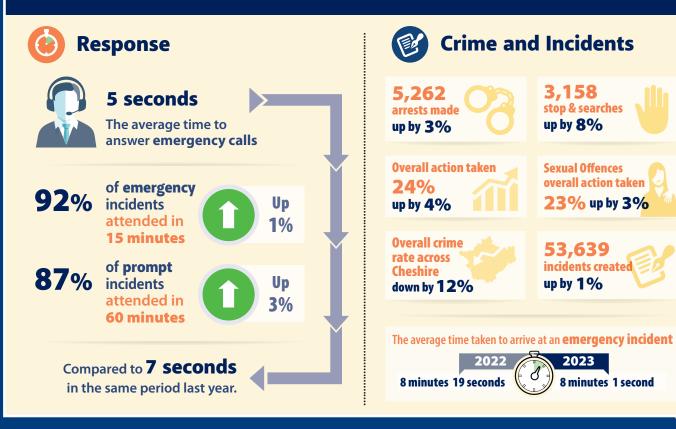




Cheshire Constabulary Performance Update: October - December 2023 Figures are compared to the same period in 2022





Mark Roberts QPM Chief Constable

Cheshire Constabulary

Firstly, I want to take the opportunity to thank everyone for their time over the festive period – it is never easy working away from your family at Christmas, and this year, like so many others, our policing environment has faced many challenges. My sincere thanks go out to all colleagues who gave their time to do such a wonderful job of keeping Cheshire residents safe.

2023 was a brilliant year for us across the force, and we now look forward to what 2024 brings. I hope that we will continue to show some strong performances in all areas, the figures we have from the end of 2023 are very encouraging and I am sure we can continue the trend into the first quarter of a new year.

Whatever comes our way during 2024, I know that we will all tackle it with the same professionalism and dedication that we always do and put the victim at the forefront of your policing.



Claire Jesson Superintendent Eastern Area

A positive quarter across the East and a busy end to 2023 saw a decrease in many crime offences.

Our beat teams have been relentless in targeting repeat shoplifting offenders resulting in a number of criminal behaviour orders. There has also been a real increase in the understanding of vulnerability supporting DVDS (Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme) applications and targeting serial domestic abuse perpetrators.

I am proud of all of the action taken rates – with our investigators delivering a 10% rate for sexual offences last quarter.

Our response teams have delivered increases in grade one and grade two attendance, which will help build public confidence.

There has been a 22% increase in stop search numbers, showing our commitment to making Cheshire a hostile place for criminals particularly considering the burglary hotspots in the north of the area.

We will continue to build on this with a focus on vulnerability and safeguarding victims, a zero-tolerance approach to domestic abuse and proactively target serious organised crime.

Local Performance

Data from October 2023 to December 2023

17,745	Number of Incidents	-2%
90%	Grade 1 Attended in 15 mins	+1%
91%	Grade 2 Attended in 60 mins	+6%
5,868	Number of Crimes	-14%
24%	% of Overall Action Taken	+4%
1,487	Number of Arrests	+0.1%
838	Number of Stop and Searches	+22%



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Difference

RISDP (Rape and Serious Sexual Offence Investigative Skills

RISDP (Rape and Serious Sexual Offence Investigative Skills Development Programme) is now well underway with the first of the face-to-face modules (Module four) concluded in December 2023. This training is being rolled out to all detectives up to the rank of detective inspector and by the end of 2023, 463 officers had completed Modules one-four (91% of all eligible detectives). Modules five-seven are being delivered with Modules eight and nine delivered in person throughout January and February 2024. Detective engagement within the face-to-face sessions has received positive feedback regarding the course content and relevance to their role.

Continuous improvement against force priorities has been further evidenced during the last three months with the introduction of dedicated officers in the complementary roles of Domestic Abuse Support Officer (victim focused) and Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Coordinator. These officers will be tasked with supporting victims of Domestic Abuse, particularly focusing on reluctant victims or those not wishing to support a prosecution. These officers will be invaluable in further enhancing the service we provide to DA victims and ensuring we maintain current performance as the force that has the strongest action taken rate in England and Wales – well done and thanks to all who continue to contribute to these results on behalf of our communities.

Officer movements – Detective Superintendents Myra Ball and Cheryl Chatterton have both retired from the constabulary during this quarter. Helena Banusic has taken up the role of detective superintendent on the east. Detective Superintendent Gary Smith has been appointed to the west as of January 2024.



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