

City Centre Night Time Economy Challenges

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Manchester Licensing Team

- Manchester Night-time economy – £100 million
- 2000 premises licences (5th nationally behind Cornwall, Westminster, Birmingham and Leeds) and 3rd highest within the core cities.
- Third highest number of new applications nationally and within core cities second only to Birmingham.
- Greatest number of new applications refused, and second highest surrendered licences (core cities)
- Highest number of Committee hearings nationally

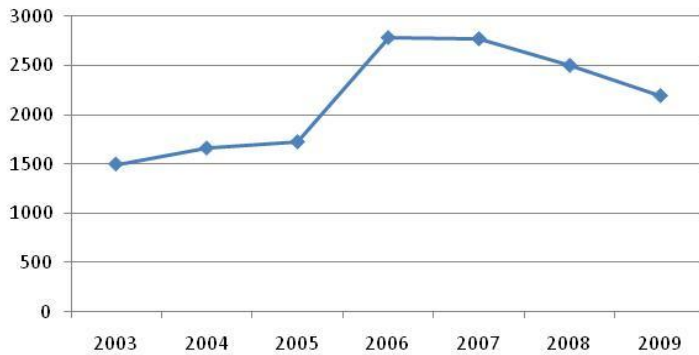
Some challenges we face as a Partnership

- Manchester's population has increased by 20% in the past decade. 50,000 people visit areas such as the Printworks each weekend.
- Manchester welcomes 80,000 students each year
- Crime and ASB (Alcohol influencing factor 30% of SVC and 49% of all Domestic Assaults involving injury)
- Reduced resources and funding

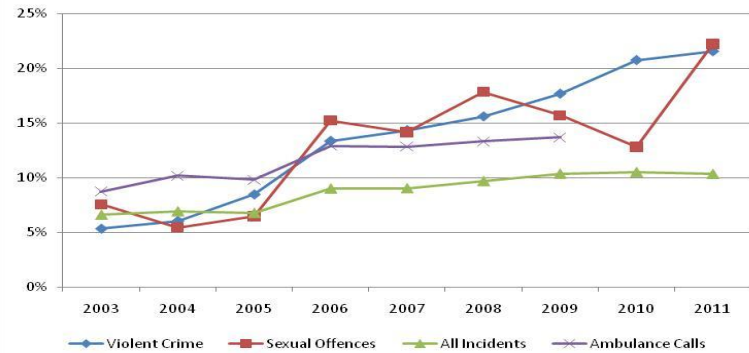


Some Implications for later demand

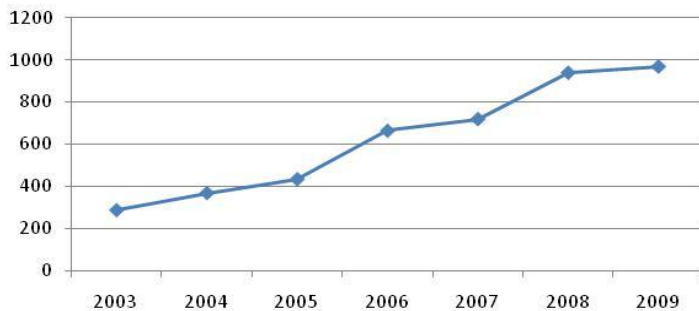
City Centre All Ambulance calls, 2003 - 2009



City Centre, Percentage of incidents between 0300hrs and 0600hrs, 2003 - 2011



City Centre Overdose / Poisoning (Injection) - Ambulance calls, 2003 - 2009



Some challenges we face as a Partnership

- 'Pre-loading' by young people

- Safeguarding

- Dealing with Criminality

- Supporting the Night Time Economy through austerity



Displacement to Suburban Areas

- Bolton saw a remarkable Increase in reports of Organised Crime Group activity
- Increases in inappropriate promotions
- Inappropriate levels of violence used by some door staff
- Many examples of drunken people being served drinks
- Numerous examples of underage drinking
- Many examples of dangerous taxi manoeuvring and parking

Bolton Pub Watch Scheme Experience

2013 Jan to Dec - Friday and Saturday nights 9pm to 7am in town centre:

976 reported incidents to police (average of 10 incidents per night).

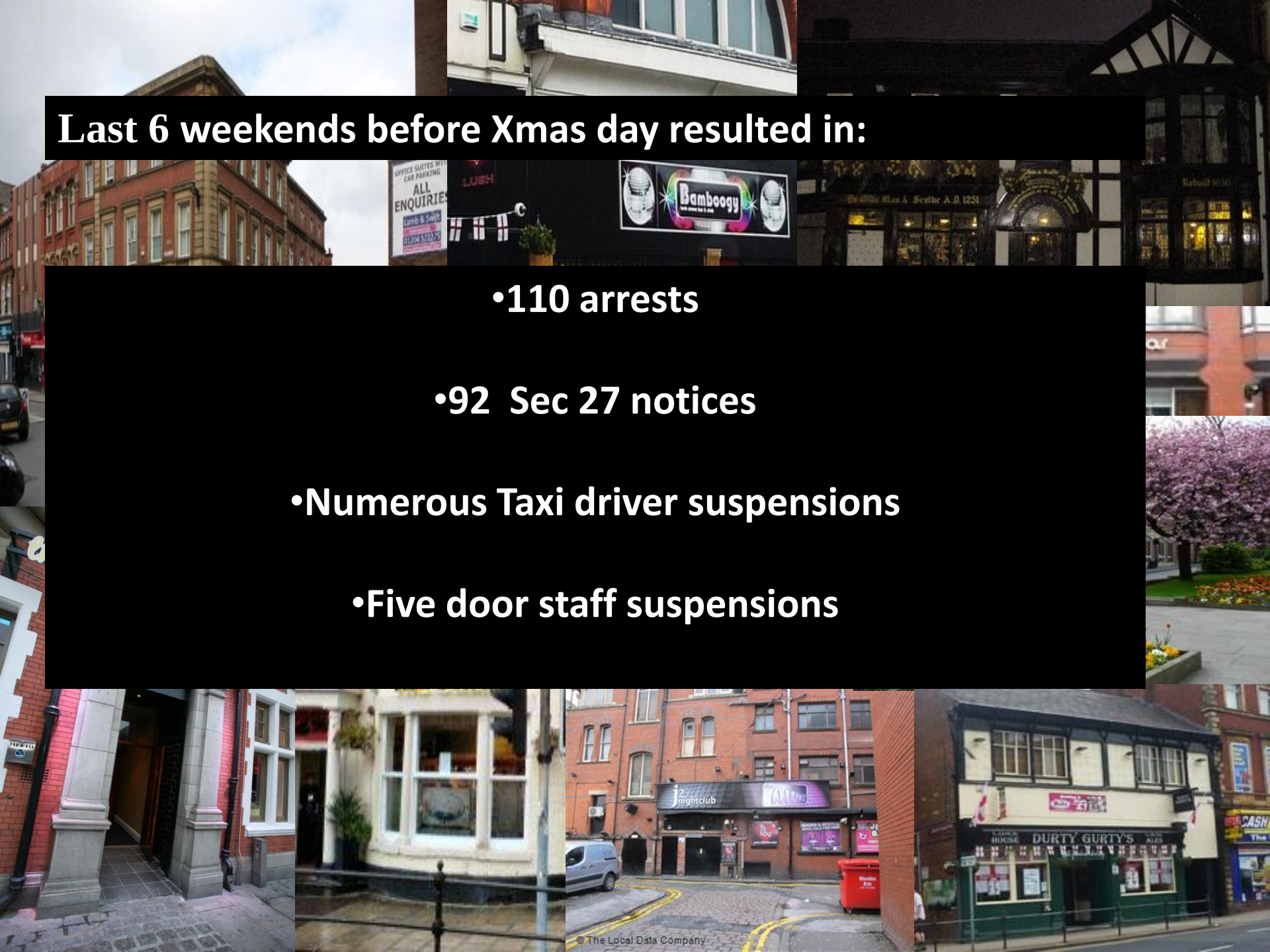
469 reported crimes (average of 5 crimes per night)

318 reported crimes of violence in town centre (average of 3 violent crimes per night).

15 serious sexual offences reported including 6 rapes within the Town Centre

17 police officers assaulted

80% of incidents in Town centre were alcohol related.



Last 6 weekends before Xmas day resulted in:

- 110 arrests
- 92 Sec 27 notices
- Numerous Taxi driver suspensions
- Five door staff suspensions

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Action Group Set Up By Pub Watch Involving Partners

- We increased police and Community safety resourcing on Friday and Saturday nights
- Inappropriate promotion enforcement
- Taxi enforcement operations – Turned away drunks
- High visibility licensed visits to premises
- Prosecutions, arrests and closures where appropriate

Intention:

Vibrant Night Time Economy



NOT A Violent Night Time Economy

Partnership Responses

- Night Time Levy / Early Morning Restriction Orders



- Reduce the strength campaign



- Alcohol Diversion Schemes



Partnership Responses

- Good Practice Schemes – Be Proud Awards



- Best Bar None Review



- Technology



Thank You