

Contextual Safeguarding



Contextual safeguarding identifies that no child or young person should be seen in isolation from the environment around them.

What is contextual safeguarding?

Contextual safeguarding, recognises that as young people grow and develop they are influenced by a whole range of environments and people outside of their family. For example, in school or college, in the local community, in their peer groups or online.

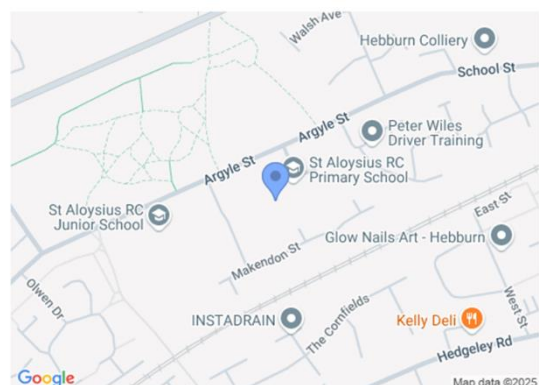
Children and young people may encounter risk in any of these environments. Sometimes the different contexts are inter-related and can mean that children and young people may encounter multiple risks. Contextual safeguarding looks at how we can best understand these risks, engage with children and young people and help to keep them safe. It's an approach that's often been used to apply to adolescents, though the lessons can equally be applied to younger children, especially in today's changing world.

Understanding our environment

St. Aloysius's safeguarding policies and procedures set out our organisation's commitment to protecting children and young people, how we will keep them safe and how to respond to concerns. St. Aloysius is, of course, one of the contexts in which young people will spend their time. But not all the risks that young people face will happen within our school and that's where contextual safeguarding comes in. The children and young people we work with will be affected by, and may be exposed to harm in, different environments. And their experiences may also influence the way they behave and live their lives in other situations.

Work with others in our community

There's no escaping the fact that schools are under huge pressure; resources are tight and the risks that young people face are changing. It can be difficult to know what to do, but by working together with others in our local area, as well as with parents, families and local residents, we help keep children and young people safe and act swiftly when they're not.



How do we approach Contextual Safeguarding within St. Aloysius?

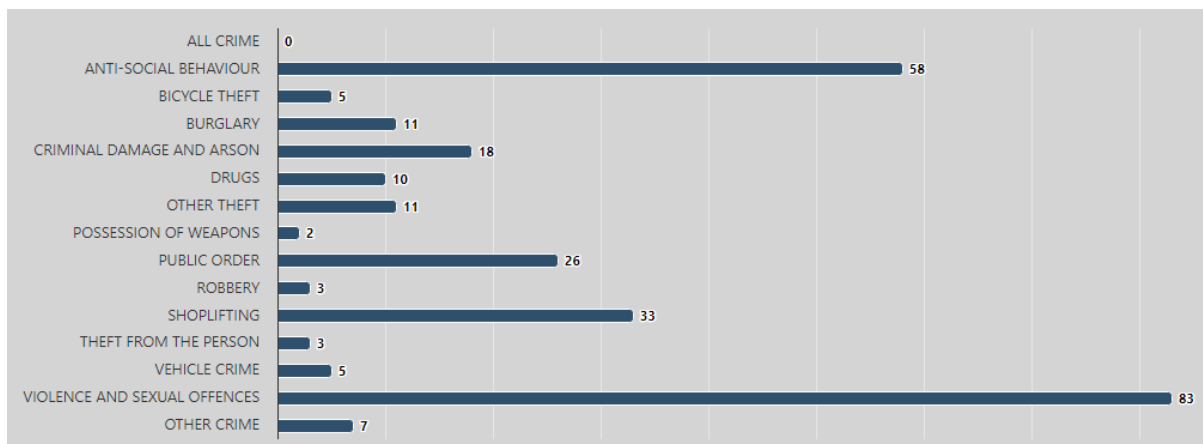
Our comprehensive *Safeguarding Across the Curriculum* document documents the full coverage of our safeguarding curriculum. We regularly review the local crime statistics and share this with parents and staff; this ensures that our curriculum can be, and is, regularly adapted to support the needs of the children.

September 2024

In total, there were **275** incidents reported in September 2024.

A significant portion of these incidents took place on **On or near the Shopping Area**.

1 SHOPPING AREA	31 REPORTED CRIMES
2 GREENBANK	14 REPORTED CRIMES
3 WALSH AVENUE	13 REPORTED CRIMES
4 VINE STREET	8 REPORTED CRIMES
5 STATION ROAD	6 REPORTED CRIMES
6 JARROW BUS STATION	6 REPORTED CRIMES
7 ETON SQUARE	6 REPORTED CRIMES
8 MYRTLE GROVE	6 REPORTED CRIMES
9 WINDSOR CRESCENT	6 REPORTED CRIMES
10 WILLOW GROVE	5 REPORTED CRIMES



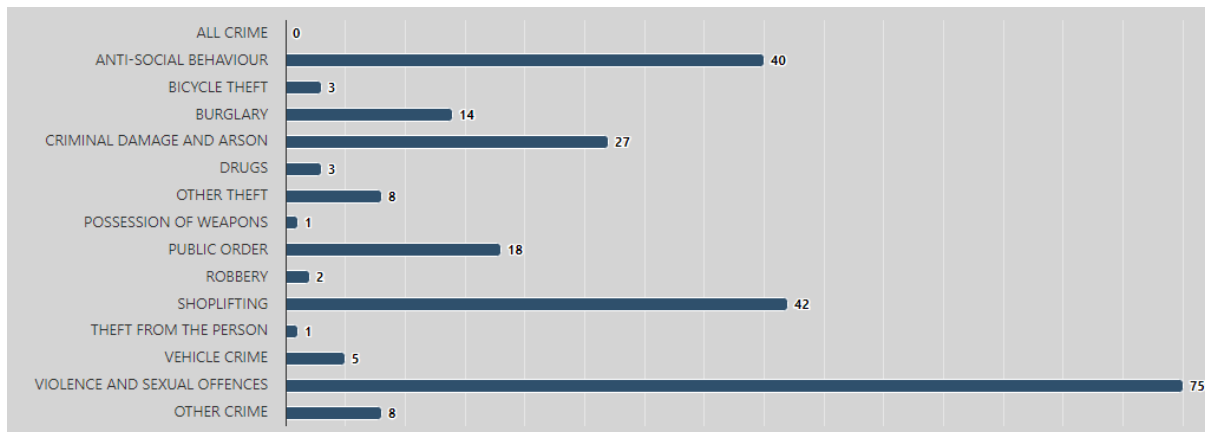
Our curriculum covered ensuring that the children understand the local area; we teach this through looking at maps so that children know where the metro lines are, main roads and safe places to cross. Some classes walk the local area with staff to understand the area in greater depth. Older children, who are allowed to walk home, talked about the safe routes to and from school.

October 2024

In total, there were **247** incidents reported in October 2024.

A significant portion of these incidents took place on **On or near the Shopping Area**.

1 SHOPPING AREA	48 REPORTED CRIMES
2 LUMLEY COURT	7 REPORTED CRIMES
3 SUPERMARKET	6 REPORTED CRIMES
4 HEBBURN	5 REPORTED CRIMES
5 JARROW BUS STATION	5 REPORTED CRIMES
6 CAMPBELL PARK ROAD	5 REPORTED CRIMES
7 TWEED STREET	5 REPORTED CRIMES
8 WINDSOR CRESCENT	5 REPORTED CRIMES
9 MOUNTBATTEN AVENUE	4 REPORTED CRIMES
10 VINE STREET	4 REPORTED CRIMES



Following a comprehensive review of local statistics, our curriculum covered ensuring that the children understand the staying in brightly lit places in the dark evenings and what clothing can be worn to help us stay safe.

Older children were again reminded of their routes home and how to stay safe.

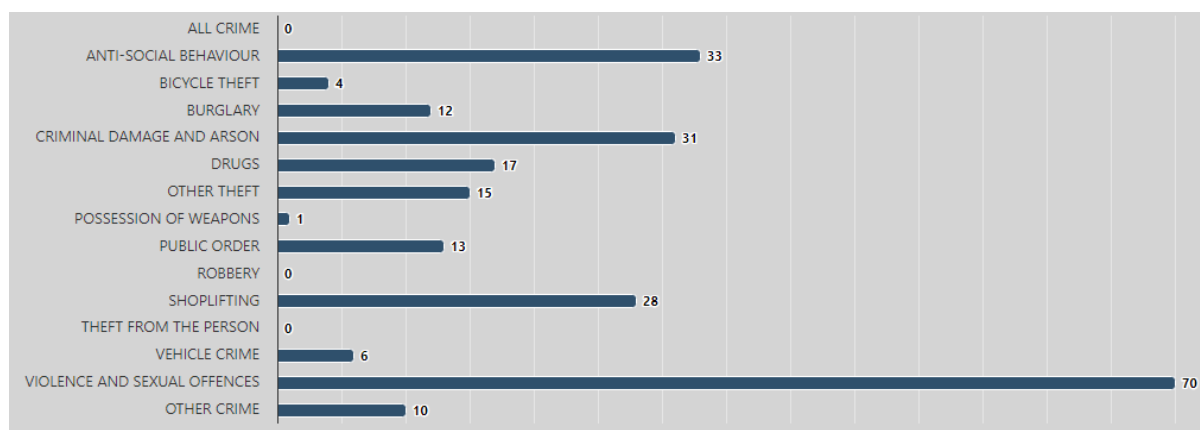
As a high proportion of crime statistics were concentrated in the local shopping area and parks, it was discussed what to look out for and how to avoid danger.

November 2024

In total, there were **240** incidents reported in November 2024.

A significant portion of these incidents took place on **On or near the Shopping Area**.

1 SHOPPING AREA	28 REPORTED CRIMES
2 SPORTS/RECREATION AREA	16 REPORTED CRIMES
3 ETON SQUARE	10 REPORTED CRIMES
4 LUMLEY COURT	7 REPORTED CRIMES
5 TWEED STREET	6 REPORTED CRIMES
6 CAROLINE STREET	6 REPORTED CRIMES
7 ALN STREET	5 REPORTED CRIMES
8 PARKING AREA	5 REPORTED CRIMES
9 PARKING AREA	5 REPORTED CRIMES
10 GREENBANK	4 REPORTED CRIMES



Following our monthly review of local statistics, our curriculum covered ensuring that the children understand how to keep their property safe and how to lock up bikes securely.

All children discussed who or where they could ask for help or how to report a crime.

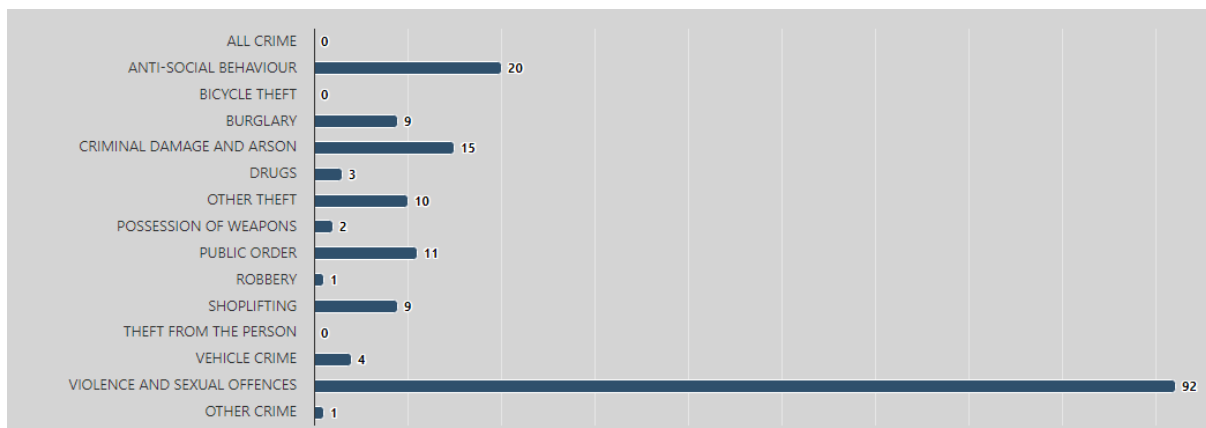
Older children discussed the high statistics around shoplifting.

December 2024

In total, there were **177** incidents reported in December 2024.

A significant portion of these incidents took place on **near the Shopping Area and Metro station.**

1	STATION ROAD	8 REPORTED CRIMES
2	FROBISHER STREET	6 REPORTED CRIMES
3	TWEED STREET	6 REPORTED CRIMES
4	ALN STREET	5 REPORTED CRIMES
5	SPORTS/RECREATION AREA	5 REPORTED CRIMES
6	WALLSEND	5 REPORTED CRIMES
7	VINE STREET	5 REPORTED CRIMES
8	WILLOW GROVE	5 REPORTED CRIMES
9	HIGH STREET EAST	4 REPORTED CRIMES
10	WALSH AVENUE	4 REPORTED CRIMES



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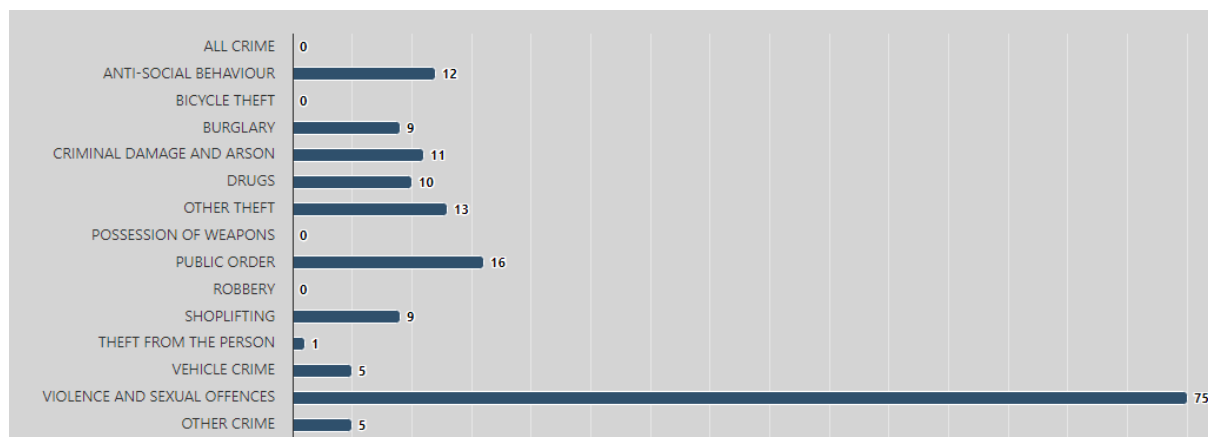
We talked about how Anti-social behaviour can be broadly described as people acting in a way which is harmful, alarming and/or distressing to others, society and the communities we belong to. This encompasses a wide range of behaviours that are generally considered to be unacceptable.

January 2025

In total, there were **166** incidents reported in January 2025.

A significant portion of these incidents took place on **near the Shopping Area**.

1	ETON SQUARE	8 REPORTED CRIMES
2	HIGH STREET EAST	6 REPORTED CRIMES
3	FIR STREET	5 REPORTED CRIMES
4	PRINCE CONSORT ROAD	4 REPORTED CRIMES
5	MYRTLE GROVE	4 REPORTED CRIMES
6	WALSH AVENUE	4 REPORTED CRIMES
7	STATION ROAD	4 REPORTED CRIMES
8	RAILWAY STREET	4 REPORTED CRIMES
9	WINDSOR CRESCENT	4 REPORTED CRIMES
10	BLACK ROAD	4 REPORTED CRIMES



Following a comprehensive review of local statistics, our curriculum covered ensuring that the children understand how to behave in public.

Children learnt about the public order act which means that the offender must intend to cause harassment, alarm or distress to another person and must act in a way that is abusive, threatening or insulting. It can be committed using words or behaviour. An example of this is shouting abuse towards another person intending that they feel insulted. We linked this to Protected Characteristics.

February 2025

In total, there were **196** incidents reported in February 2025.

A significant portion of these incidents took place on **near the Sports Area**.

ON OR NEAR SPORTS/RECREATION AREA 11 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR STATION ROAD 8 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR HILL STREET 7 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR WINDSOR CRESCENT 7 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR WALLSEND 7 REPORTED CRIMES

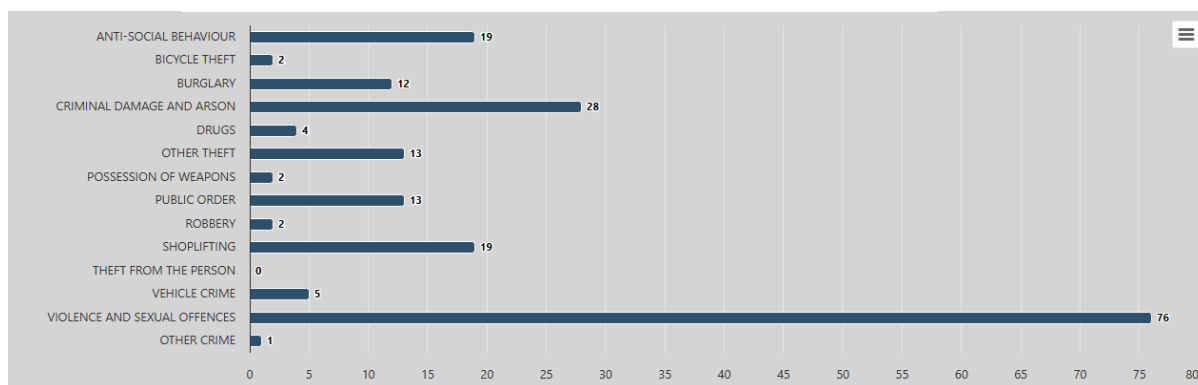
ON OR NEAR KENT AVENUE 7 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR MARR ROAD 6 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR SUPERMARKET 5 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR HOLLY AVENUE 5 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR ETON SQUARE 4 REPORTED CRIMES



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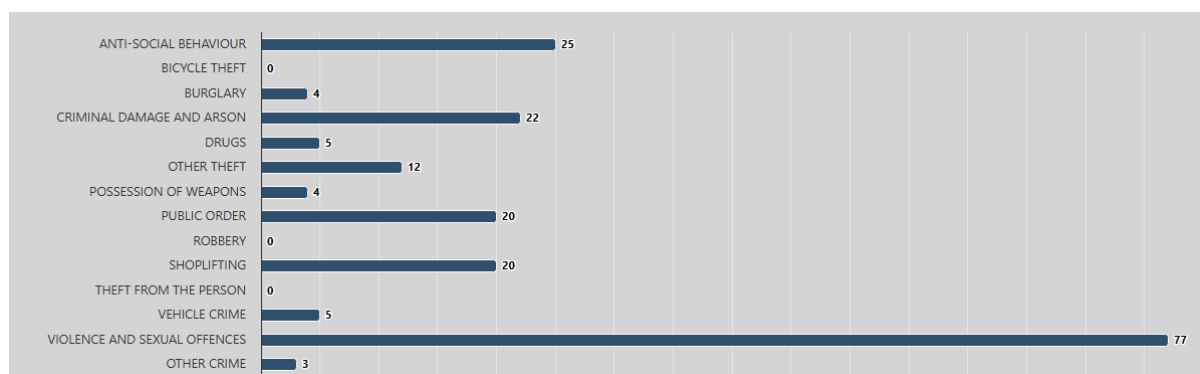
Children were taught about the consequences of criminal damage and arson. We discussed possible reasons into why this area has had more reportable crimes recently.

March 2025

In total, there were **197** incidents reported in March 2025.

A significant portion of these incidents took place on **near the metro**.

ON OR NEAR STATION ROAD 12 REPORTED CRIMES
ON OR NEAR WALLSEND 7 REPORTED CRIMES
ON OR NEAR COACH ROAD 6 REPORTED CRIMES
ON OR NEAR ETON SQUARE 5 REPORTED CRIMES
ON OR NEAR WILLOW GROVE 5 REPORTED CRIMES
ON OR NEAR HIGH STREET EAST 4 REPORTED CRIMES
ON OR NEAR MAYFIELD GARDENS 4 REPORTED CRIMES
ON OR NEAR LUMLEY COURT 4 REPORTED CRIMES
ON OR NEAR KENT AVENUE 4 REPORTED CRIMES
ON OR NEAR LAUREL STREET 3 REPORTED CRIMES



Following a comprehensive review of local statistics, our curriculum covered ensuring that the children understand how to report incidents.

We discussed possible reasons into why less bike thefts have been reported this month and how they can keep their property safe. The children also learnt about how over time, there are very few reports of theft from a person and how this is good, but that shoplifting still happens frequently and that people get caught for this.

April 2025

In total, there were **193** incidents reported in April 2025.

A significant portion of these incidents took place on **near streets in the surrounding area**.

ON OR NEAR WALLSEND 11 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR WINDSOR CRESCENT 10 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR BUDDLE STREET 6 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR HAZEL STREET 6 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR EDWARD STREET 5 REPORTED CRIMES

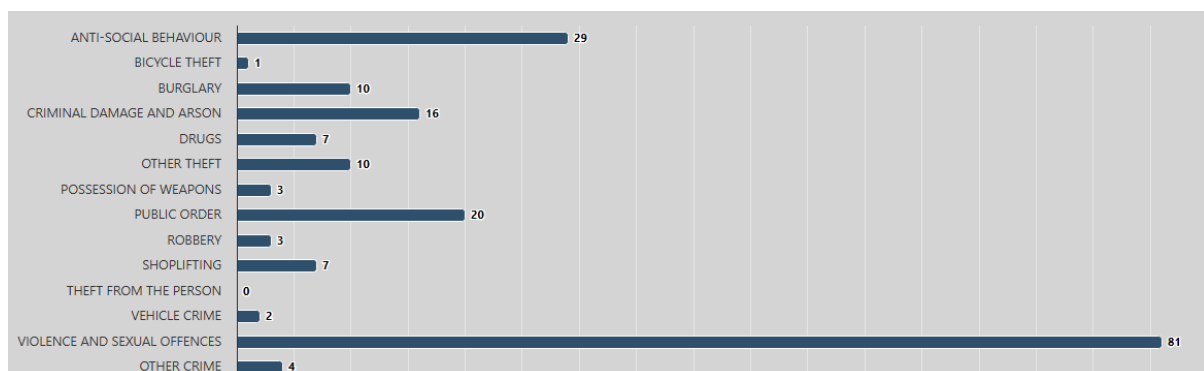
ON OR NEAR STATION ROAD 5 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR FALKLAND AVENUE 5 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR HIGH STREET EAST 4 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR ARLINGTON ROAD 4 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR HOLLY AVENUE 4 REPORTED CRIMES



Following a comprehensive review of local statistics, our curriculum covered ensuring that the children understand which areas in Hebburn are the safest.

We discussed the patterns of recorded anti-social behaviour and why anti-social behaviour is more commonly reported in the warmer months than the colder months. We learnt about safe ways to keep safe at different times of the year.

May 2025

In total, there were **218** incidents reported in May 2025.

A significant portion of these incidents took place on **near the metro**.

ON OR NEAR STATION ROAD 12 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR WINDSOR CRESCENT 11 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR SPORTS/RECREATION AREA 8 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR WALLSEND 7 REPORTED CRIMES

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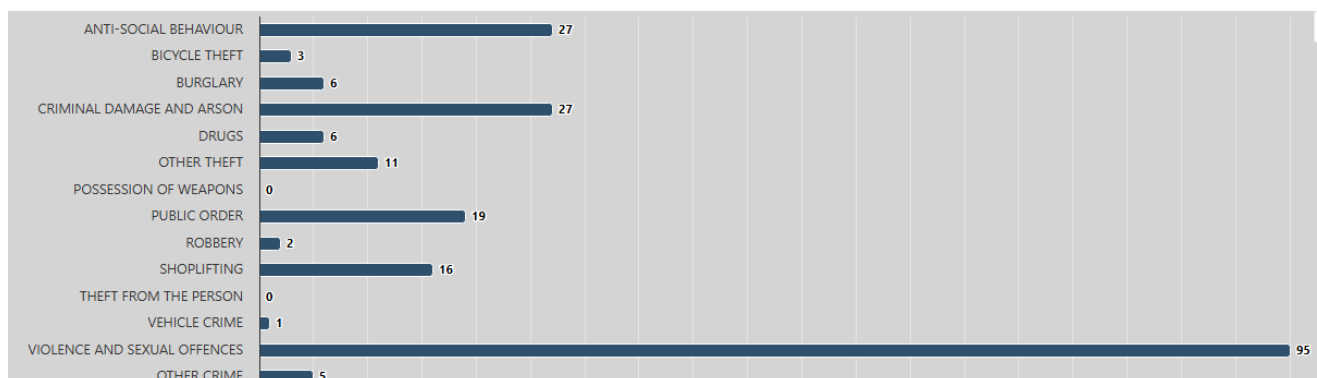
ON OR NEAR HOLLY AVENUE 7 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR WESTMORELAND STREET 6 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR LUMLEY COURT 6 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR VINE STREET 5 REPORTED CRIMES

ON OR NEAR HALL ROAD 4 REPORTED CRIMES



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June 2025

This data is not yet released, as of August 2025.