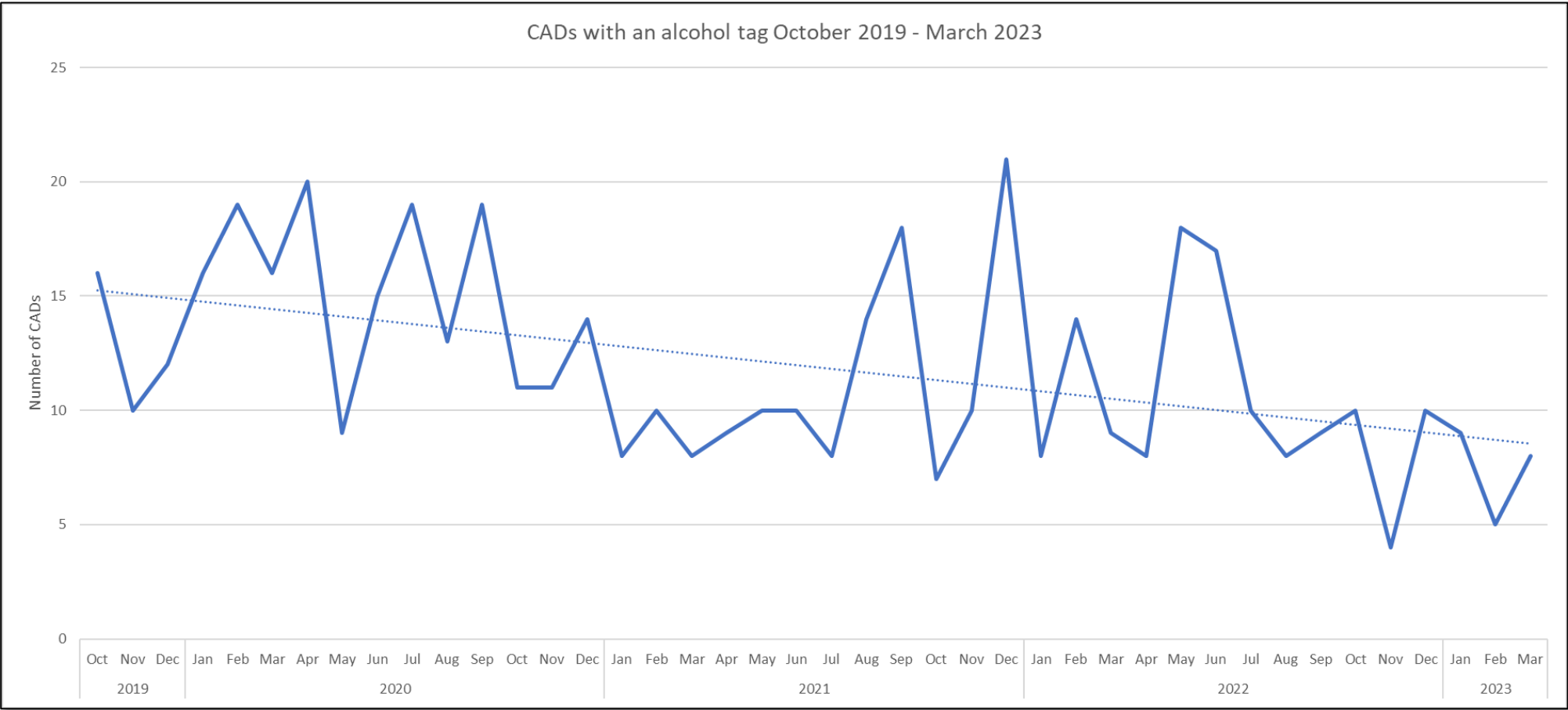


- Following introduction of the PSPO, the alcohol related CADs hotspots have reduced in number and are more limited to the Station Square and the London Road North pedestrianised areas

Alcohol CAD Trend: Before and after introduction of PSPO



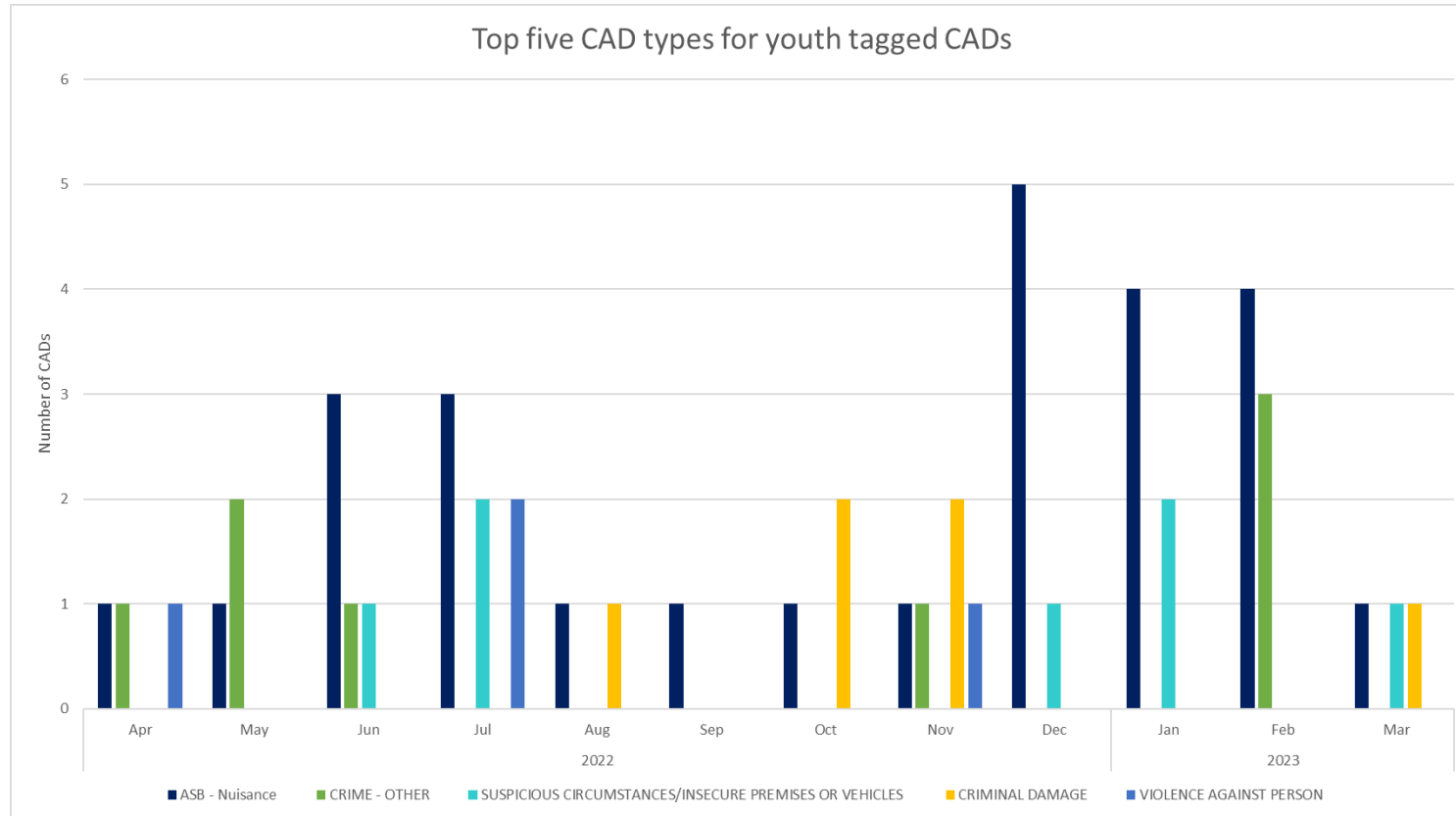
PSPO came into effect 20th October 2020, for three years. Following the introduction of the PSPO, there has been a downward trend of alcohol related CADs within the Harbour area



For info: Covid-19 social restrictions: 16th March 2020 full national lockdown came into force; 4th July 2020 pubs and restaurants re-opened; 22nd September 2020 10pm curfew for hospitality; 5th November 2020 2nd national lockdown came into force until 2nd December 2020; 6th January 3rd National lockdown 29th March 2021 outdoor gatherings of 6 or more/two households allowed; 12th April 2021 pubs open, 17th May 2021 30 can meet outside; 19th July 2021 most legal limits on social contact removed (nightclubs re-opened)

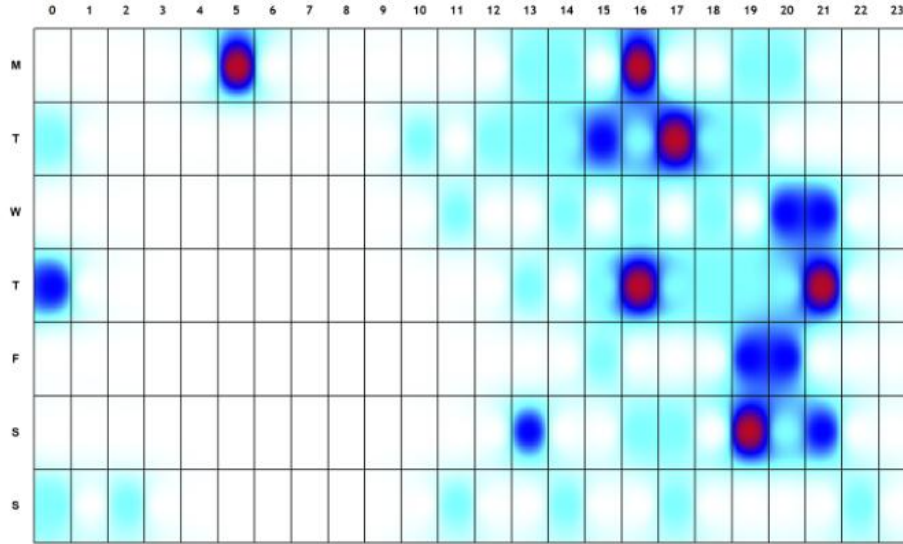
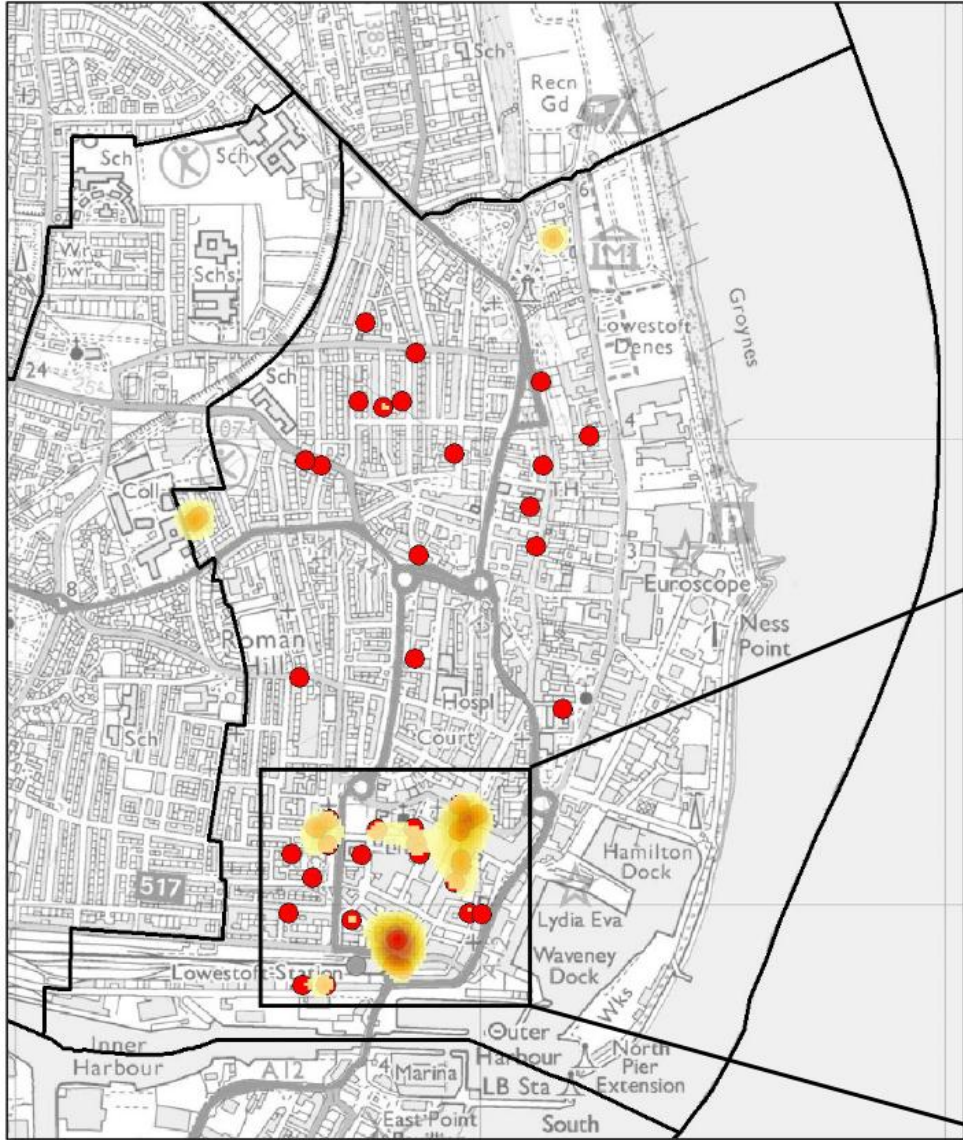
Youth Tagged CADs: Top five CAD types

Month/Year	2022										2023		
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
ASB - Nuisance	1	1	3	3	1	1	1	1	5	4	4	1	
CRIME - OTHER	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES/INSECURE PREMISES OR VEHICLES	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	
VIOLENCE AGAINST PERSON	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Monthly total	3	3	5	7	2	1	3	5	6	6	7	3	



- ASB – nuisance is the top CAD type for youth only tagged crimes.
- The top five CAD types with a youth tag have been plotted over time.
- There is a mid summer peak in the top CAD type (ASB-N), plus a peak in December, January and February.

Youth CADs: where and when are they occurring?



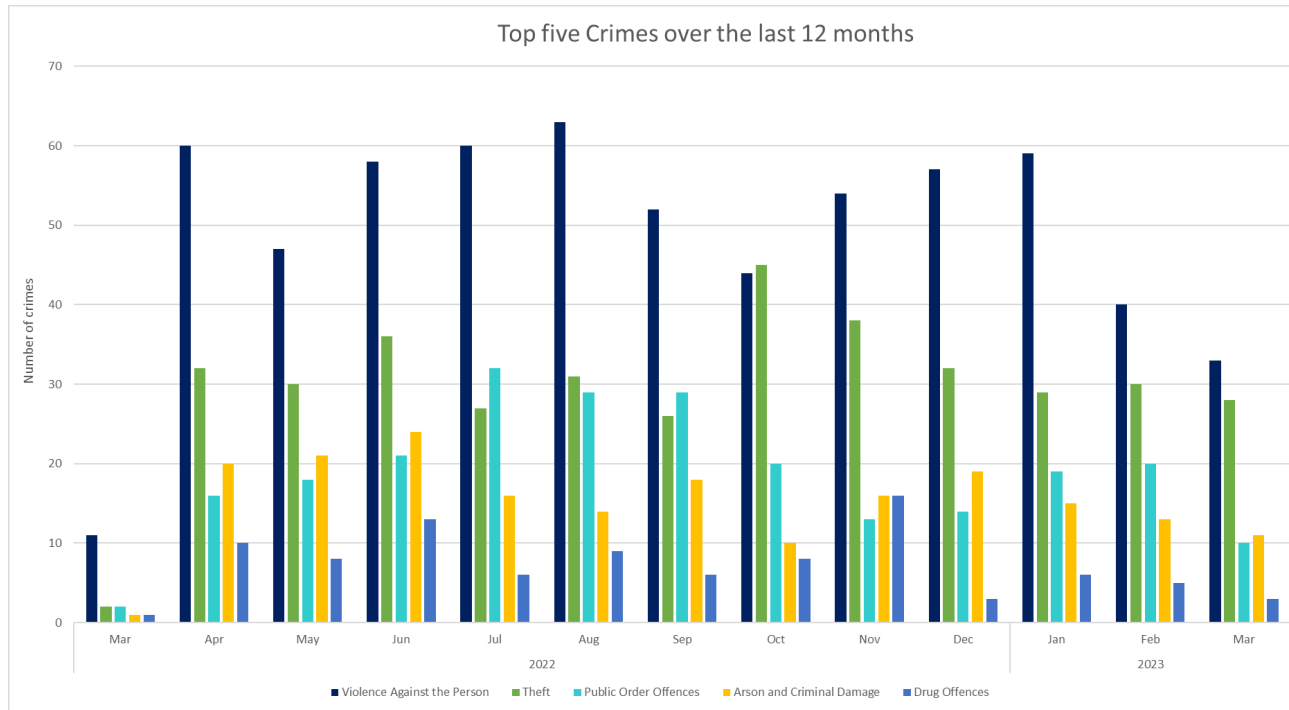
- Youth related CAD main hotspot is also around the Station Square area and a general spread around the London Road North area.
- Time of day analysis top right shows the times at which ASB CADs are reported. The more intense colours represent busier reporting times.
- ASB occurs most frequently between the hours of 3 pm and 10pm Monday to Saturday.

All Crime Investigations



	2022						2023						
	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Violence Against the Person	11	60	47	58	60	63	52	44	54	57	59	40	33
Theft	2	32	30	36	27	31	26	45	38	32	29	30	28
Public Order Offences	2	16	18	21	32	29	29	20	13	14	19	20	10
Arson and Criminal Damage	1	20	21	24	16	14	18	10	16	19	15	13	11
Drug Offences	1	10	8	13	6	9	6	8	16	3	6	5	3
Burglary	1	10	8	7	6	7	9	6	7	2	11	6	7
Sexual Offences	1	4	5	6	5	5	6	5	4	1	5	24	5
Vehicle Offences	0	3	2	1	1	10	2	1	2	6	5	2	1
Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	0	1	3	2	3	2	0	5	2	1	2	5	5
Possession Of Weapons	0	2	1	5	4	0	2	2	2	4	2	4	1
Non-Crime	1	3	0	3	0	2	1	4	2	1	3	0	2
Non-Notifiable	0	1	0	4	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	1
Robbery	0	1	1	0	3	6	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
Total	20	163	144	180	164	180	153	152	158	143	157	151	107

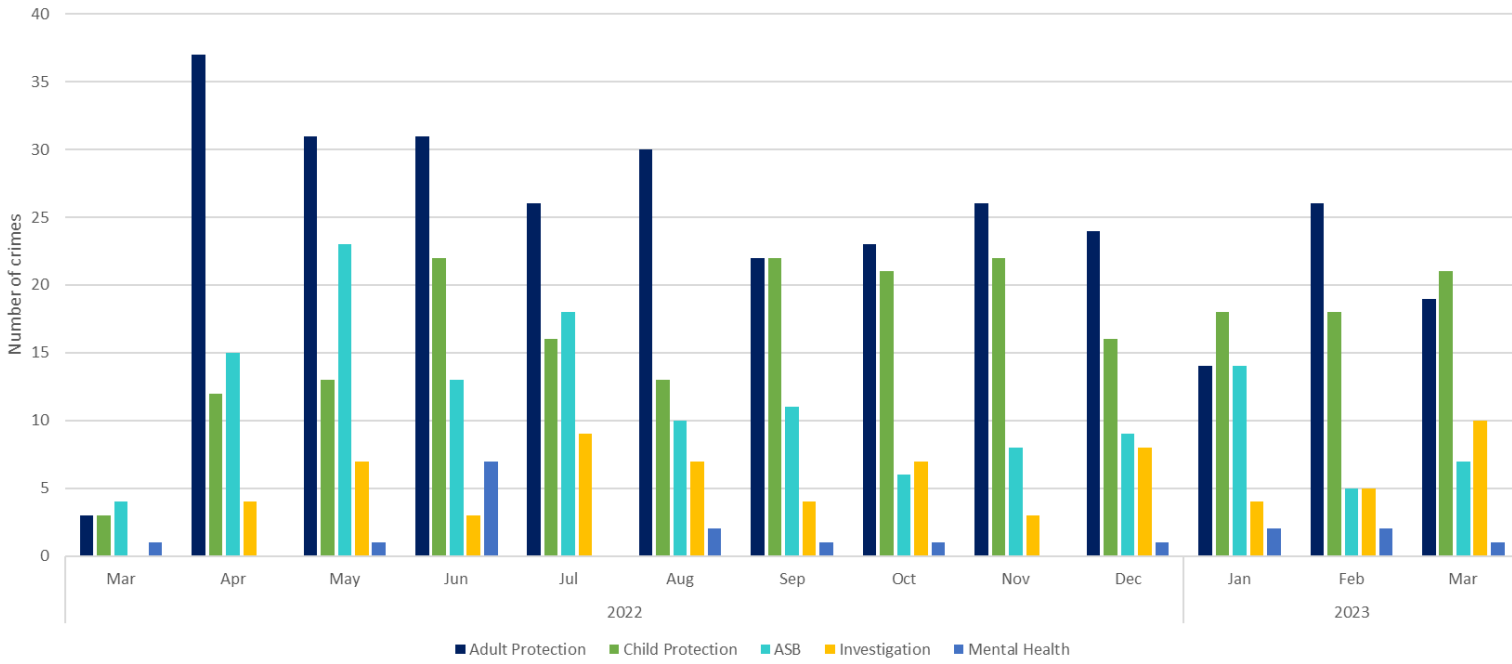
- This table shows the number of Crimes created in the Harbour area over one year. These are listed in order with the crimes most frequently recorded at the top of the table.
- Violence against the person is the highest crime type – the impact this is having on demand should be considered and whether a PSPO order would be appropriate for this, or is this business as usual?
- Public order offences are also in the top five crime types.
- Other crime types are fluctuating over the year and in keeping with expected levels
- Violence against the person crime type was investigated for numbers of these that relate to alcohol or to youths:
 - 42 records relating to alcohol (7%)
 - 33 relating to youths (5%)



All Non-Crime Investigations

		2022										2023		
		Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Non-Crime	Adult Protection	3	37	31	31	26	30	22	23	26	24	14	26	19
	Child Protection	3	12	13	22	16	13	22	21	22	16	18	18	21
	ASB	4	15	23	13	18	10	11	6	8	9	14	5	7
	Investigation	0	4	7	3	9	7	4	7	3	8	4	5	10
	Mental Health	1	0	1	7	0	2	1	1	0	1	2	2	1
	Modern Slavery	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Hate Incident	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Non-Notifiable	Non-Notifiable	0	1	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals		12	69	77	79	74	62	60	58	59	58	53	56	58

Top five Non-Crimes over the last 12 months



- This table shows the number of Non-Crime investigations created in the Harbour area over one year, by month. These are listed in order with the crimes most frequently recorded at the top of the table.
- ASB is the third highest cause of non-crime investigations. It is highest during the early summer months

Top 5 crimes in street/open spaces or in licenced premises



	Crime location type	2022												2023			Year Total
		Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
Violence Against the Person	Street / Road	1	14	6	13	18	14	8	11	11	17	13	8	7	141		
	Public House / Bar / Night Club	1	0	0	1	0	3	1	0	1	0	5	0	2	14		
	Alleyway	0	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	11		
	Harbour / Marina / Port / Dock	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
	Playground	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3		
	Beach	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
	Parks / Gardens	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2		
	Open Space / Common Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1		
	Total	2	20	8	14	19	18	10	11	14	18	18	12	10	174		
Public Order Offences	Street / Road	1	4	4	5	12	7	5	5	1	1	6	7	4	62		
	Alleyway	0	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	7		
	Public House / Bar / Night Club	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	6		
	Parks / Gardens	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
	Bus Stop / Shelter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2		
	Church / Place of worship	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2		
	Open Space / Common Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1		
	Total	1	5	4	8	14	7	8	5	1	3	12	8	5	81		
Arson and Criminal Damage	Alleyway	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	7		
	Public House / Bar / Night Club	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1		
	Street / Road	0	2	5	2	3	3	0	1	1	4	1	2	3	27		
	Playground	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1		
	Total	1	3	5	2	3	4	1	2	1	4	3	4	3	36		
Drug Offences	Street / Road	3	3	3	3	3	1	2	3	1	22	1	2	3	50		
	Public House / Bar / Night Club	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2		
	Alleyway	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	8		
	Bus Stop / Shelter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2		
	Total	4	5	3	3	3	1	2	5	1	27	2	4	3	62		
Theft	Street / Road	1	1	2	2	3	1	3	3	2	2	3	0	2	25		
	Bus Stop / Shelter	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
	Public House / Bar / Night Club	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	3		
	Alleyway	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2		
	Playground	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
	Monthly total	1	2	3	2	3	2	4	4	4	2	3	0	2	32		
	Grand Total	5	34	25	29	42	34	24	24	25	28	36	26	22	354		

Crime type	Percentage of crimes occurring in street/opens spaces/licenced premises
Violence against the person	27%
Public Order Offences	33%
Arson and Criminal Damage	18%
Drug Offences	33%
Theft	8%

- The large table shows the number of each crime type (of the top 5 crimes for the Harbour area) occurring in street or similar locations, and licenced premises, over the last 12 months.
- Violence against the person has the highest number of crimes in these locations. Of all the violence against the person crime types, 27% occur in these locations (with the rest occurring elsewhere such as in domestic properties or businesses).
- As shown in the small table above a third of all public order and drug offence crimes occur in these street/outdoor/licenced premises locations.
- These are high proportions of crimes occurring in the public eye.