

Appendix D- Community Safety Partnership 2024 Updates

1. Priority: Tackle violent crime in all its forms

Domestic Abuse

Domestic Abuse drop-ins for male victims

Posters were delivered to businesses in and around Boscombe shopping centre/Highstreet, promoting a new BCHA drop-in for male victims of domestic abuse. Boscombe was identified as a priority area due to hot spot mapping of domestic abuse data.

Domestic Abuse Support posters for children and young people

A poster was created showing the support available locally for children and young people affected by domestic abuse.



Domestic abuse
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Domestic Abuse Support posters for hospitals and GPs

A new updated poster was created with graphic design, detailing the support available locally for people experiencing domestic abuse. These are aimed at healthcare settings and have been sent digitally to GP surgeries in the BCP area, and we are aiming to have these displayed in hospitals.



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da hospital poster.pdf

Domestic Abuse Professionals Forums

Domestic abuse forums have taken place regularly throughout the year on a variety of sessions on various sexual violence topics during sexual violence awareness week and also an online session focussing on stalking behaviour.

Domestic Abuse Forum for Professionals (Children & Young People)

The Domestic Abuse Forum for Professionals focused on “Children and Young People as Victims of Domestic Abuse” and was delivered as an online webinar via Microsoft Teams drawing substantial attendance. This timely discussion emphasised the recognition of children as independent victims entitled to specialised support. The event showcased the services and support available tailored to children and young people affected by domestic abuse in Bournemouth, Christchurch, and Poole. Coordinated by BCHA and BCP Council, the forum significantly expanded the distribution list, fostering increased collaboration and awareness among professionals in the field.

Children's Pathway to Domestic Abuse Services

The Children's Pathway to Services, available through BCP Council's Family Hubs and detailed on the Online Family Hub platform provides both in-person and virtual support for parents, carers, and young people. Covering stages from infancy through young adulthood, the pathway offers a range of programs that build parenting skills, foster resilience and support healthy family relationships. Each programme includes home learning elements to reinforce skills, while digital resources provide additional activities for home use. Access begins with a support request which is reviewed by the Family Hub team for eligibility, ensuring the right level of support for each family.

Lived Experience Group

We have established a domestic abuse lived experience group for women who have been affected by domestic abuse.

Domestic Abuse Lived Experience Survey & Interviews

The Lived Experience Survey and Extended Interviews conducted by BCP Council aimed to capture insights from a wide range of perspectives on domestic abuse. This research involved victims and survivors, perpetrators, domestic abuse professionals, and members of the public all sharing their firsthand experiences and viewpoints. By engaging directly with these groups, BCP gathered valuable data on the realities of domestic abuse, including the challenges faced, barriers to seeking help, and the effectiveness of current support services. This feedback is instrumental in shaping future policies, strategies and improving resources, ensuring that services are responsive, inclusive, and aligned with the real needs of the community.

Knife Crime

Knife Crime Awareness Campaign

We organised and ran a Knife Crime Awareness campaign which saw events in the Spring/Summer as well as across the September university 'Freshers' period. Events included webinars from the Ben Kinsella Trust, community engagement sessions and more.

[Knife Crime Awareness - Working in Partnership](#)

Knife Crime Awareness Period

We attended and supported an AFC Bournemouth event for local year 9 students, where they watched Vita Nova's educational play 'The Wasp's Nest' and participated in talks and interactive workshops around knife crime. The student's thoughts and feedback from this event were collated and used to create educational posters around knife crime.

The team also attended drop ins at Bournemouth Library, Bournemouth and Poole College, Art University Bournemouth, Bournemouth Hospital, and Bourne Free.



How Can YP Make Things Change poster



who to talk to knife crime poster.pdf

Knife Crime Awareness Campaign – in-person events

As part of BCP Council's #LivesBeforeKnives #ChangesAreMade knife crime awareness campaign, staff attended four in-person events to engage the public on the risks of knife crime. At Poole College, the event was highly successful due to the strategic location and the presence of a victim's relative which encouraged meaningful conversations with students. However, events at Asda and Tesco were less effective, as shoppers were often too preoccupied to engage, suggesting that these locations may not be ideal for future awareness efforts. At the BU Freshers Fair, while engagement was initially limited, approaching students in queues proved beneficial, highlighting the value of interactive strategies and small incentives to attract attention. Overall, the evaluation indicates that targeted venues and engaging strategies, like interactive stands and giveaways, may enhance future campaign effectiveness.

Sexual Offences

Supporting young people with pornography addiction

An information sheet was created and shared with relevant professionals on specialist organisations who can assist with supporting young people who have a pornography addiction.



Supporting Young People with Pornogra

Sexual Violence Awareness Week – (sexual offences, VAWG)

We held a week of events raising awareness of sexual violence. The week commenced with the Catcalls of BCP 'Chalkback' campaign where members of the Youth Forum and Youth Parliament chalked young people's experiences of street harassment on the pavement in Poole Town Centre and Poole Park. This received a lot of engagement and positive interactions from the public.

Several training sessions for professionals were held on topics including supporting young people who sexually harm (with Circles South West), healthy masculinity (with Progressive Masculinity) and a Domestic Abuse professionals forum which hosted a range of short talks. There was also a healthy masculinity webinar for parents (with Progressive Masculinity) and a community engagement session.

Work has commenced to plan Sexual Violence Awareness Week 2025.

[Stopping sexual violence | BCP](#)

Seafront Posters

Work was undertaken with the Shores, a specialist service which supports individuals who have been a victim of sexual assaults or rape to create a poster outlining what to do if someone discloses that they have been a victim of sexual assault. These posters were designed for staff at seafront businesses and direct to the Shores SARC helpline if advice is needed. After completion, the Shores were able to complete a leaflet drop to hand these out to businesses and are continuing to use.



Seafront Poster.pdf

Sexual Assaults in Student Accommodation

During a review of university accommodation in Bournemouth which was conducted as part of BCP Council's Violence Against Women and Girls initiative, we examined recent data on sexual assaults and conducted security assessments at selected sites.

We visited seven sites, focusing on security and procedural practices. Overall, the premises demonstrated strong physical security measures, robust policies on visitor access and proactive mental health and safety training for staff. Most properties have established mental health support and training on recognising students in crisis. Regular monthly meetings between providers helped facilitate information sharing with an open invitation for the University Liaison Police Officer Paul McKenna to participate.

2. Priority 2: Keep young people and adults-at-risk safe from exploitation, including online risks

County Lines and child exploitation resources

Information sheets were created which list local, national and online resources that offer guidance on supporting children and young people at risk of exploitation.

Resources for parents of children at risk of exploitation were also added to the Safer BCP website and listed in an info sheet.



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Keeping Safe event

We held a keeping Safe event for adults and young people with learning disabilities in November which included a range of talks and interactive stalls from local agencies including a fire engine drop in and police drone flight. The event has been organised with input from the OPCC, People First Forum and Parent Carer's Together.



Keeping Safe
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Online Misinformation posters

Two posters were created which signpost to resources on critical thinking and how to spot online misinformation. The young people's version was sent out to schools and a second version contains resources for adults was circulated to colleagues for circulation.



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#LookCloser

[#LookCloser](#) is a campaign against child criminal and sexual exploitation that is run by the Children's Society. For the early 2024 campaign, a community engagement event/drop-in was held alongside the ASB team and a PSCO.

Safer Internet Day

Three public webinars were held on Safer Internet Day, these were Cyber Awareness (Dorset Police cyber team), Healthy Masculinity and Online Harms for parents (Progressive Masculinity – cross-over event with Sexual Violence Awareness Week), and Online Safety for Parents (Safer Schools team).

A 'Top Tips for Staying Safe Online' poster and an easy-read version were made digitally available via the Safer BCP websites and sent out to libraries.

Work has commenced to plan Safer Internet Day 2025.

[BCP0690 Safer internet top tips A3 print no crops](#)

[Stay Safe Online](#) (easy-read)

Cuckooing Survey

This project aims to identify and support vulnerable individuals at risk of cuckooing - a situation where criminals exploit a person's home for illegal activities. The project involves collaborating with housing providers, Adult Social Care, Anti-Social Behaviour teams and other stakeholders to understand the current landscape, identify gaps and enhance support systems. A survey has been developed to assess stakeholders' awareness of cuckooing, their methods for identifying it, and any additional training needs to improve intervention and protection efforts.

Briefing Paper on Child Sexual Exploitation – Hotels/Taxis

This briefing paper guides staff in hotels, other accommodation providers and taxi companies on recognising and responding to signs of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE). It emphasises the duty of these businesses to safeguard minors and outlines

the legal responsibilities under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, which require vigilance and compliance to avoid serious penalties. Key resources provided include handbooks, posters and other online materials, all aimed at educating staff to spot and report indications of exploitation. Training opportunities, like The Children's Society's #LookCloser campaign further support staff in identifying and addressing CSE risks, underlining the essential role of these sectors in protecting young people.

Prevent Week of Action 2024

During the Pan-Dorset Prevent Partnership Board's Week of Action (7th-11th October), a series of online sessions were held aimed at improving the quality of Prevent referrals by enhancing awareness, skills, and confidence among professionals in identifying radicalisation risks. Key sessions focused on understanding extremist symbols, responding to potential terrorist threats, and navigating the Prevent referral pathway, with high engagement and satisfaction ratings across the board. The sessions were successful in increasing confidence levels and practical abilities, particularly in the CTLP Briefing and Referral Pathway sessions, where nearly all participants felt more capable in making detailed, high-quality referrals. Feedback highlighted the need for further training in multi-agency collaboration and best practices for referral writing to strengthen future referral quality. Overall, the initiative laid a strong foundation for continued improvements in Prevent referral processes in the region.

Priority 3: Tackle issues relating to Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)

The BCP Unity Promise

The Unity Promise is a community lead initiative supported by BCP Council and Dorset Police. It sets a unified stance on the safety of women and girls. Essentially, it is a toolkit containing practical steps for venues, services, operators and businesses to help make BCP a great place for women and girls. The establishment of BCP Unity Promise was funded by Safer Streets round 5. This enabled us to produce our own charter with logos and illustrations, launch in Bournemouth Town Centre and fund the creation and delivery of the Unity Promise training. Currently, the group are planning their January-April 2025 schedule and will roll out the programme beyond Bournemouth to Christchurch and Poole.

[BCP Unity Promise](#)

Love Grace

The [Love Grace](#) handbag appeal was set up by the family of Grace Millane to support women who have experienced domestic violence. This appeal involves donations of handbags, which are filled with a range of practical items (toiletries, tissues, plasters, hairbrush) and small luxuries (scarves, makeup, notebooks, hair accessories). As there were no donation points locally, three donation points have been agreed in the BCP area. A social media appeal is set to launch on 6th December with the help of volunteers to transport the donations to relevant agencies.

Safer Streets Round 5 (SSR5) Funded Projects

Horseshoe Common CCTV

Funding for the last financial year covered the new West Cliff CCTV and this financial year covered Horseshoe Common. A total of 6 cameras have been installed at Horseshoe Common. 2 of the cameras are Pan-Tilt-Zoom (PTZ) cameras and 4 are static. They are now being monitored by the BCP CCTV hub.

Consent Worker

A Consent worker through STARS who works across schools and universities in BCP has been funded through SS5 funding.

Harmful Sexual Behaviour Worker

SSR5 funding was used to fund this post through STARS and work has begun this year on working towards a framework for Harmful Sexual Behaviour that can be used across BCP, which is something we currently don't have.

Community Guardianship Scheme

At present, SSR5 money is paying for two security staff, one female and one male, to patrol the top end of Bournemouth Town Centre on a Friday and Saturday night. We have recently launched our volunteer campaign to hire and train volunteers under the Police volunteer scheme to ensure sustainability of the patrols in the future beyond the current funding. It is hoped Volunteers will start their training in the New Year and be in post by Spring 2025. This scheme is designed to work alongside policing and other town centre safety initiatives such as the Safe Places scheme and the Unity Promise, where the community provide care to those who may be more vulnerable on a night out in Bournemouth.

Cross Cutting Projects

Safe Places

Work is ongoing with People First Forum to expand the existing Safe Places scheme for people with learning disabilities to open it up to anyone who needs it. We are currently working on a leaflet drop to recruit new businesses to the scheme around Bournemouth gardens and seafront.



Safe Places Scheme
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Pulse Smart Hubs

As part of the Serious Violence Delivery Group's efforts to address knife crime we identified an opportunity to install and equip Pulse Smart Hubs with bleed control kits, making them accessible to the public in emergencies. Currently, these hubs

house defibrillators, and expanding their use to include bleed kits could enhance public safety. The Pulse team presented this proposal to the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Executive who support the rollout of these upgraded Smart Hubs across Bournemouth, Christchurch, and Poole.

Safer BCP website updates

There is lots of work ongoing to update and re-organise the Safer BCP website. This includes the addition of a 'County Lines and Child Exploitation' page and a general 'Resources' page containing a range of safety information. There have also been additional easy-read resources added to the Learning Disability Partnership pages.

We have also updated content for the BCP Council website and staff intranet on domestic abuse and Prevent.

[County Lines and reporting child exploitation](#)

[Resources](#)

[Learning Disability Partnerships Keeping Safe information](#)

Victims' Measures in the Victims and Prisoners Bill 2024

As part of an analysis of the Victims and Prisoners Bill 2024, a report was produced focusing on the Bill's impact on BCP Council's responsibilities towards supporting victims of crime. The Bill introduces several key obligations for the Council, including the joint commissioning of victim support services alongside Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) and Integrated Care Boards (ICBs), promoting awareness of the Victims' Code, and enhancing collaboration and data-sharing efforts with criminal justice bodies. The Council will also be required to offer targeted support for vulnerable groups, such as children affected by domestic abuse and families impacted by crime. Additionally, the Bill mandates public reporting on compliance with victim support standards, ensuring greater transparency and accountability. Overall, the Bill aims to strengthen BCP Council's role in safeguarding victims' rights and improving support services across the local area.

Analytical Team's work

Reductions in ASB incidents and SV occurrences

The purpose of the data analysis provided for Partnership Co-ordinating Group (PCG) meetings is to help reduce ASB incidents and SV occurrences in the BCP area by identifying key trends, themes, and patterns. This analysis supports decision making by highlighting and monitoring incident hotspots, facilitating timely interventions to prevent or reduce incidents and enhance community safety. The PCG is therefore better informed to implement strategies that address the needs of the BCP community.

Antisocial Behaviour (ASB)

The analyst's work has identified specific locations and themes requiring strategic attention to reduce ASB incidents through detailed analysis and regular reporting to the PCG meetings.

For instance, in October 2024, ASB incidents decreased to 704 from 859 in October 2023, showing a 18% reduction.

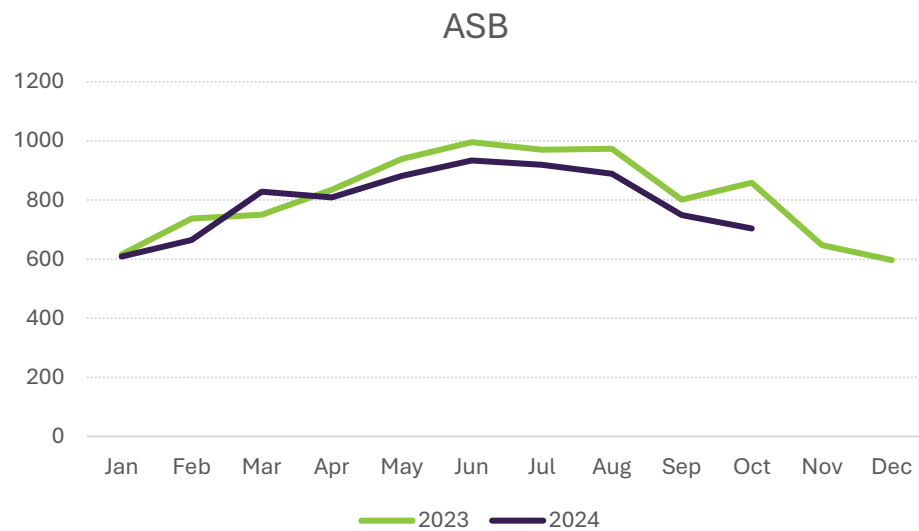


Figure 1: ASB incidents in BCP area. From Jan 23 to Oct 24

Antisocial Behaviour (ASB) involving drugs¹

The development of analytical formulae has enabled the CSP to identify and address 'ASB involving drugs' incidents. By analysing data patterns, a spike in August was identified and responded to promptly, resulting in reductions of these incidents from 140 cases in August 2024, to 91 in October 2024, showing a decrease of 35%.

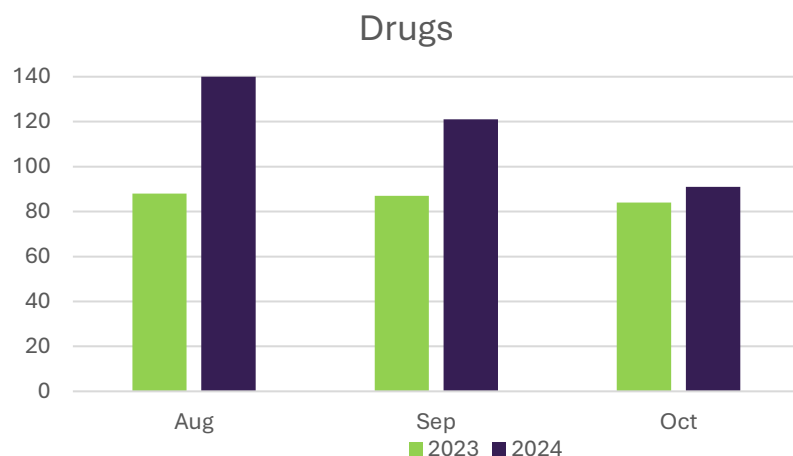


Figure 2: ASB incidents involving drugs in BCP area. (Aug, Sept, Oct, 2023-24)

¹ Extracted from system STORM data using keywords such as 'drug,' 'dealer,' 'cocaine,' etc., in Incident Text. Accuracy may vary depending on the precision of the incident text notes.

Antisocial Behaviour (ASB) involving homelessness²

The data also revealed a trend of ASB incidents involving homelessness. With focused monitoring and intervention, the PCG successfully decreased such incidents, showing a year-on-year improvement. For example, ASB incidents related to homelessness dropped from 61 cases in July 2023 to 23 in October 2024, a decrease of 62%.

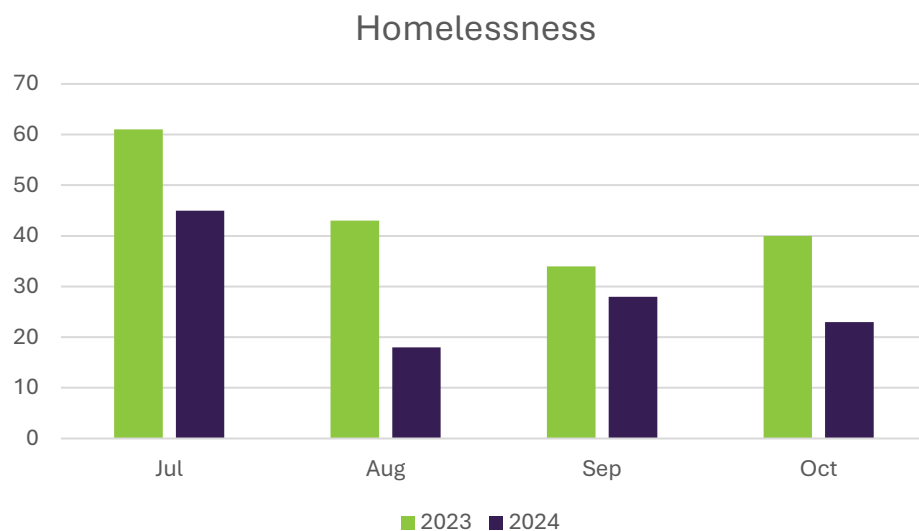


Figure 3. ASB incidents involving homelessness in BCP area. (July, Aug, Sept, Oct, 2023-24)

Antisocial Behaviour (ASB) involving buses³

The CSP has created formulae to detect ASB incidents related to buses. Monthly monitoring and reporting on specific cases have helped reduce the occurrences of such incidents consistently since February 2024, particularly in Poole Town area.

² Extracted from system STORM data using keywords such as 'beg,' 'vagrant,' 'homeless,' etc., in Incident Text. Accuracy may vary depending on the precision of the incident text notes.

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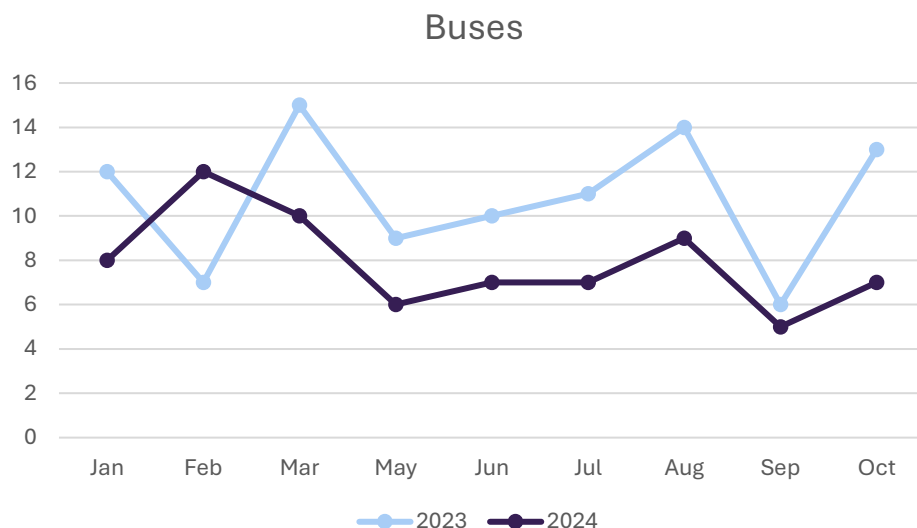


Figure 4. ASB incidents involving buses in BCP area. From Jan 23 to Oct 24

Serious Violence (SV) categorised as Sexual Assault⁴

In August 2024, a significant spike was noticed in the number of Serious Violence incidents categorised as Sexual Assault in Central Bournemouth, specifically around Pier approach. Immediate action was taken which has contributed to a sharp decrease of such incidents in this particular area. As shown in the following graph, Serious Violence incidents categorised as Sexual Assault in Central Bournemouth have decreased significantly, from 14 cases in October 2023, down to 5 cases in October 2024.

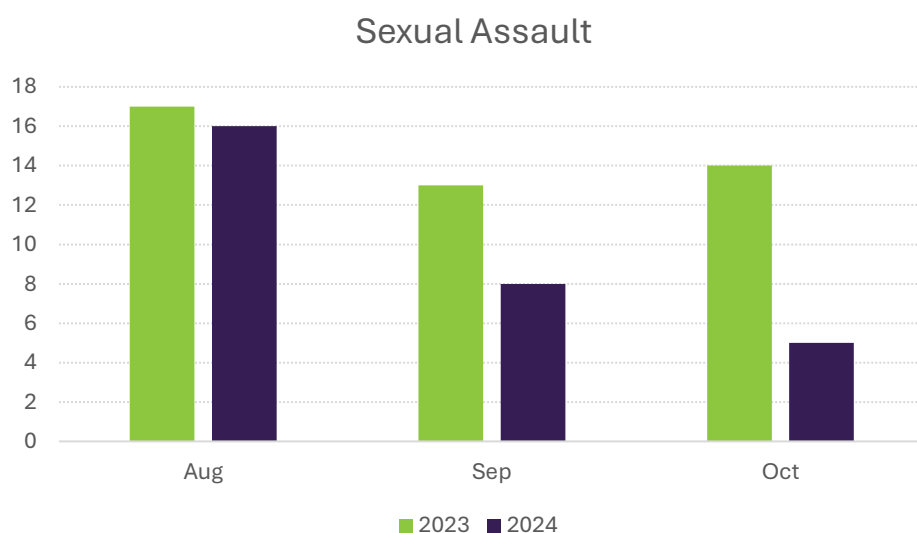


Figure 5. SV occurrences categorised as Sexual Assault in Central Bournemouth (CBAA) area. (Aug, Sept, Oct, 2023-24)

Serious Violence (SV) categorised as Robberies (Personal)

The number of robberies occurrences has remained lower than in the previous year for the last three months. For example, from 25 cases involving Robberies (Personal) in 2023 to 18 in 2024, marking a 28% decrease.

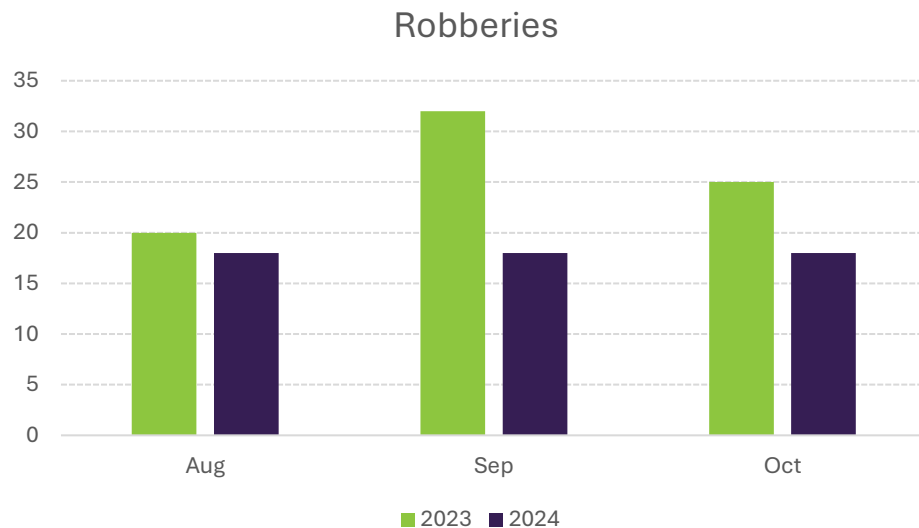


Figure 6. SV occurrences categorised as Robberies (Personal) in BCP area. (Aug, Sept, Oct, 2023-24)

Through data driven insights and targeted actions, the CSP has contributed to the progress in reducing specific types of incidents in BCP, enhancing safety in the community.