

# Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Calne Community Area Board 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2014



## 1. Neighbourhood Policing Team

**Sgt:** Simon Wright

Beat Manager – PS Sonya STOCKHILL

Beat Manager – PC Alan BLAKE

PCSO Nicole YATES

PCSO Mark COOK

PCSO Shelley Gray

PCSO Andrew WILLOX

## 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 the Wiltshire Police Website.

Calne NPT Consultation Surgeries take place every Wednesday between 1400-1445hrs. They take place at the Community Hub, High Street, Calne.

□ Visit the new and improved website at: [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk)

## Performance and Other Local Issues:

I start this report with the confirmation that PC Sonya STOCKHILL has taken over the vacant beat managers post in Calne Town Centre. Sonya has got a lot of Policing experience behind her, and most recently worked on the Trowbridge Neighbourhood Policing Team. Sonya has already made an impact, amongst other things she has begun a revamp of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme for Calne. If you are interested in receiving further information about that scheme then please feel free to contact me after the meeting, or use the contact information at the end of the report.

Over the weekend of 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> January Calne Town Centre suffered from a spate of non-dwelling burglaries (shed and garage break ins) Calne NPT, along with officers from the Priority Crime Team, put in a lot of hard graft and effort into investigating the crimes. I am pleased to say that by the Wednesday of the following week a local male had been identified and arrested in connection with the crimes. Following a thorough investigation the male has been charged with 10 offences and will have already appeared in court by the time of the Area Board meeting. As a result of the enquiries some (sadly not all) of the property was recovered and we were able to hand it back to the rightful owner. It is never nice when this type of crime occurs in the town, least of all for the victims, however the end outcome is fantastic – one more criminal off the streets of our town!

In my last report I made mention of ASB within the town, and work being conducted by the NPT to combat those responsible. Since the last report four males have been referred to the ASBRAC process, and as a result partner agencies have now come on board to work with Calne NPT to try and prevent these individuals from reoffending. Calne have also 'gone live' with a scheme that was piloted in Marlborough; The Youth Crime Initiative. In short the scheme is designed to engage young people on the fringes of low level crime, and ASB with a view to preventing further reoffending. NPT officers have already referred a number of youths from the Town who fit the criteria, it is hoped that this intervention will contribute significantly towards the overall efforts of reducing ASB in the Town Centre. As part of this ongoing effort we will be holding another 'Community Walkabout' evening in February. At the time of writing I do not have a confirmed date, but by the time of the meeting I should be able to advise when it will be. If you are interested in attending then please speak with me after the meeting, or use the contact details at the end of this report.

On the 28<sup>th</sup> of January PCSO Mark COOK will be attending an awards ceremony at Devizes HQ to receive recognition for his contribution to the identification and early arrest of an offender for a sexual assault in the Town last year. PCSO COOK'S quick thinking and diligent actions meant the suspect was quickly located and arrested; ultimately he was charged and remanded for the offence, something which may well not have happened had it not been for his actions. Whilst the award is specifically for these actions, I also want to raise the fact that PCSO COOK does an awful lot of 'extra curricular' work in the form of the Calne Facebook and Twitter accounts. Mark keeps these up to date on a daily basis, not just when on duty, but when off duty also – something that, I am sure you would agree, is above and beyond the call of duty. So I wish to take this opportunity to publicly pass on my thanks for all the hard work and effort that this takes!!

The next Blues and Zuz disco is on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February and will be held at Beversbrook Sports facility. The last disco was, as usual, a great hit with a large number of youths attending. PCSO Yates organises the discos; if you wish to get involved to help out as a volunteer then please make contact with either me or Nicole as we are always looking for people to help.

Lastly, some of you already know that PC Alan BLAKE is due to retire at the end of February. I am sure that you will join me in wishing Alan all the best in his retirement. I can tell you that a replacement for PC Blake has already been identified; PC Stuart WELCH will be joining us in early March, I will report further on this for the next area board.

As ever, if you wish to contact me I am always willing to talk and I can be contacted on the below phone number. Equally, I can be contacted via the e-mail address below.

Calne Neighbourhood Policing Team also have a new Sector Head. Acting Inspector Nick Mawson took up the post on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2014, taking over from Inspector Phil Staynings.

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