



Public Accountability Meeting

Crime Recording and Crime Data Integrity (CDI)





Introduction

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Helping you to feel safe and be safe in North Yorkshire



Caring about the Vulnerable



Ambitious Collaboration



Reinforcing Local Policing



Enhancing the Customer Experience

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What is a crime?



- The Home Office define a crime as: an act committed by a person which is contrary to law and is classified as a 'notifiable' offence by the Ministry of Justice.
- All notifiable offences must be recorded by police on their crime system and reported to the Home Office.



Home Office Counting Rules (HOCR) and National Crime Recording Standards (NCRS)

- The NCRS was added to the HOCR in April 2002, with the aim of promoting greater consistency between police forces in the recording of crime and to take a more victim oriented approach to crime recording.
- A belief by the victim (or their representative) that a crime has occurred, is *usually* sufficient to justify it's recording
- The general rule is 'one victim – one crime', however the counting rules are extremely complex and there are often exceptions

Source: HOCR 2018

Why is effective crime recording important?



- Ensures victims of crime receive the service they expect and deserve;
- Allows us to prioritise effective investigation of crime in keeping with national standards and the College of Policing's Code of Ethics;
- Informs the public of the scale, scope and risk of crime in their local communities;
- Allows PCCs, Forces and local partners to build intelligence on crime and criminal behaviour necessary for an efficient and effective response;
- Enables the Government, PCCs, Forces and their partners to understand the extent of demands made on them and the associated costs of service delivery; and
- Informs the development of Government policy to reduce crime and to establish whether those policies are effective.

How do we deliver effective crime recording?



- People
- Processes
- Training and Communication
- Audit and Assurance
- Inspection

HMICFRS Crime Data Integrity (CDI) Inspection

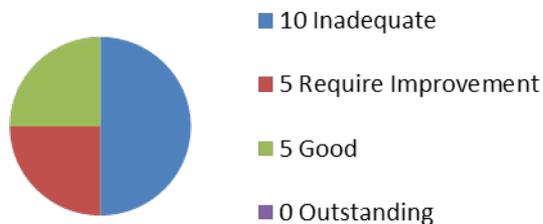


- Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Service (HMICFRS) undertook an inspection in November 2017 to establish North Yorkshire's crime recording accuracy. A sample was taken of all incidents recorded between 01 Feb – 31 July 2017, in the following categories:
 - violence against the person;
 - sexual offences; and
 - all other offences excluding fraud (everything excluding violence against the person, sexual offences and fraud)
- A total of 1711 incidents and the associated recordings of calls made by members of the public were assessed by the inspection team.
- They found that North Yorkshire had recorded 80.1% of the crimes reported to them, estimating that 9,200 reports of crime a year are not recorded.
- As a result HMICFRS gave North Yorkshire an overall grading of 'Inadequate'.



HMICFRS CDI - National Picture

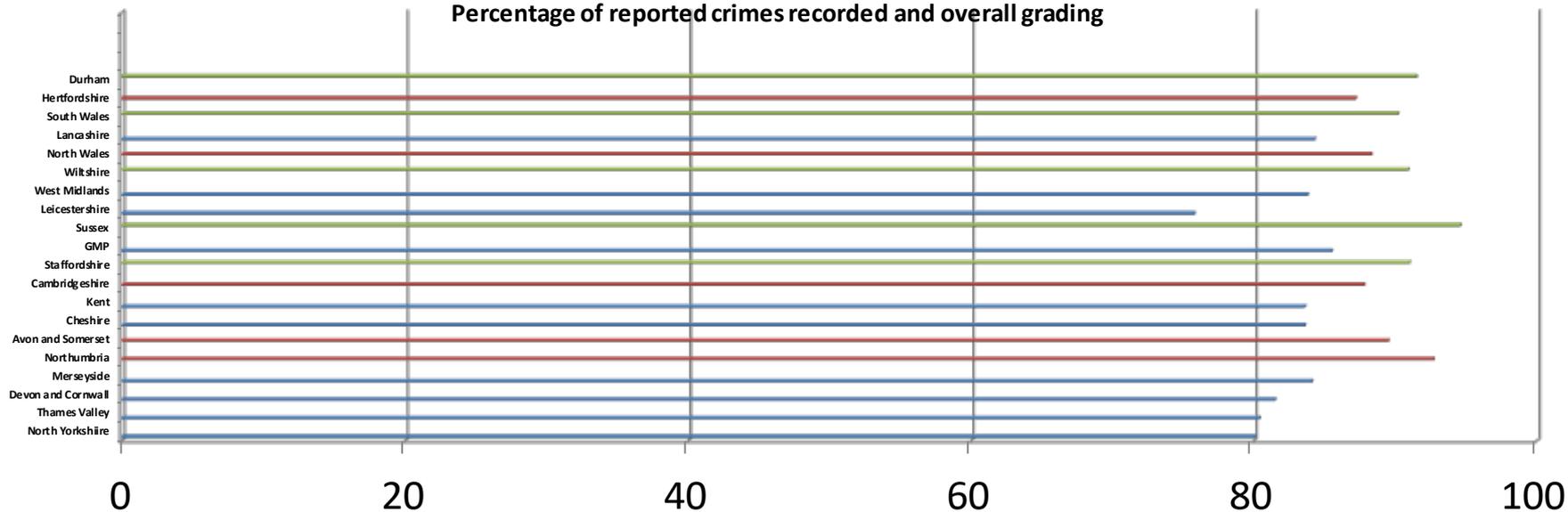
Overall Grading



Leadership



Percentage of reported crimes recorded and overall grading



HMICFRS CDI – North Yorkshire



What did HMICFRS tell us we are doing well?

- Our officers and staff were found to be placing the safeguarding needs of victim at the fore-front of their crime recording decisions. In the cases reviewed we had recorded an incident log, attended, investigated and provided support to victims where appropriate;
- We have worked hard to improve the knowledge and understanding of crime recording requirements for modern slavery crimes among officers and staff;
- We have worked hard to implement the recommendations from the 2014 HMIC CDI inspection;
- We have made good progress against the national crime recording action plan developed to improve
- There was clear evidence that officers and staff believe that doing the right thing for victims paramount and this is reinforced at all levels of the organisation.

HMICFRS CDI – North Yorkshire



What did HMICFRS recommend we improve?

- Improve our crime recording processes to address the potential under-recording of 9,200 crimes per year*
- The process we use to manage reports of crime made directly to our public protection department.
- The accuracy of the recording of violent and sexual offences.
- Improve the supervision of crime recording decisions
- Improve the knowledge and understanding of officers and staff to ensure to improve recording standards.

* *HMICFRS have extrapolated this figure based on the examination of **1711 reports of crime** made to North Yorkshire Police.*

Maintaining standards



- Crime Data Integrity (CDI) Improvement Group
- New Crime recording and occurrence management unit
- Training and Communications
- Audit and Assurance
- Learning from others

Questions



Thank you