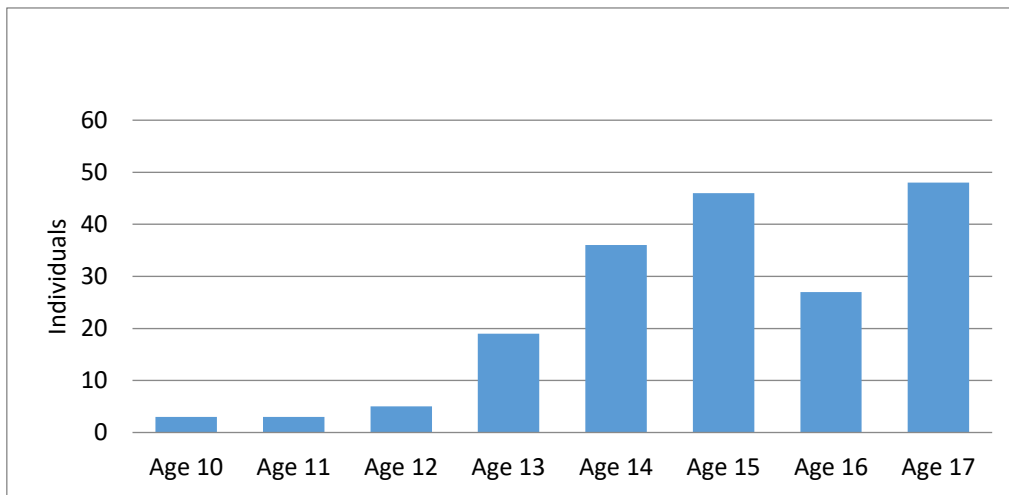


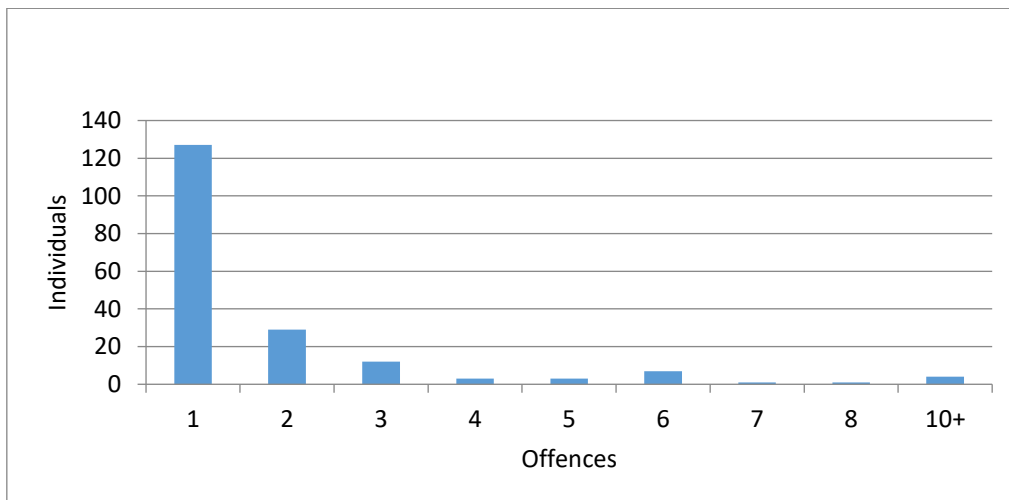
POLICE EARLY ACTION TEAM

In the period 2019 – 2020 there were 187 individuals formally referred to the Police Early Action Team (PEAT), of which 126 were male and 61 were female. These 187 individuals were responsible for 388 different offences.

Offenders by Age 2019 - 2020



Frequency of Offending 2019 - 2020

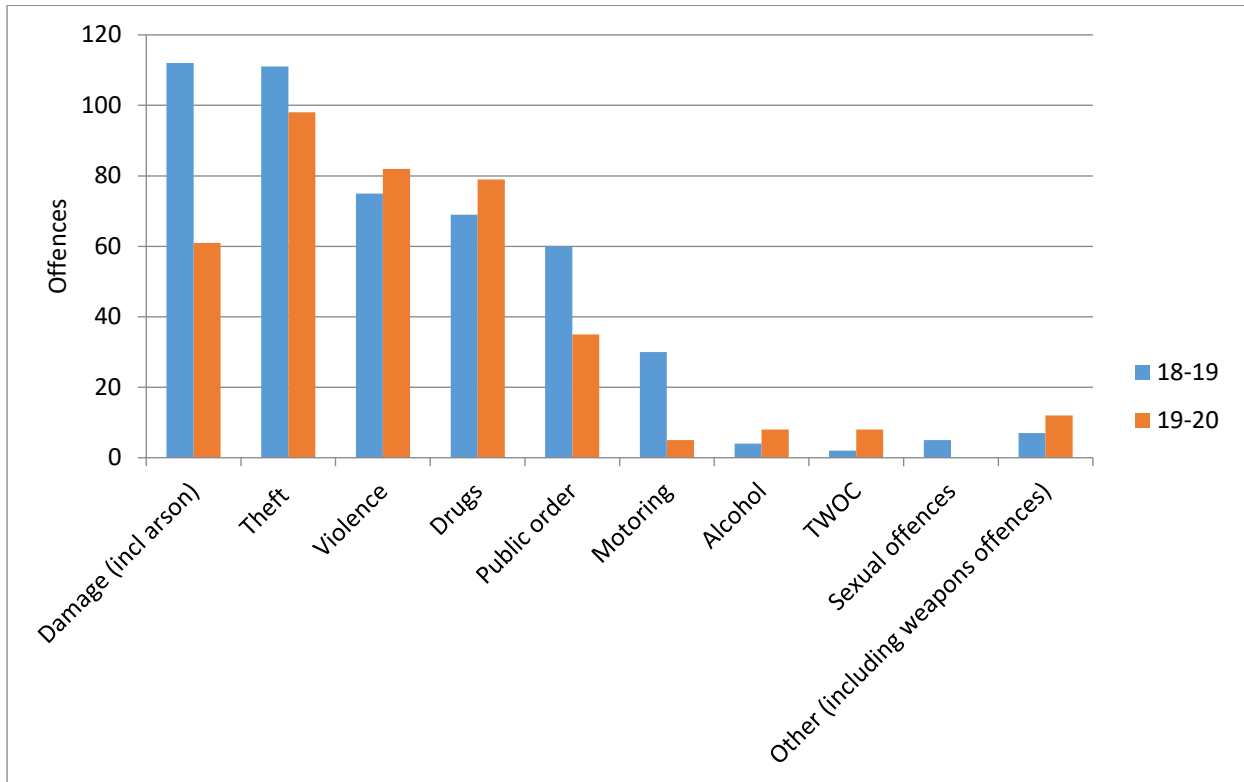


Looked after Children (LAC)

There are 11 PEAT offenders who were Looked After Children (LAC), 8 males and 3 females. This group were responsible for a total of 96 offences. This equates to 25% of all offences dealt with by PEAT for the period 2019-2020. The four most prolific PEAT offenders on the Island were all LAC, and they were responsible for 83 of these offences. It is noted that two of this group of four have spent short periods of time living at their home addresses during the time period.

The other seven LAC within the PEAT scheme were not prolific offenders.

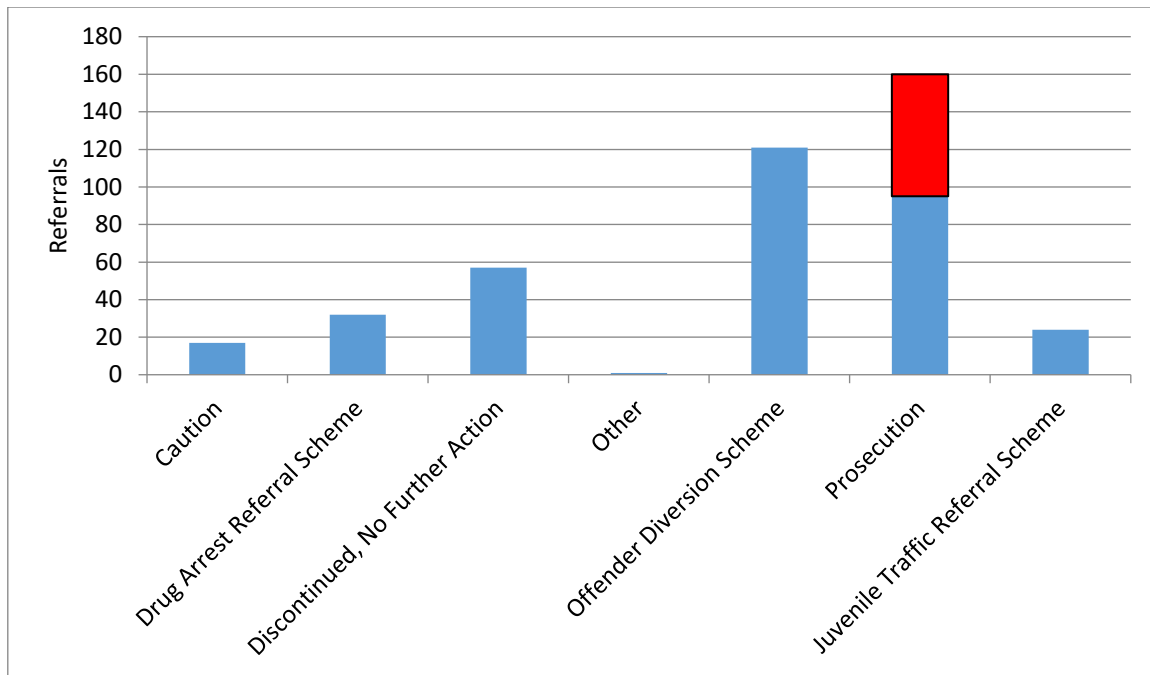
Types of Offending



There has been a 45% decrease in Criminal Damage PEAT offences. Over 50% of the theft offences were in order to gain alcohol. Of the violence referrals, 23 matters were assaults of Police Officers, up from a figure of 15 in 2018-19. Offences involving Weapons accounted for 8 of the matters listed as 'other'.

Referral Outcomes

Owing to the changes in processes it is not possible compare the referral outcomes to previous years. The outcomes for the year 2019-2020 are shown below:



As has been previously indicated figures are skewed by four prolific youth offenders, the majority of which resulted in prosecution (shown in red in chart above). In these cases all alternative interventions had been exceeded. Excluding these four individuals, there were 95 referrals resulting in Prosecution proceedings, but in the majority of cases the PEAT team engage with youth offenders by the Offender Diversion Scheme (ODS¹).

3rd Party Referrals

In addition to these referrals, PEAT managed further 25 children via 3rd party referrals. These are where children are coming to attention at school, in the family home or in the community for anti-social behaviour. In the majority of these cases we sought to give words of advice and education to children and parents, and re signpost to appropriate agencies for further support.

LINK²

There were 125 LINK-related referrals to PEAT for anti-social behaviour which is in line with the previous year's figure of 132.

¹ The Offender Diversion Scheme was born from the previous processes of reprimands and final warnings given to young people with the aim of preventing them from entering into a life of criminality.

² LINK is a progressive framework for interaction and engagement with children and young people who have been identified by the police as being on the periphery of criminal, anti-social and drink-related behaviour.