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Specific Operation Targeting Anti-Social Behaviour in Town sees Multiple Arrests

An operation targeting anti-social behaviour in St Peter Port on Friday and Saturday nights has seen 38 arrests in three months.

This proactive uniformed operation was designed to deliver a consistent low-tolerance approach – when no more than one warning was issued – to anti-social behaviour, aggressive behaviour and drunken disorder. Over the three-month duration of the operation, there were 38 arrests, four warnings and two stop searches. A total of 109 liquor licence checks were also carried out. Of those arrested, 24 were male, 14 were female, the youngest person was 17 and the oldest 63. They took place across the Town area.

Chief Inspector Operations, J-P Le Breton said: “This operation came about following an analysis of intelligence and statistical data into where and when the calls for anti-social behaviour were peaking. This identified the pattern of problem areas and times, when the risk of anti-social behaviour and assaults were greater. We developed this operation specifically to be visible and proactive.

All weekend shift officers were briefed to take a consistent, low-tolerance approach towards anti-social behaviour, unifying police actions and responses to provocations, reducing the likelihood of an offender being moved on, only to cause trouble elsewhere.

CI Le-Breton added: “This was a proactive and assertive no-nonsense approach, and showed Law Enforcement taking a high-visibility, low tolerance approach to the issues within the night time economy.

“St Peter Port is the island’s main Town where many people like to go out to relax and enjoy themselves after the working week. We want to reassure the community that we take their Town evening safety seriously.”

Although this operation has now officially ended, the firm approach towards anti-social behaviour has not.