The Cardiff South West Neighbourhood Partnership area includes the 4 Electoral Wards of Canton, Riverside, Ely and Caerau and is served by the Canton and Ely policing team.

The population of Cardiff South West is 55,300, according to the mid-2013 population estimates, which is approximately 16% of Cardiff’s total population. The Neighbourhood has a higher proportion of persons aged 0-15 and 30-44 than the Cardiff average. Conversely, it has a lower proportion of persons aged 16-29 and post retirement age.

According to the 2011 Census 83.8% of residents were of white ethnicity. This is slightly lower than the Cardiff average of 84.7%.

The area generally has higher unemployment claimant rates than the Cardiff average, whilst more than two-fifths of children aged 0-15 live in the most deprived decile of education domain in Wales according to the Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation. Similarly, around half of 0-15 year olds live in the worst decile, or tenth, of communities in terms of income deprivation, more than 5 times the expected share.
Unemployment

- Cardiff South West’s claimant count rate followed a similar trend to the Cardiff average from Mar 14 to Mar 15, but was consistently the higher of the rates.
- In Mar 15, Cardiff South West’s rate was 4.3% compared to 2.8% for Cardiff. This was down from 4.8% in Sep 14 and 5.6% in Mar 14, representing changes of -179 and -465 claimants respectively.
- The chart also tracks the highest and lowest ward and LSOA rates in the NPA over the period, with these ranges highlighted by the grey areas.

NEETS

- The true scale of NEETs aged 16–24 in both Cardiff South West and Cardiff as a whole is a major concern. In both Nov 13 and Nov 14 more than 1 in 6 of those not in full-time education in the NPA were estimated to be in receipt of JSA or other workless benefits.
- The equivalent figures for Cardiff, while still high, were significantly lower than the South West NPA.
- However, between Nov 2013 and Nov 2014 there was a decrease in the estimated numbers and proportions of 16–24 year olds in receipt of workless benefits.

Community Safety

- In Q3-Q4 2014/15, there were 2,355 crimes in Cardiff South West; down 9.1% from 2,591 in Q1-Q2 2014/15 but up 12.3% from 2,097 in Q3-Q4 2013/14.
- Violence against the person (28.6%) was the most frequent crime in the NPA, in contrast to Other thefts for Cardiff as a whole.
- Violence against the person, Criminal damage, Burglary of a dwelling, Theft of a motor vehicle, & Other offences were all more common in the NPA than in Cardiff.
Cardiff South West Neighbourhood Partnership Priorities

**Priority 1: Improving Outcomes for Children & Young People**

- In 2013/14 the primary school attendance rate for schools in Cardiff South West was 94.3%. This was up from 93.4% for 2012/13 but was below the comparative figure for Cardiff of 94.9%.

- The attendance rate for secondary schools located in the NPA in 2013/14 was 92.1%. This was again below the Cardiff average of 93.2%, but was up from 91.2% for 2012/13, when, conversely, it had the higher of the two rates.

**Priority 2: Local Environmental Improvement**

- Between Apr 2014 and Mar 2015 there were 27 fixed penalty notices (FPNs) issued for littering in Cardiff South West; 9.9% of the total amount for Cardiff. This represents a rate of 4.9 per 10,000 population and is below the Cardiff rate of 7.8.

- Over the same period there were 5 FPNs issued in the NPA for dog fouling; 16.7% of the Cardiff total. This equates to 0.9 per 10,000 population, the same as the figure for Cardiff (0.9).

- 5 FPNs for fly-tipping were issued in the NPA; 12.8% of the Cardiff total. The NPA rate of 0.9 per 10,000 population was just below the Cardiff figure of 1.1.

Source: Waste Education & Enforcement/CRC
Priority 3: Community Safety

• Between Mar 2014 and Mar 2015 the rate of domestic incidents per 1,000 population in Cardiff South West consistently exceeded the equivalent figure for Cardiff.

• During the period, the NPA rate peaked at 4.3 per 1,000 in July 2014, following a low of 1.9 per 1,000 in Mar 2014.

• In Mar 2015 there were 138 domestic incidents in the NPA. The rate of 2.5 per 1,000 was above the Cardiff figure of 1.7 per 1,000. This was down from 3.4 per 1,000 in Sep 2014 but up from 1.9 per 1,000 in Mar 2014.

Updates on Cardiff South West Neighbourhood Partnership Meetings

• **Neighbourhood Partnership Fund:** The Cardiff South West Neighbourhood Fund was fully allocated during Round 3 with approved funding for the following projects:
  - North Ely Youth & Community Centre – This Is What I’m Saying
  - Samye Foundation Wales – Training The Trainer
  - Riverside Community Garden Project / Rcma Social Enterprise Ltd – Time To Be, Time To Grow
  - Riverside Wednesday 50+ Group – Developing Services 2014
  - Fnf Both Parents Matter Cymru – Being Heard
  - Llandaff Fields People’s Hub – Changing Room Refurbishment
  - Cardiff People First – Golden Oldies
  - Action In Caerau And Ely – Beginners Cycling Project
  - Action In Caerau And Ely – Family Growing Club
  - Cardiff & Vale UHB – Community Health Messages.

• Funding for the following Operation Bang projects (Halloween/Bonfire Night) was approved:
  - Riverside Warehouse – Halloween Party

• In addition funding was also agreed across the neighbourhood partnership areas for the following project:
  - Cardiff YMCA – Barriers to sexual health services for young people.

• **Cardiff South West Sports Board:** Coordinated by Cardiff Metropolitan University, Sport Cardiff Boards were created for each of the 6 neighbourhood areas. Sport Cardiff will aim to deliver a wide range of sporting opportunities for youth in Cardiff. Sport Board Action Plans will be developed over the coming months.

• **South Wales Police:** South Wales Police have set up Youth Pacts in partnership with ACE (Action for Caerau and Ely) in both Michaelston High and Glyn Derw High.
• **ACE (Action for Caerau and Ely):** ACE has been invited to the Momentum Arts Project which was linked with the Goodies in Hoodies project earlier this year. The Getaway launched at Pentrebane Community Centre on Friday 17th October.

• **Public Health Wales:** Flu Friend training was delivered over September and October to train community members in promoting the importance of Flu vaccinations with peers. The training sessions were held in Ely & Caerau Hub, however with relatively low attendance. Experience from this roll out will be utilised in any future initiatives.

• **New Logo:** Each Neighbourhood Partnership Area unveiled their winning competition entry for a new logo. Cardiff South West’s winner was a pupil from Ty Gwyn School and received a presentation from Cllr Peter Bradbury and Kevin Tansley, Headteacher for Ty Gwyn.

• **Neighbourhood Services:** The City of Cardiff Council unveiled a new pilot project in Cardiff South West, aimed at coordinating services between operational departments dealing with cleansing, enforcement and parks. If successful this new approach could be rolled out across the rest of the city and currently looking to link in with the Neighbourhood Partnership Environment & Community Safety sub-group in Cardiff South West.

• **Stepping Up:** The “Stepping Up” Toolkit was launched to support people and groups in developing and managing services and assets. A series of workshops were delivered across the city to raise awareness of the opportunities in adopting local public services and to run community buildings.

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**Major Emerging Issues in Cardiff South West**

• **Cardiff Budget Consultation:** Consultation events were held across Cardiff throughout November and December. The Changes for Cardiff survey closed on Monday the 12th January and the Changes for Cardiff Consultation Results and Feedback report will be available from mid-January.

• **Operation Bang:** Reported incidents during Halloween have dropped overall across Cardiff South West, from 44 in 2013 to 29 this year. However Ely and Caerau were still amongst the wards with the highest total of reported incidents in Cardiff (along with the City Centre, Splott and Plasnewydd). Reported incidents over Bonfire Night also showed a decrease, with a marked improvement in both Ely and Caerau. However, Riverside had the most reported incidents out of any ward in Cardiff.

• **Motorcycle Activity:** Reports of motorcycle annoyance within Great Plymouth Woods and the Plymouth Estate land north of Ely. Intelligence also suggests resident perception that Plymouth Estate land is open to the public. South Wales Police will plan a meeting with local land owners to develop solutions to deterring motorcycle activity on private land.

• **Burned Out Vehicles:** Residents also reported burned out vehicles present on the Plymouth Estate property and concerns over similar historical issues in the area. This was raised with the land agent who advised action to be taken to remove vehicles and secure perimeter of estate along Michaelston Road.

• **Youth Service Cuts:** Youth Service provision to go through a significant period of change following staff cuts and closure of some facilities across the city. Cardiff South West particularly affected by the closure at Trelai Youth Centre which has been proposed for community ownership.

• **Welfare Reform:** Indications have been received that Universal Credit will be partially rolled out to Cardiff by November 2015. Key partners currently seeking further clarification.
Glossary of Terms:

ASB: Anti-Social Behaviour
CRC: Cardiff Research Centre (City of Cardiff Council)
LSOA(s): Lower Super Output Area(s)
Niche RMS: Niche RMS is a single, unified, operational policing data management system
NPA(s): Neighbourhood Partnership Area(s)
Nomis: National Online Manpower Information Service
SWP: South Wales Police

NB. The crime and ASB data in this report are unofficial police data produced for the purpose of enabling operational officers to have a quick understanding of the profile of the latest crime. It will not match the official crime figures which reflect no crimes and reclassifications that have taken place by the end of the relevant reporting period.

Partnership Activities & Promotions in Cardiff South West