



Trowbridge Community Area Board September 2012

1. Neighbourhood Policing

Current Priorities:

Up-to-date details of the current news about Neighbourhood Policing Teams (NPT), including profiles, priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on the Wiltshire Police website www.wiltshire.police.uk

Team News:

PS Dave Hobman has moved to Trowbridge to lead the local NPT. He has the following staff covering the beats within the town and rural locations:

PC Pete Tuite, PCSO Laura Humphreys, PCSO Peter Tscherniawsky, PCSO Jo Matthews &, PCSO Debbie Robbins – Trowbridge Town

PC Jodie Price, PCSO James Bates & PCSO Gemma Bloomfield – Adcroft & Paxcroft

PC Lee Pelling & PCSO Matt Till – Trowbridge Park

PC Helen Beaven, PCSO Vicky Huntley & PCSO Phil Greenaway – Drynham & Grove

PC Alison Davies, PCSO Xanthe Knowles & PCSO Ben Brown – Lambrok

PC Mark Hough & PCSO Maria Badder – Trowbridge Rural

Mrs Joy Hillyer is an Independent Member of the Wiltshire Police Authority. Mrs Hillyer has the responsibility for overseeing policing matters in the Community Area and is involved in the transition from Police Authority to the Police and Crime Commissioner later this year.

Mrs Hillyer can be contacted via Wiltshire Police Authority:

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

2. Crime Priorities

Violence Against the Person (VAP) is a key focus for the NPT at this time, especially within the town area at weekends. The incidents are mainly between those who know each other and are often have been or are in some form of relationship. This is a concerning issue for police and one that increases fear and uncertainty amongst the community. The problems are not directly linked to the night time economy but such acts impact on those who are law abiding and enjoying a night out.

The focus on reducing violent crime will remain and is under constant review by the police. The problem though does require cooperation and support from the community. The message is clear - *perpetrators who push, punch and threaten others committing acts of violence will not be tolerated.*

The police will take action. Anyone subject to or a witness to assaults (physical or non-physical) need to report what's happening as this is unacceptable behaviour and will be addressed either by the police or by, and with, other agencies.

Non-Dwelling Burglary is on the increase. Tools, bikes, Quad bikes and machinery have been stolen. This is mainly over the weekend in and around the town and some rural spots. Offenders have gaining entry through insecurities or forcing shed doors or even cutting through fencing to gain entry.

There are some local suspects however no evidence as yet to link offences. These crimes are intolerable as many impact on people's livelihoods. The police want information and calls in respect of suspicious vehicles & people. The community needs to play its part in gaining intelligence so that the police can take action.

Overall performance

Below sets out the performance figures for Trowbridge. As highlighted victim based crime remains the overarching priority. Offences that the NPT is concentrating on are violence against the person and non-dwelling burglary with ongoing review of the vehicle crime.

The key messages are:

- 1 Keep buildings secure – even though its warm, close windows and make sure that doors are secure.
- 2 Report suspicions about people – the police need this information from you.
- 3 Record details of identifiable property and/or take photos of your belongings – this gives the police more of a chance to identify stolen property.

ET Trowbridge	Crime				Detections	
	August 2010 - July 2011	August 2011 - July 2012	Volume Change	% Change	August 2010 - July 2011	August 2011 - July 2012
Victim Based Crime	2669	2750	81	3%	27%	25%
Domestic Burglary	138	136	-2	-1%	34%	18%
Non Domestic Burglary	169	198	29	17%	5%	3%
Vehicle Crime	281	317	36	13%	14%	10%
Criminal Damage & Arson	545	528	-17	-3%	15%	17%
Violence Against The Person	562	614	52	9%	45%	41%
ASB Incidents (Year to Date)	917	752	-165	-18%		
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 Violence Against the Person in the previous 12 month period (July 2011 - June 2012)						
* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution						

Lisette Harvey
Sector Commander
28 August 2012