



Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Westbury Community Area Board 6th October 2011

Current Priorities:

Up-to-date details of the current news about Neighbourhood Policing Teams, including, profiles, priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on the Wiltshire Police Website.

🖥️ Visit the new and improved website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

Team News:

Ps Debra ASHLEY

Town Team:

Pc Jo Philpott
PCSO Matt Stewart
PCSO Neil Turnbull

Rural Team:

Pc Darren Foulger
PCSO Lukas Breedt

WESTBURY PERFORMANCE:

Wiltshire Police - 171 years of public service

Westbury	Crime				Detections	
	September 2009 - August 2010	September 2010 - August 2011	Volume Change	% Change	September 2009 - August 2010	September 2010 - August 2011
Violence Against the Person	219	184	-35	-16%	38%	54%
Dwelling Burglary	31	56	25	81%	16%	13%
Criminal Damage	210	219	9	4%	15%	13%
Non Dwelling Burglary	74	90	16	22%	5%	3%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	65	49	-16	-25%	9%	0%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	22	16	-6	-27%	32%	31%
Total Crime	901	947	46	5%	25%	24%
Total ASB	972	928	-44	-5%		

Wiltshire Police are compared against a group of 8 most similar forces. Wiltshire Police have performed better than peers in All Recorded Crime and Violent Crime for the most recently reported 3 month (May - Aug 2011) and 12 month period (Aug-Jul 2011)

*Total Crime comprises all Crime Groupings listed above and also includes Theft and Handling, Fraud and Forgery, Robbery and Sexual Offences
** Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution

The performance figures for Westbury and the surrounding villages this reporting period show a 5% increase in total crime. This is extremely disappointing as I cannot report just how well and thorough the local police and partners have been whilst working together to deal with the more specific issues.

The last few months have seen an incredible amount of work with Police, Youth Services, Wiltshire Council and Schools re the youth related anti social behaviour which had been taking place in and around the town. There has been the successful application to the Magistrates Court for an Anti-social Behaviour Order for one particular youth and a number of other Anti-social Behaviour Contracts agreed. This has resulted in 44 less incidents of Anti-social behaviour in our communities compared to this time last year.

In Wiltshire our main priority is to reduce violent crime and there is a continued reduction across Westbury and its surrounding villages, so far this year there have been a total of 35 fewer victims of assaults.

Our work in relation to preventing and detecting burglaries remains a challenge. There have been a number of burglaries to houses reported and the villages appear more susceptible than the town. I cannot stress enough about the value in Neighbourhood Watch Schemes and having someone keeping a watch on your house should you go away on holiday. The CID Dept at Melksham are investigating the reports received.

Rural farms/village shed and buildings have also continued to suffer and items such as farming equipment, tools, quad bikes and anything composed of metal for scrap value is still a most sought after commodity.

Whilst I feel this report brings you some local concerns I do feel it important to reiterate Westbury and its surrounding villages continues to be a safe place to live, Wiltshire is constantly compared against 8 Forces of similar size and demography and performs the best!



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