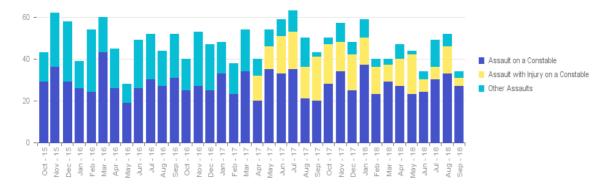


Assaults on Police

There has been an 8% decrease (45 less crimes) in the number of recorded crimes of assault on police whilst on duty in the last 12 months between 1st October 2017 and 30th September 2018. A higher proportion of these occur during times of high visibility patrolling of Town Centres where there is vibrant night life.

Police Officer Assaults over the last 3 years



Activity Being Undertaken

- The Daily Management Meeting document (DMM) has been adapted and since June 2018, there is now a section developed specifically for officer/staff assaults within the 24 hour period. This is reviewed on a daily basis within the Executive Team.
- Continual review and improvements are made to the Officer Personal Safety Training (OPST) inputs. Recent work has included further de-escalation training and a training input on conveying violent prisoners within vehicles – all of which is aimed at preventing officer assaults and/or minimising risk.
- The use of body worn video is used and can mitigate this risk significantly and can also be used to negate complaints made.