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Working Together to Cut Crime in Northumbria during 2013/14

We know we cannot reduce crime alone, it takes a very real joined up approach at a neighbourhood level to properly understand and to tackle the issues that matter most too local people.

A crime and disorder reduction grant was made to all Community Safety Partnerships across Northumbria to support and strengthen their local multi-agency problem solving arrangements. Over the last year the local arrangements have had a real focus on solving burglary, dealing with anti-social behaviour, target hardening and CCTV.

Local problems have varied greatly across Northumbria - from rural issues in Northumberland to crime prevention support for students in our university cities. This way of working has historically proven to be effective and in my eyes continues to be one of the best ways to really get behind a neighbourhood problem and solve it.