



Police move in to stop disturbances in Dewsbury on Saturday.

Clashes on protest march—Nine held

Nine people were arrested during clashes between Asian protest marchers and white youths in Dewsbury on Saturday.

About 500 Asians marched through Dewsbury town centre to protest about the arrest of three Asians, following an incident in the Savile Town area of the town the previous Sunday.

As the marchers approached the Town Hall between 50 and 100 white youths began chanting. Police and

stewards managed to keep the two groups apart, but then white youths rushed the marchers and fighting broke out.

Today a police spokesman at Dewsbury said the nine youths had been bailed to appear before magistrates at a later date.

The march was organised by Dewsbury Defence Committee, set up following incidents in the Savile Town area during the previous week.

'Cool it' plea over Savile Town unrest

West Yorkshire's new Chief Constable Mr. Colin Sampson has appealed for calm among Asians and whites after disturbances in Savile Town, Dewsbury.

Mr. Sampson said disorder in the town since the weekend had disturbed him "enormously."

He went on: "We should make an appeal in that area for calm and good sense and advise people on both sides not to be influenced by the very, very small group of people who seem to be determined to undermine all the good that has hitherto taken place on race relations in the Dewsbury area."

Mr. Sampson told the

committee the situation had so far been kept under control by local police and leaders of the Asian community.

Committee chairman Coun. Ron Darrington appealed for "tolerance" on all sides.