

ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour)

75 ASB referrals in April 2026
 124 ASB referrals in April 2025



119 ASB incidents in April 2026.
 Number of incidents has decreased by **8%** from April 2025.

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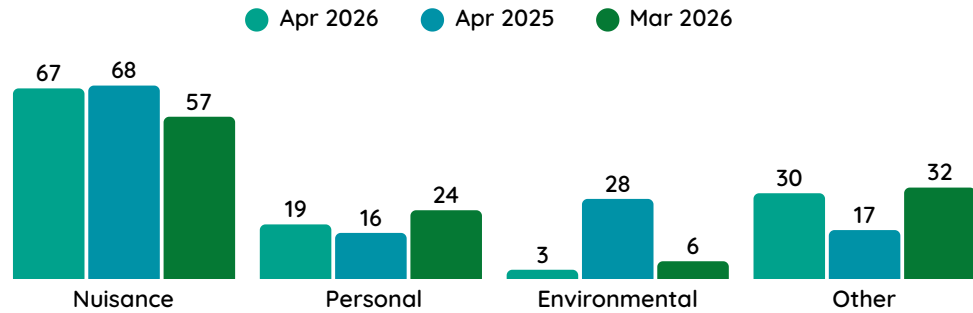
Incidents in April 2026

119 Mar 2026

Figures remain the same as March 2026

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Incidents in April 2025



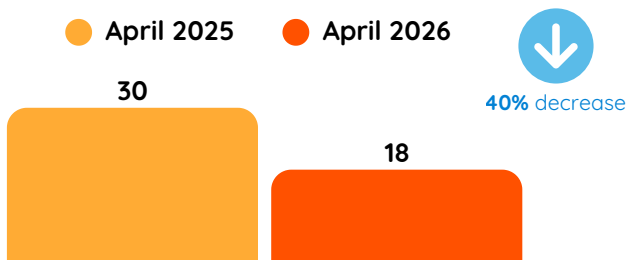
In April, the Community Safety Team launched the **Allotment Watch** scheme at New Beggarswell Allotments. The event was supported by the Vale of Glamorgan Council's Enforcement Team and Allotment Team, South Wales Police Neighbourhood Policing Team, and the Local Nature Partnership.

We were pleased to see strong engagement, with **54** allotment holders signing up to the scheme at the launch.

The Community Safety Team will be visiting allotments across the Vale in the coming weeks, and posters have been displayed to promote these events. If you would like further information or would like to register for Allotment Watch, please email CommunitySafety@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

MARAC (Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference)

The weekly MARAC involves all key partners and stakeholders working together to create an action plan for Domestic Violence victims and their families. Where the MARAC threshold is not met, cases will still be supported through tailored multi-agency interventions.

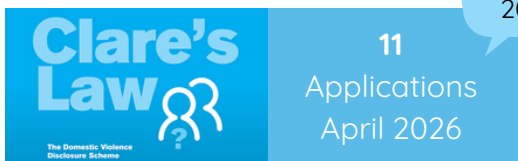


MARAC Cases: April 2025 compared to April 2026



Are you a victim of Domestic Abuse or worried about someone else?

Contact: Vale Domestic Abuse Services
 01446 744755



18 Apr 2025

How to Submit a Clare's Law Application

- By calling 101 & asking to make a DVDS Application
- By attending your Local Police Station & asking to make a DVDS Application
- Online www.police.uk & search 'Request Clare's Law'

Target Hardening

Target Hardening is where we install extra security - CCTV, burglar alarms, new door or window locks - to help domestic abuse victim's stay safely in their home.

6 Target Hardening referrals in April 2026

8 Target Hardening referrals in April 2025



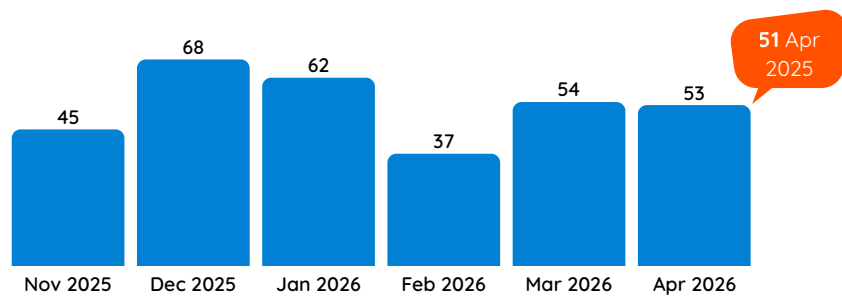
25% decrease

CCTV
In April, CCTV recorded **53** incidents across the Vale of Glamorgan.



The CCTV cameras are assisting Police and the Local Authority with their investigations, the highest incidents were;

- Public Order and ASB
- Safeguarding and Welfare
- Vehicle Crime

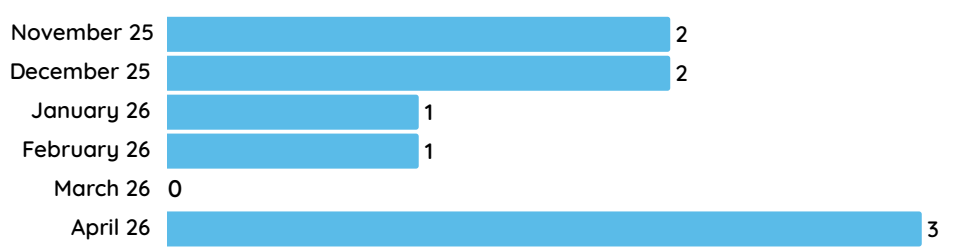


The Vale of Glamorgan Council entered a partnership with Cardiff Council and South Wales Police to maximise the effectiveness of CCTV monitoring across the region. The CCTV cameras are monitored 24/7 in Cardiff Council by CCTV trained operators.

Community Cohesion

Community Cohesion involves working with statutory agencies, third sector and communities to assist in making the Vale a Safer Place to live and to reduce the fear of crime. As part of the role, tensions within the community are monitored.

Community Tensions



The referrals were discussed with local police and partners within the monthly problem solving group meeting.

Community Engagement



The Community Safety Cohesion Officer was invited to attend the Senedd to mark **Kiran Cymru's 10 year Anniversary** alongside the launch of The Wales South Asian Pride Awards. Kiran Cymru is a non-political, non-religious grassroots community organisation open to everyone.



Dementia Friendly Barry join the Vale Cohesion Group in April. Dementia Friendly Barry is made up of organisations that support people living with dementia, organisations that support carers, and those involved with day centres and memory cafés, as well as people with lived experience.

To achieve their aims, they attend and host events that are open to the public. May includes Dementia Action Week (18th–24th May), and on 20th May 2026, from 11am–3pm, they will be holding Turning Barry Blue, an information-sharing event at Barry Library.

Further information about Dementia Friendly Barry and their events can be found on their Facebook page.

Dementia Friendly Barry

Social Media Engagement

Follow us on social media for updates on Community Safety and upcoming engagement events.

Facebook
VoG Community Safety
85 Posts April 2026
108 Posts April 2025

Instagram
@VoGCommunitySafety
84 Posts April 2026
108 Posts April 2025

458 Interactions across both platforms

A Closer Look

Year in Review April 2025 to March 2026

COMMUNITY SAFETY



95
properties were
Target Hardened.



26
establishments
committed to Ask for
Angela Scheme.



254
cases discussed
at MARAC.



49
tension
monitoring
referrals
received.



94
events across the
Vale, the team
attended.



172
businesses signed
up to Business
Watch.



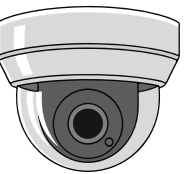
1486
ASB incidents
were
reported.



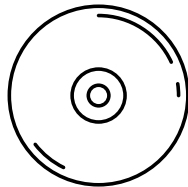
33
door knocks were
conducted in
response to
reports.



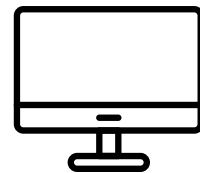
252
Patrols were undertaken.



684
incidents were
captured via CCTV.



132
incidents of
footage were
released.



97
CCTV cameras
across the Vale
were monitored
24/7.



1430
Facebook posts
were shared.



2002
Instagram posts
were shared.



3221
Interactions across
both platforms.



858
staff within the local
authority were trained in Ask
& Act.



Every success this year was driven by our collective effort and determination.

A Closer Look



Hourglass
Safer ageing · Stopping abuse

Hourglass is the UK's only charity dedicated exclusively to preventing and addressing elder abuse, offering support, advocacy, and a 24/7 helpline for older people and those concerned about them.

One in six older people are victims of abuse. That's over **16%** of our mothers, fathers, uncles, aunts, grannies, grandads, friends and neighbours.

Abuse in Later Life

Abuse in later life can take many forms — and often hides behind care, duty or love.

- Emotional and psychological abuse** – belittling, controlling, isolation
- Financial abuse** – stealing money, coercing into loans or changes to wills.
- Physical abuse** – hitting, rough handling, neglect in care
- Sexual abuse** – unwanted contact or violation
- Neglect** – withholding food, medication, or care and using care as a means of control.

As we get older, our circles grow — children, grandchildren, neighbours, carers.

More people to love us...
but also more people who could control us.

Abuse in later life often hides in caring relationships.

It's not always physical violence —
it's dependency, loyalty, fear, love and control all mixed together

Hourglass Services

- **24/7 Helpline** - offering free, confidential information, advice and emotional support.
- **Advocacy and Casework** – IDVA, ISVA and OPVA support for older victim-survivors.
- **Training & Awareness** – helping professionals recognise and respond to abuse in later life .
- **Campaigning & Policy Work** – pushing for change to make safer ageing a reality – OATH campaign (Older Age Tomorrow's Hope)



Hourglass confidential services provide information and support to an older person or anyone concerned about an older person who is at risk of, experiencing or recovering from any form of abuse or neglect.

Call: 0808 808 8141 (24/7 Helpline)

Email: helpline@wearehourglass.org

Text: 07860052906