

Apologies I have not been able to update at this point - I have another meeting at 11:00 but don't want to leave without giving an brief update from BTP.

As you know, my area ranges from Preston through to Carlilse which is a massive geographical area. Due to current circumstances relating to budget and resourcing, we remain with Lancaster station temporarily unstaffed. All resources work out of Preston now. This means your local officers will be based out of Preston or Carlilse.

I have local neighbourhood officers allocated to the main stations throughout the area and have attached a copy of those officers for your awareness should you need to get in contact with them / any support with local issues you wish to raise.

Since 01/04/25 - we have 676 recorded crimes across our area, with just short of a 20% solved rate of those crimes so far. Our main offences that we are experiencing relate to Violence (23.1%), Public Order (27.2%) and Theft of Passenger Property (14.3%). We have dedicated officers running operations and deployments each month to target offenders and hot spot locations.

Our top 5 locations for crime across the area consist of Preston (212), Blackpool North (58), Carlilse (52), Lancaster (37) and Blackburn (29) stations.

I am more than happy to take any calls or messages to discuss crime across the rail network - andrew.richardson.7816@btp.police.uk