



# AXIS MONTHLY INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN

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A strategic overview of youth safety, risk trends and multi-agency responses across the Borough

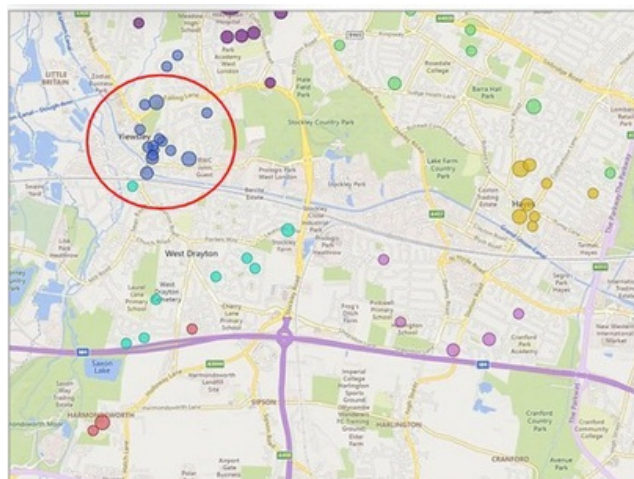
## Intelligence Flow & Custody Trends

AXIS has noted a seasonal dip in intelligence submissions which is an expected outcome during the summer holidays as schools are usually a key source of information. Despite this, the period has seen a **notable rise in children entering police custody**, with offences ranging from **robbery and serious assaults to sexual offences**. Many of these young people are now on **police bail with risk-managed conditions**. Of particular concern is the **increased involvement of girls**, both as suspects and in custody cases which is an evolving trend that may warrant gender-informed intervention strategies.

## Geographic Risk Concentration

A heat map analysis highlights **Hayes Town and Uxbridge** as emerging hotspots. Of the 20 children flagged for ASB or SYV, 8 are from these areas signalling the need for intensified localised action.

## Areas of concern heat map



## **⚠️ Serious Youth Violence (SYV) & Antisocial Behaviour (ASB)**

**ASB incidents** continue to **decline** from 46 children in the last bulletin to just 20 this period.

**SYV remains the Borough's primary concern**, though numbers have dropped from 88 to 58.

**Robberies**, particularly of mobile phones, remain a key SYV trigger.

AXIS has observed a **rise in girls as SYV suspects**, often involving **partner assaults or resistance during arrest**.

**86% of SYV cases involve boys**, reinforcing the need for targeted male-focused interventions.

### **SYV Response Highlights**

A **Knife Amnesty Bin** was installed at Pump Lane Car Park, Hayes and this was well received by the community.

On **8th July**, the **Faz Amnesty Van** visited the same location, enabling young people to surrender weapons. The initiative was a resounding success, strengthening community trust.





## Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) & VAWG

**11 children** were flagged for **CSE-related concerns**, down slightly from 12.

**80% of intelligence relates to girls**, with 5 linked to **VAWG incidents**.

AXIS has seen a **rise in sexual assaults on girls**, often linked to **domestic violence**.

A disturbing case involved an **older male grooming girls with drugs/alcohol**, including inappropriate contact.

**TikTok and Snapchat** remain the most cited platforms for grooming and image distribution.

**Ofcom's Online Safety Measures**, mandated by the Online Safety Act, require tech companies to **implement effective age checks** on potentially harmful content like Pornography, filter harmful materia from children's feeds and quickly tackle harmful content when detected. This is a **positive step** in the right direction towards reducing exposure to harmful material, such a violent, hateful or abusive content.



## Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE Response)

CSE remains a standing agenda item across strategic panels e.g. Operational High Risk Panel, MAROTH.

AXIS continues to collaborate with the **Metropolitan Police CSE Lead** and **KISS (Sexual Health Service)** to address CSE.

**Primary school CSE sessions** have been delivered with age-appropriate content and excellent feedback.

## Drugs: Trends & Emerging Themes

**33 children** were linked to drug-related incidents (up from 11).

**Hayes** remains the primary concern area in relation to drug related incidents as **10** of the drugs related incidents occurred within **Hayes**. Areas such as **West Drayton/Yiewsley** had only 3 drug related incidents.

**Cannabis and Class A substances** dominate, with cannabis mostly for personal use, as in **8 Cannabis incidents** the child was also in possession of a grinder.

**Nitrous oxide, balloons, and codeine** were repeatedly mentioned in the intelligence pieces.

The **15–17 age group** is most affected, though the youngest case involved a **12-year-old**.

### County Lines

There has been **1** mention of **County Lines** since the last edition of the Bulletin. This was linked to a **MISSING** episode. This involved a 17yr old child, who was located in the Bucks area.

### Drug Response

AXIS is scaling up **awareness workshops** in schools and hospitals, with full recommencement in September.

Ongoing partnership with **SORTED** (the council's One-to-one mentoring and counselling around drugs and alcohol education for 11 to 19-year-olds) ensures wraparound support for young people facing substance misuse.

## Missing Persons (MISPER)

**20 children** were reported missing; **60% were girls** during this reporting period.

Most were aged **16–17**, with **Uxbridge, Cowley, and Hayes** as key locations that the children were linked with.

**3 long-term cases** (including one over 12 weeks) triggered a **multi-stakeholder action to respond to the missing episodes in line with the missing procedure**.

Common themes: being “out with friends/boyfriends” and travel to **London**.

**Looked After Children (LAC)** are frequently reported missing due to curfew breaches, returning home late or family visits. **AXIS intelligence** suggests that **90% of missing episodes** reported related to a child who is LAC.

## MISPER Response

AXIS continues to work closely with **police, social care, and Youth Justice Services**, ensuring rapid information sharing and coordinated action to reduce harm.



## ☀ **Making Hayes Safer: Community Action Day**

On **15th August**, a powerful **anti-knife crime** event was held at **Botwell Library**, funded by the **Making Hayes Safer** initiative. In partnership with **The Teen Room**, **Communities Against Violence (CAV)**, and residents:

- Over **300 attendees** participated.
- Talks from **Andrew Fuller**, **Faron Paul**, and **Quinton Milise** inspired young people.
- A **celebrity chef served 100 free meals**. This event showcased the strength of community-led safety efforts and the power of partnership.

