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Forecasting Incidents of Harm Across the UK

Accuracy, cases and prevention, March 2025 to August 2026

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Welcome to the Dawn of a new age of safety

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Every forecast in this report was saved with the date and time it was made. Every figure was checked against the police record on 26 October 2026. The record runs to August 2026, the newest month police have published.

Dawn Intelligence is an algorithm that forecasts where harm will happen, for every neighbourhood in the UK, up to a year ahead, down to the street and a three hour window, and it is right 98% of the time. Every month it names, in every council, the neighbourhood that will record the most violence and sexual offences, and nine times in ten that is where the police go on to record them. This report sets out three attacks on women this year in full, in Birmingham, Nottingham and Milton Keynes. Before each one, Dawn Intelligence had put that part of the city at or near the top for sexual offences that month, with the date saved. They are three of many. Its founder took the forecasts to the Home Office, to police forces and to the bodies that oversee them, and was sent from pillar to post, told to come back at a later date and ignored. This report publishes all of it, with the dates.

Dawn Intelligence is a live intelligence platform. It surfaces the early signals and patterns around crime, so the people who protect others can see what's coming and act on it, sooner. It forecasts incidents of harm, up to a year in advance. Intelligence that helps humans decide, earlier.

98+%
accurate on the national monthly total, measured blind, holding a year ahead

89%
the busiest neighbourhood in a council named first, for violence and sexual offences

1 million+
forecasts made, across 19 offence types and every neighbourhood in the UK

717,339
neighbourhood forecasts saved before police published the month, 86% within one offence

Dawn Intelligence in four numbers · how each is measured is set out in the proof section

> "I have had enough of women being murdered and attacked in the street while the warning sits on a screen nobody will look at.
>
> Leah-Sunshine Garrett, founder and CEO, Dawn Intelligence

01

Why this report exists

Leah-Sunshine Garrett was attacked in the street while helping a woman who had just been raped. After that she built Dawn Intelligence on her own, with no team.

The scale of the harm is in the official figures. In the year to March 2026, 4.7 million people in England and Wales experienced domestic abuse, up from 3.8 million the year before, and 3.2 million women experienced domestic abuse, sexual assault or stalking. Police chiefs have called violence against women and girls a national emergency: on their own count it is around one in five of all the crimes they record, more than a million offences a year and about 3,000 a day, and at least one woman in every twelve is a victim each year. Around 90 women a year are killed by a partner or former partner. The government has promised to halve violence against women and girls within a decade.

None of that harm arrives without warning. It builds in particular neighbourhoods, on particular streets and at particular hours, and it shows in the record months before it peaks. Dawn Intelligence reads that record for every neighbourhood in the country, and every forecast is saved with the date and time it was made, cannot be changed afterwards, and is checked against what the police go on to record. The forecast comes first, the record comes second, and both are in this report. The people responsible for stopping this harm have had that warning in front of them all year.

This report sets out the record. First the three attacks and a fourth case, each checked against what Dawn Intelligence had said before it happened. Then what Dawn Intelligence did with those forecasts, and how the Home Office, the police and the bodies that oversee them responded. Then the proof behind every forecast, what one rise costs, and what each organisation that protects people does with a forecast once it has one.

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Key findings

Dawn Intelligence named the neighbourhood before each of the three attacks set out in this report, and the people who could have acted on it had been shown the platform and did nothing.

01

It named the places before the attacks.

Three months before a woman was sexually assaulted on Snow Hill Queensway in Birmingham city centre, Dawn Intelligence had forecast that part of the city to have more sexual offences in July than any of Birmingham's other 635 neighbourhoods. It did, with 20. In Nottingham, the neighbourhood around Adams Walk, where a woman was raped at 2.15am on 13 June, had been forecast to have the most sexual offences in the city for three months running. It did, with 10. In Milton Keynes, the forecast saved at 9.21pm on 8 September, two days before a woman was raped on the redway by the Conniburrow bridge, had that neighbourhood first of the town's 164 neighbourhoods for sexual offences. These three were chosen because each was reported publicly with a date, a place and a time. They are not the only ones.

02

The authorities were told and did nothing.

Through 2026 the forecasts went to the Home Office, its AI unit and its exploitation unit, a national policing body's AI lab, a police and crime commissioner's office and police forces. Dawn Intelligence was sent from pillar to post, told to come back at a later date and ignored. The section on what Dawn Intelligence did with its forecasts sets out who was told and what they said.

03

It names the busiest neighbourhood nine times in ten.

For violence and sexual offences, the neighbourhood Dawn Intelligence forecast to be busiest in a council was the one police recorded as busiest 89% of the time, and in the top three 93% of the time. Across 717,339 neighbourhood forecasts stored before police published the month, 86% were within one offence of the recorded count and 94% within two.

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It is 98+% accurate on the national total.

Measured blind on 407,700 forecasts made one to twelve months ahead, the national monthly total is 98% accurate up to three months out and 96.5% a full year out. For a single council's monthly total it is 93.4%, with nine in ten councils forecast to 90% or better, and for domestic abuse, sexual offences and serious violence in a single council it is 92 to 94%. The August 2026 forecast for 292 councils, saved before police published the month, scored 97.6%.

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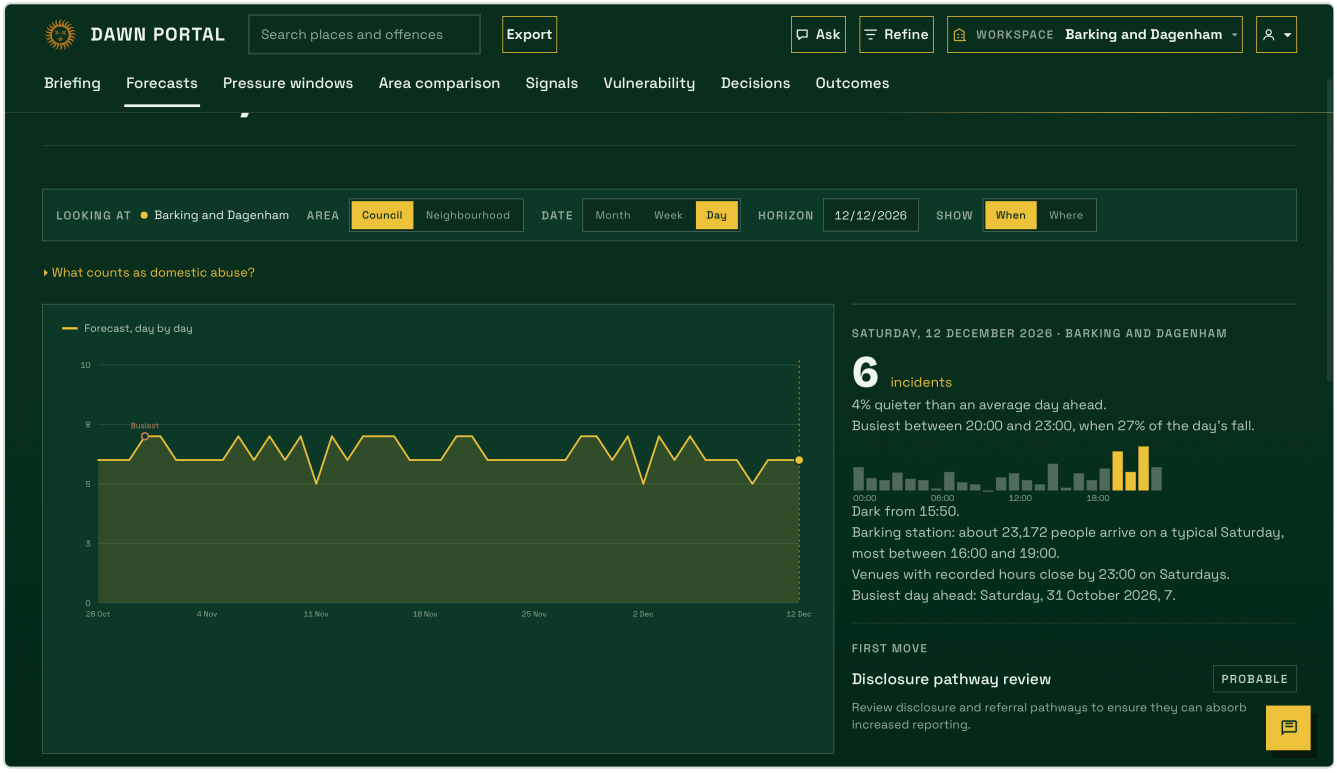
It calls rises to the exact number.

In six councils it called rises of 25% to 69% on the year before and landed on the recorded count. Of fifty more rises it called before the month began, 42 landed on the recorded count and none was more than two out. When it forecasts a rise of a fifth or more, the rise arrives seven times in ten, close to four times better than chance.

03

Four attacks on women, checked against Dawn Intelligence

These are four of many. Every month Dawn Intelligence names, in every council, the neighbourhoods where violence and sexual offences will be highest, and every month women are attacked in them. The first three attacks below were chosen because each was reported publicly, with a date, a place and a time, so anyone can check them against the forecast. Each is checked against what Dawn Intelligence showed for the place where it happened, and run forward to what the forecast makes possible for the people responsible for that place. For Birmingham and Nottingham, the forecasts were made one to three months before each attack, using only the police figures available at the time. For Milton Keynes, the forecast was saved on the platform two days before. Leicester Forest East shows the street level picture: which roads in a neighbourhood the harm has fallen on over the last two years. The facts about each attack come from police appeals and news reports. None of the women are named. Each forecast's own date is given, and each is saved on the platform.



The hour by hour forecast, live for every council and neighbourhood in the country: Barking and Dagenham, domestic abuse, Saturday 12 December 2026. Six incidents forecast for the day, busiest between 20:00 and 23:00, when 27% of the day's incidents fall, dark from 15:50, Barking station's Saturday arrivals and the venues' closing time beside it, and the first move to make.

Birmingham: the city's top neighbourhood for sexual offences, named three months before

What happened. On Saturday 25 July 2026, at around 12.50pm, a woman was sexually assaulted on Snow Hill Queensway in Birmingham city centre, in daylight, a few minutes' walk from Snow Hill station. West Midlands Police released an image of a man they wanted to speak to.

What Dawn Intelligence showed. Birmingham has 636 neighbourhoods. Three months before the attack, using police figures up to April, Dawn Intelligence forecast that the city centre, around Pinfold Street, would have more sexual offences in July than any of the others. It said the same two months before, and again one month before. When July's figures were published, the city centre had recorded 20 sexual offences, the most in Birmingham, and the most violence of any kind too. The neighbourhood where the attack happened, around Snow Hill, was forecast to be one of the four Birmingham neighbourhoods with the most sexual offences in July, every time the forecast was made. When July's figures came out, it had the third most in the city.

Forecast for July 2026	What Dawn Intelligence said, and what July's figures showed
City centre, Pinfold Street: three months before, using figures to April	The most sexual offences of Birmingham's 636 neighbourhoods
City centre: two months before, using figures to May	The most of 637 neighbourhoods
City centre: one month before, using figures to June	The most of 638 neighbourhoods
City centre: what July's figures showed	The most of 659 neighbourhoods, with 20 sexual offences
The neighbourhood where the attack happened, Snow Hill	Forecast to have the 3rd most sexual offences in Birmingham, then the 4th most, then the 3rd. July's figures: the 3rd most

Dawn Intelligence makes this call for every council in the country, and the proof section of this report shows how often it lands: for violence and sexual offences, the neighbourhood it says will be busiest turns out to be the busiest 89% of the time. In Birmingham, three months out, it picked the neighbourhood that would have the most sexual offences, out of 636.

What the forecast makes possible. A daylight attack in the busiest part of a city centre is a different problem from a path at night, and the response is different too.

- **The council and the town centre partnership.** The city centre neighbourhood was forecast to have the most sexual offences in Birmingham three months running. That is where street wardens, the CCTV control room's attention and the daytime safety work go, and where the partnership's retailers are briefed to look out for people in distress and know what to do.
- **The police.** The city centre is forecast to have the most sexual offences in Birmingham for the month, and the hour by hour forecast shows which hours of the day carry them. A visible city centre presence set from that picture, with the response team told that the neighbourhood is running at the top of the city.
- **Snow Hill station and the transport operators.** The attack happened minutes from a main station. Staff on the concourse and the approaches, and the station's cameras and radio link with the city's control room, are part of the same picture, and the forecast tells them which weeks and hours to watch.
- **The shops and offices around Snow Hill.** Their staff walk Snow Hill Queensway every day. A head of security with the site in Dawn Intelligence sees it among the three Birmingham neighbourhoods forecast to have the most sexual offences, and briefs staff on routes, reporting and where to go for help.

Birmingham already has every one of these. What it did not have was the forecast. For three months it was there to be read, and it named the right neighbourhood every time.

Milton Keynes: the town's top neighbourhood for sexual offences, named two days before

What happened. On the evening of Thursday 10 September 2026, between 8.30pm and 9pm, a woman in her thirties was raped on a redway by the pedestrian bridge between Conniburrow and central Milton Keynes. The redways are the shared walking and cycling paths that run across the town, and plenty of people use them to get home after dark. A second woman was the victim of an attempted rape in the same area that month. Thames Valley Police released an image of a man they wanted to speak to.

What Dawn Intelligence showed. Central Milton Keynes, around Acorn Walk, has been the town's first or second neighbourhood for violence and sexual offences in every month police have recorded since January 2025. Through the spring and summer of 2026 the town's monthly count of sexual offences climbed from 92 and 95 in January and February to between 110 and 112 from May to July, and on 9 August 2026 Dawn Intelligence flagged sexual offences across Milton Keynes as running above the town's usual level. On 8 September its forecast for September had Central Milton Keynes as the neighbourhood with the most sexual offences of the 164 in the town. The redway where the attack happened is inside it.

Month	Forecast place among Milton Keynes's 164 neighbourhoods for sexual offences, written before the figures came out	Recorded by police	Place in the figures
September 2026	1st of 164	Not published when this report was written	Not published when this report was written
August 2026	1st of 164	7	1st
July 2026	1st of 164	6	1st

The forecast was written on 8 September 2026 at 9.21pm, two days before the attack, and is saved with its date and time. The July and August forecasts were written before police published those months, and both were right: Central Milton Keynes recorded the most sexual offences in the town in each, by a wide margin. In July the town's 111 sexual offences, spread across 164 neighbourhoods, come to an average of under one each. Central Milton Keynes recorded six.

What the forecast makes possible. Central Milton Keynes stood out in the record all year, the town was flagged in August, and the forecast named the neighbourhood two days before. With Dawn Intelligence open, the picture and the actions run like this.

When	Who	What they see	What they do
July	The council's community safety team and the neighbourhood policing inspector	Central Milton Keynes is the town's top neighbourhood for violence and sexual offences, month after month, and the street level picture shows most of it falling on the redways and underpasses around the centre	Open a joint action plan for the town centre redways. Task a lighting and sightline audit of the paths and bridges. Put the neighbourhood on the agenda of the community safety partnership
9 August	The same teams, with the town centre's businesses	Dawn Intelligence flags sexual offences across Milton Keynes as running above the town's usual level	Agree evening foot patrols on the redway routes out of the centre. Brief the town centre's street wardens and the late opening venues on the routes people walk home. Check that the CCTV covering the bridges works and is monitored
8 September	The duty inspector and the council's night time economy lead	The September forecast lands, with Central Milton Keynes forecast to have the most sexual offences of the town's 164 neighbourhoods	Put patrols on the Conniburrow bridge route in the evenings ahead. Ask the venues to run their walk home scheme. Post the safe route guidance on the town's channels
10 September, 8.30pm	An officer or warden on the redway	A staffed, lit and monitored route	People walking home on the redway have officers and staff within reach, lit paths and cameras that work

Every measure in this table is one the town already pays for: patrols, wardens, lighting, cameras and venue schemes. What Dawn Intelligence changes is that the people running them see the same neighbourhood and the same paths at the same time, and act before the harm.

Much sexual violence happens away from public space, so Dawn Intelligence's sexual offences and domestic abuse forecasts serve the advocates, health services, schools and refuges that reach the women it happens to as much as they serve the street. For the harm that happens in public space, the measures in this table have strong evidence behind them. Across the studies the College of Policing rates as very strong evidence, improved street lighting cut violent and property crime by an average of 21%. Focused policing of the places where crime concentrates reduces crime without pushing it next door, and the benefits spread to the streets around.

Nottingham: the city's top neighbourhood for sexual offences, named three months running

What happened. In the early hours of Saturday 13 June 2026, at about 2.15am, a young woman was raped on Adams Walk in Nottingham city centre. Nottinghamshire Police interviewed several people, reviewed CCTV, and appealed for anyone who saw a man and a woman together on Adams Walk at around that time.

What Dawn Intelligence showed. Three months before the attack, then two months before, then one, Dawn Intelligence forecast that the neighbourhood around Adams Walk would have more sexual offences in June than any of Nottingham's other 177 neighbourhoods. When June's figures were published, it had, with 10, the most in the city.

Forecast for June 2026	What Dawn Intelligence said, and what June's figures showed
Adams Walk neighbourhood: three months before, using figures to March	The most sexual offences of Nottingham's 178 neighbourhoods
Two months before, using figures to April	The most of 178 neighbourhoods
One month before, using figures to May	The most of 178 neighbourhoods
What June's figures showed	The most of 178 neighbourhoods, with 10 sexual offences

What the forecast makes possible. Adams Walk is a city centre cut through at 2am, and the people who can protect it are the ones who already run the night.

- **The council's night time economy team and licensing.** The neighbourhood is forecast to have the most sexual offences in Nottingham for the month, and the hour by hour forecast shows most of them falling after midnight. Lighting and sightlines on the cut throughs, the taxi marshals and street pastors placed on the routes out of the venues, and a word with the premises whose customers walk them.
- **The police.** A late night patrol route that includes Adams Walk between the venues closing and the taxi ranks clearing, set from the forecast rather than from last weekend's calls.
- **The venues.** A walk home scheme, Ask for Angela, and door staff who watch the street as well as the door, on the nights the forecast names.
- **The universities.** Nottingham's students use these routes. The welfare teams and the student unions get the same picture as the council, and brief accordingly before term and before the summer.

A neighbourhood forecast to have the most sexual offences in the city, three months running, is a place to be ready for, and the forecast was open to anyone who looked.

Leicester Forest East: the harm outside the gates

What happened. On the evening of Saturday 25 April 2026, a woman was walking along Baines Lane from the southbound M1 services at Leicester Forest East to catch her bus home. A man attacked her, ordered her to take her clothes off and threatened to kill her. She pushed him in the face, he walked back towards the services, and she reported it straight away. CCTV from the services showed him walking in at 6.15pm and leaving a minute later towards Baines Lane. He was arrested at the services three days later. On 19 October a 60 year old van driver was convicted of attempted rape, attempted assault by penetration and intentional strangulation.

What Dawn Intelligence showed. Over the 24 months to 13 September 2026, the motorway services dominated that neighbourhood's record of harm.

Offence	Records at the services	Share of the neighbourhood's records
Violence and sexual offences	34 of about 115	About 3 in 10
Public order	27 of about 50	More than half
Vehicle crime	24 of about 70	About a third

Each month's forecast for the neighbourhood is placed on its roads in the same proportions, so every month's forecast for Leicester Forest East points at the services first. The services are one site, but they shape what happens in the lanes and stops around them. People arrive at all hours, many are passing through, and staff and drivers walk the same routes to and from work every day.

What the forecast makes possible. Transport and logistics businesses can see what happens inside their own gates. What they usually cannot see is the harm on the lanes, roads and bus stops their staff and drivers use to get to and from work, and that is where this attack happened.

- **The services operator.** Dawn Intelligence shows the site as the centre of the neighbourhood's harm. Its staff walk that lane to the bus stop. A lit and monitored walking route from the staff exit to Baines Lane, a shuttle or taxi for staff finishing after dark, CCTV turned to cover the lane as well as the forecourt, and a security presence at shift change.
- **The hauliers and logistics firms whose drivers use the site.** Their drivers are at the services at the hours the hour by hour forecast shows, and they can brief them. A site list in Dawn Intelligence, ranked by the harm around each site, tells a head of security which services, depots and yards on the network need this attention first.
- **The bus operator and the county council.** The stop on Baines Lane serves staff and passengers from the services. Lighting, a shelter in sight of the road and a camera are a shared decision between them and the services operator.
- **The police.** The site already accounted for about three in ten of the neighbourhood's violence and sexual offences. A joint action plan with the operator, and a patrol that includes the lane, not just the forecourt.

Dawn Intelligence also gives these businesses the evidence. Its risk context reports set out the harm around each site, so an employer can evidence the reasonable steps it has taken to protect its workforce, and show the board what it has done and why.

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What Dawn Intelligence did with its forecasts

Dawn Intelligence did not keep these forecasts to itself. Through 2026 Garrett took the platform, the saved forecasts and the scoring record to every body with the power to act on them, and was sent from pillar to post.

The Home Office. Its AI unit and its exploitation unit were shown the platform and its data, more than once. In those meetings they belittled her and took her data in the same breath. Afterwards they ignored her. The reasons they gave were the change of government and the absence of a budget.

A national policing body. In August 2026 its AI lab was taken through the platform live. It called the platform impressive and asked for the methodology, the accuracy measures, the geography and the sources, and it had all of them in writing two days later. When it asked for forecasts it could check for itself, it was sent, on 17 September, the October 2026 forecasts for a London borough, offence by offence and neighbourhood by neighbourhood, with every earlier version of those forecasts dated and kept. It has not come back with a verdict.

A northern police force. After a round of conversations with its stakeholders, it stopped replying.

A police and crime commissioner's office. In October 2026 it was asked to lead a bid to a police science and technology fund, with Dawn Intelligence as its partner. It cancelled the call on the day and said it would come back with dates. Dawn Intelligence offered four days across the following week. None has been taken up.

Garrett was also invited to No 10 to give input on violence against women and girls and AI. Every one of these bodies, in one form or another, said to come back at a later date.

This is clear negligence and a lack of care about the women it affects. The forecasts in this report were in front of the people responsible for women's safety, with the dates on them, in a year when 3.2 million women experienced domestic abuse, sexual assault or stalking. They chose to wait. Three women were attacked this year, on 13 June, 25 July and 10 September, in neighbourhoods the platform had named.

What happens on 9 November 2026. Dawn Intelligence publishes this report in full and writes to every police and crime commissioner and chief constable in the country, every community safety partnership, the Home Affairs Committee, the Minister for Safeguarding, the Domestic Abuse Commissioner and the Innovation Council on violence against women and girls. Each receives the case file and their own area's line: what Dawn Intelligence forecast and what the police recorded. The replies are logged and the log is published. Every month after that, when the police publish, Dawn Intelligence publishes what it forecast beside what they counted, for every council, and anyone can check any council on dawnintelligence.co.uk.

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Three stories, every number real

Lucy, Claire and Jayden stand for the people these forecasts land on. The people and the timelines are illustrative. Every forecast and every recorded count is real. Each forecast was made about three months before the month it covers, from police figures alone.

Lucy: the refuge that kept its beds

East Cambridgeshire, domestic abuse. In November 2024 the district recorded 36 domestic abuse offences. In mid August 2025, three months ahead, Dawn Intelligence forecast 48 for that November. Police recorded 48, a 33% rise.

When	Who	What they saw	What they did
Mid August	The county's violence against women and girls commissioner	The forecast has domestic abuse in East Cambridgeshire at 48 for November, a third above the 36 of the November before	Holds the refuge contract at its current bed count through the winter instead of taking the planned reduction, and asks the provider to plan staffing for October to January
September	The refuge manager and the lead for the independent domestic violence advisers (IDVAs)	The forecast holds at 48 for November	Writes the October to December rota at full strength. Flags the district to the IDVAs so referrals from it are expected, not a surprise
October	The neighbourhood policing sergeant	The Briefing names the district and the days forecast to run above its usual level, with the reasons behind them	Puts a domestic abuse car on those evenings. Briefs response officers that the district is running high, so a first call is treated as the start of a pattern
November	Lucy, who needs a bed	A refuge with a bed, a worker with time and a police response that was ready	She is taken in the night she asks

This one is about capacity. A refuge that has cut beds in the summer cannot find them in November. The forecast moved the decision to August, when it could still be made.

Claire: seeing it at all

North Norfolk, domestic abuse, June 2025. Over the winter the district ran 16% below the year before, and a district running below last year does not get attention. In mid April, two months ahead, Dawn Intelligence forecast 56 for June, a 28% rise on the 44 of the June before. Police recorded 59. The district then held 22% above the year before for six months.

When	Who	What they saw	What they did
April	The county's domestic abuse partnership lead	A rural district nobody is watching, forecast to turn upwards in June while its reported figures still show a fall	Asks why, and finds that the local outreach worker left in the winter and that the post was never filled. Reopens the recruitment
May	The district council's community safety officer	The Briefing has the district above its usual level for the first time in a year	Puts domestic abuse on the June partnership agenda. Asks the housing team to check how many of its tenancies have a domestic abuse flag
June	The outreach service, back at strength	The rise arrives as forecast	Drop in sessions run in the market towns through the summer, advertised through GPs and the schools before term ends
Autumn	Claire, in a village with no bus after six	A worker who comes to her, because the service knew her district was rising when the figures everyone else looks at still said it was falling	Help she would not have gone looking for

The six months of 22% above the year before were real. Without the forecast, the first sign of them would have been the quarterly figures in October.

Jayden: outreach on the right corner

Tamworth, serious violence, May 2026. In mid February, three months ahead, Dawn Intelligence forecast 51 for May. Police recorded 51, a third above the 38 of the May before.

When	Who	What they saw	What they did
Mid February	The violence reduction partnership's analyst	Serious violence in Tamworth forecast to rise by a third by May	Takes it to the partnership's deployment meeting with the neighbourhood map and the street by street forecast, which shows most of the violence falling on two roads
March	The youth outreach provider and the council's youth service	A named town, two roads and the evenings that carry the harm	Moves two street based youth workers' evening sessions to those roads from April, and books the sports hall on the estate for Friday and Saturday evenings
April	The neighbourhood inspector and the violence reduction nurse at the local A&E	The same two roads and evenings	A patrol plan for the two roads from April. The hospital's violence reduction nurses are told which neighbourhoods to expect patients from, so a young man who comes in with an injury is offered a way out while he is still on the ward
May	Jayden, 16, on the corner the forecast named	A youth worker he already knows, a session he has already been to, and a police presence that is expected rather than sudden	Somewhere to be that evening, and someone to talk to

This one is about deployment. The violence arrived as forecast, and so did the outreach, three months earlier, because the forecast said where.

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Dawn Intelligence at a glance

Over 1 million forecasts. 98+% accurate on the national monthly total, and 93.4% for a single council's monthly total, measured blind on the police record to August 2026. At neighbourhood level, the busiest neighbourhood in a council for violence and sexual offences is named first 89% of the time.

Measure	Figure
Forecasts made	Over 1 million
Accuracy, national monthly total	98+%, holding at 98% to three months ahead and 96.5% a year ahead
Accuracy, one council's monthly total	93.4%, with nine in ten councils at 90% or better
Accuracy, the harm offences in one council	Domestic abuse 92.9%, sexual offences 93.7%, serious violence 91.9%
Neighbourhood forecasts, July and August 2026	717,339 stored before police published the month: 86% within one offence of the recorded count, 94% within two
Busiest neighbourhood in a council, violence and sexual offences	Named first 89% of the time, in the top three 93%
Forecast rises of a fifth or more that arrive	71%
August 2026 forecast, saved before the figures came out	97.6% accurate on the total across 292 councils
How far ahead	Up to a year
Coverage	Every neighbourhood in the UK
Offence types	19, from domestic abuse, stalking and sexual offences to shoplifting, burglary and anti-social behaviour
Detail	A forecast for every council and every neighbourhood, broken down to the week, the day, the road and the hour, plus a nowcast for the days ahead
Tested blind on	407,700 forecasts for months the model had never seen, made one to twelve months ahead, March 2025 to August 2026
Data	More than 70 sources: police records, official statistics, news and open data
Refresh	Forecasts updated six times a day, and the reasons behind them every morning

The harm offences, where an early warning matters most, are the most accurate offence types Dawn Intelligence forecasts. How each figure is measured is set out in the next section.

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The proof

Dawn Intelligence sees a rise coming before the month begins and calls it to the offence. Every forecast in this section was made before the month happened, using only the police figures available at the time, so it never saw the month it was forecasting. The record runs to August 2026, the newest month police have published.

How accuracy is measured

Accuracy is how close the forecast came to the count police recorded, as a percentage. A forecast of 95 against 100 recorded is 95% accurate. So is a forecast of 105.

Measure	Result	What it covers
National monthly total	98+%	The forecast for the whole country against the national recorded count, month by month: 98.0% a month ahead across 18 months the model had never seen, March 2025 to August 2026
The harm offences in one council	92.9%, 93.7%, 91.9%	Domestic abuse, sexual offences and serious violence, each scored on its own for each council, across 48,798 forecasts
One council's monthly total	93.4%	All offences in a council together. Nine in ten councils average 90% or better
August 2026 forecast, saved before the figures came out	97.6%	The August forecast for 292 councils, saved on 30 August before the figures came out, scored against the total police published

The first three were tested blind: each month's forecast was made using only the figures available before it, then scored against what police recorded. The saved August forecasts go further: they were on the platform before police published the month, and could not be changed afterwards.

The four volumes in this report measure different things:

- **Over 1 million** is the number of forecasts the platform has published, across every neighbourhood, council and offence type.
- **407,700** is the number of forecasts in the blind test: 313 councils, forecasts made one to twelve months ahead, for March 2025 to August 2026.
- **48,798** is the number of one month ahead forecasts, one for every council and offence type up to August 2026, that the cases below are drawn from.
- **3,714** is the number of forecasts for August 2026 saved on the platform before police published the month.

Further ahead

The accuracy holds a full year out. The national monthly total is forecast to 98% three months ahead and 96.5% twelve months ahead.

How far ahead the forecast was made	National monthly total
One month	98.0%
Three months	98.0%
Six months	97.6%
Twelve months	96.5%

When Dawn Intelligence forecasts a rise of a fifth or more on the year before, the rise arrives 71% of the time. A rise that size comes in about one council month in five, so a forecast rise is close to four times better than chance. For the August 2026 forecasts saved before the figures came out, it was 70%.

Between a month ending and police publishing it, Dawn Intelligence forecasts that month's final count afresh each day. This is the nowcast. The nowcasts for July and August 2026, made each day until police published them, were typically 87% accurate against 83% for repeating last year, and beat repeating last year on 102 of the 117 days they were made. Every day and week it forecasts adds up exactly to the month.

In every neighbourhood

The neighbourhood forecasts are the ones a sergeant, a store manager or a safeguarding lead acts on, and they are tested on forecasts that were saved before the figures came out: every neighbourhood forecast for July and August 2026 was written before police published those months. In each council, for each offence, Dawn Intelligence names the neighbourhood it forecasts will record the most. In those two months that neighbourhood did record the most 41% of the time, in 3,003 of 7,329 council months, and was in the top three 92% of the time. Picking last year's busiest neighbourhood instead would have been right 31% of the time. A typical council has 79 neighbourhoods, so picking one at random would be right about once in eighty. The 41% is held down by the low count offences, such as bicycle theft, where a dozen neighbourhoods often tie on one offence and there is no single busiest one to call. For violence and sexual offences, where the counts separate the neighbourhoods, the top forecast neighbourhood was the top recorded one in 89% of council months and in the top three in 93%.

Those two months hold 717,339 neighbourhood forecasts, across 33,850 neighbourhoods in 321 councils. Police record domestic abuse, sexual offences and serious violence together at street level as violence and sexual offences, so that is how they are forecast there, alongside the other offence types. 86% of the forecasts landed within one offence of the recorded count, and 94% within two. Most neighbourhoods record none or one of a given offence in a month, so the comparison with simple forecasts is the one that matters.

Neighbourhood forecast for one offence, a month ahead	Within one offence	Within two offences
Dawn Intelligence	86.0%	94.0%
Repeating the same month last year	78.7%	89.5%
Forecasting none everywhere	77.9%	86.8%

How these cases were chosen

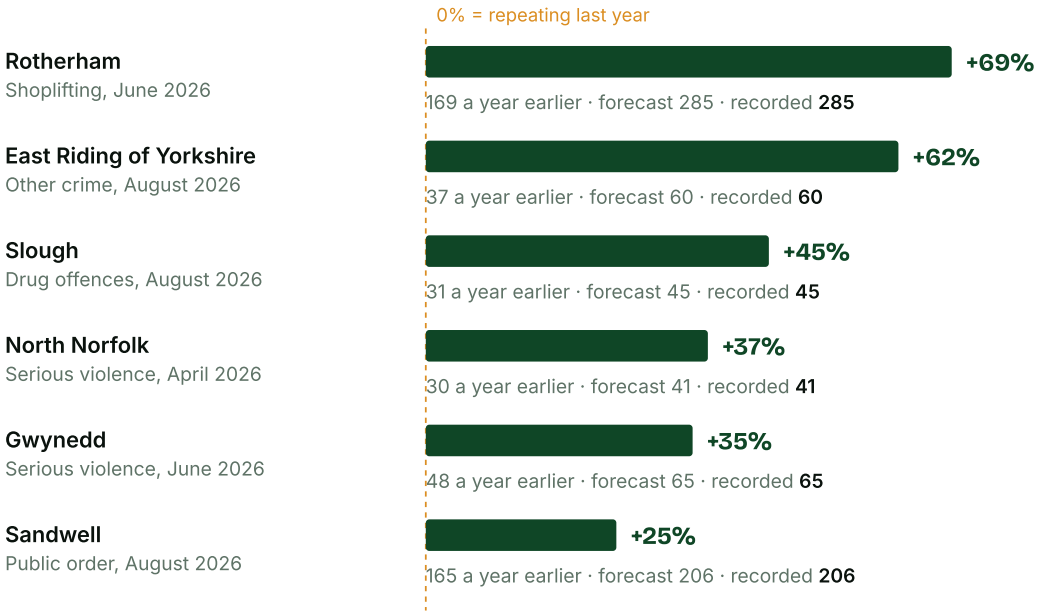
The cases below are drawn from the October 2026 scoring of every council forecast on the police record to August 2026. The six are exact calls on sharp rises. The fifty are the sharpest rises Dawn Intelligence called before the month began, across the range of places and offences it covers. The accuracy across every forecast is in the measures above.

Every case below is a council. Most record 30 to 300 offences a month, where one offence either way is between 0.3% and 3%. The largest calls are as close: Ealing anti-social behaviour, May 2026, 1,069 forecast against 1,069 recorded. Birmingham domestic abuse, December 2025, 1,539 against 1,545. Liverpool domestic abuse, August 2025, 694 against 702. Nottingham domestic abuse, August 2026, 510 against 512.

Six exact calls

Six forecasts landed exactly on the recorded count

Rise on the same month a year earlier, called one month ahead. Repeating last year would have missed every one.



Dawn Intelligence October 2026 scoring run · six blind forecasts, each made one month ahead from the police record alone

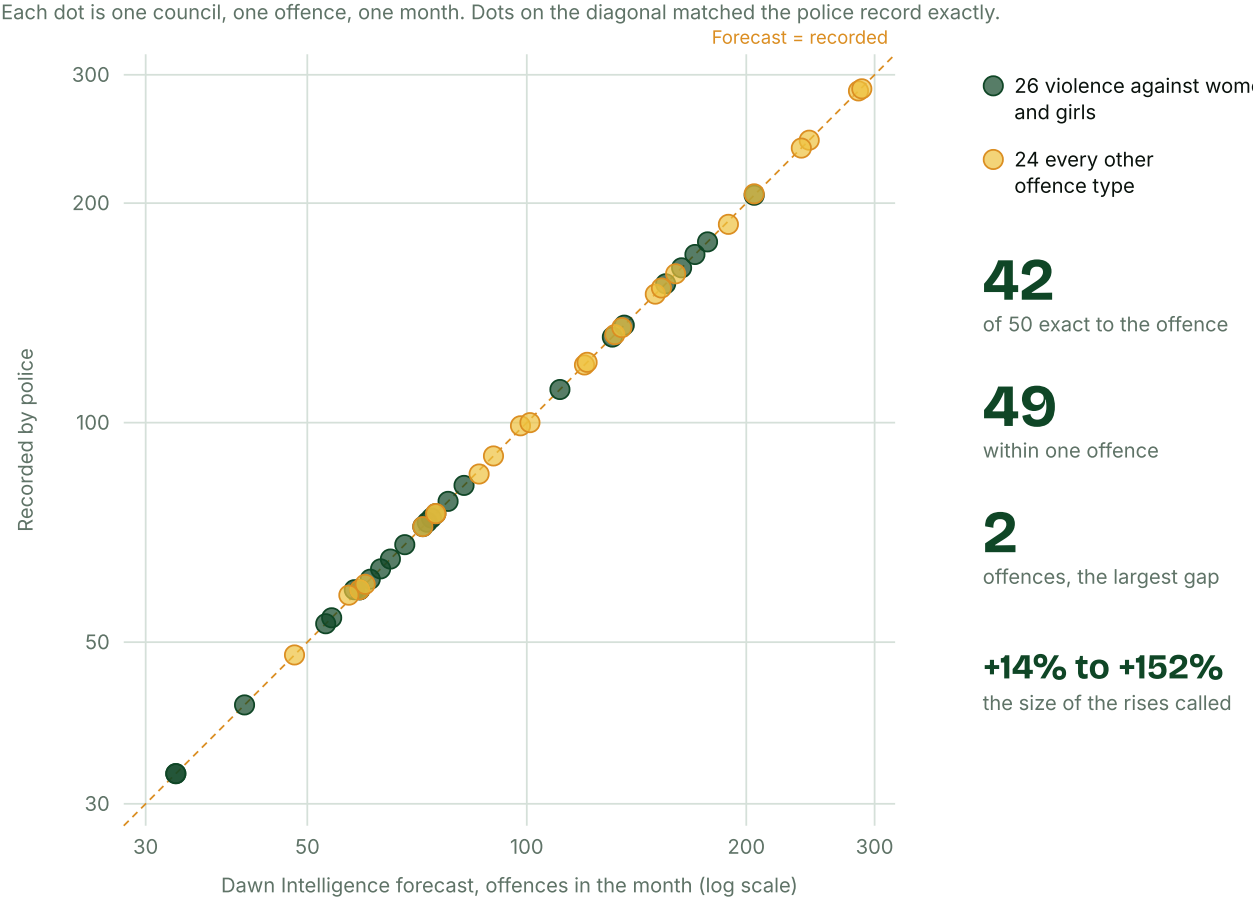
A forecast that simply repeats last year would have missed every one of these. Where later months have been published since, they show the rises were real: Rotherham's shoplifting ran 81% above the year before through July and August, and Gwynedd's serious violence 12% above. Three of the six are August 2026, the newest month police have published.

Each of these is a decision somebody could have made earlier. Rotherham's shoplifting forecast is a store manager's staffing and a business crime partnership's patrol plan for June. Slough's drug offences forecast is a treatment service's capacity and where the county lines team looks over the summer. Gwynedd's serious violence forecast is the night time economy plan for the holiday season.

Fifty rises called before the month began

Fifty rises called before the month began, every one on or beside the line

Each dot is one council, one offence, one month. Dots on the diagonal matched the police record exactly.



Dawn Intelligence October 2026 scoring run · 50 council forecasts, March 2025 to August 2026, checked against the police.uk record

The fifty run from Gwynedd to Gateshead and from Cornwall to Rotherham, 26 in violence against women and girls and 24 across the other offence types. Across all fifty, the total gap between forecast and recorded was 0.22% of what police recorded.

When something new happens

When a place records a month far outside anything in its history, Dawn Intelligence takes it into its reading at once and calls the month after it. It also knows a one off when it sees one, and does not carry it forward.

In June 2026, serious violence in Bexley jumped to 195, 38% above the borough's highest month on record, while London as a whole rose 2%. Dawn Intelligence took the surge into its reading and forecast July at 161. Police recorded 155. In Warwick, anti-social behaviour reached 375 in August 2025, more than double the August before. Dawn Intelligence did not carry the spike forward: it forecast September at 238, and police recorded 238. In Barking and Dagenham, with two months of a domestic abuse build in hand, it forecast July 2026 at 214. Police recorded 215. In Leeds, after sexual offences ran below forecast for two months, it forecast March 2026 at 287. Police recorded 284.

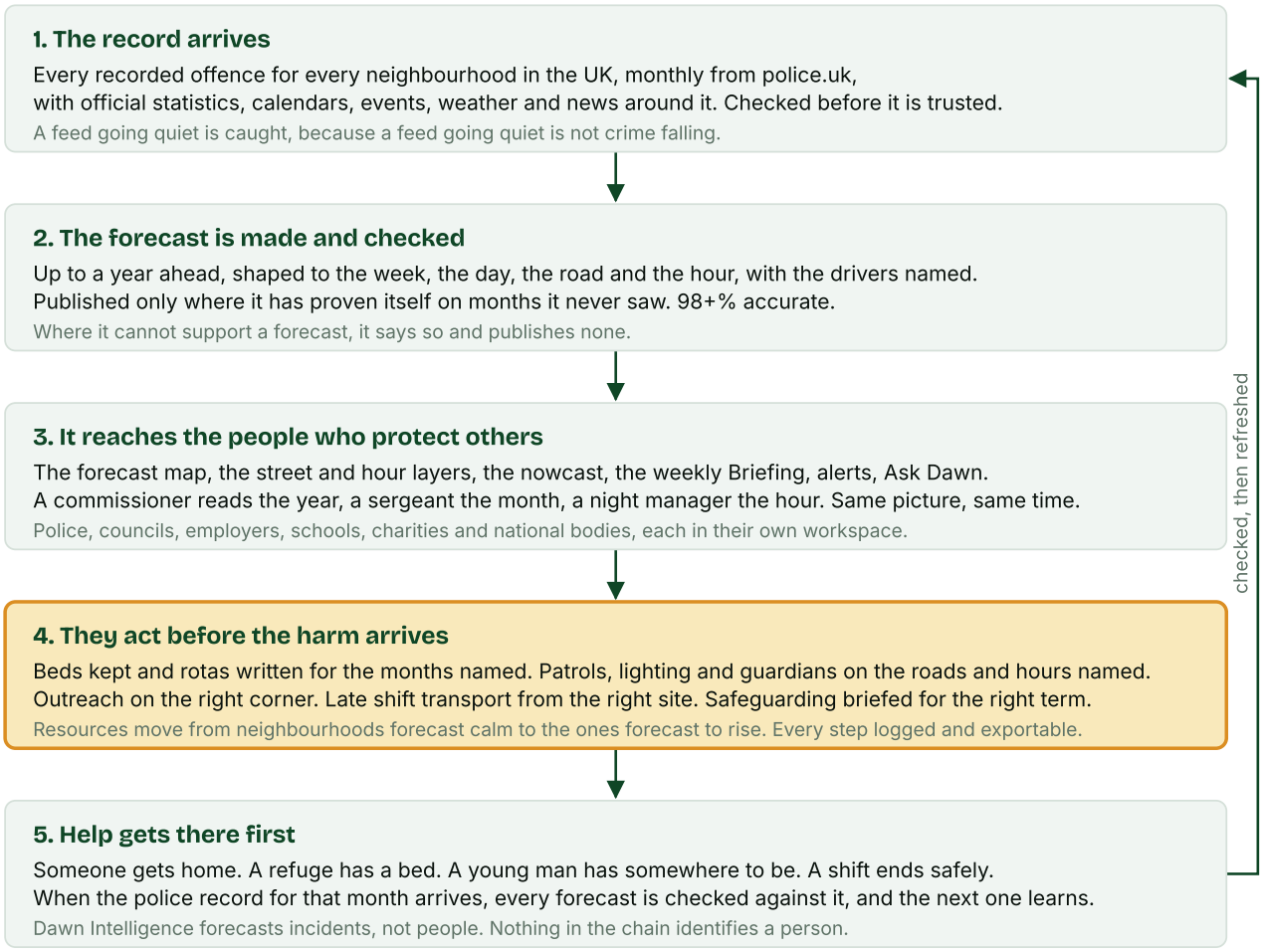
For the people using it, this is the difference between a tool that is right in a quiet year and one they can keep relying on when the picture changes under them.

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What time buys

Every forecast buys time, and what you can do with it depends on how much you have. Dawn Intelligence gives the people who protect others all of these at once: the year ahead for every council and neighbourhood, the month shaped to the week and the day, the road, and the hour.

A forecast buys time, time lets help move early, and early help prevents harm



From the police record to prevented harm · five steps, one loop

The chain runs the same way for every neighbourhood and every offence type. The record comes in, the forecast is made and checked, it reaches the people who can act, they act early, and the harm that would have been recorded is not. When the month's record arrives, every forecast is checked against it, and the loop runs again six times a day.

The rest of this report follows that chain: what each kind of reader does with the forecast, and the platform that carries all of it.

Warning	Who acts	What becomes possible
A year	Commissioners, chief officers, boards, heads of people	Budgets set where harm is heading, not where it was. Refuge and outreach capacity commissioned for the months the forecast names. Grant bids and business cases written on evidence. Training calendars planned for the areas and offences that need it. Recruitment started in time to be in post when the rise arrives.
A quarter	Service managers, neighbourhood inspectors, regional managers	Rotas written for the months the forecast names. Joint action plans opened for a neighbourhood before it becomes a problem. Partnership meetings working from the same picture. Licensing, lighting and CCTV reviews brought forward.
A month	Sergeants, team leaders, store and site managers, safeguarding leads	Patrol plans and outreach shifts set for the month. Staff briefed on what is coming to their area. Stock, security and staffing at retail sites adjusted. Pastoral and safeguarding attention focused on the neighbourhoods a school's pupils live in.
A week	The weekly deployment meeting, duty managers	The Briefing email lands before the meeting with the neighbourhoods and days forecast to run above their normal level, so the week's deployment starts from the forecast rather than last week's incidents.
A day	Duty officers, night managers, venue and transport staff	The nowcast and the forecast for each day name the days that sit above the area's usual day, and the drivers behind them: a match day, a bank holiday eve, a spell of weather against the season. Staffing, patrols and guardians are placed for that night.
An hour	Officers and staff on shift	The street by street and hour by hour forecasts show the roads and hours that carry the harm in each neighbourhood, so a patrol route, a taxi marshal, a shuttle departure or a lighting check goes to the right road at the right hour.

The same forecast serves every row. A commissioner reads the year, a sergeant reads the month, a night manager reads the hour, and all of them are looking at the same picture at the same time. That is what lets a council, a force and the businesses on a high street act together rather than each finding out separately after the fact.

Dawn Intelligence also forecasts calm. A neighbourhood forecast to run below its usual level is a neighbourhood a resource can be moved from, which is where the hours for the rising one come from. That is demand management, applied to harm.

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Prevention playbooks by buyer

Every buyer uses the same forecasts for a different decision. These playbooks set out what each one does when Dawn Intelligence shows a rise, and what it stops doing when it shows calm.

Why acting early works

The responses in these playbooks are familiar ones. Dawn Intelligence tells people where and when to use them, and the evidence that they work when they are aimed well is strong.

- **Focusing on the places where harm concentrates.** A systematic review and meta-analysis of hot spots policing found robust evidence that it reduces crime, that crime does not simply move to nearby areas, and that the benefits tend to spread to the streets around.
- **Changing the place itself.** Across the studies the College of Policing rates as very strong evidence, improved street lighting cut violent and property crime by an average of 21%, with no study showing it made things worse.
- **Reaching survivors early.** SafeLives reports that over 60% of victims and survivors who get help from independent domestic violence advisers and multi agency risk conferences (IDVAs and MARACs) say the abuse stops, and that incidents of high severity harm fall by over 75% after IDVA support. A service can only reach people early if it has capacity in the right place at the right time, which is what a forecast gives a commissioner.

Each works better aimed than spread thin, and the forecast does the aiming.

What one prevented rise is worth

Prevention pays for itself, and the Home Office has put figures on it. Its estimates of the economic and social cost of crime count the harm to the victim, the lost output, and the cost to health services, policing and the courts, per offence.

Offence	Cost per offence, Home Office estimate	What a rise in this report adds up to
Rape	£39,360	Birmingham city centre's top neighbourhood recorded 20 sexual offences in July 2026 alone. Preventing one rape saves £39,360
Violence with injury	£14,050	Tamworth's rise from 38 to 51 serious violence offences in May 2026 is 13 offences, about £183,000 of harm in one town in one month
Domestic abuse	£34,015 per victim	East Cambridgeshire's rise from 36 to 48 domestic abuse offences in November 2025 is 12 offences. Every victim reached early is a saving against £34,015
Commercial theft, including shoplifting	£970	Rotherham's rise from 169 to 285 shoplifting offences in June 2026 is 116 offences, about £113,000 in one council in one month
Domestic burglary	£5,930	Forecast for every council, every month, with the roads it falls on
Theft of a vehicle	£10,290	Forecast for every council, every month, with the car parks and roads it falls on
Arson	£8,420	Forecast for every council, every month, with the days after a deliberate fire flagged

These are 2015/16 prices for the crime figures and year to March 2017 prices for domestic abuse, so today's costs are higher. Against them, the responses in these playbooks are cheap: a refuge bed held for a quarter, a street light, a youth worker's evening, a shuttle for a late shift, a training seat. A single rise caught early in a single council covers a year of Dawn Intelligence many times over, and a council has 19 offence types and twelve months of them.

Police forces, violence reduction units and safeguarding boards

The decision: where to put officers, outreach and analyst time next month, and which neighbourhoods to open a joint action plan on now.

- **Year ahead.** Use the twelve month forecast by neighbourhood and offence to set the operational plan, the seasonal surge periods and the bids for violence reduction funding. Commission partners for the months the forecast names.
- **Month ahead.** Write rotas and patrol plans from the forecast map. Open a joint action plan on any neighbourhood forecast to rise by a fifth or more, before the rise arrives.
- **Week ahead.** The Briefing lands before the deployment meeting with the neighbourhoods and days above the usual day and the drivers behind them. The week starts from the forecast, not from last week's incidents.
- **Day and hour.** The nowcast and the street by street and hour by hour forecasts set that night's patrol routes: which roads, at which hours. Match days, bank holiday eves and weather against the season come named as the reasons a day is forecast to run high.

- **Calm.** Neighbourhoods forecast below their usual level release hours to the rising ones. That is where the capacity comes from.
- **Evidence.** Board ready exports built from the same screens, so a chief officer, a police and crime commissioner or a scrutiny panel sees exactly what the force saw and when.

Local authorities and violence against women and girls commissioners

The decision: where refuge beds, domestic violence advisers, outreach and community safety spend go, and when.

- **Year ahead.** Commission refuge and outreach capacity for the months and districts the forecast names. Check refuge capacity against forecast demand before it arrives, as in Lucy's story, rather than after a refuge turns someone away.
- **Quarter ahead.** Bring forward lighting, CCTV and licensing reviews in the neighbourhoods and on the roads the street by street forecast names. Put the rising neighbourhoods on the community safety partnership agenda.
- **Month ahead.** Point outreach, drop ins and awareness work at the districts rising when the dashboards still say they are falling, as in Claire's story. Brief housing officers on the estates carrying the rise.
- **Evidence.** Board ready exports and summaries, traceable to source, for the domestic abuse strategy, the violence against women and girls strategy and the partnership's annual report.

Employers: retail and hospitality, health and social care, transport and logistics, the night time economy

The decision: which sites and which shifts need protection first, and how to evidence the reasonable steps taken to protect the workforce.

- **Sites, ranked.** Map the organisation's own site list to the forecast for the neighbourhood around each one, ranked, so a head of people or security sees at a glance which stores, wards, depots or venues need attention first.
- **Shifts and routes.** Use the hour by hour and street by street forecasts to set late shift staffing, lone working rules, shuttle and taxi arrangements, and the walking routes staff are told to use, as the services operator in Leicester Forest East could have.
- **Store and site measures.** Where shoplifting and theft are forecast to rise, bring in security hours, body worn cameras and a word with the local business crime partnership for the months named. Where violence and public order are forecast to rise around a venue, put in door staffing, crowd management at closing time and the walk home scheme.
- **A trained workforce.** Education Hub training, with completion and CPD records, so staff know what to look out for and how to respond, and the organisation can show it.
- **Evidence.** The risk context report sets out the harm around each site. Together with the training record, it is how an employer evidences its reasonable steps to protect its workforce and reports them to the board.

Schools and academy trusts

The decision: where pastoral and safeguarding attention goes, and when.

- **Term ahead.** The forecast for the neighbourhoods a school's pupils live in, not just the one it sits in. A rise in domestic abuse in a catchment neighbourhood is a reason to brief form tutors and the designated safeguarding lead before the term, and to expect disclosures.

- **Holiday periods.** The forecast for the weeks pupils are out of school, when safeguarding teams usually lose sight of them, so the summer and Christmas outreach goes to the right estates.
- **The journey to school.** The street by street and hour by hour forecasts for the roads around the gates at the start and end of the day, which is where a trust decides on staff presence, travel advice and a conversation with the local policing team.
- **A trained staff.** Education Hub modules on coercive control, trauma informed approaches and multi agency working, with the completion record a trust can show an inspector.

Charities, housing providers and small businesses

The decision: where to put limited staff, and how to look after them.

- The neighbourhood picture around each service, hostel or estate, with the forecast and a timeline of local changes, so a supported housing team or a community organisation knows what is coming to the communities around its sites.
- Staff safety: lone working, visit scheduling and travel to and from work set from the hour by hour and street by street forecasts.
- A plain English evidence base, every question logged, for funders, trustees and commissioners.

National bodies and regulators

The decision: where the national picture is moving, and which areas need attention or support.

- The cross area view, across every council, neighbourhood and offence type at once, refreshed as the record arrives.
- A single consistent measure of forecast harm for comparing areas and sectors, with the evidence behind each driver.
- An early read on the areas whose forecast is moving away from the national trend, months before the official statistics show it.

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Prevention by offence type

Dawn Intelligence forecasts 19 offence types. Each one calls for a different response when it is forecast to rise, and a different set of people to make it. The safeguarding offences draw on police records, official statistics, news and open sources. The rest are forecast from the police record.

Safeguarding offences

Offence	When the forecast shows a rise	Who acts
Domestic abuse	Refuge beds and domestic violence adviser capacity held or added for the months named. Domestic abuse cars on the evenings and match days the daily forecast flags. Health visitors, GPs and schools in the neighbourhood briefed to expect disclosures. Housing officers told which estates are carrying the rise	Commissioners, refuge providers, domestic violence adviser services, police, health, schools, housing

Offence	When the forecast shows a rise	Who acts
Sexual offences	Patrols, lighting and sightlines on the paths, parks and routes home the street by street forecast names, at the hours the hour by hour forecast shows. Guardians, walk home schemes and Ask for Angela in the night time economy. Transport staff on the stops and stations at closing time	Police, councils, town centre partnerships, licensed premises, transport operators, universities
Stalking	Specialist stalking advocacy capacity for the area. Officers briefed that early reports of harassment in the neighbourhood are to be read as a pattern, not a one off	Police, specialist advocacy services, commissioners
Harassment	Forecast every month in its own right, separately from stalking. Street wardens and patrols on the roads and hours named. Employers whose staff work those roads briefed on reporting and response	Councils, police, employers
Stalking and harassment	Stalking and harassment together, forecast every month for every council, so the specialist response can be sized for the months ahead	Police, specialist services
Honour based abuse	Safeguarding leads in schools and colleges briefed before the school holidays, when risk peaks, in the areas the forecast names. Specialist by and for services funded to be present there	Schools, colleges, specialist services, commissioners
Forced marriage	The same calendar as honour based abuse: attention on the areas and the weeks before the long summer holiday, with airports, schools and health services knowing what to watch for	Schools, health, specialist services, police
Serious violence	Outreach and street based youth work on the roads and evenings named, as in Jayden's story. Hospital violence reduction teams told which neighbourhoods to expect patients from. Licensing and door staffing reviewed for the venues on those roads. Sports halls and youth provision opened on the nights that carry the harm	Violence reduction units, youth services, hospitals, police, councils, licensing
Drug offences	Treatment and outreach capacity sized for the months named. County lines work and safeguarding attention on the neighbourhoods rising fastest, with the schools and children's services in them	Police, treatment services, children's services, schools

Public space and property offences

Offence	When the forecast shows a rise	Who acts
Anti-social behaviour	Wardens, youth provision and clean up and repair work on the estates and roads named, for the months the forecast runs high. Housing providers briefed on their stock in those neighbourhoods	Councils, housing providers, police, youth services
Burglary	Home security and crime prevention visits in the neighbourhoods and months named, before the dark evenings. Visits to the homes around each burglary on the roads the street by street forecast puts the weight on	Police, councils, housing providers, insurers
Vehicle crime	Lighting, signage and patrols in the car parks and roads named, at the hours shown. Services operators, employers and councils warning staff and the public for the months ahead	Police, councils, car park and services operators, employers
Theft from the person	Plain clothes and uniformed presence on the roads and hours named, in town centres and around stations. Venues and transport staff briefed. Public messaging timed to the months forecast	Police, town centre partnerships, transport operators, venues
Other theft	Site security and staff briefing for the neighbourhoods named, from building sites to hospitals and universities	Employers, security contractors, police

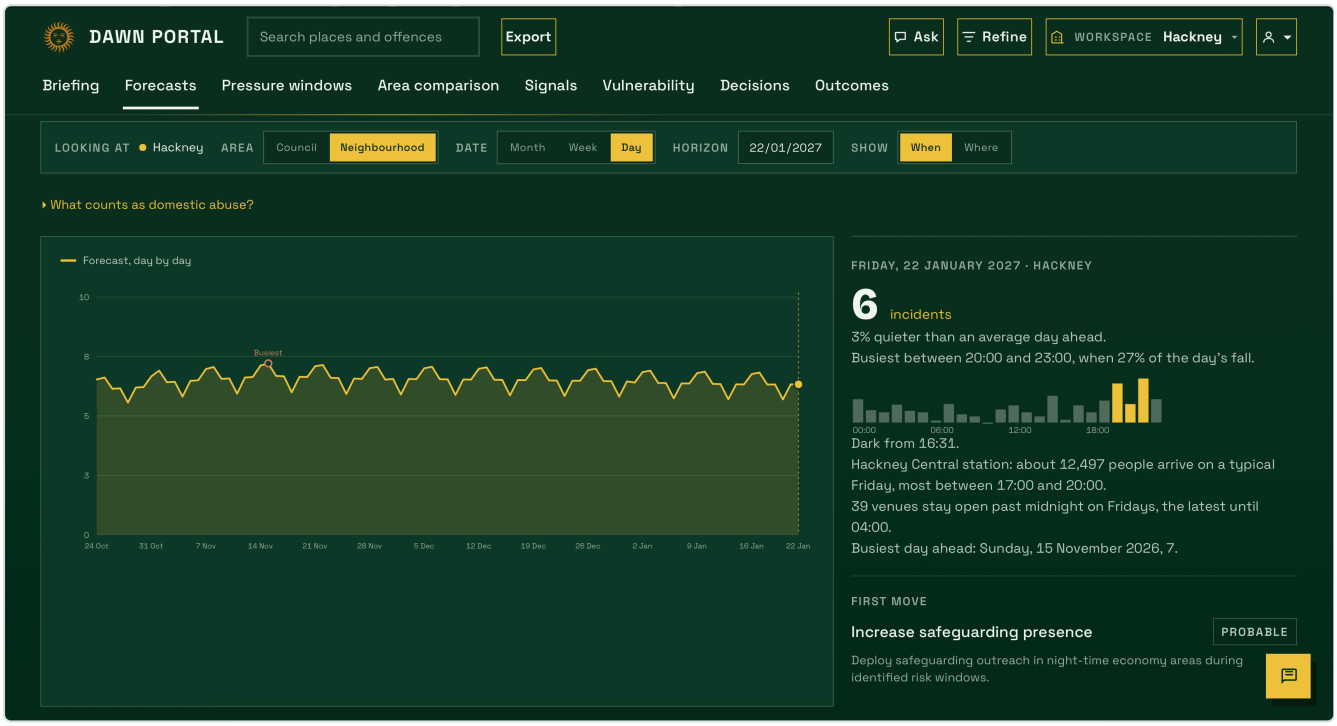
Offence	When the forecast shows a rise	Who acts
Bicycle theft	Secure parking, marking events and patrols at the stations, campuses and roads named, for the months the forecast runs high	Councils, transport operators, universities, police
Shoplifting	Security hours, body worn cameras and staffing at the stores in the neighbourhoods named, for the months ahead, as Rotherham's forecast called for in June. Business crime partnership patrols set from the same picture. Staff trained on response and de-escalation	Retailers, business crime partnerships, police, security contractors
Criminal damage and arson	Fire and rescue, councils and housing providers watching the neighbourhoods named around Bonfire Night and in the days after a deliberate fire, when the next one is most likely	Fire and rescue, councils, housing providers, police
Public order	Door staffing, dispersal and transport at closing time on the roads and nights named. Match days, bank holiday eves and events come flagged with the evidence behind them	Police, licensing, licensed premises, transport operators, event organisers
Other crime	Everything not covered above, used to size the general policing and community safety response for the area	Police, councils

In every row, the forecast says where, when and how much. The response is one the people on that row already know how to make. What changes is that they make it before the harm arrives.

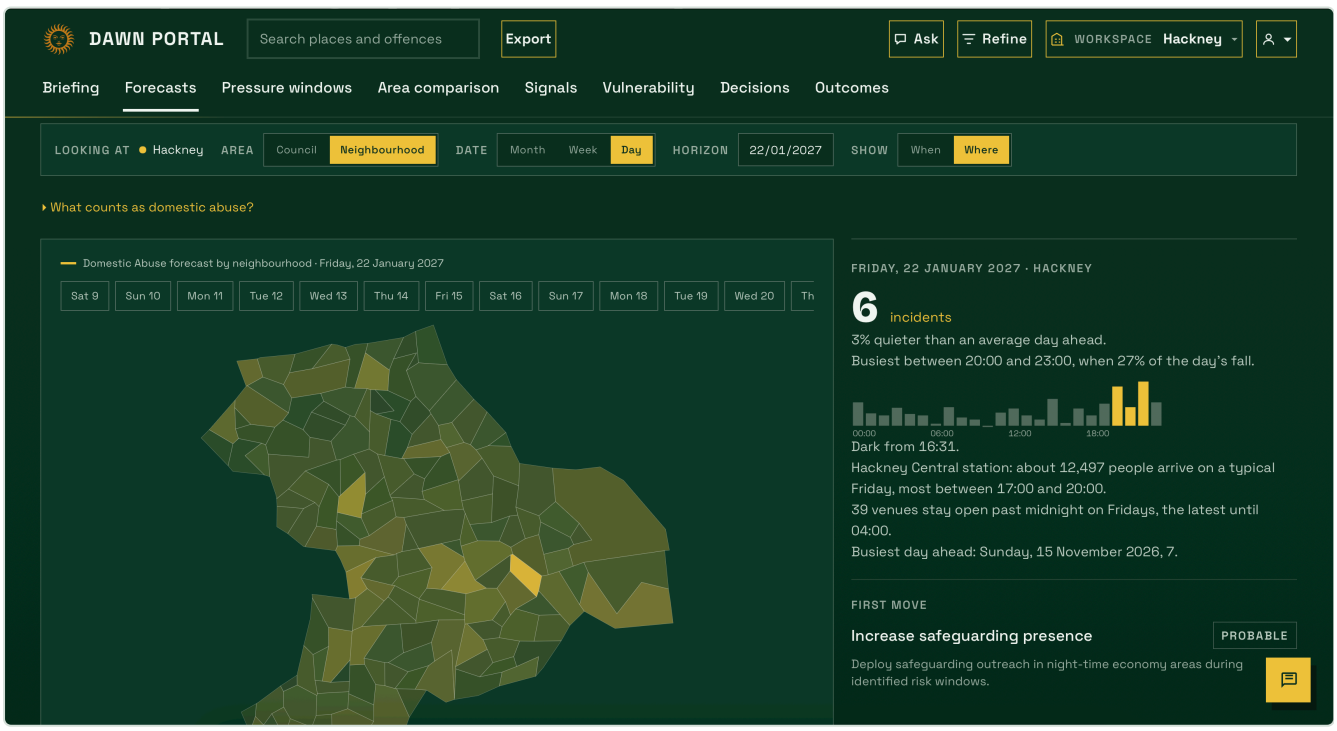
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The platform, end to end

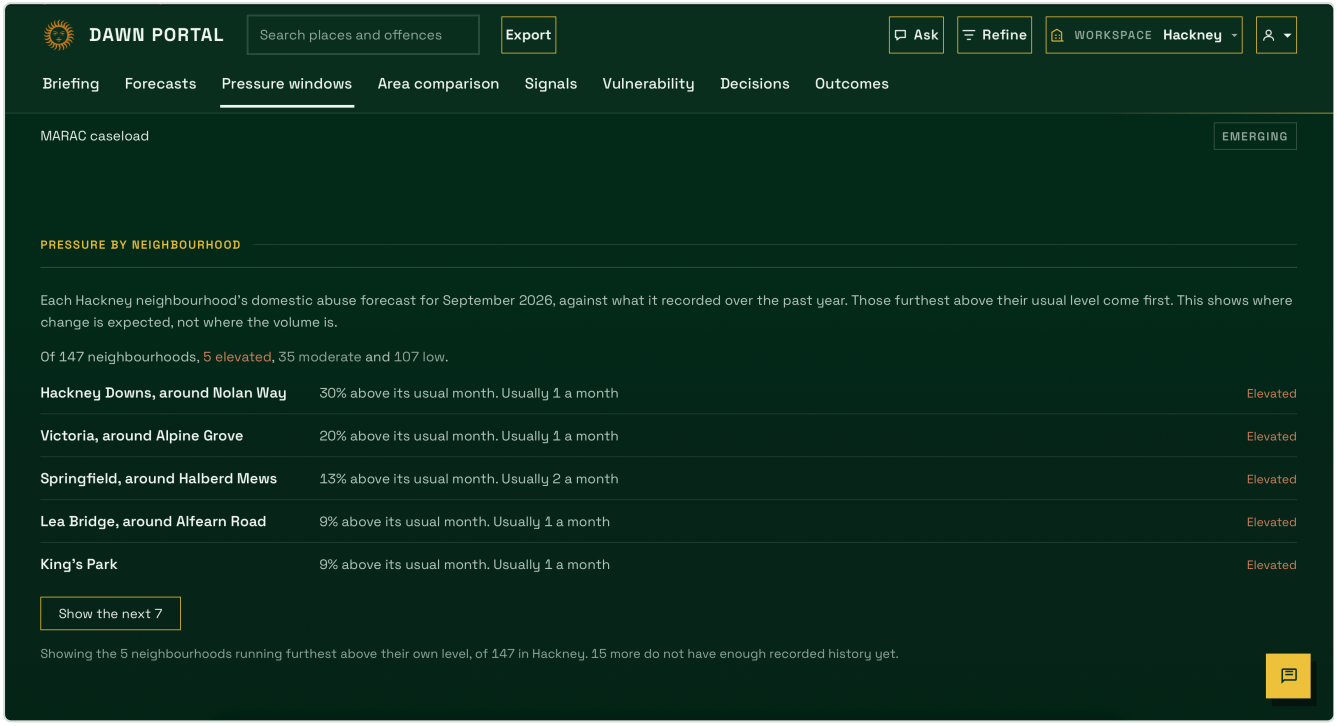
A user's week in Dawn Intelligence runs from the forecast map to the board paper without anyone compiling anything by hand. These are the surfaces, in the order someone meets them.



The Forecasts console for one Hackney neighbourhood, 22 January 2027: six domestic abuse incidents forecast for the day, busiest between 20:00 and 23:00, dark from 16:31, the station's arrivals and the venues open past midnight beside it, and the first move to make.



The same forecast as a map: every neighbourhood in Hackney shaded by its forecast for that day, with the days ahead along the top.



Pressure windows: of Hackney's 147 neighbourhoods, the five running furthest above their own usual level for the month ahead, each with how far above and what it usually records. This shows where change is expected, not where the volume is.

Forecasts. The forecast for every council and neighbourhood, by offence type, up to a year ahead: when, as a chart of the months ahead against the record behind them, and where, as a neighbourhood map. A twelve month view for planning, a monthly view for the rota. Every forecast shows the evidence behind it.

Street and hour. Each neighbourhood's monthly forecast placed on its roads and across the hours of the day and days of the week, so a user sees not just which neighbourhood but which street and which hours carry the harm. Sexual offences are placed on their own record, so nightclubs, colleges and parks carry their measured weight. This is the layer that turned Leicester Forest East into the services and the lane beside them.

Nowcast. Two things. The days ahead for each area, naming the days forecast to run above the area's usual level for that day of the week, with the weather, events, fixtures and calendar ahead feeding it every day. And the month just ended, forecast afresh each day until police publish it. Its day and week figures add up exactly to the month the chart shows, and every day's figures are saved with their date and time.

Drivers. Why a number is moving. Every area and offence has its drivers rebuilt each morning, each graded by the strength of its evidence: an established cause, a probable driver or an emerging association. The platform names the drivers behind each forecast day, so a reader sees that a Saturday sits high because England play, or that a week sits high because it is running warmer than the season. Each named driver carries its evidence and its source.

Signals. Reported incidents from local news and police newsrooms, placed at borough level, or on a road where the report says it happened, alongside the forecast. They inform the reader and never feed the forecast.

Context. Deprivation, population, schools, transport stops, licensed premises and closing hours, refuge capacity, A&E demand, court volumes and the Crime Survey as the benchmark for unrecorded harm, so a forecast is read against the place it is for.

Briefing. A plain speech briefing for each workspace, with its PDF, timed to land before the meeting it is written for: the neighbourhoods and days above normal, what is driving them, and what changed since last time. Every briefing is checked before it goes out.

Alerts. A notification when something shifts in an area a user is watching, so a regional manager without an analyst team finds out when it happens.

Ask Dawn. Questions in plain English, answered from the evidence and grounded against it. Every question is checked against the rules before it is answered, and every question and answer is recorded. The question that opened the pilot demonstration was what was driving a rise in financial hardship indicators around one of the pilot partner's estates.

Sites. An organisation's own site list mapped to the forecast for the neighbourhood around each site, ranked, so a head of people or a security lead sees which stores, wards, depots or venues need attention first, and the risk context report for each one.

Board ready exports. Evidence packs and summaries, built by calling the portal's own screens, so a document can never disagree with what the user saw. Traceable to source, with a record of every action behind them.

Workspaces and access. Each organisation has its own workspace, with admin, analyst and read only roles, and staff sign in with the Microsoft or Google accounts they already have. A council, a force and a charity can each see their own patch, and a partnership can share one.

The Dawn Education Hub. Training that stays true to the forecasts. Seventeen modules across three streams: workplace, including sexual harassment at work; AI literacy, ethics and governance; and harm reduction, from coercive control and trauma informed approaches to multi agency working and supporting survivors. Modules run 25 to 100 minutes, with a 90% pass mark, save and resume, and a completion and continuing professional development (CPD) record for every attempt. Individual subscriptions and organisation seats, bought directly, with no procurement.

From the forecast to the board paper, one platform, one picture, with every step logged. The forecast refreshes six times a day as the record arrives, so what a user sees on Friday is as current as the police record allows.

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What stands behind every forecast

Seven things are true of every forecast in this report, and of every forecast Dawn Intelligence publishes.

- **It is tested against the police record before the month happens.** Each forecast is made using only the figures available at the time, then scored against what police go on to record. 407,700 forecasts have been tested that way. The August 2026 forecast for 292 councils was saved before police published the month and scored 97.6%.
- **It is right at every level.** 98+% on the national monthly total, 93.4% for a single council, and for violence and sexual offences the busiest neighbourhood in a council named first 89% of the time.
- **It reads the record before it forecasts from it.** When the Metropolitan Police stopped supplying criminal damage figures after April 2026, and London's count fell from 4,336 to 246 in a month, the platform caught the gap and kept the history, rather than reading a gap in the record as crime falling.

- **Every forecast comes with its reasons.** The drivers behind each forecast day are named and graded by the strength of the published evidence behind them. In two independent blind reviews in a row, all 835 named drivers were judged sensible. Independent analysts reviewing blind, seeing only what a partner sees, judged 99% of monthly forecast pages, 99.7% of daily forecasts and all 461 sexual offence street lists sound.
- **Every forecast is saved with its date and time**, so what Dawn Intelligence said, and when, can always be shown.
- **It forecasts what victims report, not where police patrol.** Domestic abuse, sexual offences, stalking, harassment, burglary and theft are recorded because someone reports them. Where police patrol is kept out of the monthly forecast, so more patrols in a place do not raise its forecast. It names calm as well as rises, so resources move away from quiet neighbourhoods as well as towards rising ones.
- **Dawn Intelligence forecasts incidents, not people.** Every figure is a count of recorded offences for an area in a month, and every action on the platform is recorded.

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Proven in use

Live pilot: a national charity that supports front line workers

A national charity that supports front line workers ran a live pilot of Dawn Intelligence across its sites in 2026.

The need. Its safeguarding leads, regional managers, people team and board had no analyst team behind them and no forward view of what was building around the places their people work and live. They found out when something went wrong, or when someone compiled the figures by hand.

What they set up. Each team was given the same forecast for a different decision:

- Safeguarding leads: live intelligence and early warnings for the neighbourhoods around their sites, with an evidence base they could question in plain English, every question and answer recorded
- Regional managers: automated briefings, alerts when something shifted, twelve month forecasts for planning, and a neighbourhood drill down for estate and service decisions
- The people team: an evidence base for wellbeing planning, replacing anecdote with structured intelligence for every region
- Leadership and the board: exports and summaries traceable back to source, with nobody compiling data by hand

The question that opened the demonstration was what was driving a rise in financial hardship indicators around one of the partner's estates. Dawn Intelligence answered it from the evidence, with the drivers and their sources.

What came back. At the end of the pilot the partner asked for API access alongside the portal, so Dawn Intelligence's forecasts could also feed straight into its own operational systems. That is the request of an organisation that wants the forecast inside its daily work, and Dawn Intelligence is now building that integration with it.

Where Dawn Intelligence stands

- Invited to No 10 to input on violence against women and girls and AI
- In conversation with a police force
- Early interest from a national regulator
- API integration under way with a national charity
- Methodology reviewed with policing AI specialists
- Interest from government and a major technology company within the first year
- Education Hub training and consulting delivered to a first organisational client

What people say

> Early, trusted insight helps us anticipate risk, deploy resources effectively, and prevent situations escalating into life-threatening emergencies.
>
> A paramedic in Glasgow

> Dawn Intelligence provides fast, reliable insight to help organisations identify risk and prioritise employee safety.
>
> A fraud executive in Dundee

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What this means

The harm Dawn Intelligence forecasts is preventable. A forecast gives the people responsible for a place time, time lets help move early, and help that moves early saves lives. Every organisation in this report already has the people, the budget and the duty to act. What they lacked was the forecast. It is on the table now, for every neighbourhood in the country, with the dates saved.

The record in this report shows Dawn Intelligence seeing rises before they happen, naming the place and the road, and adjusting to a surge within a month. It does this for every neighbourhood in the UK, across 19 offence types, up to a year ahead. And it shows, for a sergeant, a commissioner, a head of security and a safeguarding lead, what each of them does with it: the rota written for the right month, the beds kept, the shuttle laid on, the youth workers on the right corner.

No one else in the UK has built this. Intelligence that helps humans decide, earlier.

Welcome to the Dawn of a new age of safety.

How to start

See your own patch or sites.

Email sales@dawnintelligence.co.uk with a council, force area or a handful of site postcodes, and Dawn Intelligence will walk you through the live twelve month forecast, the street by street and hour by hour forecasts and a sample risk context report for your footprint.

Train your people now.

The Dawn Education Hub is open to individuals and organisations today, bought directly, with no procurement.

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