

Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Corsham Community Area Board 1 February 2011



1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Sgt 85 Alex Reid

Corsham Town Centre Team

Beat Manager – PC 1552 Hazel Anderson

PCSO – 6156 Shaun Redmond

Corsham Rural Team

Beat Manager – PC 1877 Mandie Ball

PCSO – 6035 Steve Butler

PCSO – 6201 Charles Campbell

Chippenham Rural Team

Beat Manager – PC 338 Heather Barham

PCSO – 6007 Norman Webster

PCSO – 6041 Val Wagstaff

2. NPTs - Current Priorities & Consultation Opportunities:

Up-to-date details about Neighbourhood Policing Teams including team membership, current priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on our Wiltshire Police Website.

Corsham Town – ASB, Corsham Town
Drugs, Corsham Town Centre

Corsham Rural – ASB, Box

Chippenham Rural – Speeding, Rural Villages
- Burglary, Rural Villages

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3. Police Authority Representative: Mrs Gill Stafford

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<http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp>

4. Performance and Other Local Issues

I am pleased to report that it has generally been a fairly quiet period across Corsham in recent weeks.

This has no doubt been largely due to the lead up to the festive period and also the long spell of inclement weather and snow that caused widespread disruption across the County.

There was a spate of damage to car tyres across Corsham during early December with random vehicles having the tyres punctured with a sharp implement.

Enquiries into these matters are continuing and we are hopeful of identifying those responsible. There have been no recent repeats of this type of damage reported however NPT patrols have been stepped up around the affected areas to deter further offending.

Four males from out of the County were arrested in December for poaching offences using Lurcher type dogs. Their animals were seized and the RSPCA are looking at potential animal cruelty charges against one of the dog owners.

On separate occasions another male was escorted out of the County from the Stanton area after being suspected of involvement in hare coursing and another three males were removed from the Biddestone area, again for suspected hare coursing.

Please report any suspicious activity seen on agricultural land; especially involving 4x4 type vehicles and groups of people with Lurcher/Greyhound dogs.

The Corsham Town Council mobile CCTV system has been refurbished and upgraded and will be deployed at a variety of locations across the town by the Council during the coming year to provide community reassurance at specific problem locations.

The old Rudloe RAF site has been subject to thefts of stone tiles from the derelict buildings recently. Several individuals from out of the County were located at the scene and spoken to in connection with this.

Four individuals were arrested and are on bail relating to a criminal damage offence at the Basil Hill tunnels system, enquiries continue into these matters.

Two local youths have been dealt with for separate incidents of shoplifting in Corsham and processed under the recently introduced local resolution scheme. This allows positive action to be taken against the offending party, whilst working with the victim and reaching an outcome that is agreeable to them.

A local male was arrested for criminal damage to a number of windows in a public house and has been formally cautioned for this offence.

Results for the high profile 2010 Christmas and New Year crackdown on Drink driving indicate that the numbers of tests conducted were significantly higher than in 2009 and the number of overall tests with a positive result was proportionately lower than during last year's campaign.

The national campaign, which began on the 1 December and ran for the whole month, saw 5526 driver's breath tested within Wiltshire. Of these 106 tests were positive

with five drivers committing an offence of failing to provide a test. Those figures for positive and failing to provide represented 2 per cent of the total tests conducted. T

This is a welcome drop in the number from last year's campaign which saw 3.3 per cent test positive or where drivers failed to provide.

The total number of breath tests carried out on drivers involved in collisions was 592 of whom 26 tested positive (4.4 per cent). This was a slight increase on the 4 percent that tested positive in last year's campaign but the number of drivers tested following a collision increased.

Overall our reported crime has fallen slightly, which is a positive start to the year and although as reported in the last document, detections have also shown a reduction, this is in part due to the local resolution scheme and Home Office classification.

CRIME & DETECTIONS (JAN 2010 – DEC 2010) compared to previous year)

CORSHAM	CRIME				DETECTIONS	
	JAN 2010 - DEC 2010 cf previous year				JAN 2010 - DEC 2010 cf previous year	
	2009/10	2010/11	+ / -	% Change	2008/09	2009/10
Violence Against the Person	124	125	1	0.8%	56.5%	46.4%
Dwelling Burglary	34	33	-1	-2.9%	35.3%	24.2%
Criminal Damage	223	187	-36	-16.1%	12.6%	9.6%
Non Dwelling Burglary	77	86	9	11.7%	10.4%	4.7%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	54	79	25	46.3%	11.1%	1.3%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	22	25	3	13.6%	18.2%	28.0%
Total Crime	810	777	-33	-4.1%	24.0%	19.0%
County Division is compared with 15 most similar divisions in other Forces. Currently we are performing well e.g. ranked 1st (out of 15) for All Crime and 4th for Violent Crime						

Anti-Social-Behaviour – reported incidents

APR-JUNE 2010	JULY-SEPT 2010	OCT-DEC 2010	JAN-MAR 2010	MONTHLY AVE (09/10)
199	205	144	116	57

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 11 January 2011
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 Chippenham, Calne and Corsham