

# Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Warminster Community Area Board 5<sup>th</sup> June 2013



## 1. Neighbourhood Policing

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Town Team:

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PCSO Jason Greenland  
PCSO Liz Harmsworth

Rural Team:

Pc Vicky Howick  
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## 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](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk)

## 3. Performance and Other Local Issues

The performance figures for Warminster and the surrounding villages this reporting period show quite mixed results when compared to this time last year.

Whilst there are continued reductions in reported incidents of house burglaries and anti social behaviour other challenges continue, Non Domestic Burglary, Vehicle Crime and crimes of violence are up.

Vehicle crime reports predominantly involve thefts from cars whilst parked in rural locations when owners are out walking, having left valuable items on show.

All these incidents are invariably difficult to detect once they have happened – due to the isolated locations/ lack of witnesses/CCTV/forensic etc.

The majority of Non Domestic Burglaries relate to secure outbuildings and sheds where the criminals are forcing or cutting locks in order to gain entry and stealing both Horse related equipment and Garden Machinery. In order to target the problem additional police resources are being dedicated in the form of additional night patrols by NPT officers.

There are 2 areas where all the community can help:

- Report any suspicious activity to police as soon as possible.
- Always lock your out buildings and sheds and ensure that your property is clearly marked so as to make it difficult to sell and easily identifiable

The crimes of violence are a mixture of public and private space violence. There has been a marked increase in reported incidents for the period and a small increase in detection rates. Further research is to be conducted in order to understand whether it is better reporting or a true increase.

**CRIME & DETECTIONS (May 2012 – May 2013 compared to previous year)**

Detections remain broadly similar to last period

ER Warminster NPT	Crime				Detections*	
	12 Months to May 2012	12 Months to May 2013	Volume Change	% Change	12 Months to May 2012	12 Months to May 2013
Victim Based Crime	1041	981	-60	● -5.8%	19%	22%
Domestic Burglary	41	31	-10	● -24.4%	10%	6%
Non Domestic Burglary	99	109	+10	● +10.1%	4%	6%
Vehicle Crime	79	106	+27	● +34.2%	11%	8%
Criminal Damage & Arson	214	219	+5	● +2.3%	19%	17%
Violence Against The Person	146	196	+50	● +34.2%	53%	54%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	118	68	-50	● -42.4%		

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 significantly better than peers for Domestic Burglary in the previous 12 month period (April 2012 - March 2013).

\* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolutions

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