The designated charity for the Knife Angel visit is Cheshire Crimebeat who support young people of Cheshire to get involved with crime prevention, community safety and citizenship projects in their local communities.



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# Activities during the Crewe Knife Angel visit

Opening ceremony Wednesday 3rd May at 4.30pm

Closing ceremony Tuesday 30th May at 6:30pm

Theatre activities, gang culture workshops and engagement in local schools

First aid demonstrations and training (including use of defibrillators and bleed kits)

Safer streets bus

Youth skills events

Poetry competition with Creative Crewe

### Visit the Knife Angel!

Everyone is welcome to visit the Knife Angel on Memorial Square, Crewe – free of charge

Find out more on the Crewe Knife Angel webpage: www.crewetowncouncil.gov.uk /whats-on-events/knife-angel

# CREVE WELCOMES THE

3rd – 30th May 2023 Memorial Square, Crewe, CW1 2BJ

## THE UK'S FIRST NATIONAL **ANTI VIOLENCE YOUTH** EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME AND TOUR

#### What is the Knife Angel?

The Knife Angel, also known as the National Monument Against Violence and Aggression, is a 27 foot tall sculpture created entirely from 100,000 seized knives and blades taken from the streets of Britain. The blades were collected by forty-three Police Constabularies following knife amnesties and surrenders across the UK and have been sterilised and blunted.

It symbolises a call for change whilst acting as a National Memorial for victims of knife crime and their loved ones.

#### Where did the Knife Angel come from?

The Knife Angel and its concept was created by the British Ironwork Centre and designed by Alfie Bradley, and is currently engaged in a National Anti-Violence Tour across the UK. Crewe is the 35th venue to host the sculpture in five years.

#### Why has the Knife Angel come to Crewe?

It is hoped that the presence of the statue and accompanying programme of engagement will inspire social change not only in Crewe but also the wider area.

Funding for the project has been given by Crewe Town Council and the Safer Cheshire East Partnership supported through funding from the Police Crime Commissioner's Office.

#### What are the objectives of the visit?

The Knife Angel is intended to educate children, young people and adults about the harmful effects of violent behaviour on communities all across our nation. It has also helped to encourage those carrying knives to renounce violence as a solution for solving disputes and inspire leading bodies to create better initiatives to turn the tide on aggressive behaviour.

#### Become a National Youth Anti-Violence Champion

An 'Anti-Violence Champion' is someone who completely renounces violent and aggressive behaviour as a means to solve issues, disputes and difficulties.

You can find out more by visiting: www.britishironworkcentre.co.uk/become-anational-youth-anti-violence-champion



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