

# NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWS



Devizes Town Neighbourhood Policing Newsletter

Spring 2011

## Priorities

The Neighbourhood Tasking Group Meeting (NTG) was held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> of March. The panel made decision on the priorities as detailed below.

**The following priority from the last quarter is now closed:**

### **Wayside Farm consultation – Speeding vehicles in Nursteed Road and Estate**

The team in conjunction with Wiltshire Council arranged for a speed awareness sign to be erected along the main part of Nursteed Road leading to the estate.



Police officers from the roads policing unit conducted seven speed checks over the three month period resulting in six motorists being caught speeding and issued with fixed penalty tickets.

**The new priority for this next quarter is detailed below alongside how we plan to address it:**

### **Speeding in Potterne Road**

The team conducted door to door consultations in early March. The main concern was vehicles travelling at excess speed. The team intend to conduct on the spot speed checks.

## Summary of Crime

The new national crime mapping website was launched earlier this year and gives a breakdown of reported crime anti-social behaviour in your area.

Overall the Devizes town area is recorded as average compared to the rest of the country. The mapper can be viewed on the Wiltshire Police website or by visiting – [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk)

## Consultations

Have your say on local issues and meet the team. We are outside the Bear Hotel at 9am to 2pm every Thursday Market Day – **24th March, 21st April and 19th May.**



## Outcomes

The team have been working with partner agencies dealing with nuisance tenants and executing drug warrants.

A well known local criminal was released from prison at the end of 2010 and was soon arrested again for committing further offences. He has now been recalled to prison to serve the remainder of his sentence.

## Bluez & Zuz Youth Disco

The team continue to run the Bluez & Zuz disco events at the Corn Exchange nightclub. The February event attracted 200 young people to the Valentine's Ball and there were four prize winners.

The next disco will be on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> of March from 7 to 9pm. Further details can be found at:

[facebook.com/blueznzuz](http://facebook.com/blueznzuz)

## MEET YOUR TEAM

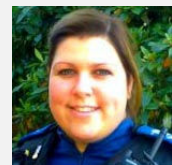
We are your dedicated neighbourhood policing team working **with you** and our partners to tackle your local concerns.

### Community Beat Manager



PC Adam Hall

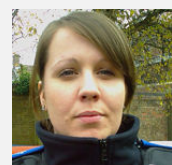
### Police Community Support Officers



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PCSO Fiona Marno

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## A new way of dealing with offenders of low level crime and anti-social behaviour

Some offenders of low level crime and anti-social behaviour in Wiltshire and Swindon are now being held accountable for their actions within the community rather than in the court room. Wiltshire Police officers have been trained to use a form of restorative practice called Local Resolution which puts victims at the heart of the process by giving them a say in how justice should be delivered and involves work with partner agencies, such as local councils.

Wiltshire Police Local Resolution Project Manager Wendy Moore said: "Given the right conditions, officers are using their professional judgement and discretion to help create resolutions in line with victims' wishes, such as by offenders giving verbal or written apologies, paying fair compensation and repairing damage they caused. All parties have to agree to the Local Resolution and if an offender fails to carry out their agreed actions they can be arrested and prosecuted."

Since May 2010 more than 480 Local Resolutions have been carried out in Wiltshire, for example:

- An employee who stole building supplies from his employer admitting responsibility and paying £400 back in full for the supplies. He was subsequently dismissed from the company
- A 16 and 19 year old cleaning off graffiti they sprayed on a car park wall while supervised by a council employee

Police will still arrest and prosecute for offences where this is the right thing to do. Local Resolution is partly driven by the national Flanagan report into policing which said investigating of crime had become overly driven by a performance regime, rather than encouraging a common sense approach to resolving incidents. Wiltshire Police is following other forces which have run similar successful schemes.

## Immobilise your Christmas gifts

Now Christmas is over and you're slowly getting the hang of your new laptop or working out how to up-load songs to your new i-pod – why not take the time to register these items with Immobilise. Immobilise is a free, private and secure portfolio of all your personal property (all items with serial numbers on them). If your property is then lost or stolen and recovered by the Police it will be returned to you.

There are two steps to register your details, STEP ONE – collect all serial numbers and details of your property from around your home. STEP TWO – Visit [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com) and follow the instructions to register your property – go to 'create a free account now.'

## Crimestoppers Property Protector

Crime-fighting charity, Crimestoppers has launched its first ever product – Crimestoppers Property Protect. This is a clear liquid solution which contains a combination of micro-particles to provide a unique code number. Simply dab it onto valuable items to give them their own coded fingerprint. This code is registered exclusively to the owner via a property registration database. If the items are lost or stolen there is an increased chance of them being returned to their rightful owner.

Michael Laurie CBE, Crimestoppers' Chief Executive said: "this is an exciting development for the charity not only will the product help people to protect their property but at the same time it will raise vital funds for the charity."

Crimestoppers Property Protector is priced at £34.99 and if buy online at [www.crimestopperspropertyprotector.com](http://www.crimestopperspropertyprotector.com) you will receive a £7.50 discount, just quote the voucher code CS175. The offer ends 31 March 2011.

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