

Stop and Search.

Quarter 4 – January 2021 to April 2021.

Fareham District.

Chief Inspector Mark Lewis.

During the last quarter, our data has shown that a black person is 5.3 times more likely to be stopped in Fareham than a white person. We understand that this figure will be concerning and while we don't have all the answers for disproportionality, we are working hard to understand this. Based on the 2011 Census data, which is used to calculate this figure, we would need to stop 302 white people for every black person stopped in order for it to even out.

The figures for this period show that 70% of our searches were for drugs. Tackling drug-related harm is a priority for us as a district, and as a force. These searches may also come when responding to reports of anti-social behaviour within the community. We have also seen theft from vehicles and sheds emerge as a trend in this period, and stop and search is used to tackle this.

We had a 35% positive outcome rate (which means officers located the item being searched for) for our searches in Fareham in this period.

Total number of stops.

Last 3 months – 128, Previous 3 months – 110.

Arrests.

Last 3 months – 8, Previous 3 months – 10.

No further action taken/advice given.

Last 3 months – 83, Previous 3 months – 73.

Positive outcomes.

*Positive outcomes includes arrests.

Last 3 months – 45.

Previous 3 months – 39.

Fareham total population – 111,581.

White – 107,959

Asian – 1,667

Mixed ethnicity – 1,359

Black – 357

Other - 239

Disproportionality.

Likelihood of being stopped and search compared to white person.

Black – 5.3 times more likely.

Mixed – 1.4 times more likely.

Asian – 0 times more likely.

Other – 0 times more likely.

Reasons for stop.

Article – criminal damage – 1.

Bladed article – 2.

Drugs (cannabis) – 72.

Drugs (other) – 17.

Firearms – 0.

Game/poaching – 0.

Going equipped – 9.

Offensive weapon – 6.

Psychoactive substances – 0.

Public order – 0.

Seizure alcohol/tobacco – 0.

Stolen goods – 21.

Outcome of stop.

Alcohol seized – 0.

Arrest – 7.

Caution (simple/conditional) – 0.

Community resolution – 27.

No further action – 89.

Penalty notice for disorder – 0.

Postal requisition/postal charge/summons – 0.

Voluntary attendance – 1.