



*Denbighshire Community Safety Partnership
Establishing Our Priorities for
April 2008 to March 2009*

**Strategic Assessment
Consultation responses
Summary of findings**

Background

The first Denbighshire Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment informed the community of Denbighshire of the National priorities the partnership is obliged to work towards and aimed to consult the community on the local issues that affect the people of Denbighshire.

The national priorities for Denbighshire Community Safety Partnership are determined by the government:

National Priorities

- Reduce the most serious violence, including tackling serious sexual offences and domestic violence
- Continue to make progress on serious acquisitive crime through a focus on the issues of greatest priority in each locality and the most harmful offenders – particularly drug misusing offenders
- Tackle the crime, disorder and antisocial behaviour issues of greatest importance in each locality, increasing public confidence in the local agencies involved in dealing with these issues
- Reduce re-offending through the improved management of offenders

The strategic assessment reviews Denbighshire's current performance in respect of these crime types and identified local priorities based on current issues.

Local Priorities

- Reducing the Fear of Crime
- Tackling Alcohol related crime especially Violent Crime.
- Reducing Criminal Damage
- Reducing Anti Social behaviour and other behaviour adversely affecting the environment
- Increase reporting of domestic violence and reduce repeat victimization
- Reducing the number of young people affected by crime, as either offenders or victims

Consultation

The consultation document asked the community of Denbighshire whether these were the right issues to prioritise locally and also asked whether they deemed the following areas to be a serious problem, problem or not a problem in their area:

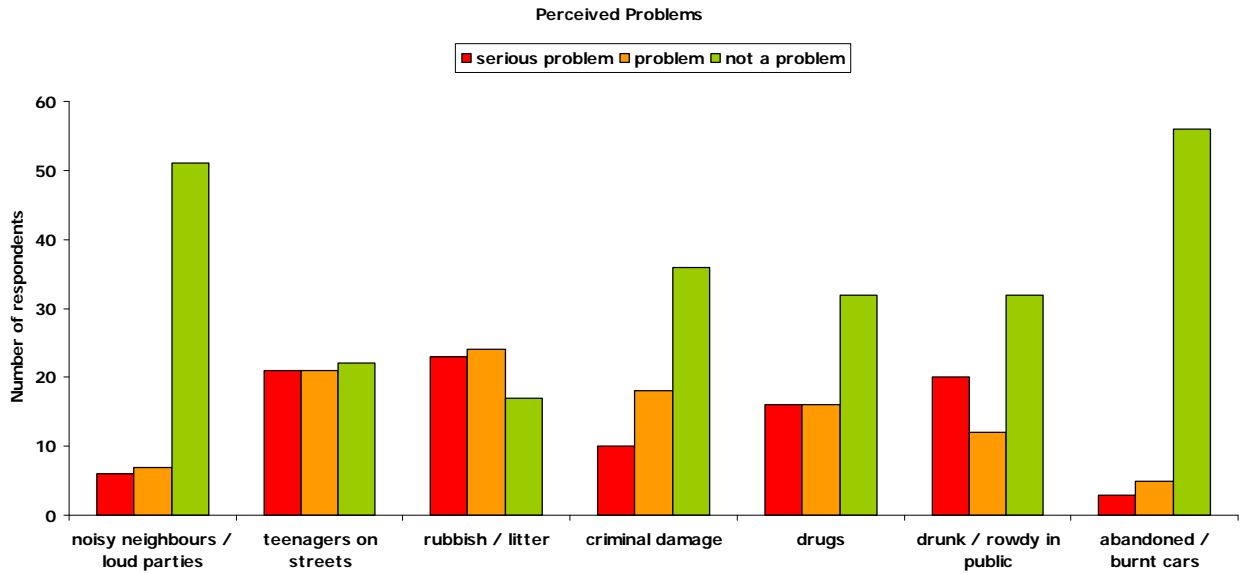
- Noisy neighbours or loud parties
- Teenagers hanging around on the streets
- Rubbish or litter lying around
- Vandalism, graffiti and other deliberate damage to property
- People using or dealing drugs
- People being drunk or rowdy in public places
- Abandoned or burnt-out cars.

Respondents were also invited to list any other issues which they felt were a concern.

This document summarises the findings of the consultation exercise for each area.

Denbigh
Number of respondents: 64

Perceived Problem areas



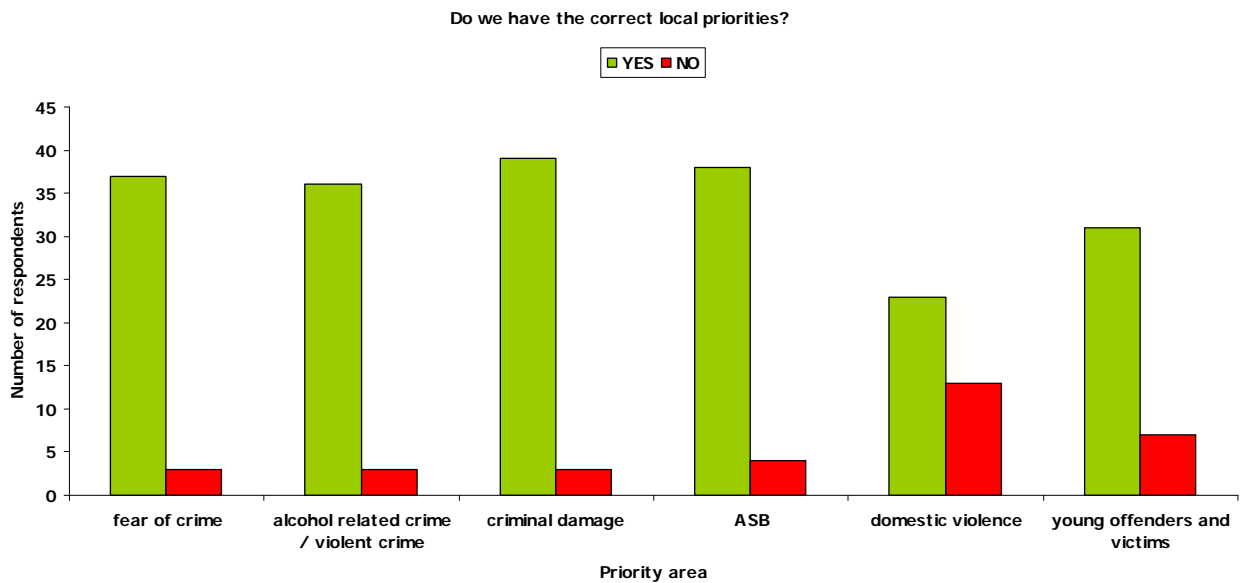
Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter, Teenagers on street, Drunk / Rowdy in public

Other perceived problems

Respondents in Denbigh provided 23 other problem areas for consideration with the 'top 5' shown below.

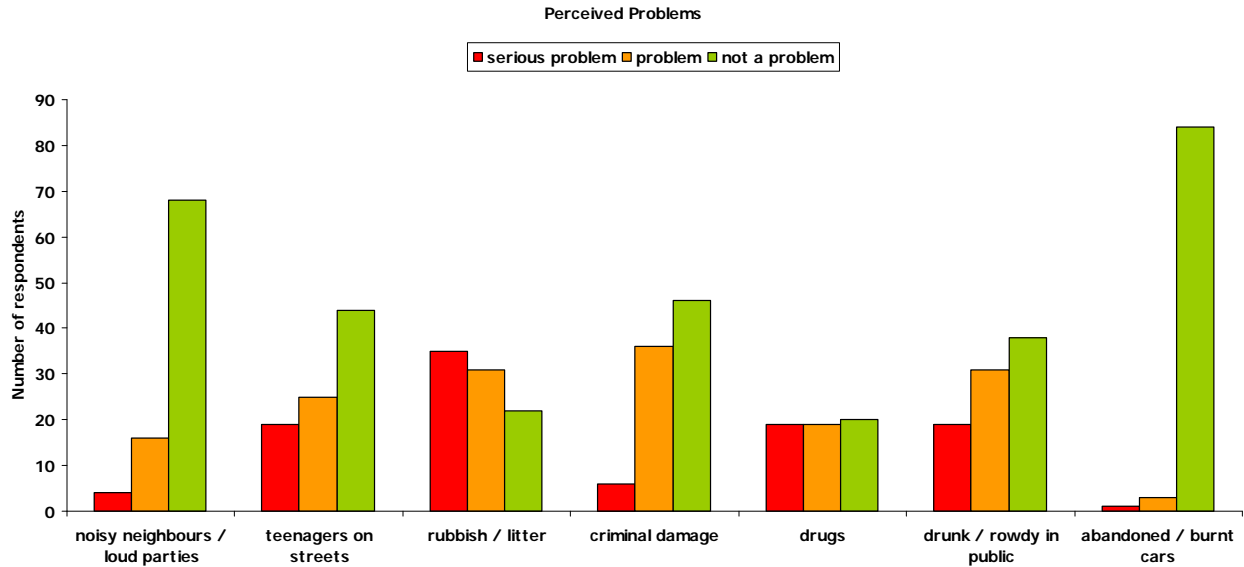
| Response | Serious problem | Problem |
|--|-----------------|---------|
| dog fouling | 9 | 2 |
| ASB from children at Denbigh High School | 4 | |
| alcohol drinking in street and public places | 3 | |
| speeding vehicles/boy racers | 3 | 3 |
| general anti social behaviour | 2 | |

Local priorities



Rhyl
Number of respondents: 88

Perceived Problem areas



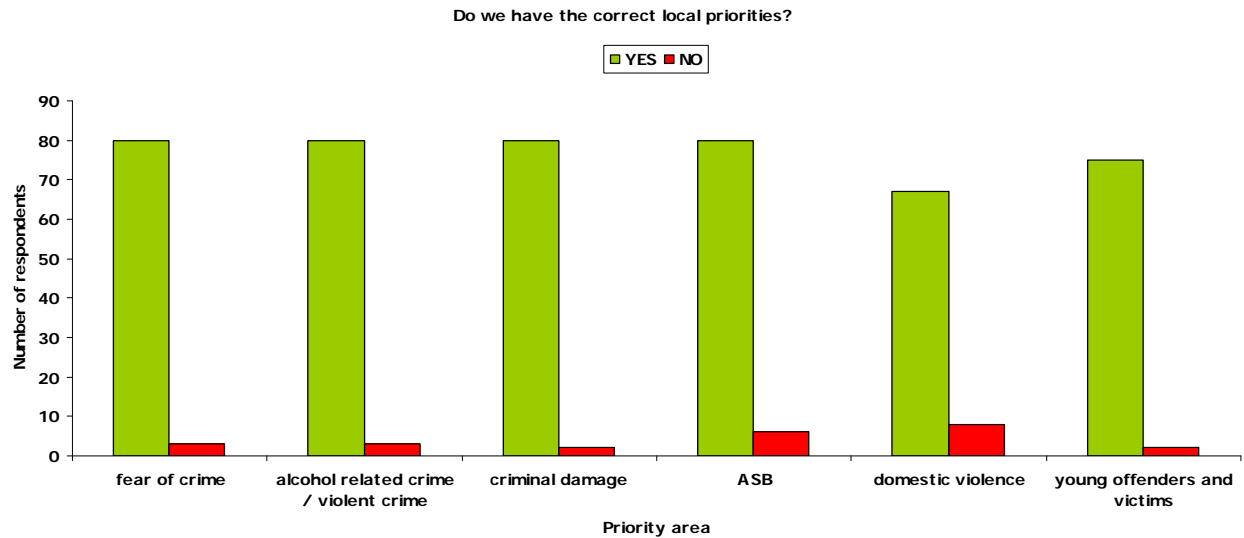
Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter, Drunk / rowdy in public

Other perceived problems

Respondents in Rhyl provided 33 other problem areas for consideration with the 'top 5' shown below.

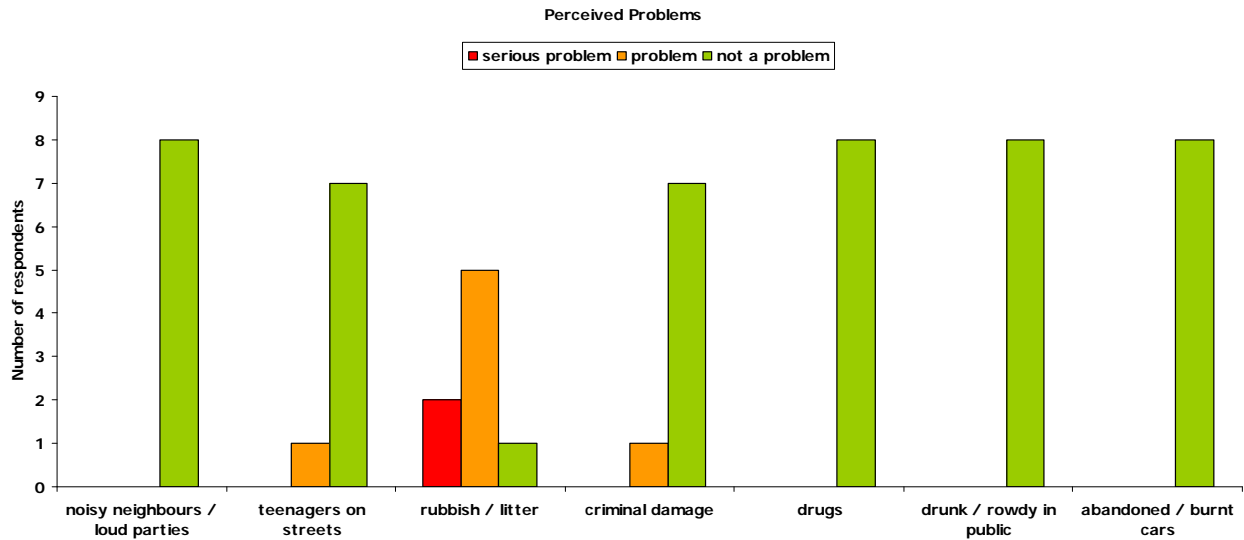
| Response | Serious Problem | Problem |
|--|-----------------|---------|
| dog fouling | 8 | 3 |
| excessive speed of vehicles | 5 | 4 |
| underage drinking | 3 | 1 |
| lack of visible policing on street | 1 | 2 |
| cold callers, 'pedlars' claiming to be ex-prisoners and very pushy and rogue traders | 1 | 2 |

Local priorities



Bryneglwys & Llanferres
Number of respondents: 8

Perceived Problem areas

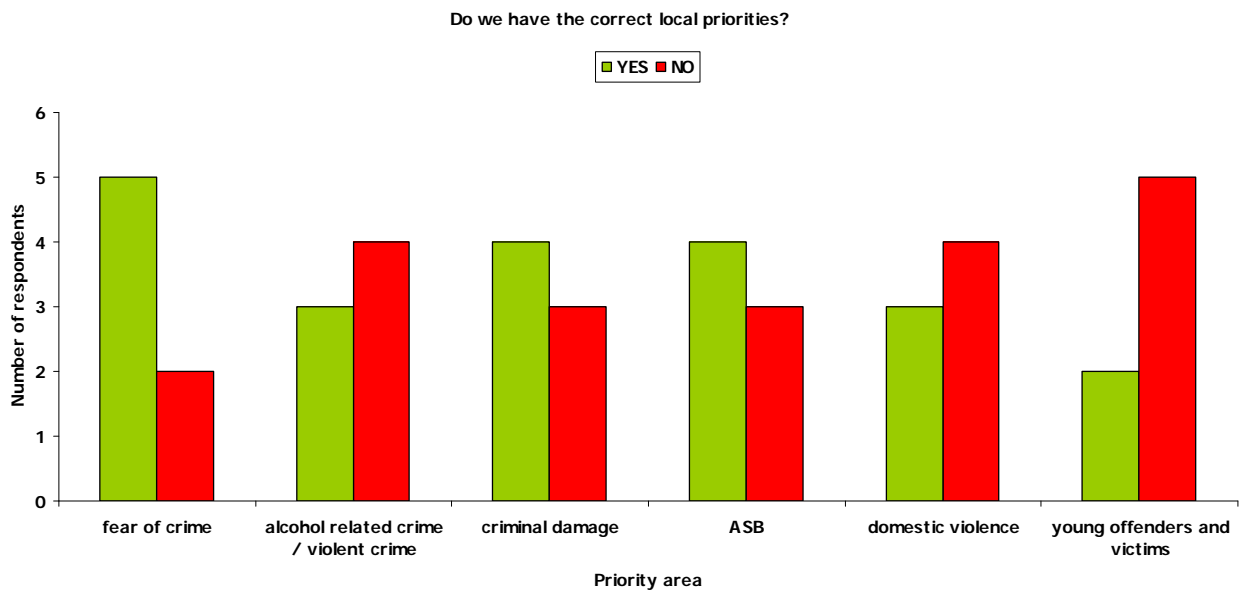


Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter

Other perceived problems

Respondents in Bryneglwys provided one other problem area for consideration concerning the New Inn falling into disrepair.

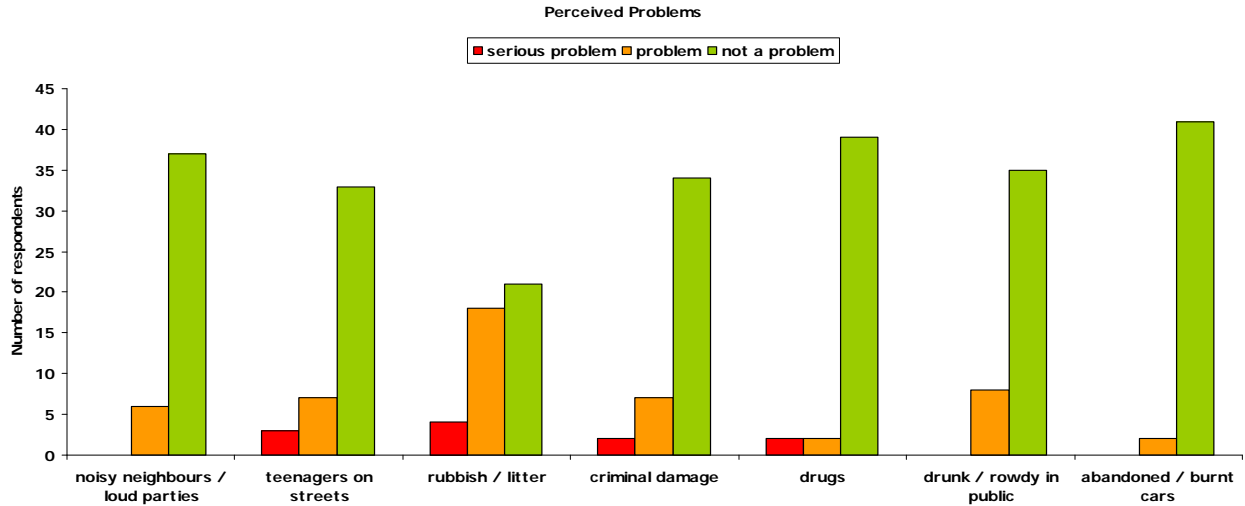
Local priorities



The respondents within Bryneglwys & Llanferres do not consider alcohol related crime, domestic violence or young offenders / victims to be appropriate local priorities. Further information is required regarding what they feel should be priorities.

Prestatyn
Number of respondents: 43

Perceived Problem areas



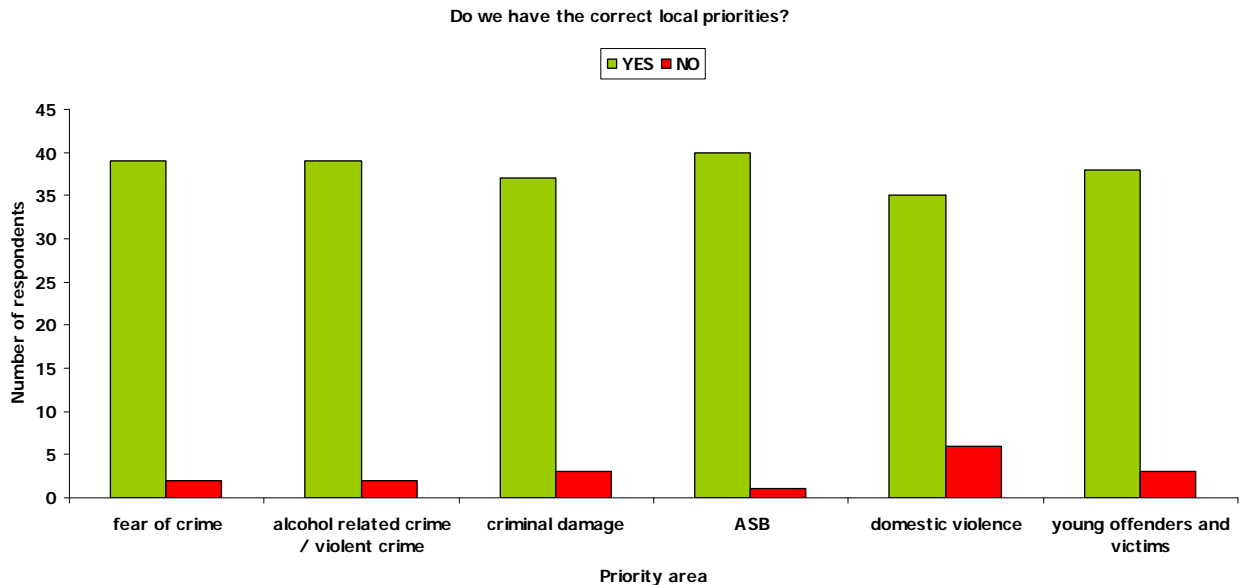
Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter

Other perceived problems

Respondents in Prestatyn provided 18 other problem areas for consideration with the 'top 5' shown below.

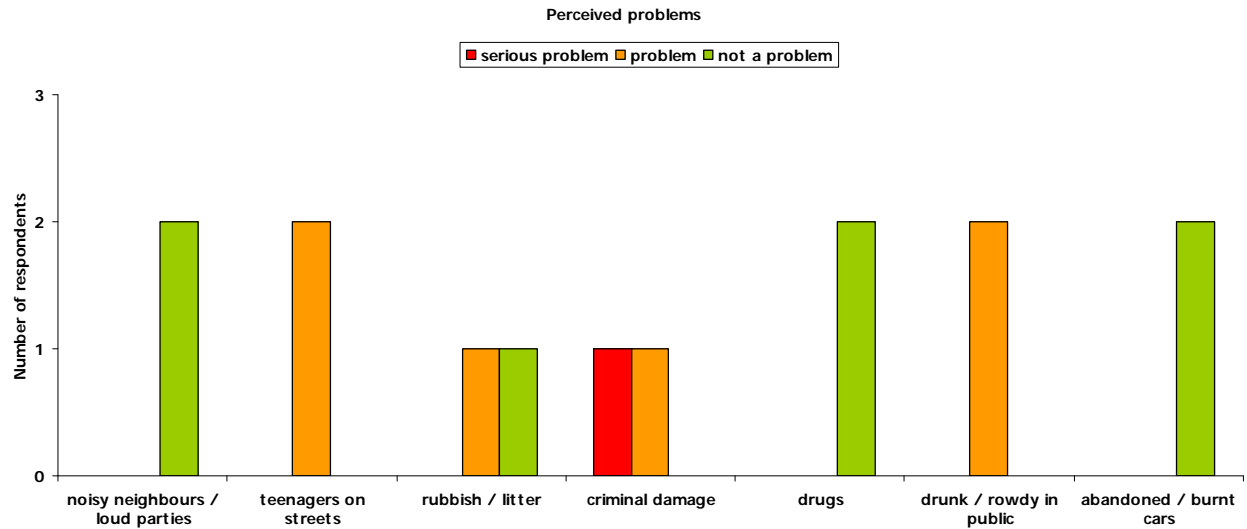
| Response | Serious Problem | Problem |
|---|-----------------|---------|
| dog fouling | 5 | 2 |
| very noisy neighbours rewing cars and loud car radios late at night | 2 | 1 |
| cold callers | 2 | 1 |
| noisy dogs | 1 | 1 |
| total ignorance of the speed limit | 2 | |

Local priorities



Meliden
Number of respondents: 2

Perceived Problem areas



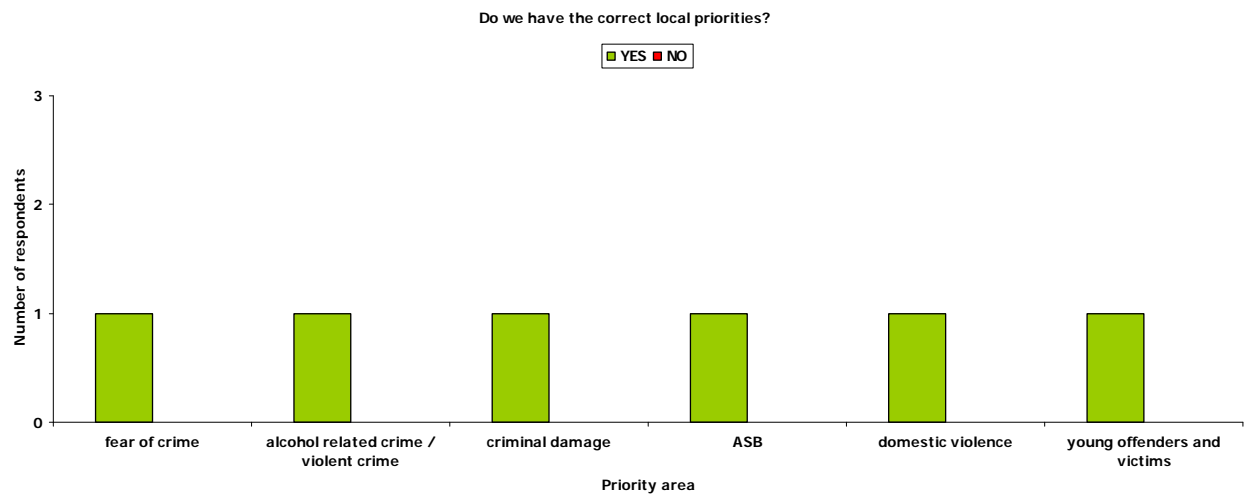
Perceived Problems: Teenagers on streets, Drunk / rowdy in public

Other perceived problems

Respondents in Meliden provided 2 other problem areas for consideration, both relating to Isfryn Road.

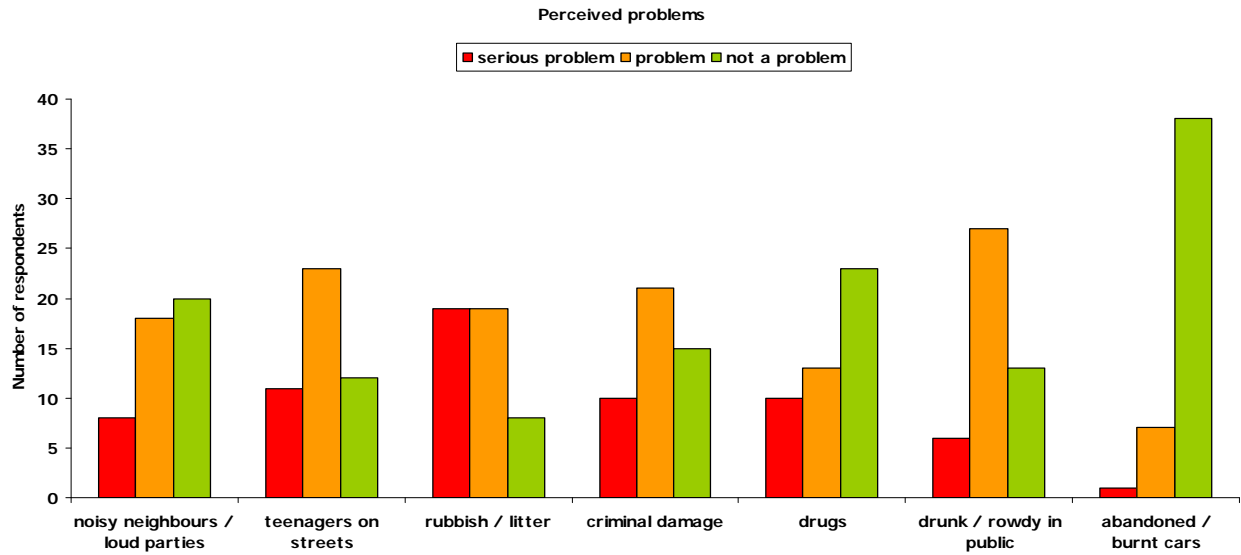
- Disabled access at top of Isfryn Road not useable
- Lighting on Isfryn Road

Local priorities



St Asaph
Number of respondents: 46

Perceived Problem areas



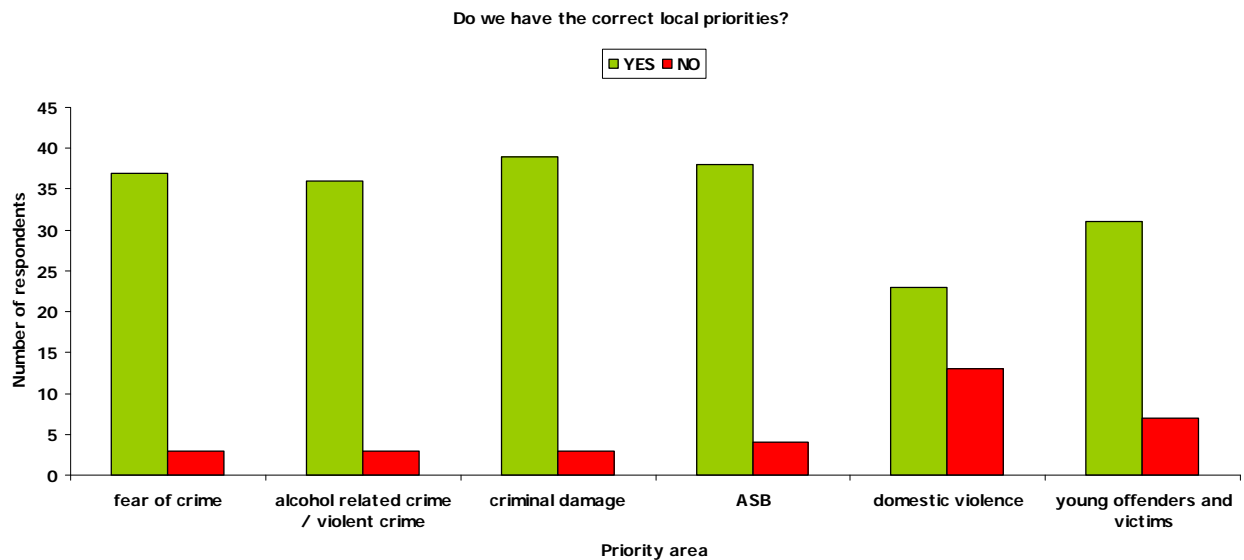
Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter, Teenagers on street, Criminal Damage

Other perceived problems

Respondents in St Asaph provided 32 other problem areas for consideration with the 'top 5' shown below.

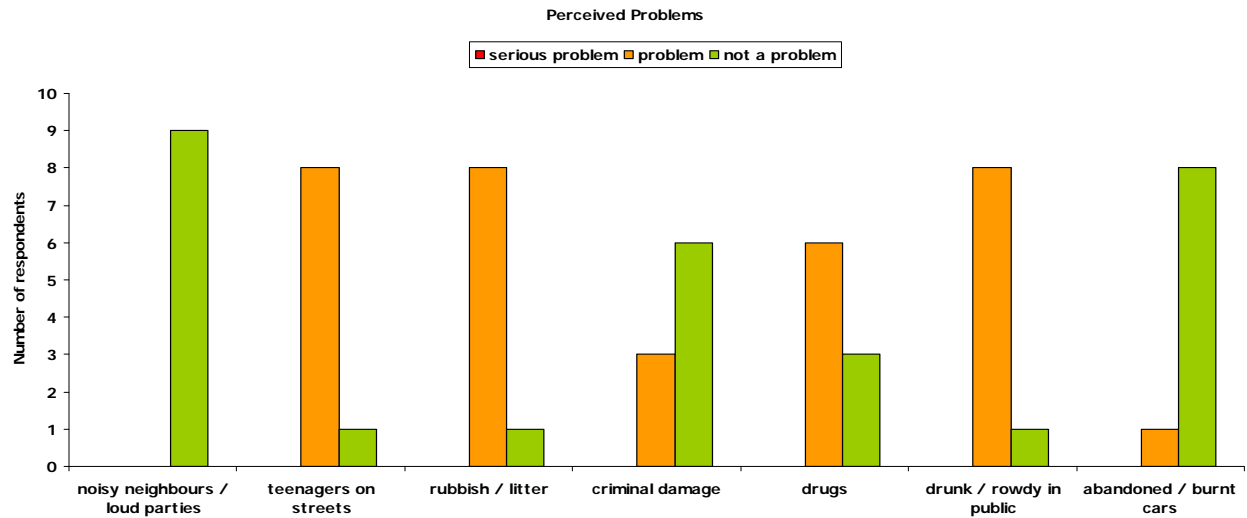
| Response | Serious Problem | Problem |
|---|-----------------|---------|
| dog fouling | 6 | 2 |
| Desperately need youth provision to stop them drinking and being on streets | 3 | |
| antisocial behaviour | 2 | |
| dogs barking all day | 1 | 1 |
| parking on housing estate | 2 | |

Local priorities



Corwen & Gwyddelwern
Number of respondents: 9

Perceived Problem areas



Perceived Problems : Teenagers, Drugs, Drunk / Rowdy, Rubbish / Litter

Other perceived problems

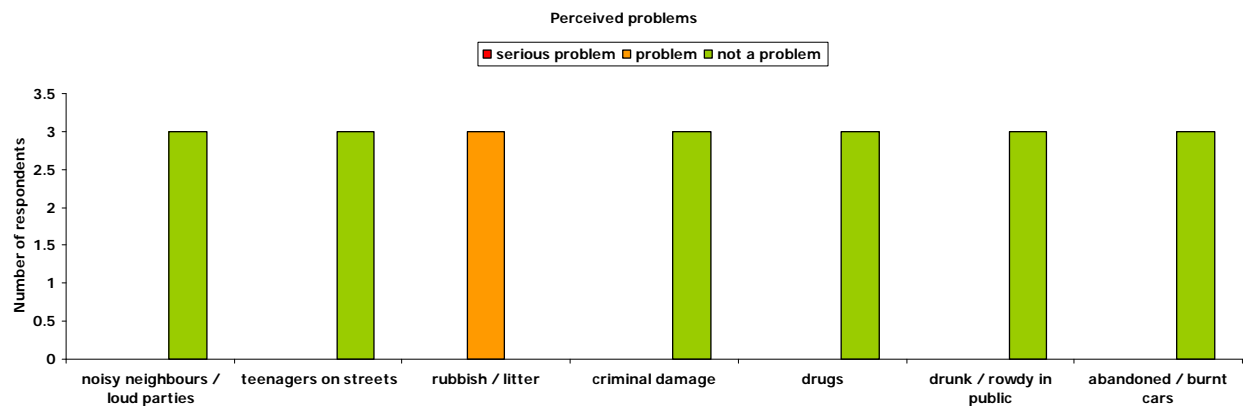
Need to target the individuals who cause damage and disruption - usually the same few time after time

Local priorities

The respondents agreed with all of the local priorities identified.

Trefnant
Number of respondents: 3

Perceived Problem areas



Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter

Other perceived problems

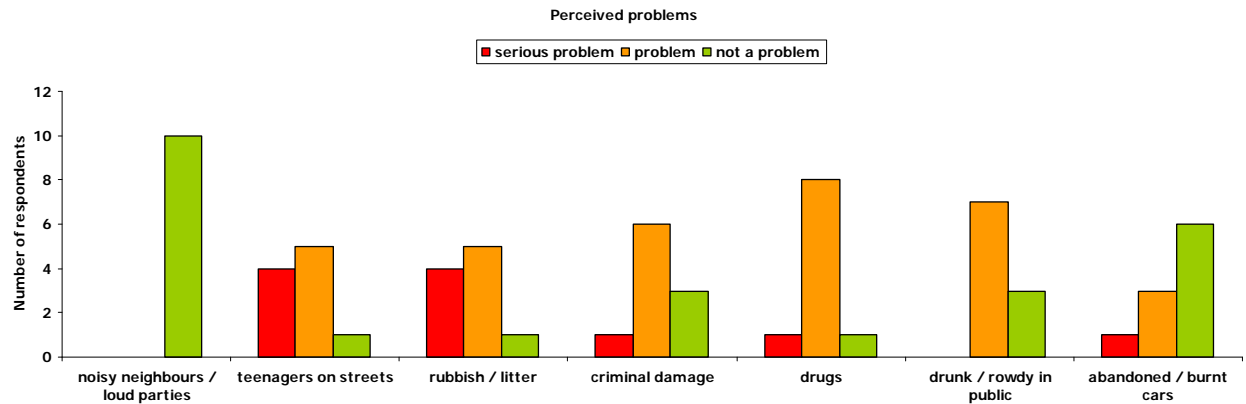
No other problems were highlighted

Local priorities

No response received

Rhuddlan, Dyserth and Bodelwyddan
Number of respondents: 10

Perceived Problem areas



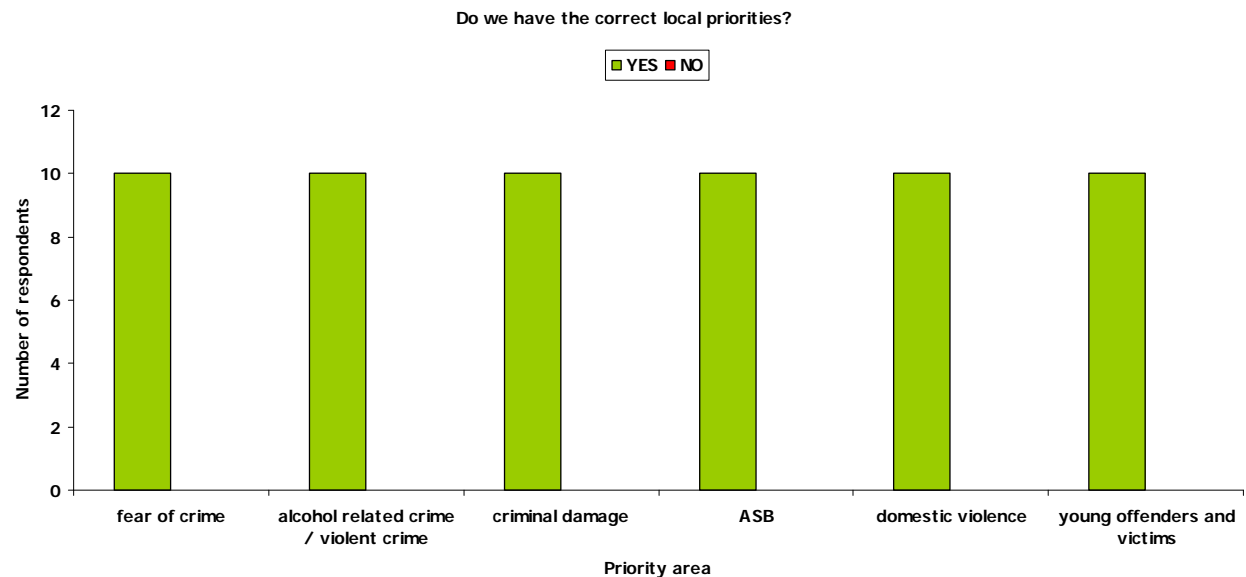
Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter, Teenagers on street, Drugs

Other perceived problems

Respondents in Rhuddlan, Dyserth and Bodelwyddan provided 5 other problem areas for consideration.

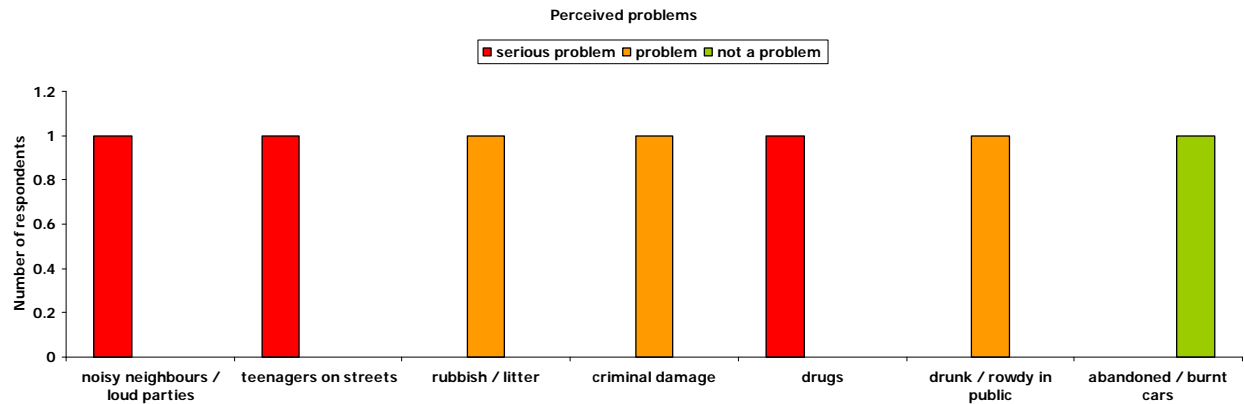
| Response | Serious Problem | Problem |
|---|-----------------|---------|
| dog fouling | 5 | |
| people driving too fast down the main road | 1 | 1 |
| parking | | 1 |
| streets dirty | 1 | |
| no facilities for young people in Bodelwyddan | | 2 |

Local priorities



Llangollen
Number of respondents: 1

Perceived Problem areas



Perceived Problems (1 response): All, other than abandoned cars

Other perceived problems

The respondent in Llangollen highlighted 2 other problem areas for consideration

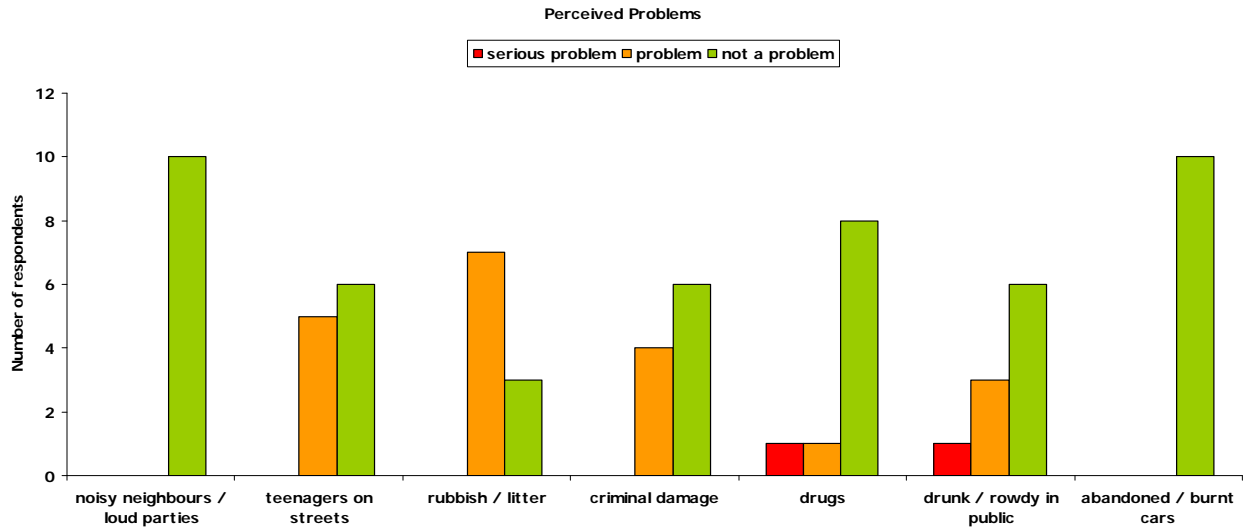
- under use of CCTV to stop ASB in street
- lack of a strong cohesive strategy with Police, DCC and social workers to encourage tenants to live within the guidelines of tenancy agreements and a willingness to 'censure' [sic] those who make their neighbours lives hell

Local priorities

The respondent in Llangollen agreed with all of the local priorities.

Ruthin, Llanbedr DC & Llanarmon Yn Ial
Number of respondents: 10

Perceived Problem areas



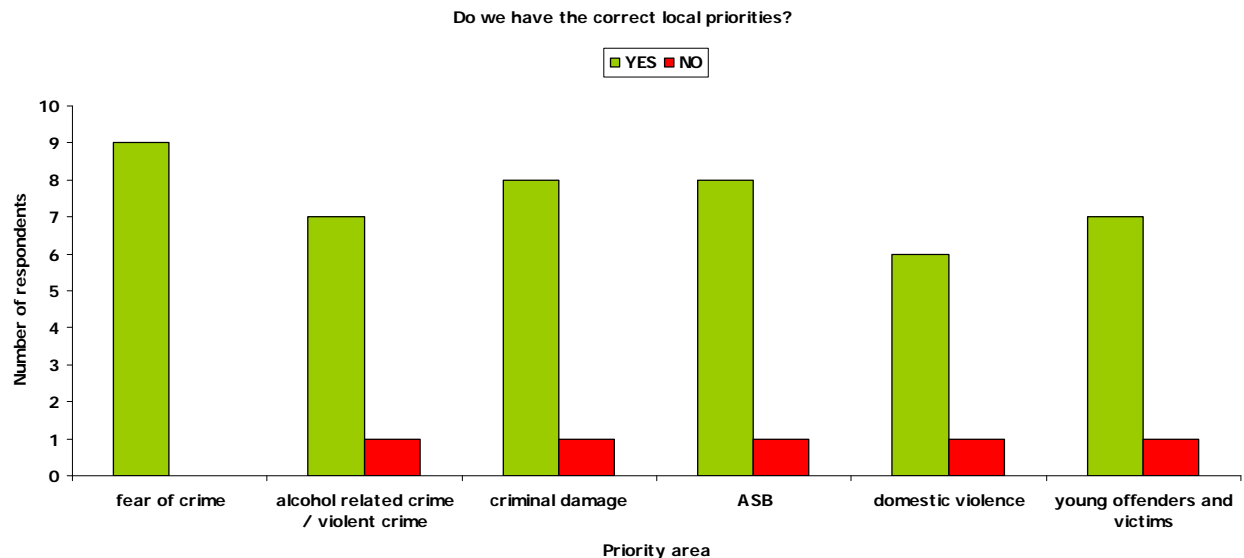
Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter

Other perceived problems

Respondents in Ruthin provided 9 other problem areas for consideration.

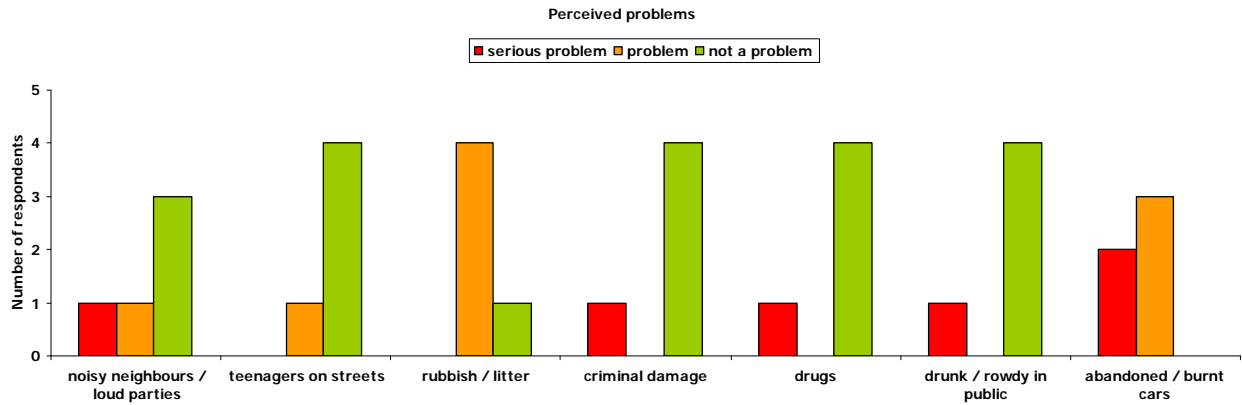
| | serious problem | problem |
|---|-----------------|---------|
| speeding drivers | 1 | |
| excess car noise/exhausts | 1 | |
| dirty pathways | | 1 |
| dog fouling | 1 | |
| racism - need more understanding of issues | | 1 |
| road traffic problems | 1 | |
| parking and traffic outside schools | 1 | |
| Llanarmon yn Ial - road surfaces throughout our parish disgrace, pot holes - dangerous for cyclists and it is a cycling route | 1 | |
| water logged on roads - due to ditches not being maintained | 1 | |

Local priorities



Cefn Meiriadog
Number of respondents: 5

Perceived Problem areas

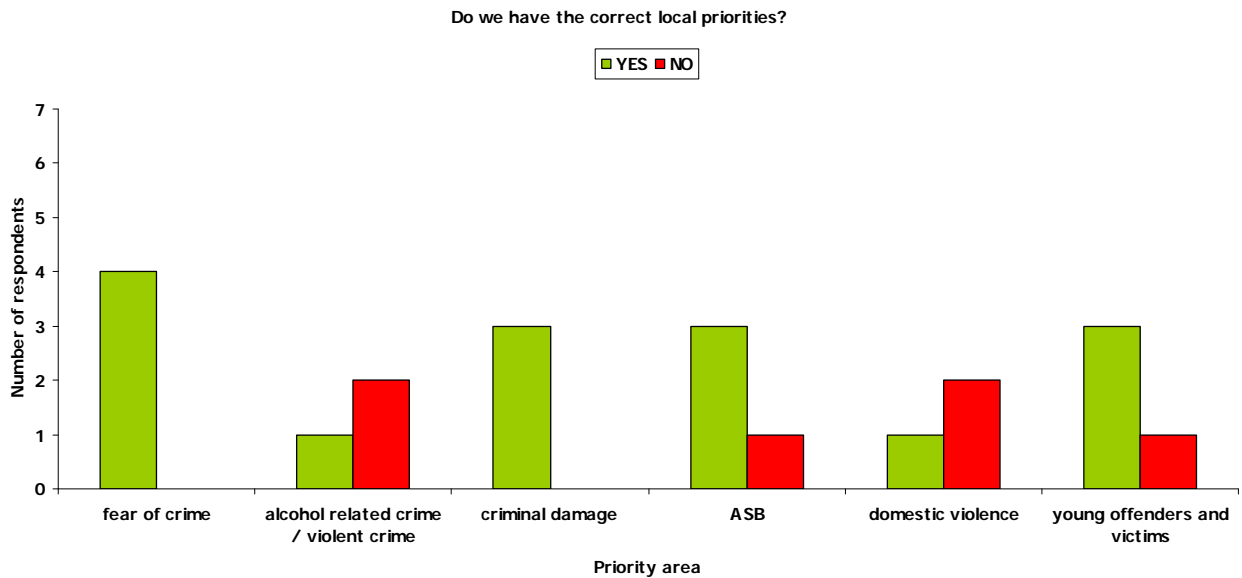


Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter & abandoned cars

Other perceived problems

No other problems were highlighted

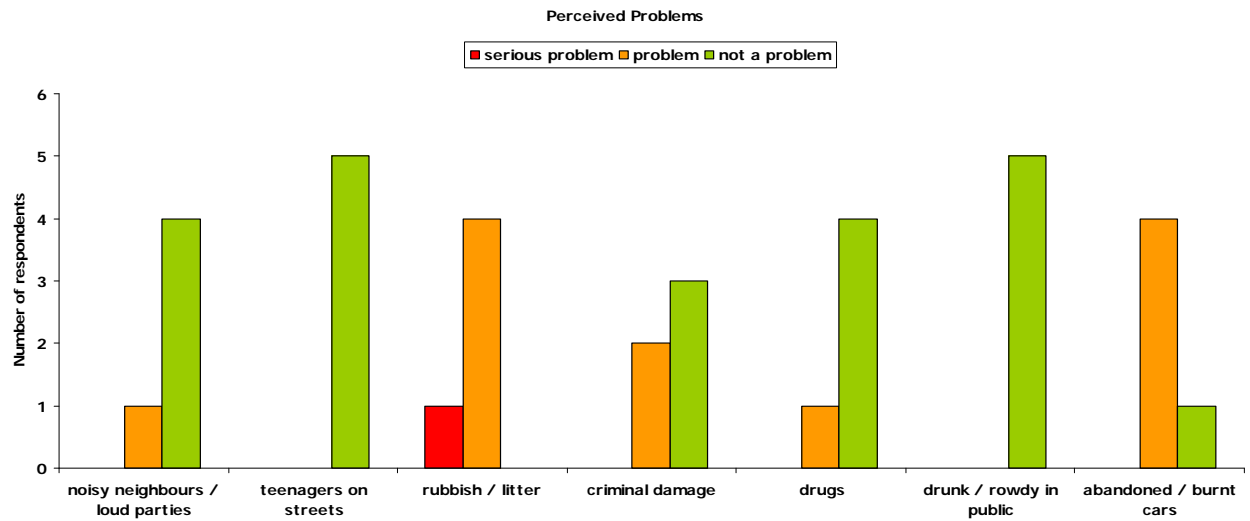
Local priorities



The respondents within Cefn Meiriadog do not consider alcohol related crime or domestic violence to be appropriate local priorities. Further information is required regarding what they feel should be priorities.

**Rhuallt, Tremeirchion, Cwm & Waen
Number of respondents: 5**

Perceived Problem areas



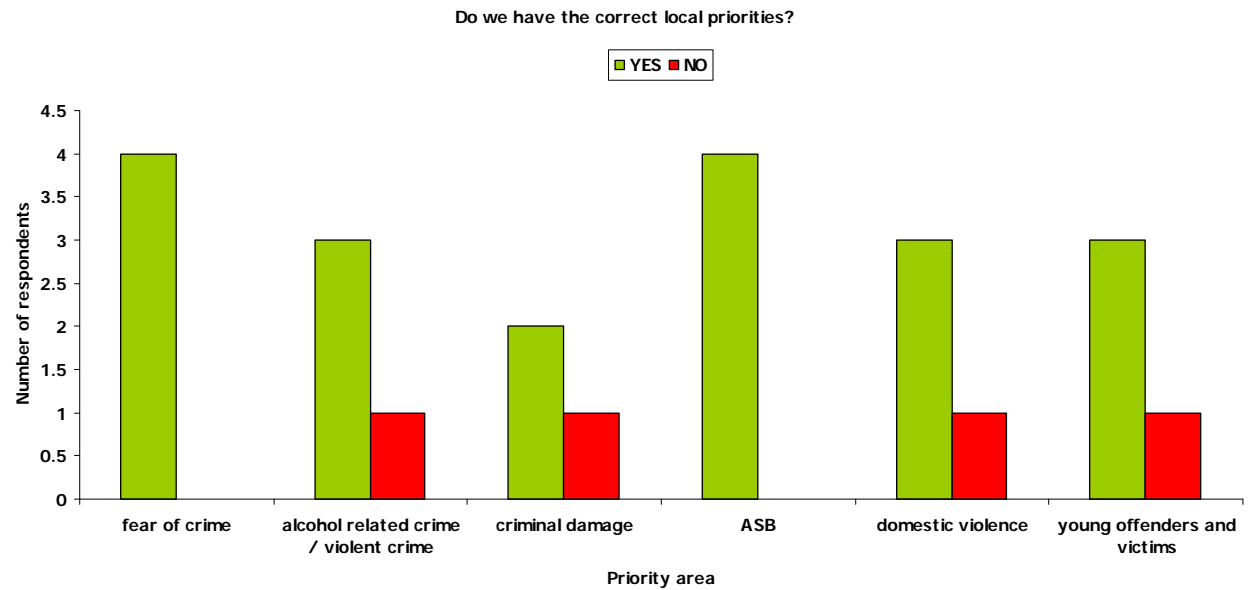
Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter

Other perceived problems

Two other problem areas were raised for consideration:

- Local motor cross activities weekends
- Local pheasant shoot within Cwm village - nuisance of birds in gardens, on road and noise of shooting

Local priorities



Melin Y Wig & Betws GG
Number of respondents: 24

Perceived Problem areas

All 24 respondents felt rubbish / litter was a problem with all other issues regarded as not a problem.

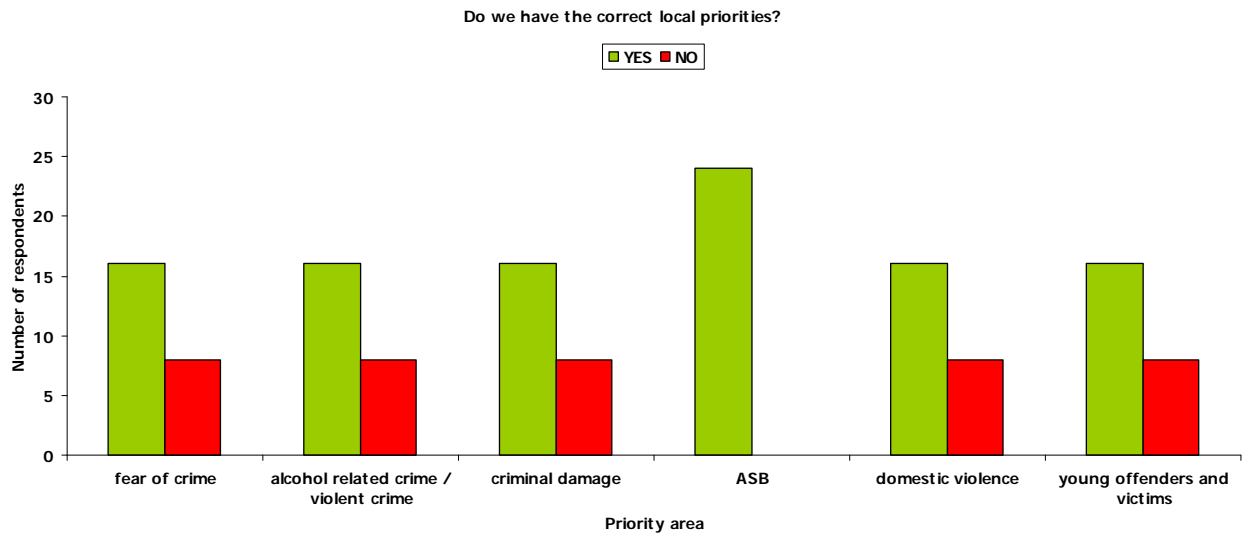
Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter

Other perceived problems

Two other problem areas were raised for consideration:

- Children's future – alcohol and drugs
- Speeding through villages

Local priorities



Saron
Number of respondents: 1

Perceived Problem areas

The respondent felt that only rubbish / litter was a problem.

Other perceived problems

No other problems were provided

Local priorities

The respondent did not agree with fear of crime, alcohol related crime or criminal damage as priority areas for the partnership.

Henllan
Number of respondents: 1

Perceived Problem areas

The respondent felt that only rubbish / litter and people using and dealing drugs was a problem.

Other perceived problems

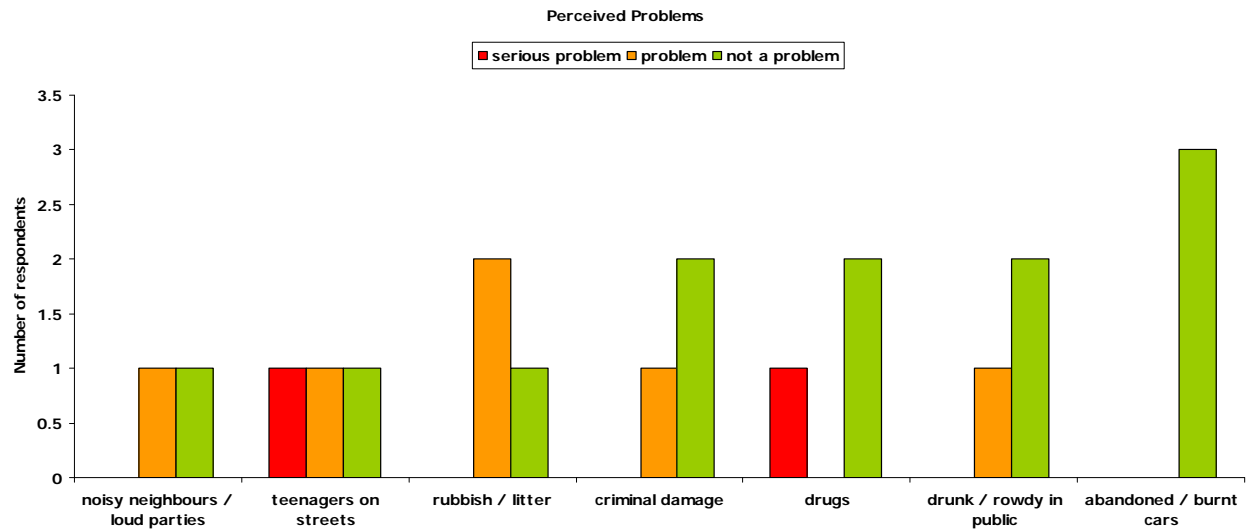
No other problems were provided

Local priorities

The respondent did not agree with any of the priority areas recommended.

Llanrhaeadr, Llandyrnog, Bodfari
Number of respondents: 3

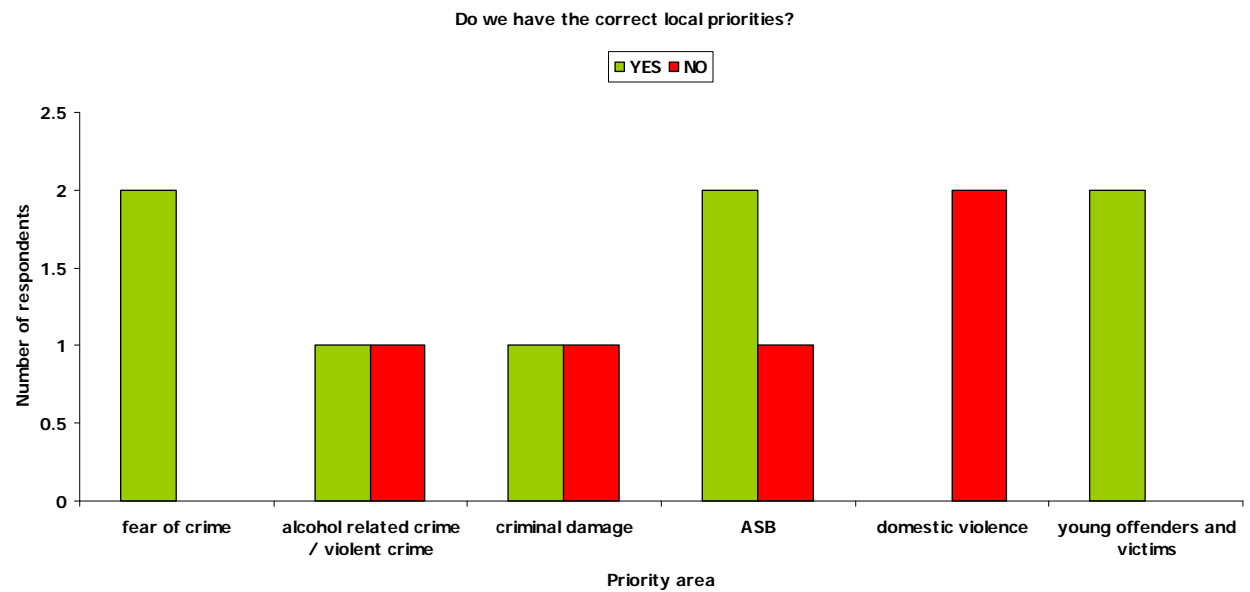
Perceived Problem areas



Other perceived problems

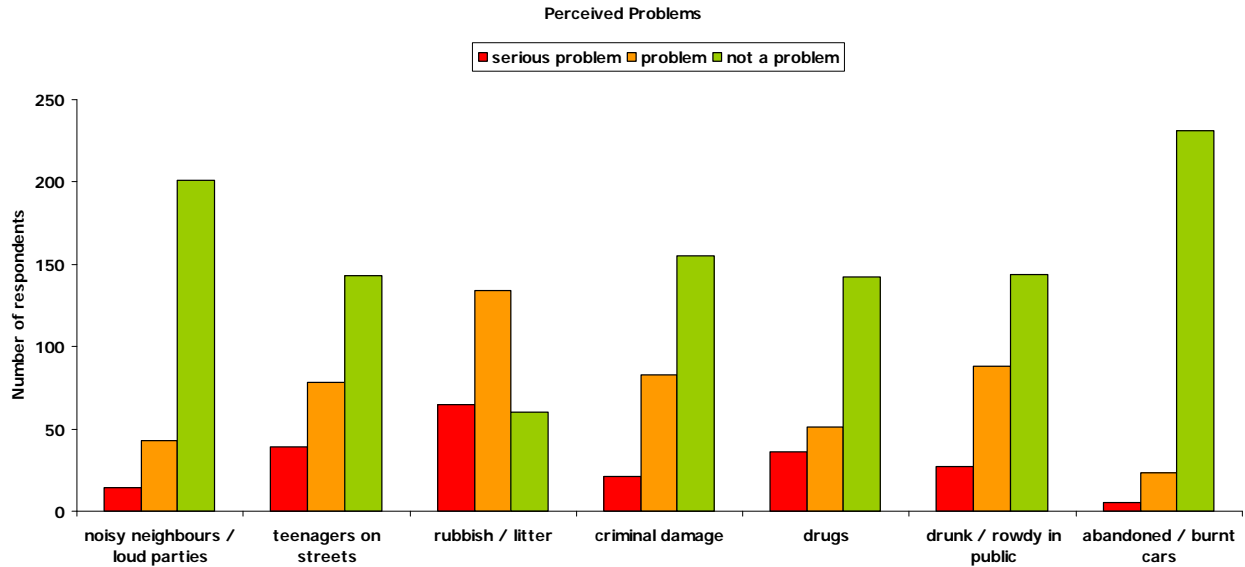
No other problems were provided

Local priorities



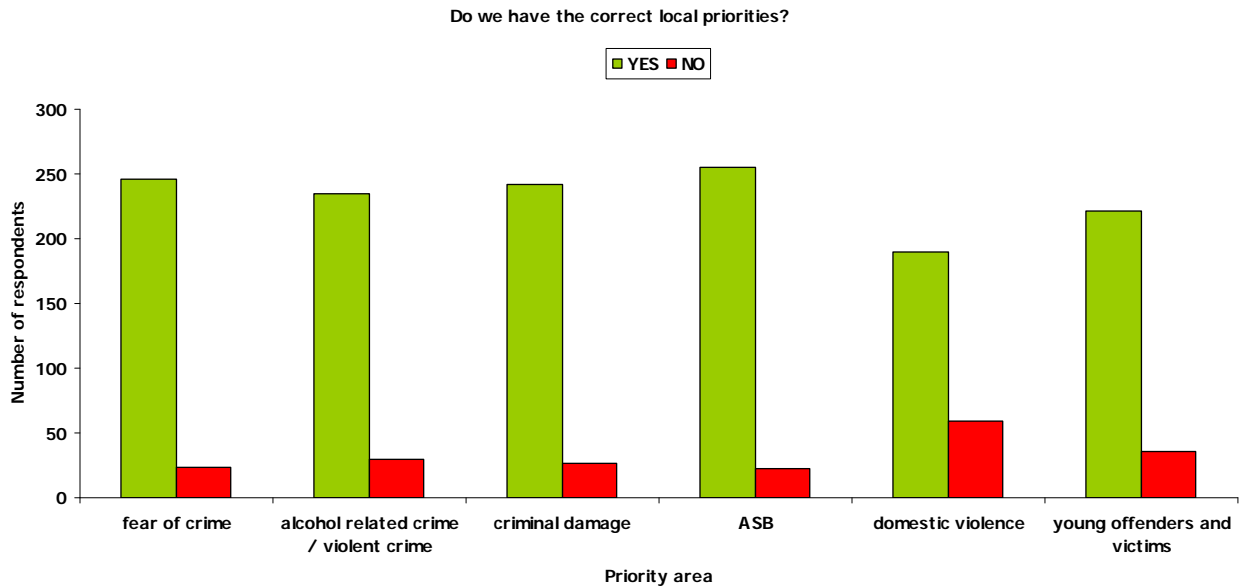
Denbighshire Summary
Total number of respondents: 319

Denbighshire County: Perceived Problem areas



Perceived Problems: Rubbish / litter, Teenagers on streets, Drunk / Rowdy

Local priorities



88% of the respondents in the county agreed with the local priorities identified within the strategic assessment.