

Crime in Faversham

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The project

- This project is designed to determine the 'shape' of crime in Faversham.
- Once we know what crime is taking place and where, we will be able to start to discussing what can be done about it.
- It has two components:
 - A quantitative analysis of reported crime in Faversham
 - A qualitative assessment of the crime and disorder that takes place in Faversham

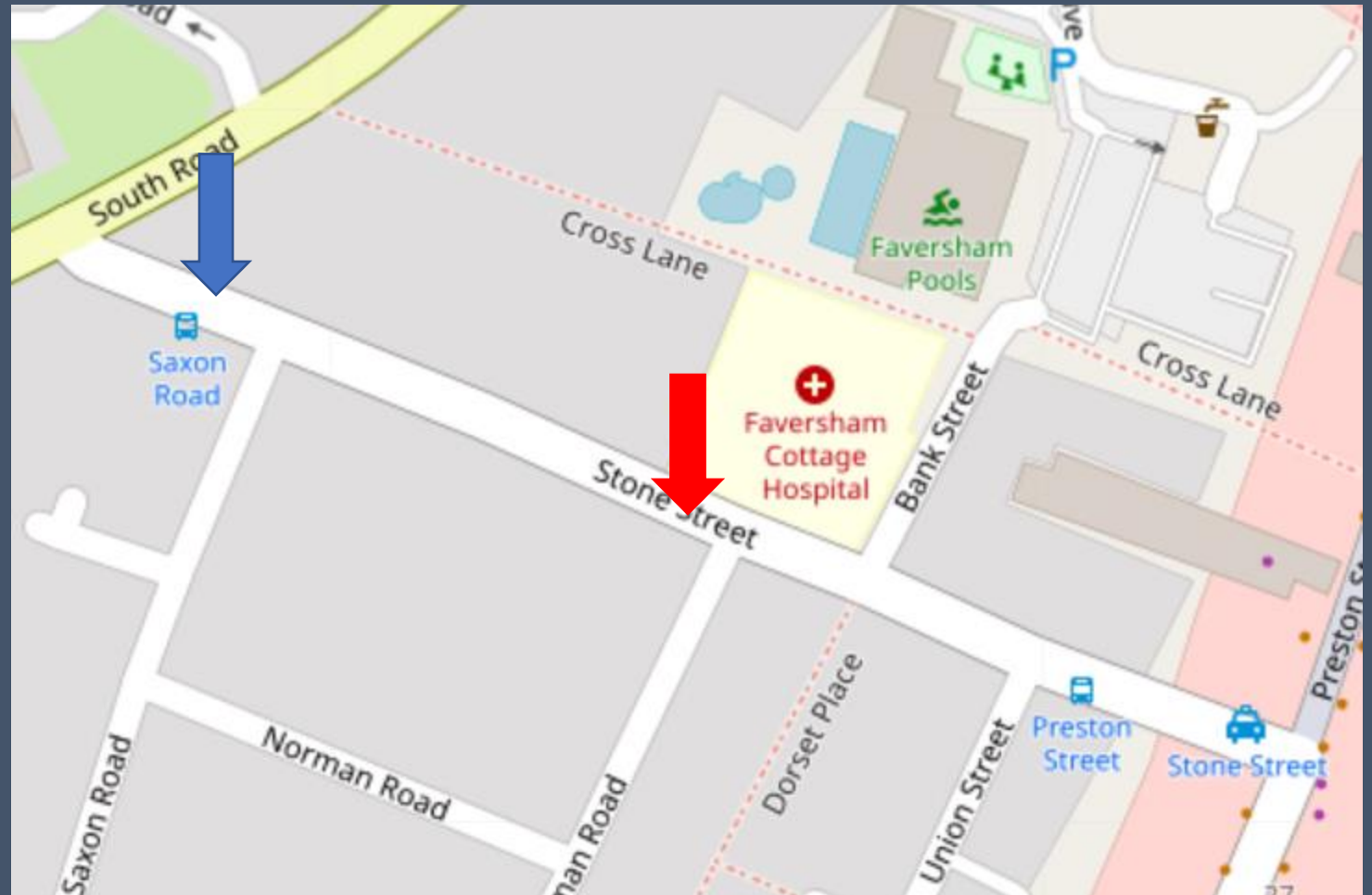


The quantitative study

- Data on where and when offences have taken place from Kent Police.
- I have excluded offences that would be outside the remit of the Town Council to address.
- This data includes centred geo-spatial data, which allows us an estimate of where offences take place.
- But without the risk of identifying victims of crime within the study.

What does that mean?

- For example, a street robbery occurs in Stone St at the blue arrow.
- The crime will be recorded in our data at approx. the red arrow.

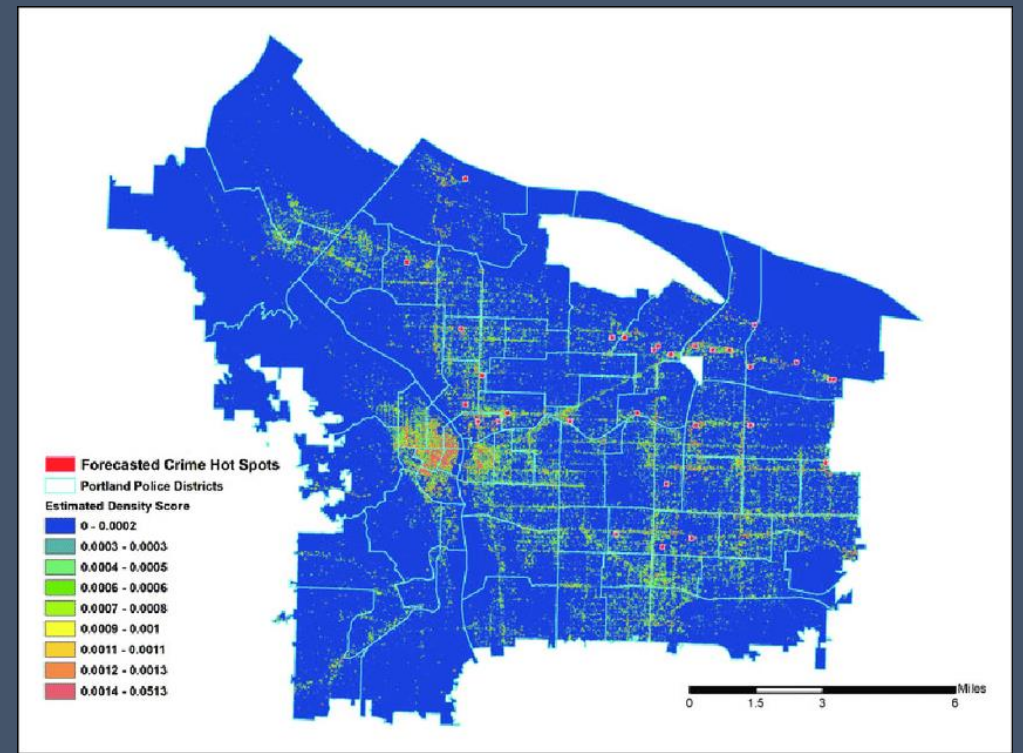
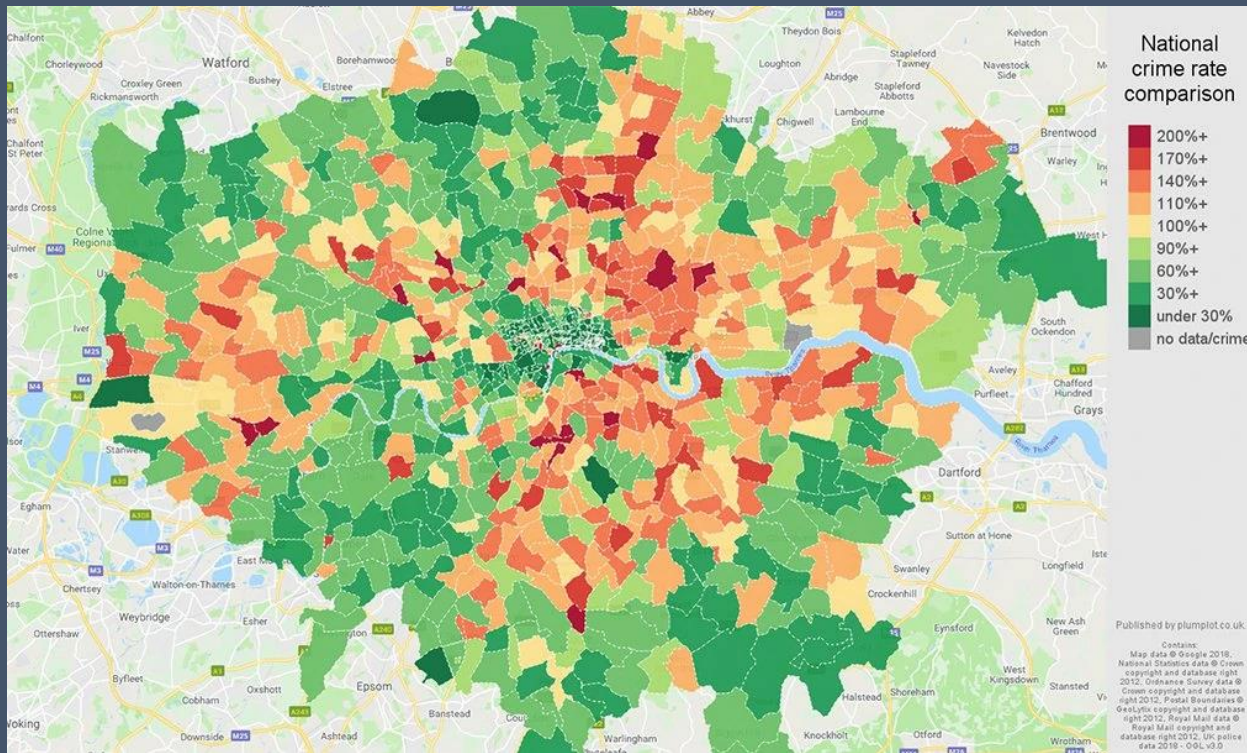


Hotspots

- The quantitative data will allow us to see what crimes are being reported to the police and in what areas.
- We will be using 5 years of data to determine the hot spots and to see if there has been any movement in the types of crime and their locations.
- Kent police suggest this has happened during Covid lockdowns.



Hotspots



The dark figure of crime

- Crime is not always reported to the police though.
- So, speaking to local people about the crime and ASB that has impacted them will be important.
- This is a small early study, so in depth interviews and surveys would not be possible.
- One or two focus groups will allow me to speak to members of the community and to get a picture of the types of issues that are problematic in Faversham.

Speaking to the experts

- I will also be speaking to those in the local area who have knowledge of crime and criminality.
- Their knowledge about the issues in the local area will help flesh out what I will have found in the data and in the focus groups.



Outcomes

- It is too early to discuss concrete outcomes yet.
- But, it is hoped that the results of the study can be compared to other work carried out across the country and recommendations made for future projects or improvements the Town Council can approach.
- The final report will be submitted by the end of July 2022.

Any questions?

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