Marlborough Area Board

September 2015



1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Clare Wallace

Town Centre Team Beat Manager – PC Nick Spargo PCSO – Mark Braithwaite

Rural West Team Beat Manager – PC Richard Barratt PCSO – Pauline Ritchie

Rural South Team Beat Manager – PC Stan Boardman

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 website at: <u>www.wiltshire.police.uk</u>

3. Police and Crime Commissioner: Mr Angus Macpherson

PCC website: www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk

4. Local Issues

- During the start of the year we had several dwelling and non dwelling burglaries reported. We have been using social media and press releases to educate home owners regarding security and safety and to report any suspicious incidents. There was a reduction in this type of crime since the start of the year, however in the past 2 weeks we have seen several burglaries being reported. Unfortunately a large number of these have been at premises left insecure, so we are working to reduce the incidents, identify the suspects as well as educating the community about security and crime prevention.
- On 1st August a female was arrested for damaging a car at Angel Yard by PC Spargo. She was interviewed and cautioned for the incident.
- At the beginning of August a male attended Budgens and filled a vehicle with fuel, making off
 without making payment. CCTV stills of the incident were circulated and the male identified. We
 are currently liaising with Thames Valley Police who were also looking for the suspect for similar
 offences and will be dealing with the male.

- During the evening of 7th August a serious assault took place in Marlborough High Street. 4 suspects were identified for the assault and have been arrested. The investigation is ongoing and CID at Swindon are making enquiries.
- Later on the night of 7th August an assault took place at Ogbourne St Andrew. A male was arrested nearby, after leaving the scene of the incident and has been charged to court.
- During the afternoon of the 8th August cannabis plants were located at an address in Purlyn Acre. The male occupant was arrested on suspicion of cultivation of cannabis and is currently on bail while enquiries continue.
- We have had several reports of theft of staddle stones in the area and also at Pewsey. Please report any suspicious incidents or behaviour to police on 101 or 999 if a theft is in progress.
- On 17th August a female stole items from the Cath Kidston store. She was identified and has been dealt with through the community resolution process.
- On 21st August a rural crime operation was run, with the rural crime team and officers from Thames Valley police. 4 males were stopped in a vehicle at Avebury after possible poaching offences and were found in possession of air weapons in a public place. They are currently being dealt with by PC Marc Jackson from the rural crime team.
- During the first two weeks of July a couple were identified for multiple thefts from shops in Marlborough. PC Spargo dealt with the couple and summons' have been issued for them both in relation to 7 thefts in the area. We have also worked with housing regarding their activities and they have since moved from the area.
- We have had several beauty spot thefts reported throughout the area over the summer. We are still working to educate residents and visitors not to leave valuables in their vehicles or hide them under seats or in the boot. We are looking at starting an education campaign in other languages to assist our visitors from other countries. Sadly again we have had several insecure vehicles entered and valuables stolen recently in Marlborough. PC Rich Barratt has now joined the team and is currently working on this issue.
- Inspector Matt Armstrong has been posted from the team and will be leaving for his new role at the start of October. Inspector Nick Mawson will be joining the team.
- We have seen a decrease in local community intelligence recently and would urge members of the community to report incidents/suspects through -tel. 101, email –
 <u>Marlboroughnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</u> or Crimestoppers 0800 555 111
- We are continuing to use social media and community messaging and are receiving good feedback from the community. We would like more residents and businesses to sign up to community messaging at https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/

Matthew Armstrong

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