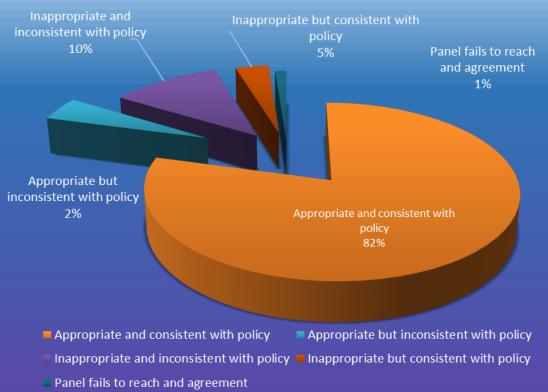
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During 2016/17
- 84% of the 88
cases audited
were deemed
as Appropriate
compared to
15% considered
Inappropriate

3-year Comparison of Findings 2014/15 to 2016/17







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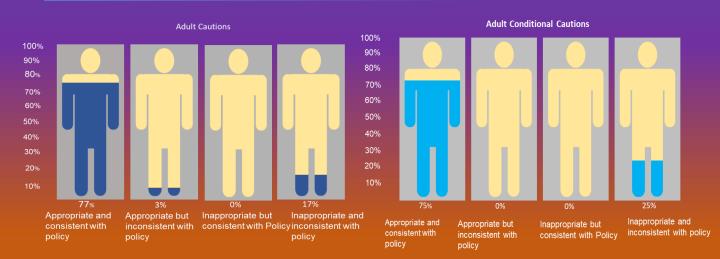
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Factors contributing to an Inappropriate disposal:-

- Cases not being submitted to CPS for Advice
- Unwillingness of the victim to support the proceedings being used to justify an Out of Court Disposal outcome
- Inappropriate use of disposals on offenders with previous offending history
- The severity of the offence and level of offending had not been taken into account at the point of disposal
- Some cases had not evidenced a clear rationale to support the decision making

Positive Outcomes achieved as a result of the Out of Court Disposal Panel:-

- Inappropriate and Inconsistent disposal associated with Domestic Abuse cases have been almost eliminated following panel feedback and changes to policy as a result of the OoCD Panel observations.
- The panel has ensured that 16 and 17 year old's who have committed a traffic offence that attracts a penalty point are prosecuted for those offences as opposed to receiving any form of Out of Court Disposal

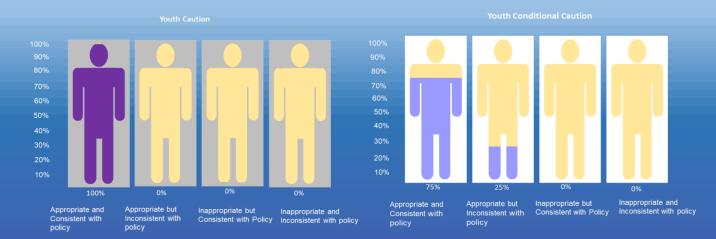




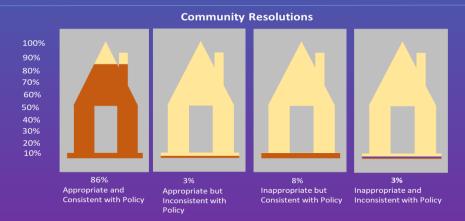


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Youth Cautions were considered to be more complaint with policy, greater effectiveness of decision-making and appropriate to the level of offending. In almost all of the cases, the outcomes were appropriate and tailored to the offending identified and victim's needs.



Recommendations:-

Greater utilisation of Community Remedy:

- That the Constabulary continues to build on the knowledge, understanding and awareness of the options available to officers through Community Remedy.
- Further consideration should be given to using 'Remedi' as part of a disposal option

Maximising referrals to perpetrator/victim intervention programmes:

 Moving forward Officers should be encouraged and provided with the necessary mechanisms to refer perpetrators/victims onto early intervention programmes aimed at reducing the likelihood of re-offending and/or reducing an escalation in offending behaviour and violence.

