

Caerphilly North Neighbourhood Team

Council Report

Bargoed

19th April 2023



01/03/2023 – 31/03/2023

Overview of Reported Crimes

144 Crimes

In March, the section saw a decrease in reported crime in comparison to February 2023. The Pengam and Gilfach wards saw a slight increase in the number of crimes reported in comparison to previous months.

Ward	February 2023
Bargoed	57
Aberbargoed	38
Pengam	23
Gilfach	26

Overview of ASB

8 Incidents

Ward	February 2023
Bargoed	3
Aberbargoed	4
Pengam	1
Gilfach	0

Incidents of Note

Throughout March, we received a few more calls in relation to anti-social driving and off-road vehicles. One of which took place in Morrisons car park on 31 March 2023, in the early hours of the morning. Whereby vehicles were driving in an anti-social manner and preventing other vehicles from leaving the car park. Officers attended and positive action was taken with a Section 59 warning (Police Reform Act 2002) issued.

Team Initiatives and Operations

Operation Harley

Gwent Police continues to tackle to the anti-social use of off road bikes with the its force wide operation, *Operation Harley*. We have continued to see reports of off road bikes across the Bargoed Section and are working with our communities to identify who has ownership and use of the bikes in order to take enforcement action where we can.

To support this, the Neighbourhood team continue to work with the Gelligaer Common Ranger, Roads Policing Specialist Operations, the Rural Crime Team and Natural Resources Wales conducting mobile patrols on Gelligaer Common, Aberbargoed Common and the surrounding areas, looking for off-road vehicles driving in an anti-social manner.



During the operation on 8th March 2023 a Section 59 seizure was issued by officers in relation to a vehicle driving on Gelligaer common in an anti-social manner.

On this date officers were also working with volunteers from the Gelligaer Commoner's Association, litter picking.

Another operation took place on 19th March 2023, where officers issued a Section 59 warning in relation to a vehicle driving on Gelligaer common.

Operation Town Safe

Town Safe continues to run successfully on Friday and Saturday nights in Bargoed Town Centre. It allows local officers to engage with the night time community, local business owners and door staff. Officers provide safety advice members of the public surrounding "spiking", walking home alone, and general safety advice. Officers also provide them with small prevention aids such as anti-spike bottle stoppers, to assist with this.

The Neighbourhood Team participated in 9 Consultation and Engagement Events throughout March including 2 Police Community Surgeries and the Open Door Councillor evening at Bargoed Police Station.

Thankyou Caerphilly North Neighbourhood Team

