


# Community Safety February 2026 Data Report

## ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour)

 **74** ASB referrals in February 2026  
 **92** ASB referrals in February 2025 **20%** decrease



 **89** ASB incidents in February 2026.  
 Number of incidents has decreased by **21%** from February 2025.

**89**  
Incidents in Feb 2026

77 Jan 2026



**113**  
Incidents in Feb 2025

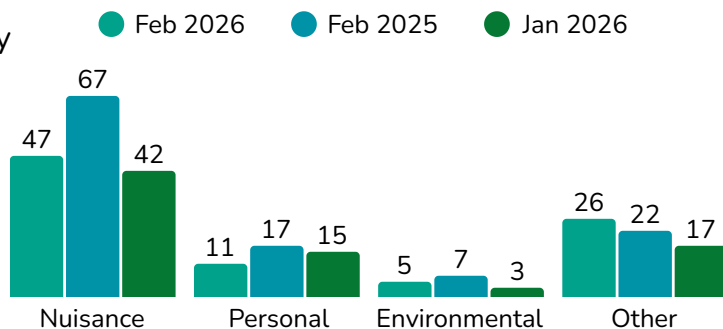
16% increase from Jan 2026

Business Watch continues to grow, with **151** businesses now signed up and working effectively with the Community Safety Officer.

A prolific shoplifter breached his Criminal Behaviour Order on the day of his prison release by entering Holton Road and stealing from several shops. Thanks to quick reporting from Business Watch members, he was arrested and returned to prison.

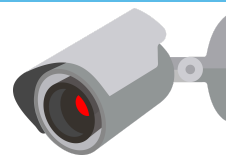


The Community Safety Officer also supported a homeless man who was not engaging with services, arranging his return to his home town and ensuring local services were prepared for his arrival.



## CCTV

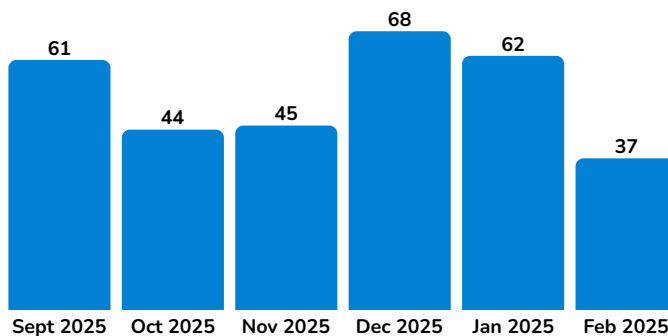
During February **37** Incidents within the Vale of Glamorgan were captured on CCTV.



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

- Concern for Welfare
- Aggressive / Violent Behaviour
- Vehicle Incident
- Drug Dealing
- Robbery



31% decrease from Feb 25

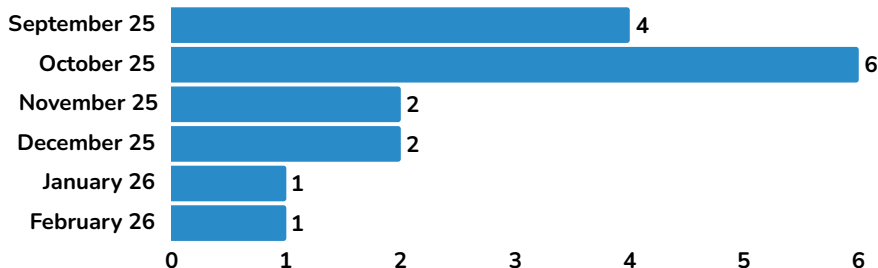
The Vale of Glamorgan Council entered a partnership with Cardiff Council and South Wales Police to maximise the effectiveness of CCTV monitoring across the region. The CCTV cameras are monitored 24/7 in Cardiff Council by CCTV trained operators.

## 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 Team, Cohesion Officer along with PCSO's from Barry Neighbourhood Policing Team and Vale Domestic Abuse Services attended the women's coffee morning at Barry Mosque.



The session provided a warm and welcoming opportunity to share important advice on community safety, including how to report concerns and access support when needed. Attendees also received information about the services and guidance available through Vale Domestic Abuse Services, helping to raise awareness of the support pathways within the local area.

Alongside these meaningful conversations, everyone enjoyed a relaxed morning with hot coffee and creative crafts, helping to build connections and strengthen relationships within the community.

## 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.



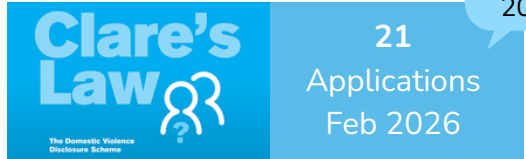
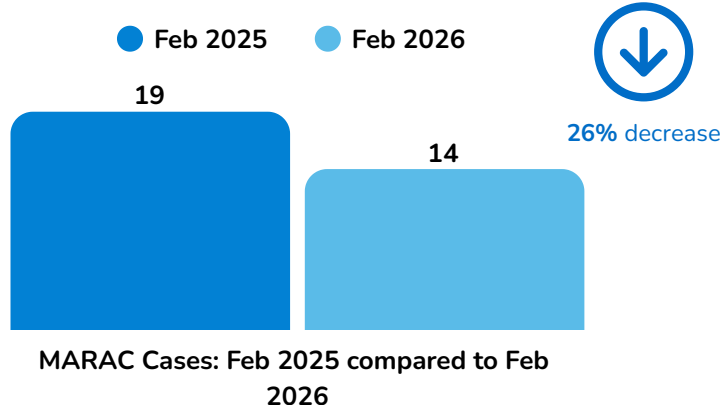
14% of cases involved a Female Perpetrator.



64% of cases discussed involved Ex-Partners while 21% involved current Partners.



21% of cases involved the victim being over 60 years old.



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### 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](http://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.



5 Target Hardening referrals in February 2026  
6 Target Hardening referrals in February 2025



## Social Media Engagement

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



Facebook  
VoG Community Safety  
87 Posts Feb 2026  
112 Posts Feb 2025



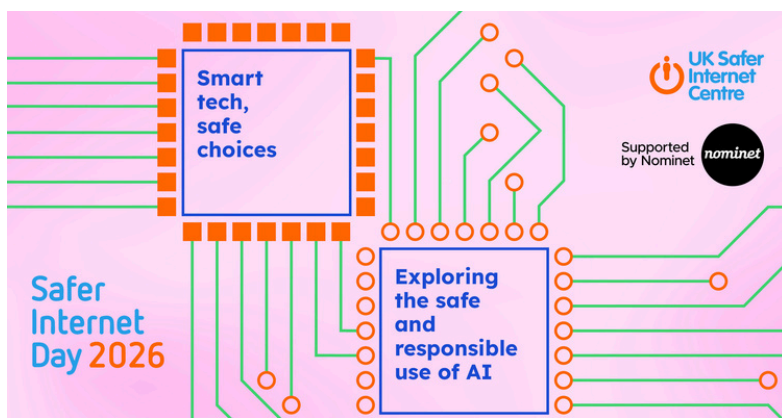
Instagram  
@VoGCommunitySafety  
87 Posts Feb 2026  
110 Posts Feb 2025



314 Interactions across both platforms



Safer Internet Day took place on the 10<sup>th</sup> February with celebrations and learning based around the theme 'Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI'.



**AI technology is increasingly part of all our lives, so this Safer Internet Day we are starting a conversation about how to use it safely and responsibly.**

AI features are becoming part of many everyday apps and devices — from search results and voice assistants to photo tools. Keep an eye out for notices that tell you when AI is being used or when something has been created with AI. Help your child learn to spot these too. While AI can make tasks easier, it may also collect information about you and your family or provide inaccurate answers, so it's important to use it thoughtfully and safely.

Using technology safely — including AI — means thinking about how it affects you and the people around you. Consider questions like: How does using this technology make you feel? Are you being kind and respectful to others online? Is the technology helping you learn, grow, or build useful skills? How might your choices today influence your life in the future? Take time to reflect on these questions for both your own online behaviour and that of your family.

Like any technology, AI comes with certain risks. Some AI tools such as ChatGPT include built-in reporting options so you can flag inappropriate or harmful content. Many social media platforms also allow you to report posts or images that you believe have been created using AI.

It's important to remember that AI-generated content can still break the law. If you ever come across illegal images showing child sexual abuse (including those created using AI), report them to the [www.iwf.org.uk](http://www.iwf.org.uk) as well as on the platform where they appear. If someone creates an AI-generated image of you or your child, you can report it directly on the platform too. Nude AI-generated images can also be reported to Stop NCII (for adults) or to Report Remove/Take It Down (for anyone under 18).