

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Nottinghamshire secured £750,000 from the Home Office's Safer Streets fund for a range of public safety projects in the City of Nottingham, with support from Nottinghamshire Police and Nottingham's Crime and Drug Partnership.

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner Caroline Henry said: "Safer Streets is having an impact in preventing neighbourhood crime and antisocial behaviour and violence against women and girls in Nottingham. We have listened to local people to address concerns and delivered tailored projects that make public spaces safer for all."

So far we have delivered:



Support for vulnerable women



Community

Days of Action



Consent campaign



Expansion of our Safe Spaces



Reel equality screening



Burglary prevention



Automatic number plate recognition cameras



Fencing to prevent crime

Find out more inside















Burglary Prevention

The funding has allowed burglary prevention officers to offer free security devices to burglary victims to prevent repeat offences. So far over 200 properties have benefited from either CCTV cameras, a video camera doorbell or both of the security devices.

A hospital worker who was left anxious and afraid after an attempted break-in says she finally feels safe in her home again after receiving free Safer Streets security upgrades. Louise Elvin (pictured left) was at her Top Valley home watching TV with her husband when a suspicious man walked down their garden path and tried their door handle. Luckily her husband saw what was happening and chased the man off before he could get into the property - but the incident just over two years ago left Louise nervous that it could happen again.

The 58-year-old has now had a Ring video doorbell and window alarms fitted and is due to receive motion sensor lighting, CCTV, and a security bolt on her back gate, making her feeling safer in her own home.

ANPR Cameras

There is now a total of seven automatic number plate recognition cameras that have been installed across the city following funding.

The cameras are fitted on roadsides so that they can automatically read the number plates of any passing cars and alert the police if they have any motoring offences, or intelligence markers about criminal activity linked to that car. They can also tell if a vehicle is untaxed or uninsured.



Safe Space Pledge

A mobile "Safe Space" is helping ensure more women and girls can feel safe on a night out in Nottingham.

The innovative scheme involves a Nottingham City Council Community Protection van regularly parking on Derby Road, one of the city's busiest roads, during the night-time economy, to offer a haven of safety for anyone in distress.

It builds on the success of the city's Safe Space Pledge – developed by Nottingham Business

Improvement District and the Consent Coalition - which enlists the support of Nottingham venues to commit to eight clear actions to help keep women and girls safe in their premises.

The van brings the campaign to the city's streets and has been wrapped in the Safe Space livery to make it clearly identifiable. It is staffed by Community Protection officers to give a reassuring presence.

Two fire engines have also been wrapped in the Safe Space branding to help spread the message and Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Fire Service said firefighters were often in the city centre at night and were always on hand to help vulnerable people.



Action at ASB hotspot

A new two-metre high metal fence has been built in the Top Valley area to tackle antisocial behaviour as part of the Safer Streets scheme.

More than £18,000 has been spent on erecting the fence at the plantation site off Thompson Gardens after suspects on off-road bikes often used the land to ride through to evade police.

Consent Campaign

The Night Time A-Z of Consent campaign – emblazoned on trams and buses, posters and social media - is aimed at preventing sexual violence by sparking conversations and encouraging everyone to stand up and call out inappropriate and unlawful behaviour.

It features a series of different thoughtprovoking messages, all starting with a

different letter of the alphabet, and each referring to sexual consent.

The campaign, developed by the Consent Coalition, builds on the award-winning A-Z of Consent campaign launched in Nottingham last year. Working with partner agencies at Nottingham City Council, Nottingham Express Transit and Nottingham City Transport,

the new campaign was launched in May 2023.

A tram and a bus wrapped completely in the Night Time A-Z designs were unveiled at Nottingham Express Transit's Wilkinson Street depot.





Day of action



Discarded weapons were recovered and safely disposed of by police following a sweep with a metal detector during a multiagency day of action.

Police, firefighters and council environmental officers teamed up for the Safer Streets activity in the Bestwood and Top Valley area on Wednesday 19 April, which was aimed at making residents feel safer.

Nottinghamshire Police's Neighbourhood Policing Team for Bestwood and Top Valley carried out the weapons sweep, as well as high-visibility patrols on an electric bicycle and handing out leaflets to make people aware of Street Safe – an online portal where people can report areas where they don't feel safe so that action can be taken.

Firefighters from Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service supported the event by giving free fire safety advice to local residents and offering 'safe and well' visits. Nottingham City Council made it a clean sweep by litter picking, grass cutting and making public spaces feel cleaner, tidier and safer.

Supporting vulnerable women

A Nottingham-based organisation has been given funding to help its work supporting vulnerable women in the sex worker community.

POW Nottingham is a charity based in Radford which offers a range of help and advice to those working within the sex industry, supporting online and off-street workers, students, under 25s and LGBTQ+ workers.



They work with hard-to-reach people who are vulnerable through issues including drug dependency, coercion and exploitation. Safer Streets is supporting POW through funding the outreach work of two members of staff to prevent them coming to harm.

equal relationships, free from abuse

Reel Equality Screening

Safer Streets funded the 'Reel Equality' screening of the film 'Promising Young Woman'. The story highlights the lasting damage sexual violence can have on young women.

This was a free event for students to attend and a 'pay what you can' for members of the public. Equation's award-winning Reel Equality Film Club shows great movies that tell women-centred stories and challenge gender stereotypes.

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Community and youth projects



Radford and Park



Hyson Green and Arboretum



Top Valley and Bestwood







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Look out for a survey on your feelings of safety following Safer Streets – coming soon online and door-to-door.