



Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Westbury Community Area Board

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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.

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1. Performance

Please note there is a slight variation in the crime data/stats presented this time. The summary no longer includes an overall crime figure.

This reporting period has seen a continued reduction in relation to violence/victim based crime reports and criminal damage. This is good news and continues to support the fact Westbury and the surrounding villages are a safe place to be.

Unfortunately this reporting period has seen an increase in reports of burglaries to both houses and outbuildings sheds etc. Whilst there have been a number of arrests in relation to some of these offences and the suspects remain on police bail we need to be mindful that this type of offending continues.

Electrical items from houses including laptops/mobile devices etc and gardening equipment and tools from outbuildings are currently the commodity of choice.

Opportunities to gain easy access ie windows left open, insecure buildings/sheds have been mentioned when interviewing the most recent suspects. It is really important that when a house/shed/outbuilding/items of property are left it is left as secure as it can be and where possible marked in an identifiable way.

Watch Schemes within our communities such as Neighbourhood Watch, Farm Watch, Horse Watch etc along with any Alarms/CCTV/Camera installations are all essential in helping prevent and detect offences.

Reporting of suspicious activity via the 101 number is essential.

**Table 1 – Reported Crime Figures
May 2011 – April 2012**

EG Westbury	Crime				Detections	
	May 2010 - April 2011	May 2011 - April 2012	Volume Change	% Change	May 2010 - April 2011	May 2011 - April 2012
Victim Based Crime	852	810	-42	-5%	17%	20%
Domestic Burglary	35	48	13	37%	3%	31%
Non Domestic Burglary	81	83	2	2%	4%	4%
Vehicle Crime	86	96	10	12%	3%	6%
Criminal Damage & Arson	209	175	-34	-16%	14%	17%
Violence Against The Person	164	148	-16	-10%	47%	49%
ASB Incidents	800	845	45	6%		

Wiltshire Police are compared against a group of 8 most similar forces. Wiltshire Police have performed in line with peers and better than average for Victim Based Crime and Violence Against the Person in the previous 12 month period (April 2011 - March 2012)

* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution

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