



Warminster Area Board - April 2018

Hello and welcome to this month's Community policing report.

This month we would like to welcome Sergeant James Williams, who has joined the West Wiltshire Community Policing Team as the Sector Deputy, having taken over from Gill Hughes who has recently been promoted to Inspector.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Gill for all of her hard work during her time with us.



James joined Wiltshire Police in 2001, aged 27. He began his career as a Community Beat Officer for the Studley Green area of Trowbridge.

Having been promoted, James moved on to Chippenham as a response Sergeant, before spending a number of years based in the Melksham Custody Unit, where he was responsible for implanting the changes to police bail for Wiltshire Police under the Policing and Crime Act.

In October 2017 James moved to the East Wiltshire Community Policing Team, where he covered as Acting Sector Inspector for a period of six months, before joining us at the end of March.

COMMUNITY MESSAGING

Through feedback and working with our local communities, we have developed the use of <https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/> and are now sending out daily updates around crimes that matter to you in your area. This is enabling us to reach as much of our community as possible, as quickly as possible and impart any new crime prevention advice or information about incidents that may affect you in your community that we feel you need to know about.

We have received some very positive feedback around this and encourage you to speak to all members of your community and encourage them to sign up to Wiltshire Messaging. It is free and a very good way of keeping all our communities connected.

<https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/>

feedback@wiltshire.police.uk

CRIME EXCEPTIONS

These figures are based on an evaluation of data, over a two year rolling period. Using this data we can predict what figure is the average that should be reported in a specific month, and what are the higher and lower parameters that we may expect. Figures outside of these parameters are classed as 'Crime Exceptions'.

Warminster Rural

There were 83 recorded incidents throughout March 2018, with 45 of these recorded as crimes. This compares to 74 recorded incidents during the same time period last year.

Offences of Violence against the Person normally have an average of 9 offences a month, and March showed 7 offences being reported.

Offences of Criminal Damage normally have an average of 5.4 offences a month, and March showed 3 offences being reported.

Offences of Theft normally have an average of 15.2 offences a month, this is the only crime type to show a rise throughout last month, with 24 offences being reported.

When broken down further we received 14 reports of Non Dwelling Burglary (to a building other than a home, eg a shed, commercial property). A number of these incidents saw gardening equipment and power tools such as chainsaws stolen.

Where possible we would advise you to mark your machinery and tools, this not only acts as a deterrent to thieves but also helps the police to reunite stolen property to the rightful owners if it is recovered. Keep a list of tools, together with serial numbers and any identifying marks. You can do this at www.immobilise.com.

Warminster Town

There were 138 recorded incidents throughout March 2018, with 77 of these recorded as crimes. This compares to 136 recorded incidents during the same time period last year.

Offences of Violence against the Person normally have an average of 24.2 offences a month, and March saw a reduction to 19 reported incidents.

Offences of Criminal Damage normally have an average of 12.9 offences a month. March saw a complete reduction with no offences being reported.

Offences of Theft normally have an average of 17.5 offences a month. This saw a slight increase to 23 reported incidents.

When broken down further, 13 of these incidents relate to shopliftings within the town and 2 relate to thefts of insecure bicycles.

CHARGES TO NOTE

Two males have been sent a summons in relation to three shoplifting offences. A court date will be arranged in due course.

A 17 year old male from the Warminster area and a 15 year old male from the Trowbridge area were charged with Burglary, having been located within the garage of a property in Virginia Drive, Warminster.

SPEED CHECKS WITHIN YOUR AREA

February

Clay Street, Crockerton – speed checks were conducted on one occasion, no vehicles were observed exceeding the speed limit.

Chitterne – PCSO's assisted the Community Speedwatch Team on two occasions.

March

Deverill Road, Warminster – speed checks were conducted on one occasion. Words of advice were given to one driver with regards to their speed. No tickets were issued.

Chitterne – PCSO's assisted the Community Speedwatch Team on three occasions. Speed checks were conducted on one occasion, one vehicles were observed exceeding the speed limit.

For a detailed breakdown of the crime in your area visit...

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