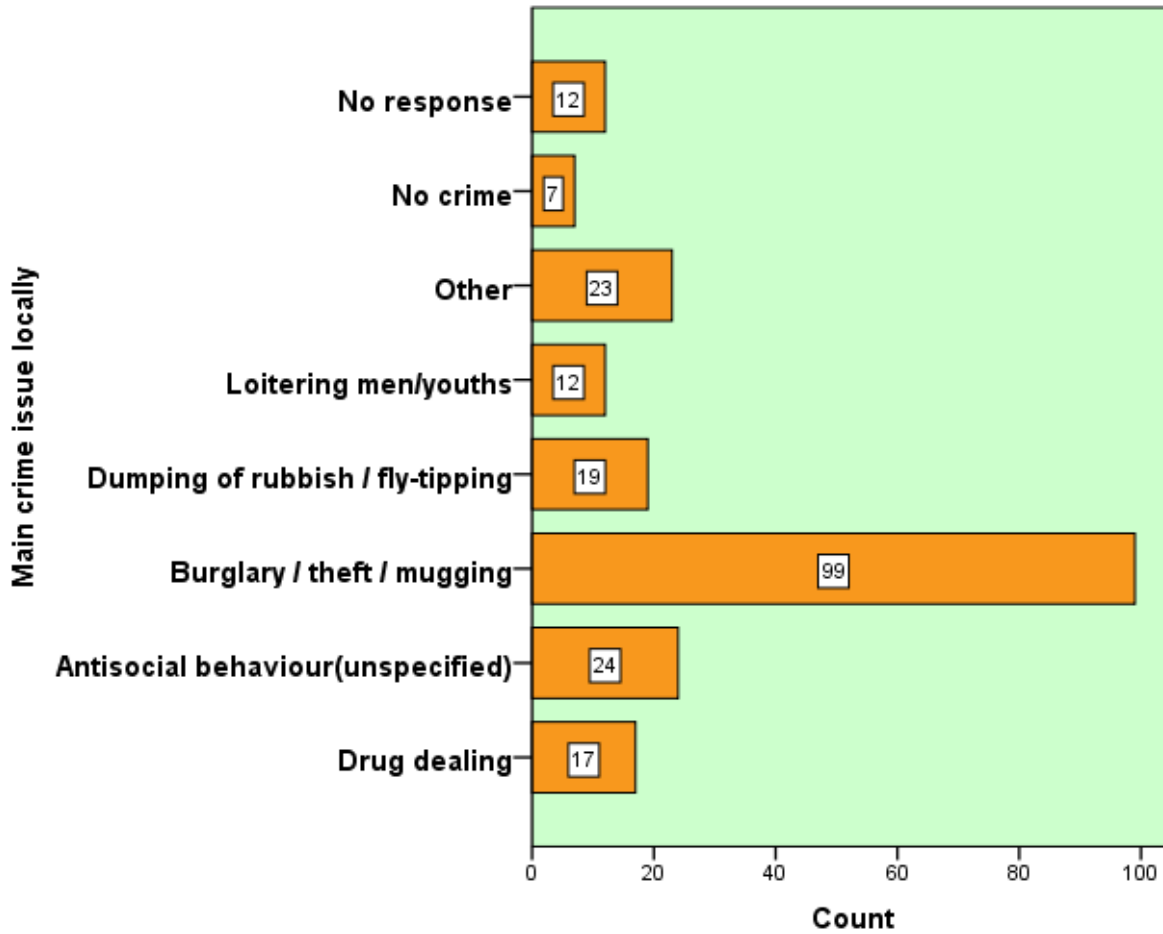


1. Main crime issue in your neighbourhood



Other – mostly denotes car vandalism and traffic offences

Selection of comments on the above crime issues:

Dumping rubbish - why doesn't the council put up CCTV in the most notorious spots; anti- social behaviour brought about by the Council's lack of vision for the area. No repairs done to windows etc creating the look of deprivation, dumping, housing socially deprived families in one area (some of whom have no vision and only add to the social deprivation of the area by not keeping their properties in good condition or trying to live as a 'community'].

Drug dealing at Turnpike Lane station and on Graham Road.

Groups of undesirables hanging around Langham Parade, BetFred on Wood Green high Rd. and all the other betting shops.

Drug Dealing/Anti Social Behaviour

Burglary, littering

Young boys hanging around the children's park in Tamar way during the day and through out the night causing noise, smoking weed to the point the smell comes through the bedroom windows, fight their dogs in the park, hang around the ramp area dealing drugs and generally being a pest. This park is nothing but a pest, it is meant for small children to play in but all that happens is young men hang around in there causing trouble.

Street crime

Burglary

Crime and road traffic issues, illegal car parking

Intruders in peoples homes, destruction of cars such as removing side mirrors, removing numbers plates on cars, stealing handbags from ladies, un known men following women .

Burglary

Drugs, youth loitering, tenants leaving litter and old furniture in common ways and corridor.

Speeding vehicles and, especially, heavy vehicles. Also parked vehicles obstructing the footway and people who throw fast food litter from their cars. In 17 years residence I have never been burgled and the only aggression I experienced was when I dealt with a guy who left his van in my drive-in without permission. In the same period, one female resident here experienced an assault.

Q3 Thinking about the types of crime in your neighbourhood, please classify those crimes you consider a problem or big problem.

	%
Burglary	70%
Gun-based violent crime / assault	14%
Knife-based violent crime / assault	24%
Mugging and street robbery	51%
Car crime	63%
Drug dealing	52%
Drug possession	42%
Domestic violence	25%
Gang crime	31%
Youth crime	39%
Sex crimes and assaults	26%
Hate crime (including racist, homophobic, transphobic, religious, belief, gender identity or disability)	22%
Scams, fraud and con tricks	49%
Other	23%

The key problem areas are:

- **Burglary,**
- **Mugging and street robbery,**
- **Car crime,**
- **Drug dealing,**
- **Scams, fraud and con tricks.**

Q4 Thinking about the types of ASB (antisocial behaviour) in your neighbourhood, please classify those which you consider a problem or big problem.

	%
Arson	12%
Vandalism / damage	58%
Loitering men and / or youths	61%
Street drinking and other alcohol related offending	47%
Noisy neighbours	41%
Litter, fly-tipping, dumped rubbish	80%
Street Fundraisers ('chuggers')	29%
Aggressive begging	28%

The main ASB priorities are:

- **Litter and fly tipping**
- **Loitering men and youths (associated with street drinking)**
- **Vandalism and damage**
- **Street drinking**
- **Noisy neighbours**

NB loitering men and youths are already known to be a significant problem in Tottenham, Wood Green and Green Lanes where this issue is also associated with betting and gaming shops and 'men only' social clubs ; as well as with general street drinking [See the Frontline Consultation Perceptions Surveys for these areas].

Q6 Perceived causes of crime

	Count	%
Deprivation / disadvantage	44	21%
Lack of police presence or action	39	18%
Drugs / gangs / alcohol	36	17%
No response	33	15%
Opportunistic / easy pickings	32	15%
Lack of jobs	20	9%
Lack of respect for police / social institutions	19	9%
Overcrowded housing	17	8%
Boredom / disconnection	17	8%
Total	213	100%

Care is needed when looking at causality because reasons are often widely interconnected. Thus a lack of respect for police and social institutions is likely to be linked to a growing view loss of confidence – especially amongst young people – that these institutions are capable of serving or protecting them. Similarly alcohol is often associated with street loitering and the ‘men-only’ social clubs which are a significant concern for residents in North Tottenham and Harringay Green Lanes.

Deprivation and disadvantage also need to be considered in the wider socio-economic context and are likely to vary according to location.

A selection of comments from respondents on what they think are the causes of crime are listed below

What do you think causes the crime?

15	Lack of jobs
16	Lack of work and focus
17	Irresponsible individuals. People not reporting petty crime - feel it's not worth reporting. If people reported more, police would have more information upon which to base trends/patterns and therefore able to be more proactive in effective policing.
18	Unemployment and children from lone parents
19	Lack of interest on the part of the police in the fact that cars are being stolen by simply being towed away, often at night.
23	lack of visible police presence , alcohol and drug use
24	lack of jobs and poor education
25	Bored youngsters and drugs
26	Poverty, money for drugs and advertising pressure (peer pressure)
27	opportunist car and house theft by drivers reconnoitring on road
30	Not enough foot patrolling by police officers
31	youths and lots of cars in car park
32	Lack of investment, unemployment and peoples unwillingness to find work.
33	Only one policeman for the whole of St Ann's Ward. PCSO'S spending too much time in the Green Lanes area
43	Male attitudes, ESP towards women, poverty and lack of opportunity,
44	bored youngsters, influx of newcomers
45	Poverty of services and people
47	Opportunism, professional thieves.
48	Drug use. Poverty. Perceived poverty leading to greed. Lack of employment opportunities. Poor education.
49	Anger towards Stop and Search Policies
51	Gang culture. A sense of social exclusion. Inadequate parenting. Police reticence about addressing problems caused by non-white people and therefore being open (wrongly) to the accusation of racism (I am ethnically mixed race and am NOT racist).
52	people wanting money to pay for drugs probably
53	Poor security in many houses particularly HMOs and conversions in flats, many alleyways along the backs of the shops that can be used for escape and are used for loitering. Low fences between gardens allow intruders to easily access the backs of houses
54	No police on streets
55	The presence of licensed premises/social clubs. I believe the council should impose more stringent conditions on all of the licensed premises/social clubs in the borough.
58	lack of law enforcement

59 lack of effective sanction; lack of employment; lack of alternate activities such as
voluntary work and - if these exist - lack of information on how to engage in
these, and lack of effective incentives to do so; factors related to the personal
circumstances and backgrounds of those carrying out antisocial behaviour

72 **LACK OF POLICE PRESENCE AND REGULAR POLICE PATROL AND POLICE
EFFECTIVENESS**

75 I don't have an answer to why some individuals commit crimes

76 Too many young people are not being able to just "be" and have freedom to hang
out. I have observed police questioning youngsters who are just sitting on a wall.
Young people are our future and we need to trust them

78 Upbringing, crowdedness, lack of activities and leisure centres, the kind of
people drawn into the area from the ridiculous amount of gambling shops etc, no
book stores, fast food stores. The cultural in general of wood green attracts the
crowd that may unfortunately get involved in crime.

79 The location of our cul-de-sac. Lack of resources, maintenance & cleaning. Drug
dealing

82 Drug addiction, mental illness, poverty, unemployment

83 poverty, failure of landlords to observe licensing conditions

88 Burglary has increased during the past 12 months and is a major concern for me.
Two of my neighbours have been burgled during the past 6 months, the latest
just 3 weeks ago. It makes you feel very unsafe and nervous. We have had an
alarm fitted but I still feel anxious. It has really effected the way I feel about living
in Tottenham.

89 As I previously said and the fact that the Council has allowed the area to run
down so much it brings unwanted visitors to the neighbouring streets. Also far
too many multi-occupancy buildings which the Council do not monitor. No police
presence at all subjecting residents to effectively 'hide' in their own homes.

90 Syndicates of Easter Europeans buying up large amounts of properties in the
area under the guise of family accommodation but using these properties to/for
the purposes of 'multi-occupancy' 'people trafficking', 'prostitution rings' etc.
Plus the fact that if you do report disturbances from neighbours the police do not
come out at all!!

91 Drug addiction, unemployment and the money to be made from drug dealing

92 Not enough police presence.

98 People looking to buy drugs.

99 too many foreigners not working/collecting scrap/stealing from gardens etc

100 Lack of regulation, neglected street

101 Little enforcement against domestic violence/Poverty/Inequality/Drug
addiction/criminalisation of drugs/Streets being full of rubbish

Historical reputation as a 'red light district', other councils being allowed to push
'problem' tenants into what is considered by some to be a cheap area (despite
rising house prices locally). Too many HMOs. Not enough action on rogue
landlords.

104 Lack of opportunities for people, poor state of the streets (litter, cracked paving, etc.), perception that council isn't focused on Tottenham -- all create a mindset conducive to people not caring and thus becoming more prone to commit offences because they know it won't be reported or followed up.

105 Drug dealing in Milan Court and end block, smoking marijuana in and out of the block, even when children may be around.

106 lack of work, people with mental health problems, addiction, low pay and immigration - the latter is about not being able to speak English and therefore failing to assimilate

107 youth gangs

117 Over filling houses by terrible landlords, poverty, high population turn over

118 Opportunity.

119 A lack of police on the streets - greater police visibility is needed to deter criminals and criminality.

120 Lack of social services

121 Not enough police; insufficient deterrent; lack of pride in surroundings; poor level of refuse collection; HMOs so too many people with insufficient resources, drugs and alcohol.

122 lack of respect for the surroundings - we have rubbish dumped, and litter dropped regularly.

123 It's a cul-de-sac but a shortcut for people going to the main road/station. A lot of people walking on this street.

124 Badly lit bad relationships with police, poverty

125 not sure - we had the wing mirrors on our golf car taken off - very odd

134 Young men trying to rob school children

137 Bad Parenting/ Social Housing

139 no police present

140 This is a very economically-mixed neighbourhood where affluent and deprived people live in proximity and so opportunistic 'poor-on-rich' crime sometimes occurs

141 Opportunism

142 Easy pickings

143 Criminals?

144 persons unknown thinking Highgate high Street is easy pickings as their are no surveillance cameras

146 Lack of respect for other people - belief that if i want it i can take it

148 Criminality!

149 poverty, disaffection

154 Poverty, organised gangs and lack of police presence

155 Lack of police presence

156 lack of adequate income: poor education and therefore lack of jobs; inadequate parenting & housing;

157 knowledge that there is little chance of being caught

158 No specific reason

159 lack of police presence
160 lack of education
1) a belief by criminals they will not be caught, and therefore can act with impunity - I'm sure this could be addressed by better publicity of successful prosecutions of those guilty of mugging or burglary. 2) lack of a visible police presence - police and community support officers are rarely seen, so criminals feel little risk of being apprehended 3) closure of police stations creates a sense that there IS NO LAW AND ORDER IN THE BOROUGH. I myself have been the victim of several crimes - but reporting them is incredibly time consuming, and nothing seemed to happen as a consequence. My past partner was the victim of crime, but didn't bother reporting it because it would take too long. I have been recommended by police (!) to report crimes at a police station in Crouch End, because the queue is too long in Tottenham - this is an APPALLING state of affairs, and suggest there is little emphasis on law and order in this part of the borough. 4) a general lack of enforcement of rules and regs in this part of the borough with regard to, eg. fly tipping, planning regs (illegal house conversions etc) which create a general sense of lawlessness 5) lack of cleanliness in the neighbourhood, eg. fly tipping which is not removed creates a sense of an unpleasant and uncared for environment - this is made worse by Veolia's increasing policy of leaving piles of purple bags around the neighbourhood, which encourages copycat behaviour by residents.
Burglary - opportunism & quiet residential streets coupled with deprivation.
164 CSOs advising homeowners on how to improve safety (as they already do) is probably worthwhile.
I guess it's a long sad social history that leads to people being outside society.
165 Also with the vandalism and littering/fly tipping it's lack of consideration for others and a lack of feeling connected to the local society or benefitting from a decent environment.
166 Homelessness
High unemployment; no long term strategy for helping/supporting young people into training/jobs/positive engagements/positive leisure pursuits; present government policies reducing ability to enter further education/housing
167 Quiet streets, lack of CCTV, minimal police patrols at night or evenings - can be quite scary coming home in the dark, no matter what the time is.
168 Gangs. Lack of opportunity and things to do for youth. An inability or reluctance to discipline children when they are young.
169 Drug addiction
171 Overcrowding and lack of employment opportunities
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Q7. Causes of antisocial behaviour (ASB)

	Count	%
Lack of respect for police / social institutions	45	21%
No response	32	15%
Drugs / gangs / alcohol	31	15%
Boredom / disconnection	26	12%
Lack of police presence or action	21	10%
Causes of ASB Opportunistic / easy pickings	16	8%
Overcrowded housing	13	6%
Deprivation / disadvantage	9	4%
Poor parenting / poor education	8	4%
Mental illness	8	4%
Lack of jobs	4	2%
Total	213	100%

Care is needed when looking at causality because reasons are often widely interconnected. Thus a lack of respect for police and social institutions may well be linked to the concerns of young people that these institutions are failing to serve or protect them. Empirical surveys indicate that many young people join gangs because of this lack of confidence – allied to a desire not to be seen as loners or outsiders.

A selection of respondents' comments on the perceived causes of ASB are set out below

What do you think causes the ASB?

Less than ideal traffic engineering. Mental illness not adequately controlled or treated

Too many HMOs and landlords that don't care.

the young people have not much to do .

Youth ASB caused by people feeling they cannot/should not intervene.

Unemployment and alcoholism

An influx of antisocial people who don't care, and often don't stay long, and evidently have not been properly brought up. I don't know whether you consider littering, dumping and dog fouling and spitting to be ASB - I regard all these as environmental crimes.

drugs & alcohol & bored teenagers

drink

Alcohol and drug use , lack of community spirit , lack of police patrols

carelessness of people on pavements, or drunk

Late night drinking/ Alcohol licences given to premises in residential areas. lack of penalties for culprits

poverty, lack of education, capitalism, mental health problems, youth

Not enough foot patrolling by officers on the estate where I live and not enough enforcement and education by the local authority regarding rubbish dumping around the estate

youths with footballs

Drink and Drugs

Bail hostel, lack of adequate policing

Poor enforcement

Poor education, lack of activities/support for the young, poverty and poor housing.

People passing through the area - living in b&b, no attachment to the area, young people feeling they have no future, drug addiction, poverty and lack of employment, disconnection from society.

Boredom, lack of ownership, disregard

they are dirty and have no respect for self or the environment

People from local area entering private estate.

Drug use & alcohol abuse. Few youth related opportunities. Lack of parental control.

Mental Illness

Qat. Illegal drugs. A transient population with no sense of belonging to a wider community. Police reticence about addressing problems caused by non-white people and therefore being open (wrongly) to the accusation of racism.

youths having a lack of respect for people living here (e.g. those that live at number 2)

Betting shops and certain off licences (Lion King on Green Lanes) in particular. Fly tipping is due to poor enforcement action and lack of investigation into who is responsible

Accepted part of culture

The presence of licensed premises/social clubs. I believe the council should impose more stringent conditions on all of the licensed premises/social clubs in the borough.

Lack of visible police presence

lack of law enforcement

lack of useful and beneficial youth activities; careworn urban environment, such as too many littered streets, cheap financial-loan shops, betting shops and members-restricted social clubs perhaps not encouraging optimum social interaction and the general sense of social cohesiveness that could lead to improvement in the urban fabric of the area; factors relating to the personal circumstances and backgrounds of those carrying out antisocial behaviour;

see answers to 5.

Drugs, overcrowding, thoughtlessness

social housing (Connaught house)

Nothing for youths to do mainly due to cuts made by this Government.

Gang culture and poverty

As above

Youth unemployment, lack of father figure and respect for others or themselves

ALCOHOL DRUGS

Police refusal to enforce or provide a sufficient deterrent through sanctions. Haringey council's ineptitude at designing areas to be less amenable to crime.

Gang behaviours. Too many betting shops which cause people to gather on the street thus intimidating local people

Nothing for young people to do, no facilities for them.

LACK OF POLICE PRESENCE AND POLICE EFFECTIVENESS

Please see above plus drug dependency.

As above. Also lack of relevant youth services

Lack of opportunities for youths

Not enough positive things for people to do that gets them to meet their neighbours and we need more across-generational activities especially involving joint interests in common
Unemployment, poverty, alcoholism, closure of youth facilities, a cultural acceptance of male behaviours i.e. occupying and appropriating outdoor space. A wider move to individualist vs. cooperative ways of thinking (e.g. someone else will clear up after me if I vomit or urinate or litter the street)

Same as above.

The location of our cul-de-sac. Lack of resources, maintenance & cleaning. Drug dealing
boredom

Drug addiction, mental illness, poverty, unemployment

Push alleged charities but when questioned about their charity they go away.

Location - two streets behind Green lanes so off the beaten track - no evidence of community policing. Also low incomes/unemployment- lack of respect for the area.

Anti-social behaviour is the dumping of rubbish, this is my number one concern. It really makes the area look awful. I think most of the dumping is caused by the transient population, people coming in and out of the area. The stable population are not the ones who dump rubbish. We do not get much anti-social behaviour and I do know many of my neighbours and people who have lived in the area any length of time are o.k. it is the landlords who have frequent turnover of tenants.

No where to go and nothing to do. Again where you have a house with 5 or more male residents who want to hang out with their friends and have used up all the house space for rooms to let means that they spill out onto the streets with parking and in person.

Kids having nowhere to go, reduced youth services, few youth clubs.

Not enough police presence. We have a laminated sign on a lamppost in my road saying there can't be more than 2 people hanging around together, but there is NO ONE enforcing that.

Mentally Challenged People being able to get on and off buses etc. and being allowed to wander around the streets.

Economic conditions

Unsure

gangs, boredom

As above

too many foreigners gathering outside houses/loitering

Warehouses nearby

Poverty/Inequality/Alcohol abuse/Little enforcement on fly tipping/youths with nowhere to go: not enough after hours youth clubs or activities

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a. Limited to first 100 cases.