SEP Area Committee – February 2013 Neighbourhood Inspector Phil Hatton & Sergeant Chris Barnes

Area Statistics for: Sudell, Molyneux and Park:

	Oct 2011 – Jan 2012 (inclusive)	Oct 2012 – Jan 2013 (inclusive)	Difference in expected crime figures
All Crime	465	463	-2
Robbery	6	5	-1
Criminal Damage	68	52	-16
Public Disorder	11	8	-3

Crime Patterns:

- The above table shows the crime figures in Sefton East Parish, looking at those incidents from 1st October 2011 to 1st January 2012 in comparison to the same time period in 2012 – 2013.
- The results show a small drop in all crime overall and also a drop in Criminal Damage and public disorder figures.
- Due to the very cold weather during this time of year, the numbers of stolen vehicles increases nation wide. This happens when motorists de-frost their vehicle by leaving it running with the keys in the ignition and return to their home. This then leaves them vulnerable to opportunistic thieves. A media campaign has been launched and security advice has been given to residents advising motorists to always stay in their cars whilst they defrost them and to never leave a car unattended with the engine running.

Neighbourhood Run Initiatives:

- Operation VALIANT is an on-going operation targeted at reducing the number of burglaries in the area. Police Officers including those from the Neighbourhood Policing Team; Patrol Officers; Roads Policing and the Dog section conduct both high visibility and plain-clothes patrolling during the times of reported burglaries. This is intelligence led using information researched by Police analysts, looking at times, dates, methods of entry and possible offenders.
- As well as patrolling in the vicinity of the burglary, Officers also "pulse patrol" the SEP borders with Knowsley, Bootle and Liverpool. Vehicles are stopped and occupants spoken with.
- During this Operation, several offenders have been arrested for burglary offences. These offenders are managed and targeted by Officers whilst enquires are on-going.

- As well as taking part in this Operation, Neighbourhood Police Officers and PCSTO's are responsible for the response following a report of a burglary. The crime is investigated by Officers in CID, however the neighbourhood team carry out reassurance and security advice to the victim and the Community. This includes a comprehensive Security assessment, which is carried out with the aim to stop the resident becoming a victim again. Operation Handle is also carried out in the immediate area. This involves trying door handles of properties and vehicles and if found insecure the staff then give the resident security advice. Burglary alert cards and crime prevention leaflets are also delivered in the local area.
- SMARTWATER has been an enormous success and has been greatly received by victims who are visited following a burglary and issued with the kit. Since the introduction of SMARTWATER there have not been any reports of premises being subject to a repeat burglary, as is sometimes the case.

**A Smartwater application for further funding has been submitted with this report to the Area Committee for approval. **

Future Neighbourhood Meetings:

Have Your Say meetings:

 Suddell, Park & Molyneux wards – Maghull Town Hall – Friday 22nd March 2013 from 6.30pm to 7.30pm.

Good news Stories:

We have received excellent feedback following another successful Victim of Crime Christmas party held at the Meadows Public House. This helps to provide reassurance to the residents of the area and is only able to go ahead due to the kind donations from various Community groups. The neighbourhood team are very thankful to all for this continued support.