

Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper

Devizes Community Area Board

Date of Meeting 23rd January 2012



1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Sgt Ian Thomas

Town Centre Team

Beat Manager – PC Adam Hall
PCSO – Paula Yarranton
PCSO – Lucy Sainsbury
PCSO – Kelly Watts

Rural North Team

Beat Manager – PC Emma Reed
PCSO – Wendy Leat
PCSO - Fiona Marno

Rural South Team

Beat Manager – PC Gareth Milnes
PCSO – Nina Marsh
PCSO - Fiona Marno

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.

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

3. Police Authority Representative: Mr Christopher Humphries

Please contact via Wiltshire Police Authority Tel. 01380 734022 or <http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp>

4. Performance and Other Local Issues

2012 promises to be a busy year for Wiltshire Police. There will be the usual demands of the Summer Solstice WOMAD and Royal International Air Tattoo. This year we will also be busy with the Olympics. To provide additional resilience Wiltshire Police is busy training and preparing our contingent of Special Constables. These are valuable and dedicated members of our communities who give up their spare time and work with regular police officers to fight crime and disorder, resolving community issues. Recently, a number of Special Constables took over the policing of the Devizes area on a Friday night. It was a busy night. Some were still here at 8am the next morning having been on since 5pm the previous evening, a 13 hour shift! They did a magnificent job and can be rightly proud of their work.

Much planning and organising goes in to the policing response to predicted events. One such time is the festive period and the associated night-time economy issues that result. Extra

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patrols were put in place to deal with instances of drunken revelry and disorder. I am pleased to report that across the Devizes area both Christmas Eve and New Years Eve were relatively calm affairs, despite them falling on a Saturday night. There was a report of a male damaging a car in Devizes Market Place in the early hours of New Years Day. Police Officers attended within minutes and conducted an area search. The offender was soon located and arrested. The offender has been charged with an offence of criminal damage and has been bailed to appear at Court.

Currently we are experiencing a minor series of non-dwelling burglary offences in the Market Lavington area. We have a local plan in place to combat these offences. We are closely monitoring a number of individuals who may be committing these crimes to gain the necessary evidence we require. We would also appeal to the local community for any information which may assist us in our efforts. In addition to this we would also encourage people to take the necessary crime prevention measures and review their security arrangements.

Finally, in December the local Neighbourhood Policing priorities for the next 3 months were set following public consultation. These can be viewed via the Wiltshire Police website www.wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

CRIME & DETECTIONS (November 2010 – October 2011 compared to previous year)

Devizes	Crime				Detections	
	December 2009 - November 2010	December 2010 - November 2011	Volume Change	% Change	December 2009 - November 2010	December 2010 - November 2011
Violence Against the Person	339	280	-59	-17%	48%	56%
Dwelling Burglary	47	62	15	32%	9%	15%
Criminal Damage	266	341	75	28%	13%	15%
Non Dwelling Burglary	109	159	50	46%	3%	3%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	67	112	45	67%	1%	2%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	17	26	9	53%	18%	23%
Total Crime	1334	1518	184	14%	25%	26%
Total ASB	1244	1333	89	7%		
Wiltshire Police are compared against a group of 8 most similar forces. Wiltshire Police have performed better than peers for All Crime and for Violent Crime in the previous 12 month period (Nov 2010 - Oct 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						

Inspector Ron Peach 23rd January 2012
Area Commander