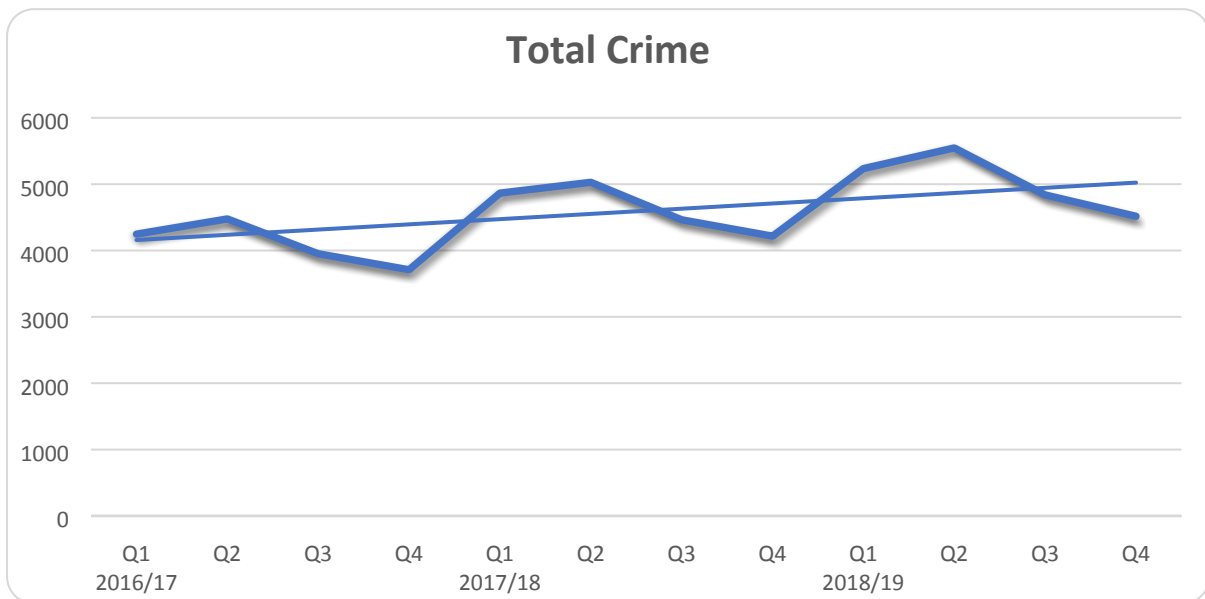
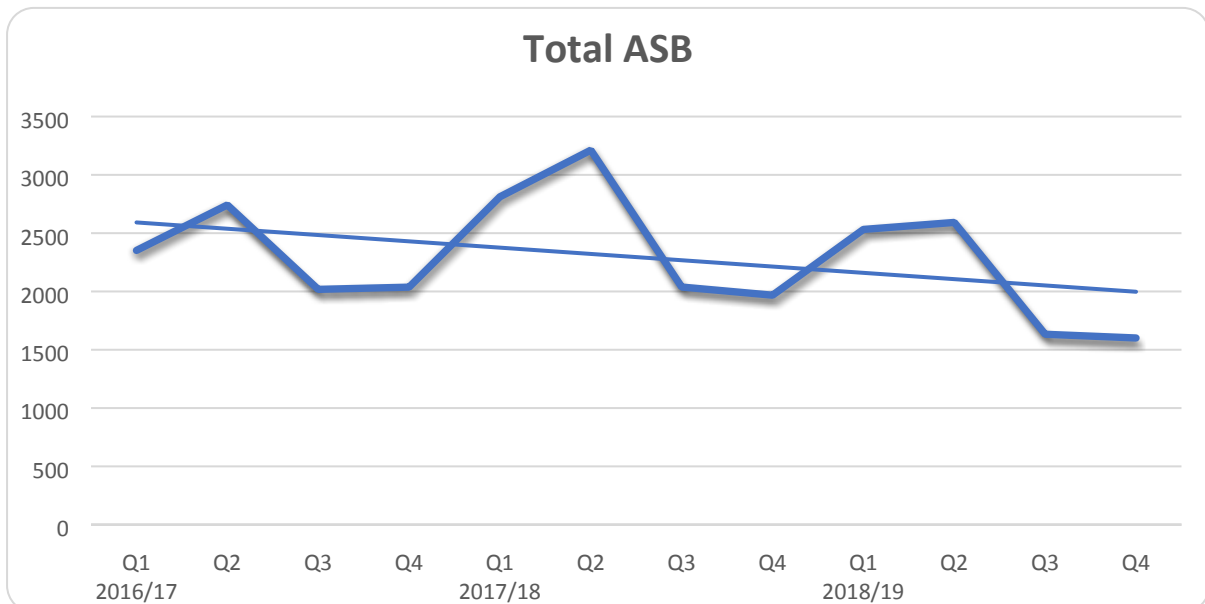


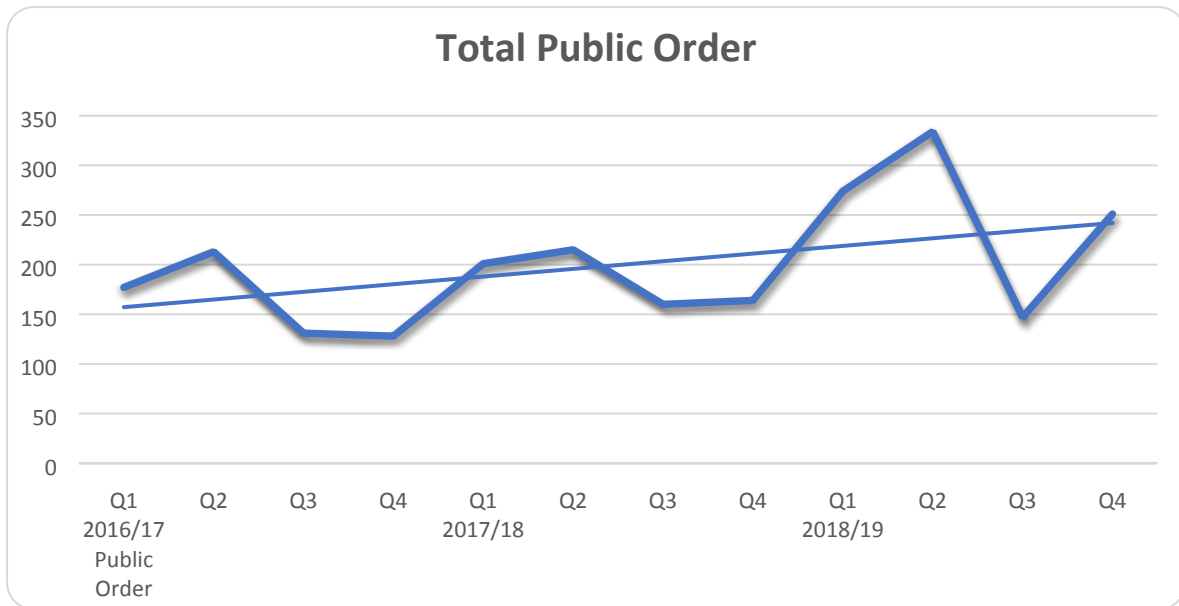
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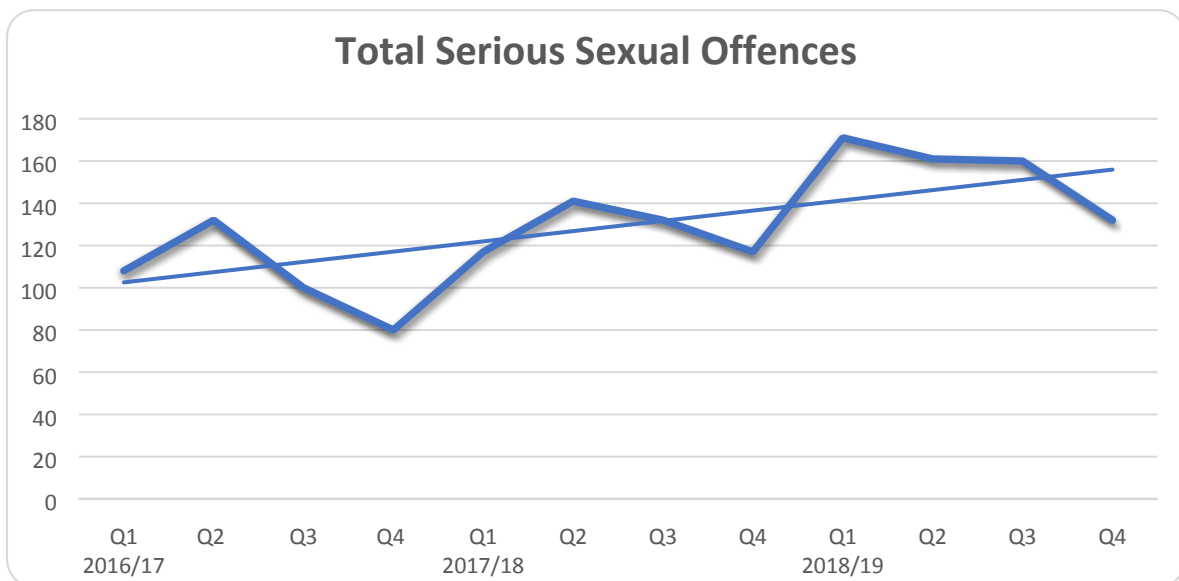
In line with national trends total crime has increased in Dorset over the past 3 years. It is believed this is largely due to changes in recording practices where many more incidents are now being recorded as crimes.



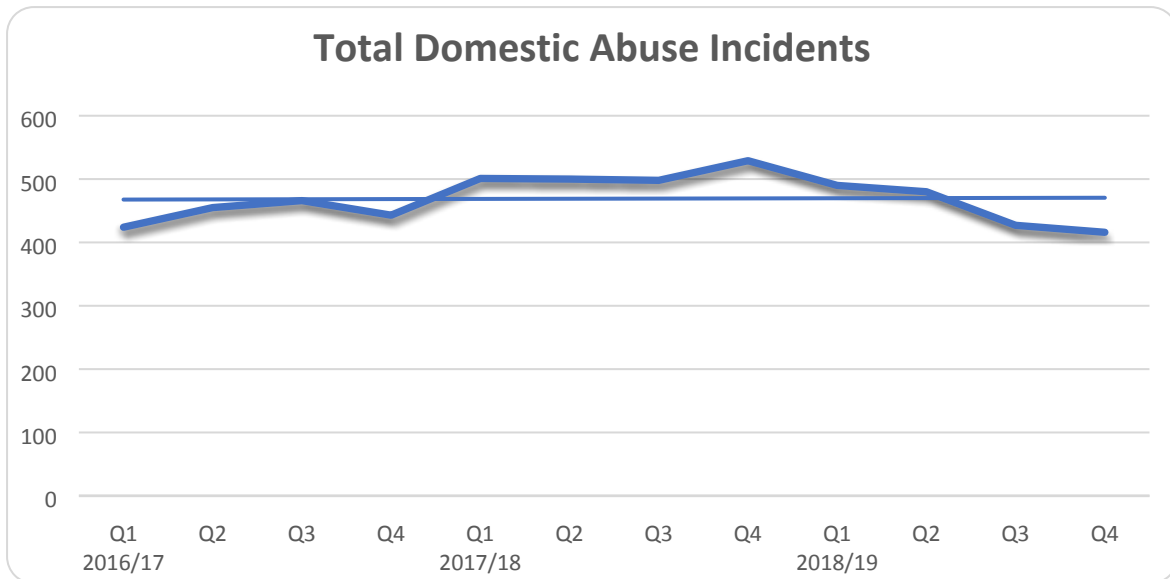
Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) in Dorset has steadily declined over the past 3 years. Although some ASB incidents are now being recorded as Public Order offences, there has still been an overall decrease.



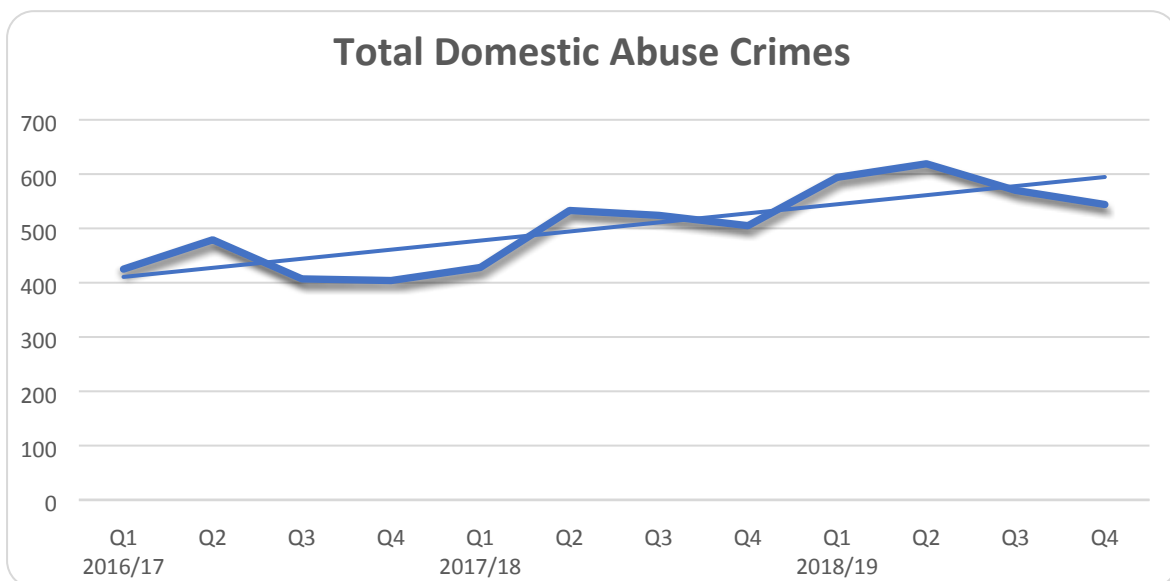
The number of Public Order offences are low across Dorset though numbers have increased slightly due to some ASB incidents now being recorded in this category.



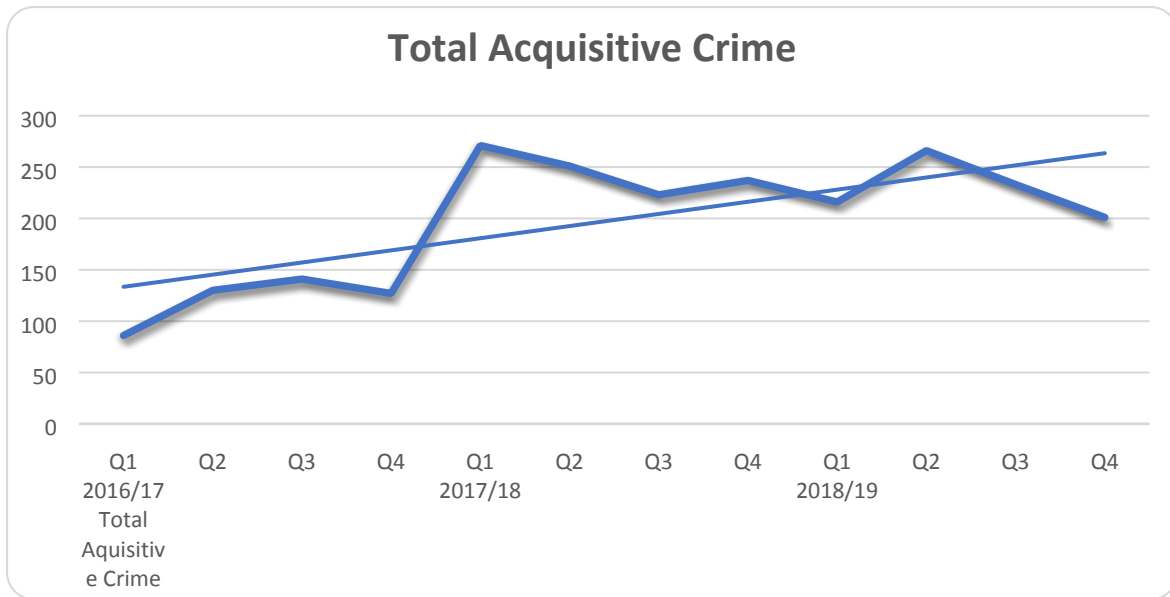
Total Serious Sexual Offences have increased significantly over the last 3 years. It is believed that the increase is mainly due to awareness raising of issues and increased confidence of victims to report incidents as well as changes to recording practices.



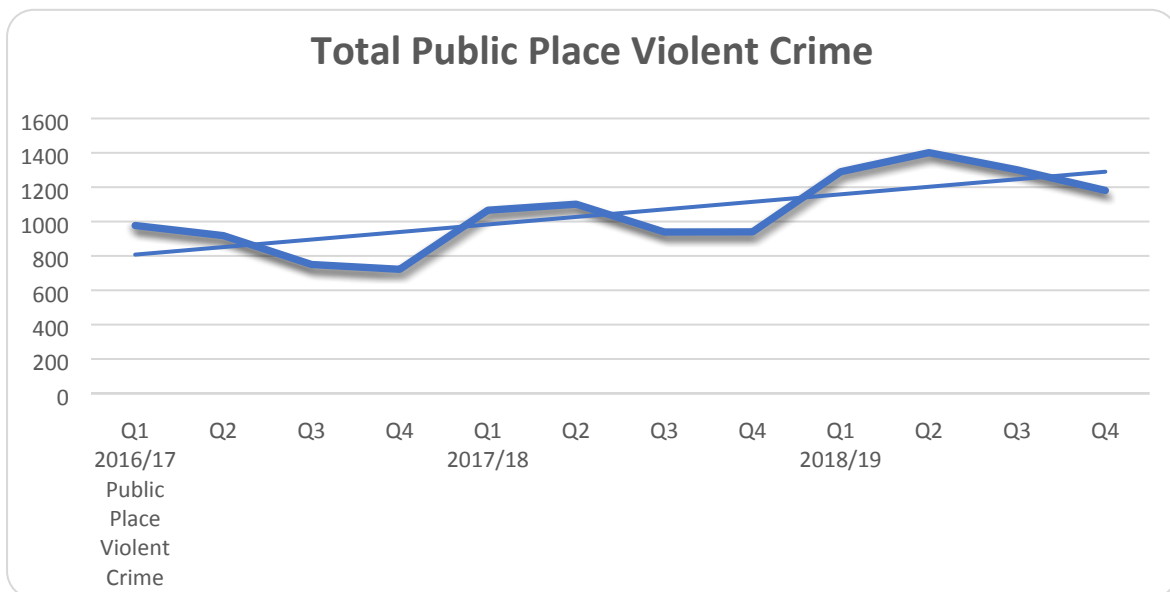
Domestic Abuse Incidents have remained relatively static over the past 3 years but have recently seen a decrease. The decrease could, in part, be due to more Incidents being recorded as crimes.



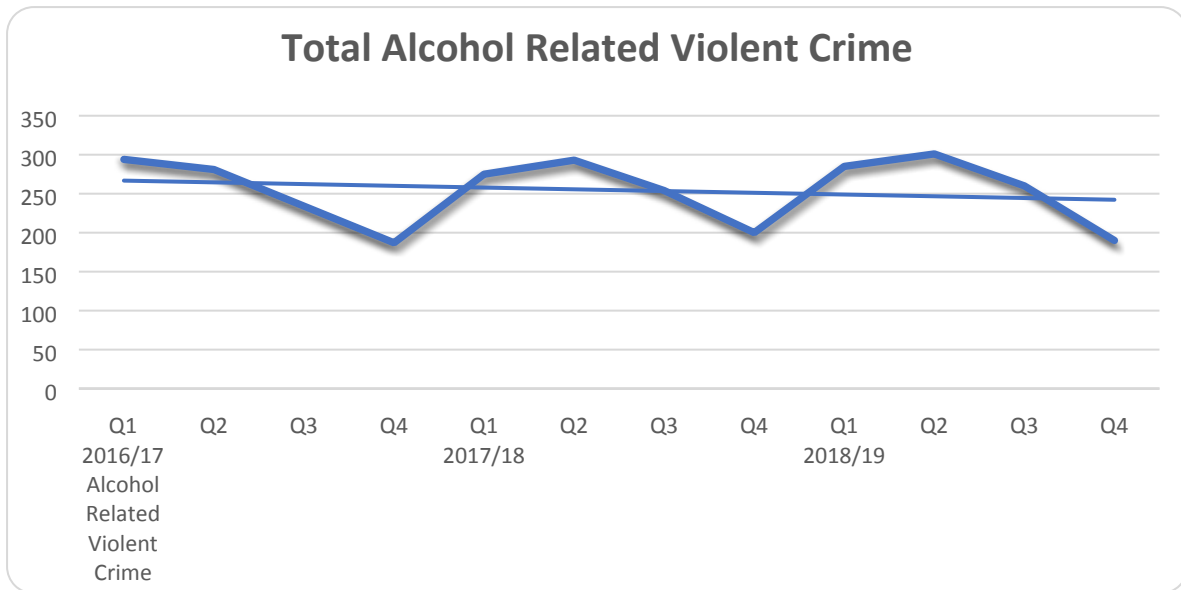
Domestic Abuse Crimes across Dorset have increased steadily over the last 3 years. Changes in recording practices along with increased awareness and confidence to report incidents will have impacted on the increase.



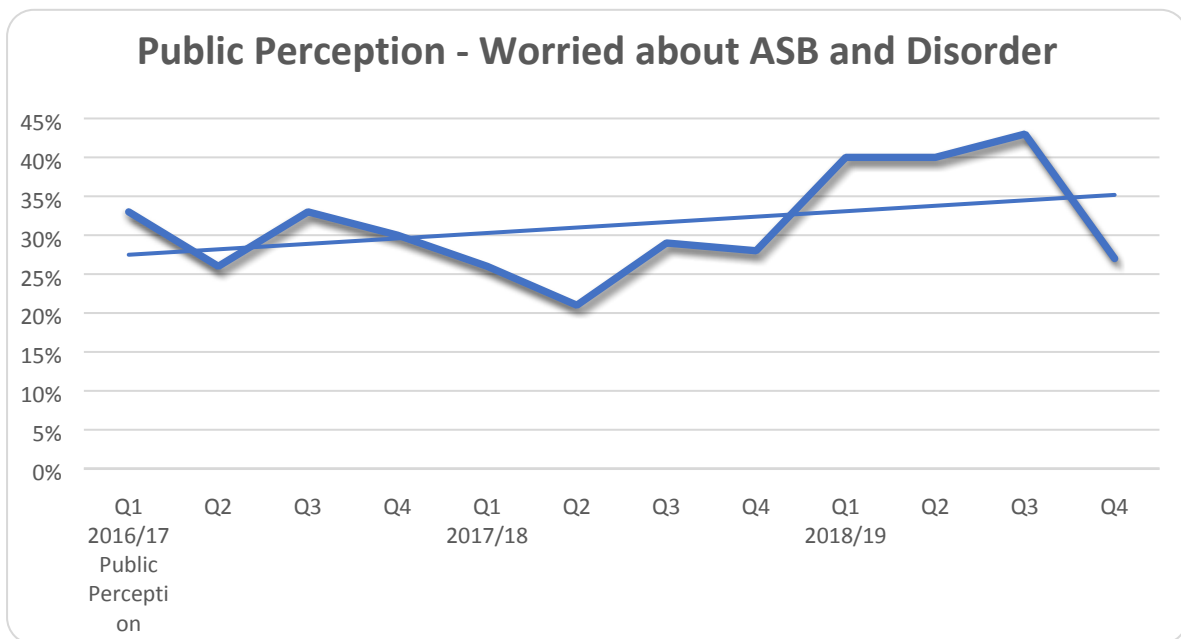
Acquisitive Crime (Robbery and Residential Burglary) has increased overall since 2016 but has been decreasing steadily since 2018. This is also reflected in the most recent figures for quarter 1 of 2019/20 (not included) which show the lowest number of acquisitive crimes recorded since 2016.



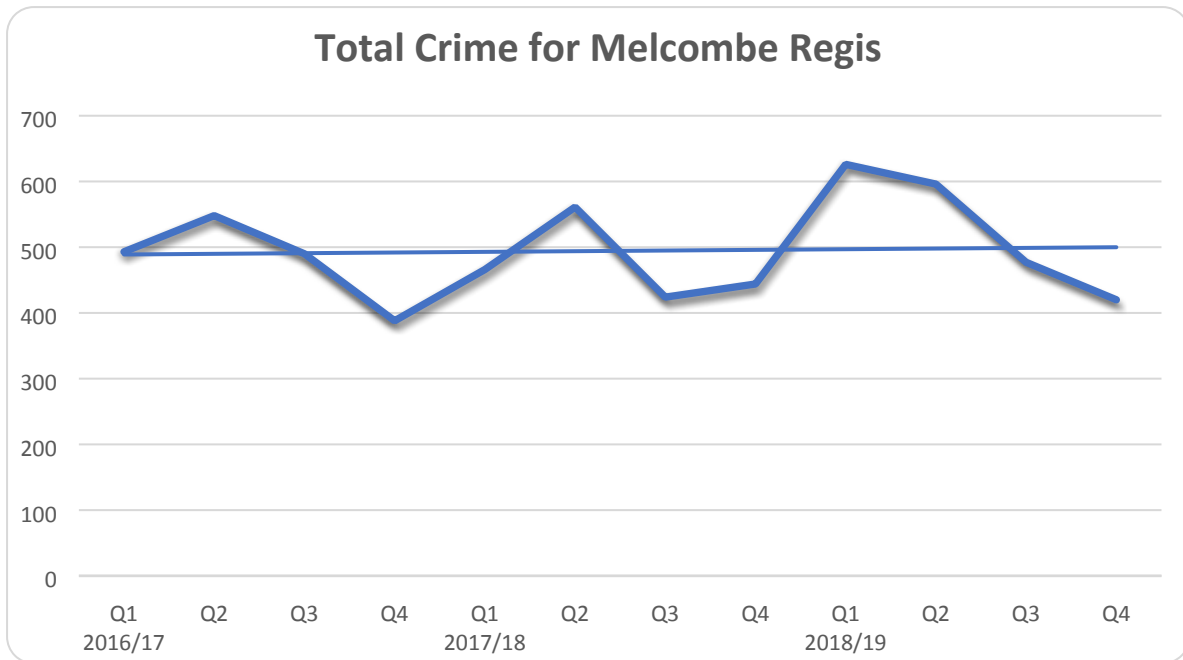
There has been an increase in Public Place Violent Crime over the last 3 years. Public Place Violent Crime rises and falls with the seasons and the influx of holiday makers and tourists during the busy summer periods.



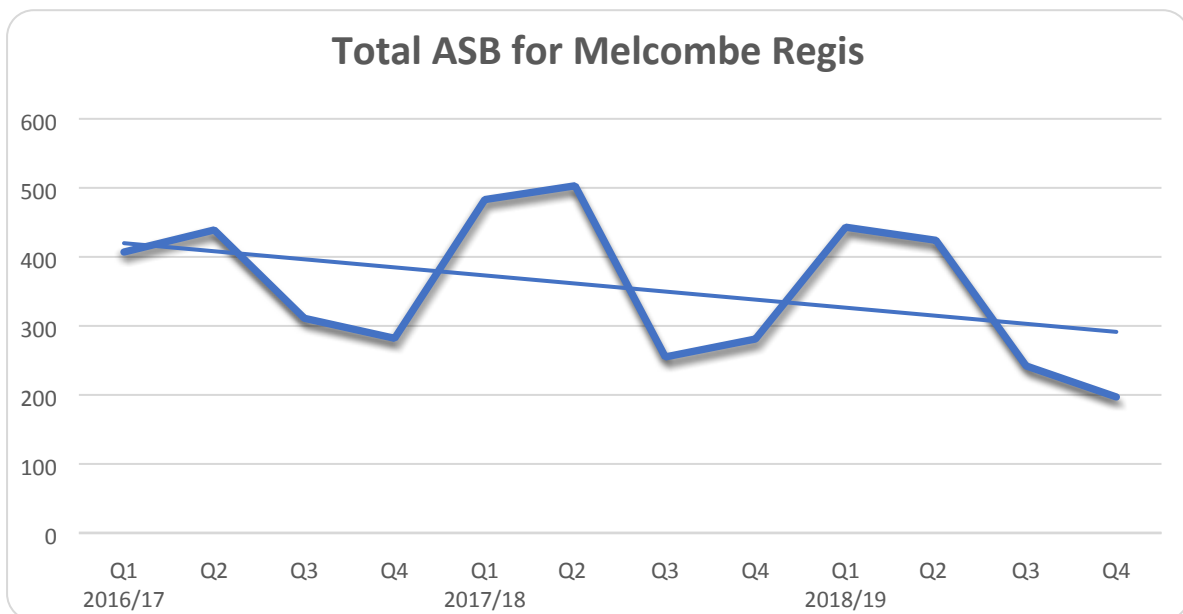
As with Public Place Violent Crime, Alcohol Related Violent Crime also rises and falls with the seasons and the influx of holiday makers and tourists during the busy summer periods. There has, though, been an overall decrease in Alcohol Related Violent Crime over the last 3 years.



There has been a small increase in the percentage of residents worried about ASB and Disorder since 2016.



Total Crime in Melcombe Regis has remained steady across the last 3 years. There is a trend across the busy summer season of high peaks in total crime for an area that includes the seafront.



Overall ASB for Melcombe Regis has seen a steady decline in the last 3 years. Although recording practices (where some incidents are now recorded as Public Order offences) will have had an impact on this, it does not account for the total drop in ASB.