

Stop and Search.

Quarter 3. October to December 2024.

Hart District. Chief Inspector Gillian Cox.

Within Hart the use of Stop & Search has reduced in comparison to the same period last year – down by about 30%. This period last year saw a month long focus on proactive operations which is likely to have contributed to those numbers. Drug related searches make for the majority which I am comfortable with as I continue to drive drug related harm within the District Priorities

Hart total population is made up of 92% white people however they have only accounted for 75% of the Stop Searches. The amount of searches which have been recorded as 'other' has increased by 50% and I would like to understand why and I am asking our Independent Advisory Group to look into this further and will address any issues that this deep dive may produce.

Despite the drop in searches this quarter, our positive outcomes remain consistent with last quarter and our positive outcomes have risen by 11%. I will continue to monitor our use of Stop & Search to ensure that we use our powers effectively, lawfully and proportionately.

#### **Total number of stops.**

This Quarter – 44, Previous 3 months – 61.

Arrests.

This Quarter – 4, Previous 3 months – 3.

No further action taken/advice given.

This Quarter – 28, Previous 3 months – 45.

#### **Positive outcomes.**

Positive outcomes includes arrests.

This Quarter – 16.

Previous 3 months – 16.

#### **East Hants total population – 99,404.**

White – 91,952.

Asian – 3,595.

Mixed race – 2,231.

Black – 841.

Other – 783.

#### **Disproportionality.**

Likelihood of being stopped and searched compared to white person.

Black – 3.3 times more likely.

Mixed Race – 1.2 times more likely.

Asian – 1.6 times more likely.

Other – 10.7 times more likely.

**Reasons for stop.**

Drugs – 39.

Going equipped – 1.

Stolen Goods – 2.

**Outcome of stop.**

Arrest – 4.

Caution – simple/conditional – 1.

Community resolution – 10.

No further action – 28.

Voluntary attendance – 1.