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Meet Kelly and Andy, the Safer Streets Ambassadors

The safer streets ambassadors are provided by the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) funding received from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner to tackle violence against women and girls in Grimsby town centre.

The safer streets ambassadors help to increase feelings of safety and create a welcoming atmosphere within the town centre, reduce incidents of violence against women and girls (VAWG) offences, and increase confidence in visiting the town centre at night.

They provide a reassuring, highly visible presence and early intervention in key locations within the town centre. The ambassadors also respond to requests for assistance from CCTV operators, licensees or businesses within the town centre to help assist women and girls who may feel vulnerable.

How colour affects feelings of safety and can impact crime

Areas that are grey and devoid of colour can bring feelings of unease. People feel less safe and more vulnerable, they can experience anxiety and be worried or fearful of what happen.

Visible indicators of disorder, such as graffiti or vandalism can invite further criminal activity. Allowing an area to remain unkempt can imply there is an acceptance of this antisocial behaviour.

Inject some colour and vibrancy and the mood changes. There can be an increase in feelings of safety, people feel more secure, and anxiety can reduce.

Abbey Walk car park is a good example of this practice. Investment in the car park and the stairwell has transformed the scene with the help of an artist working with young people from the area to paint images of local landmarks (images below). What was once a grey, graffiti filled area is now cheery, colourful and full of positivity.

If you've not seen it take a detour through Grimsby town centre hand have a look, it really does lift your spirits.



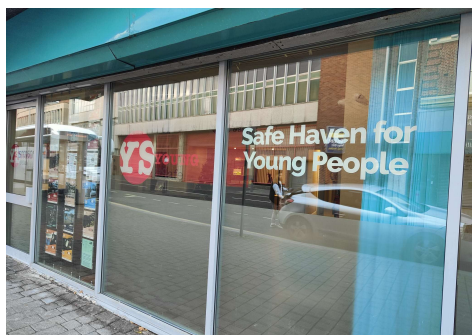
The Young and Safe Haven

The Young and Safe Haven is a space for young people within Grimsby town centre. It will give one to one advice and support, as well as being somewhere to just hang out.

The centre is run by youth workers and boasts activities such as pool, table football and video games.

The centre can also be used by professionals as a safe space to see young people as well as by young people to access services such as We Are With You, sexual health and carers advice.

Open access is 6.30pm – 9.30pm
Wednesday – Friday and 3pm – 6pm
on Saturday.



Community Safety Partnership News

Our Safer Streets project on the East Marsh ran from 2022 to 2023 and has now concluded. Nine new CCTV cameras were installed across crime hotspots, along with signage and lighting, 11 tonnes of waste were cleared from alleyways and 30 alley gates installed or repaired, and 500 households received visits from home security specialists with 300 receiving small items of personal safety equipment. To read the final newsletter or watch the video visit: <https://saferstreetsnel.info/east-marsh-overview/>

Congratulations to Inspector Tom Stevens, Rachel Connor, Donna Chandler and Danny Mills who have been awarded with commendations for their dedication and support to community safety.



Bleed kits out to local pubs



At a well-attended North East Lincolnshire Pubwatch meeting in December 2023 at Racks in Grimsby twenty-five public access emergency first aid bleed kits were handed out to local pubs and nightclubs in time for the busy Christmas period.

The kits were funded by the Office of the Policing and Crime Commissioner.

Pictured is Ryan Milson from Racks receiving his bleed kit from Gary Peck of the Humber Violence Prevention Partnership.

Operation Duality



As part of Operation Duality partners visited takeaways in North East Lincolnshire in November. Partners from Humberside Police, housing, North East Lincolnshire Council and the CSP visited a number of takeaways to speak to employees regarding their pay and working conditions and to perform checks on the businesses.

Modern slavery exhibition

From February to March 2024 we will be hosting an exhibition entitled *Uncovering Modern Slavery: An Exhibition* at Grimsby Minster. This exhibition highlights the types of slavery that occur today, where it exists, who it affects, and examines some of the work that is ongoing to fight back against this crime.



Awareness raising for violence against women and girls at Diana, Princess of Wales hospital

In November 2023 the CSP attended Diana Princess of Wales Hospital for safeguarding week. We raised awareness of bystander interventions, ways to change behaviour and ask questions regarding violence against women and girls. We got a really positive reception from all the staff we spoke to.

We asked two questions – is a wolf whistle a compliment or harassment? and would you go out after dark if you felt completely safe? The responses are shown below.



Franklin engagement

We went to Franklin to speak to the GTFC academy students about online influencers like Andrew Tate, what masculinity means, and extremism. We had some really interesting discussions, the students were engaged in the activities, and we even received a standing ovation!

