

CLEAR, HOLD, BUILD (CHB) CROYLAND, WELLINGBOROUGH

The Croyland area has been adopted as a priority area in Wellingborough. The Clear, Hold, Build (CHB) team will adopt the CLEAR, HOLD, BUILD methodology within this area.

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What is Clear, Hold, Build (CHB)?

Methodology

Clear

Interventions, in form of arrests and relentless disruption, which target organised crime group members, their networks, business interests, criminality and spheres of influence. The police will use all powers and levers to impede their ability to operate. This creates safer spaces to begin restoring community confidence.

Hold-

Interventions, counter measures and contingency plans to consolidate and stabilise the initial clear phase. This stops the remaining or other organised crime group members from capitalising on the vacuum created. It improves community confidence by ensuring spaces remain safe. Visible neighbourhood policing in hotspot areas provides continuing reassurance that police are still present.

Build

A single, whole-system approach to delivering community-empowered interventions that tackle drivers of crime, exploitation of vulnerabilities and geographic places where crime occurs. This improves living, working and recreational environment in the community for residents. It empowers them to work with stakeholders to generate resilience and build a safer community.

Clear, Hold, Build is a three-step plan which sees organised criminals and their associates cleared from an area through relentless pursuit activity. The area is then held and stabilized through high visibility police patrols, assistance from partner agencies and community support.

The framework was first piloted in West Yorkshire in 2020 before being expanded to 6 other police forces in 2021 and 2022. In early 2023, a national rollout of CHB was announced, with CHB operational in 41 of the 43 territorial police forces in England and Wales by October 2024.

Croyland Area :

Priority Area-

- Mannock Road
- Henshaw Road
- Duncan Court
- Gilletts Road
- Harvey Road
- Croyland Road (Between Oxford St/Priory Rd)
- Benedictine Road
- Croyland Park
- Croyland Primary School
- Priory Road

Why Croyland?

Top 3- CHB priorities

Serious Violence

Drug Harm

Anti-Social Behaviour

The Croyland area in Wellingborough has been adopted as a priority area following multiple serious violent incidents occurring in the area.

- In January 2025, a stabbing incident occurred in Croyland park which involved a group of teenagers attacking another teenager with a machete. The victim was re-located in a different town following this.
- During the same period another incident occurred at Croyland park where a victim was doused in petrol and threatened by two suspects of which one held a lighter and the other a machete.
- 29/06/2025- OP JETSREAM- A shooting was reported in Croyland Park, where it was described that a handgun was discharged 6 times at another vehicle with passengers inside.
- Between the period of 01/01/2025-01/01/2026 a total of 7 rapes or sexual assaults occurred of which 3 occurred in Croyland Park. In August 2025 a serious sexual assault occurred against a female walking home from work in Croyland Park.

-There also appears to be an issue with ASB within the area. Following multiple LIP surveys being completed. ASB was reported as the 2nd top concern by the public. Crime data supports that there is a high number of ASB incidents occurring within the area which further impacts public trust and confidence.

- Further to the above the community appears to underreport crime and in essence “police itself” which indicates they lack trust and confidence in the police and are unwilling to engage with us.

Our targets on the Croyland area

- We are a problem-solving team. A team that enters an area that has been identified as having multiple issues and then resolving them. The aim is to re-build the community by working with partnership agencies and putting sustainable solutions in place to deter future offending and re-build trust and confidence amongst our community.

Key success measures-

- ***Improve public trust and confidence levels in the Croyland area.***
- ***Increase in crime reporting and intelligence in Croyland.***
- ***Improve community engagement***
- ***Disrupt organised crime nominals and detect priority crimes.***
- ***Improve police visibility in the Croyland area.***
- ***Safeguard the vulnerable and increase safeguarding referrals.***
- ***Re-build the community by working with our partnership agencies***

Strategic plan

- **Intelligence-Led Enforcement**

- Hotspot analysis (violence, drugs, ASB, robbery patterns)
- Nominal tracking of priority offenders
- Use of covert capabilities (within lawful frameworks)
- Multi-agency intelligence sharing (local authority, probation, housing)

- **Long-Term Crime Prevention**

- Environmental Visual Audit (CCTV cameras installation)
- Support for resident-led groups (Neighbourhood Watch, Street Watch schemes)

- **Focused Enforcement Activity**

- Targeted arrest operations against priority offenders
- Drugs warrants, weapons recoveries, proceeds of crime action
- Traffic enforcement tied to intelligence (stop/search as legally justified)

- **Visible Reassurance Policing**

- High-visibility patrols in hotspot locations.
- Tactical deployment of uniformed and specialist teams
- Short-term saturation patrols to disrupt criminal routines

- **Environmental Disruption**

- Closure orders on addresses linked to drugs or exploitation
- Dispersal powers where proportionate and lawful
- Removal of criminal infrastructure (vehicles, phones, cash)

- **Partnership Working**

- Youth intervention and diversion programs
- Support for safeguarding (exploitation, vulnerable adults)
- Joint plans with education, housing, council,
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Partnership agency work

Council- Monthly partnership meetings will take place from March 2026 with the council and other partnership agencies. Environmental deterrents will be discussed such as possible installation of CCTV, Wardon officers and an improve in lighting. The aim is to identify sustainable solutions which will provide the area with guardianship.

Crime Stoppers- Safer Streets campaign to occur in the Croyland area. This is to improve community engagement, educate residents on how to report crime, obtain intelligence and deter offending behaviour.

Housing association/Council- Regular contact with housing association is key for building intelligence, identifying vulnerable cuckooing residents on the estate and identifying addresses that meet the eligibility for eviction/closure orders for problematic residents.

Immediate Justice- CHB team are working together with our Immediate Justice Team. Community payback such as litter picking to be completed in Croyland Park.

Northants Police engagement surgeries - Monthly community engagement surgeries will be set up in the area to further build relations with our community. Allow community voices to be heard.

Probation- CHB team are working closely with the Probation service to share information around priority nominals operating on the Estate. Community payback such as litter picking and hedge trimming can be completed in Croyland Park.

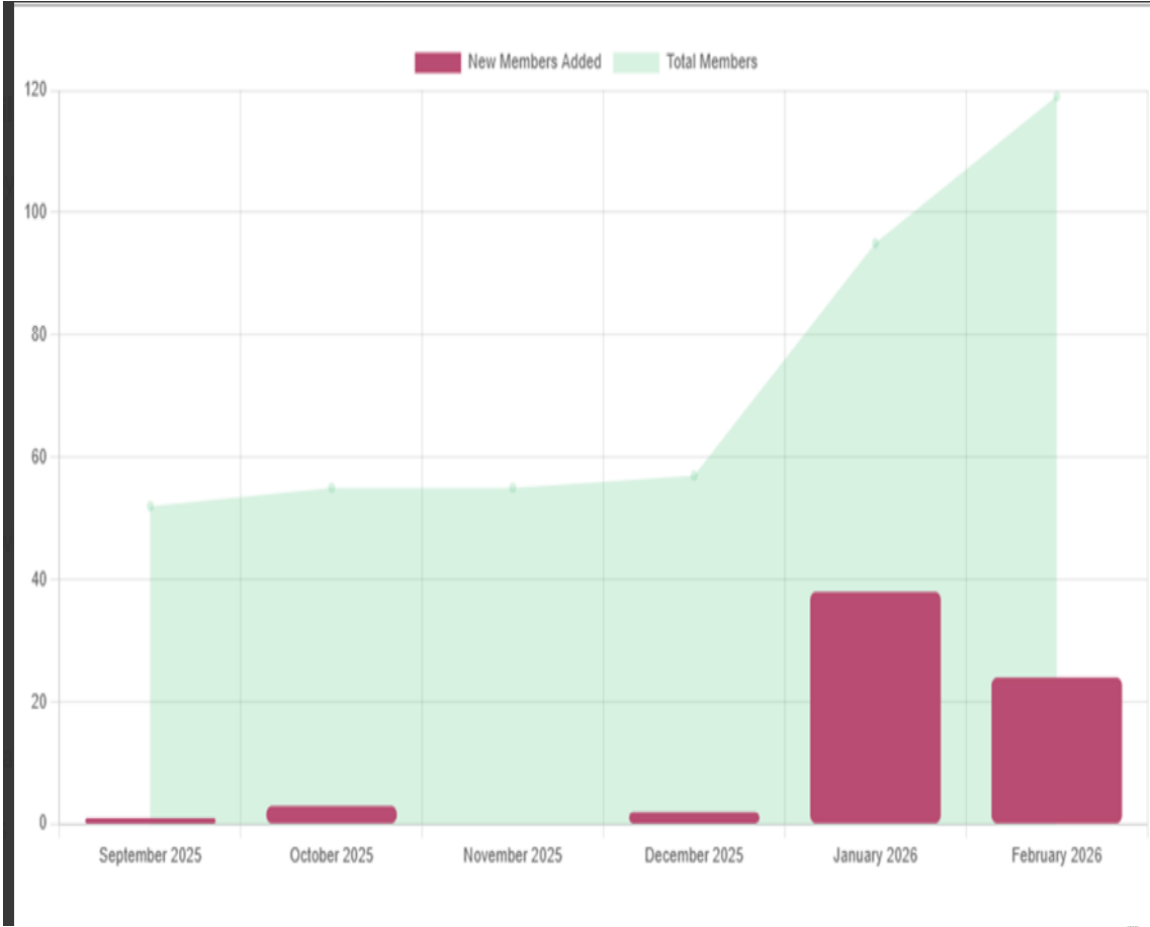
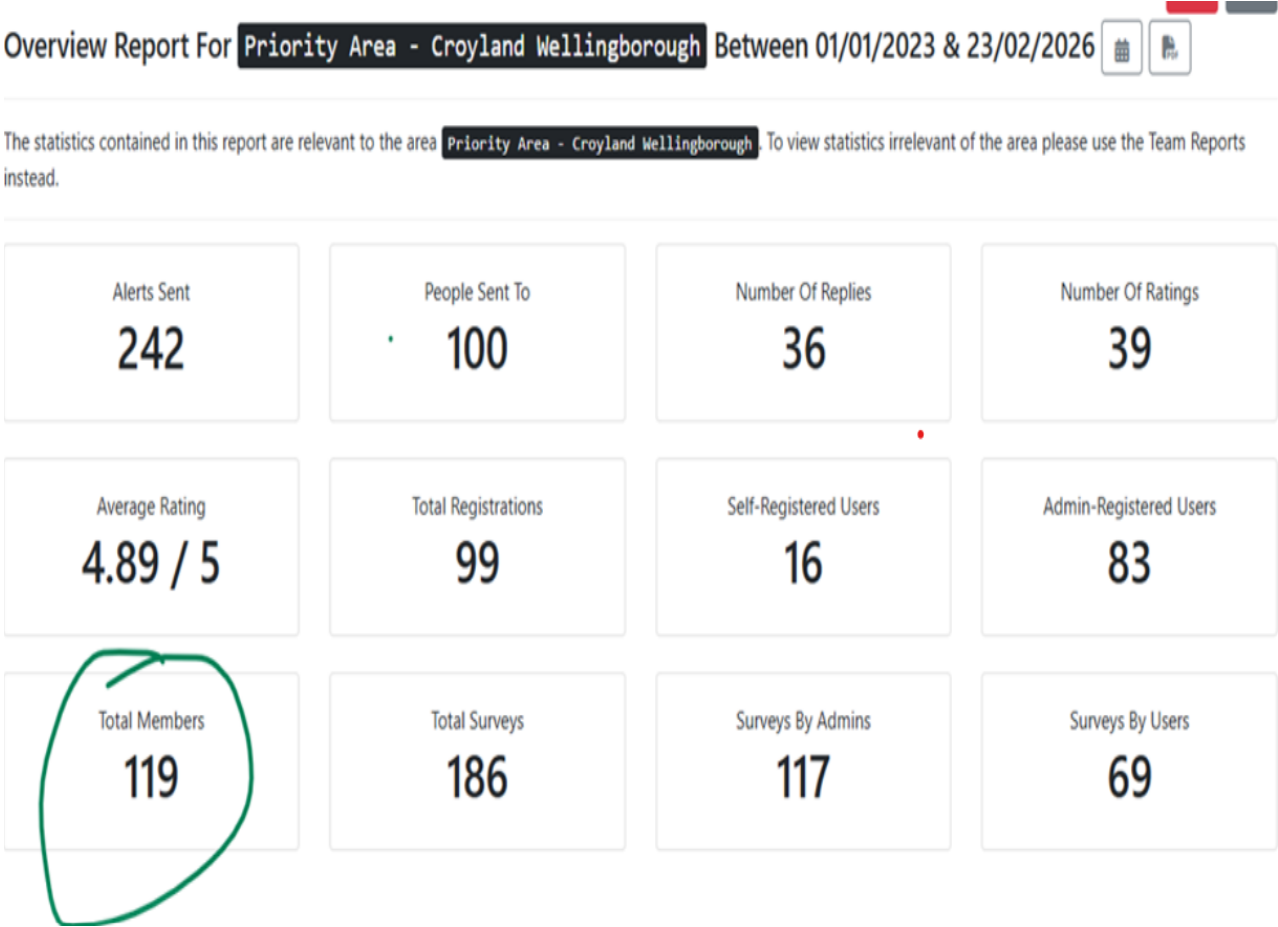
Newsletters- Regular newsletters are to be sent to the community around evidencing the positive work being completed in the community.

MIND/Substance to Solutions (S2S) –CHB will work closely with S2S to identify drug users/ substance users operating within the community. S2S to be utilised to divert and refer drug users to rehabilitate.

Croyland Primary School/Our Lady's Primary School. Police educational talk to take place on knife crime/Drug Harm. Education for our youth is key in deterring our youth from entering the criminal justice system in the future.

Northamptonshire Talking Sign up's

- 119 members are signed up to Northants Talking
- January and February 2026 has seen an increase in members signing up.



Updates in your area:

Disruptions achieved: 44

Stop Searches- Between April 2026 and May 2026 and June officers have used stop and search powers on 45 occasions, resulting in 27 positive outcomes for drug offences.

Arrests- Enforcement activity has resulted in a total of 14 drug seizures, 14 arrests, and 26 charges, with 8 individuals remanded.

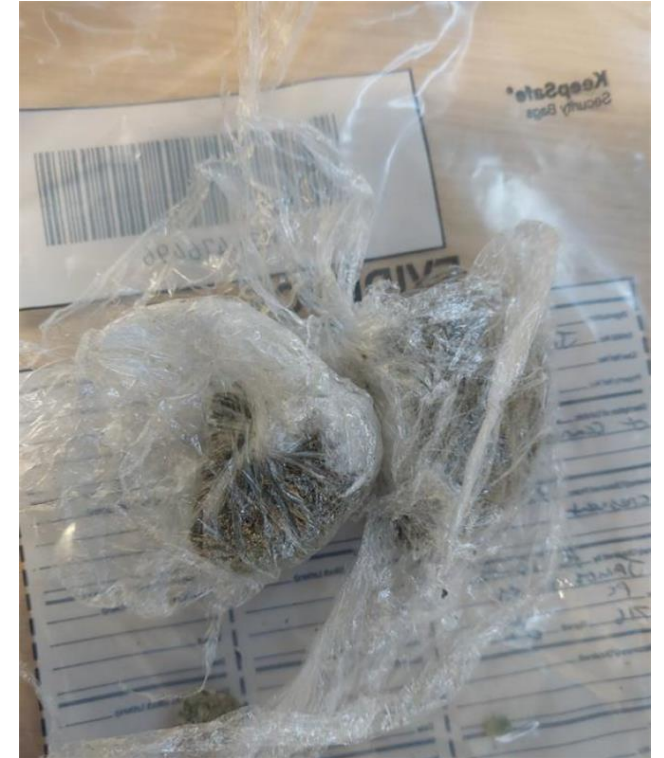
Drugs Seized: Various Class A seizures including Crack cocaine, Heroin.
Class B cannabis in the form of Small bags and joints. Including 422 wraps of Crack/Cocaine seized from an address.

Charges: 26 of which 8 nominals were remanded.

Out Of Court Disposals- 15

ASB warning letters: X2 ABC issued, x1 Community Protection Notice Warning issued.

Class A and B Drugs Seized



Further Updates:

Partnership agency work:

- CHB Launch meeting – 23-FEB-2026
- Croyland Primary school (meeting with head teacher) Croyland Primary School have completed a logo/operation name for the project.
- Contact made with following agencies: Re-solv / The Compound / Mind/ S2S
- Multi Agency Beat Bus Surgery completed in May 2026. Monthly Beat-Bus surgeries to be completed on Croyland.
- Email sent to Council to improve lighting at Croyland Park. Response received that contractors would work on this.
- Environmental Visual Audit completed at Croyland Park to target harden the park. 21- April 2026
- Neighbourhood watch meetings arranged for every month.
- LAP meeting partners/CHB presentation – 17-MAR-2026
- Our Ladys Primary school – presentation delivered / met with Head teacher – 24-MAR-2026
- Crimestoppers/SOLV campaign completed –June 2026
- Meeting arranged between Clear, Hold, Build, Crime Prevention and Council on 07/07/2026 to discuss target hardening Croyland Park and potentially installing CCTV at the park.
- Supporting letter sent to The Compound for additional funding. The Compound would like to run youth workshops over the summer.
- CHB have also worked with housing associations to safeguard vulnerable cuckooing victims and supported housing with evictions and closure orders on problematic individuals within the community.
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Hours patrolled in area: 134.05 April / 63.03- May – 86.44 June

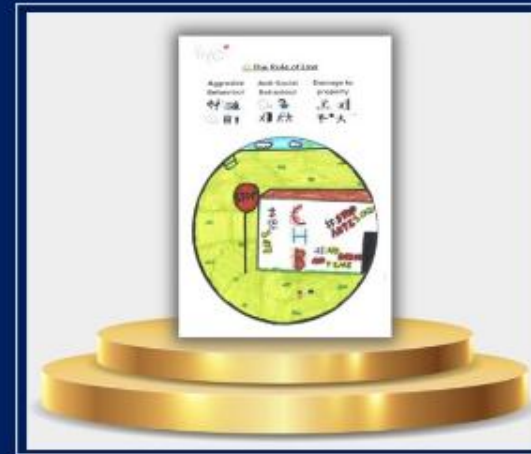
Partnership Work



- Officers from the Clear Hold Build team met with pupils from at Croyland Primary School at a community event held earlier this month, May 2026.



Congratulations to **Poppy** for her winning logo design for the **Clear Hold Build** project in **Croyland**, Wellingborough.



Well done also to runners-up **Jailah** and **Amelia**, and a big **thank you** to everyone who took part.



Pupils at Croyland Primary School were invited to design a logo for the project – here are the entries, including the winning design by Poppy.

Photos of offenders completing community work



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