

# AGENDA SUPPLEMENT (1)

**Meeting:** Pewsey Area Board  
**Place:** Great Bedwyn Memorial Hall  
**Date:** Monday 28 November 2022  
**Time:** 7.00 pm

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### Area Board Briefing Note – Cost of Living Update – November 2022

#### Cost of Living Update – November 2022

As detailed in the update to Full Council in October, Wiltshire Council is focusing on three principal areas to meet the Cost of Living crisis, namely support for Businesses, Our Staff and the People in our communities.

The Council has provided extensive coordination of resources on a [dedicated Cost of Living page](#). This includes links to information for sources of national and local support.

Officers have worked to pull together to create an interactive directory that allows people to find out what warm spaces and community food providers are in their immediate local area. The directory also includes what other facilities and services are provided at each location.

The directory has been created using information collected by the Council to establish what support is already up and running in the county and will be regularly updated.

Wiltshire Council's friendly library staff will be playing their part too, by working with Warm and Safe Wiltshire and The Rural Communities Energy Support Network, to assist residents seeking basic energy advice and make referrals to experienced energy advisors in all but its smallest libraries. All libraries will be able to signpost people to community partners and agencies that can support people through the rising cost of living. Libraries will also be collection points for Warm Packs, which includes a hot water bottle and blanket, for anyone who would benefit from some free essentials. These will be available for collection soon.

As well as existing customer contact channels, the Council is planning how to use the Wellbeing Hub line to help people find the right support.

#### Support for Businesses and Schools

The Enterprise Network (set up by the Council) is hosting a series of webinars designed to provide start up and small businesses help, support and advice to guide businesses through the current economic challenges. To find out more about the Take TEN series and to join the webinars or watch videos, people can go to: [www.theenterprisenetwork.co.uk/support/cost-of-doing-business](http://www.theenterprisenetwork.co.uk/support/cost-of-doing-business).

As part of the carbon reduction work, School Leaders are being encouraged to sign up to the Energy Sparks programme which can help them get on top of their energy bills and find ways to reduce costs. We are also supporting Council maintained schools with a grant to access their half hourly smart meter data for a year to give them the data they need to make informed choices.

## **Support for Staff**

As well as ensuring staff have access to wellbeing and support resources, including a new Mental Health Advocate scheme, the Council will review policies and processes as appropriate, and will consider how staff can be flexibly deployed to meet emerging need.

## **Targeted Support in the Community**

The Council has been administering the Government's national Household Support Grant Scheme designed to support those most in need across England, to help with the significantly rising living costs in the period up to the end of March 2023. The money can be used to support households in the most need who would otherwise struggle with energy bills, food and water bills, particularly those who may not be eligible for the other support that the Government has recently made available but who are nevertheless in need.

The council has been awarded £2,728,656 in total and has worked with partner agencies to allocate the money and ensure it gets to those who need it most. Payments began in October and are continuing to be made. People do not need to apply to Wiltshire Council as those eligible will be identified and contacted.

The Council is working with partners in the VCSE sectors to promote their campaign to encourage donations, particularly from those who have surplus fuel rebates, to help fund schemes to support those most in need.

Wiltshire Council has also provided funding to Wiltshire Community Foundation and partners to deliver support under the Surviving Winter campaign which provides practical and financial help for people living in fuel poverty. From 1 November, people who are in receipt of means-tested benefit and are aged over 65 or suffer from a long-term health condition, may be eligible for assistance including fuel vouchers and a range of advice. For more information about eligibility and the help available contact Warm and Safe Wiltshire on 0800 038 5722 email [warmandsafe@cse.org.uk](mailto:warmandsafe@cse.org.uk).

Funding is also being provided to Age UK Wiltshire for provision and delivery of hot meals to isolated elderly residents who are unable to meet the cost of this service themselves; for further information contact Age UK Community Meals on 01793 279606.

## **Support during the holidays**

Wiltshire Council will be delivering its successful Holiday Activity and Food (FUEL) programme again this winter. The programme provides children eligible for benefits related free school meals, refugees, those currently in the care system and those referred by a professional service with access to free high quality activities, nutritious meals and food education during the school holidays.

The FUEL programme is delivered with funding from the Department for Education and

will run from Monday 19 December – Thursday 22 December. Eligible families will be able to sign up by following the application link listed on [FUEL programme - Wiltshire Council](#). The application window is open now until December 11, please sign up early to avoid disappointment.

The camps provide the opportunity for all participants to take part in a range of enriching activities including structured sports, arts and crafts, STEM activities, laser tag, circus skills, robotics and much more. Participants also will take part in nutritional workshops and be provided with a hot lunch each day.

Two FUEL Christmas camps specifically for young people with special educational needs and/or a disability will also place at Springfield Community Campus in Corsham and at Five Rivers Health and Wellbeing Centre in Salisbury and individuals will be able to take part in activities such as dodgeball, dance, new age kurling, cricket and boccia. Further information and sign up details are also available on the FUEL webpage. There is more info here in via youtube: [HAF summer case study 2022 - YouTube](#).

For further information about the Holiday Activity and Food Programme in Wiltshire please email [fuelprogramme@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:fuelprogramme@wiltshire.gov.uk)

## **Promoting Fundraising Campaigns**

As part of our on going work with our Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise partners, Wiltshire Council is helping to promote the Wiltshire Community Foundation's [Cost of Living Appeal](#) through our networks.

Building on the work of previous appeals where people who can afford to are encouraged to donate any surplus winter fuel allowances, the wider community is being ask to help generate vital funds to help grassroots voluntary groups and charities in Swindon and Wiltshire who are supporting families and individuals in the face of escalating rent, food and energy prices.

The money raised through this joint appeal will fund a new grants programme to support projects which are keeping people fed and warm and provide additional practical support and advice to help people cope throughout this period of great hardship.

You can donate to the appeal [here](#) or call the donation line on 01380 738989 from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

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# Pewsey Area Board Report

Devizes Community Policing Team

November 2022



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# Your CPT - Devizes

**Inspector:** Luke Atkinson

**Neighbourhood Sergeant:** Sarah Hardwidge

**Neighbourhood Officers:**

PC Chris Rideout

**PCSOs:**

Emily Johnson, Jonathan Mills (Pewsey)

Mark Braithwaite, Melissa Camilleri (Marlborough)

Andrew Maclachlan, Paula Yarranton, Kelly Watts (Devizes)



# Performance – 12 Months to September 2022

## Force

- Wiltshire Police recorded crime reports a YoY increase of 13.0% in the 12 months to September 2022 and continues to have one of the lowest crime rates in the country per 1,000 population.
- Wiltshire Police has seen a 14.1% increase in violence without injury crimes in the 12 months to September 2022.
- In September 2022, we received:
  - 8,952 '999' calls, which we answered within 12 seconds on average;
  - 14,924 '101' calls, which we answered within 40 seconds on average;
  - 10,736 CRIB calls, which we answered within 4 minutes and 36 seconds on average.
- In September 2022, we also attended 1,531 emergency incidents within 19 minutes and 32 seconds on average.

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Crime Type	Crime Volume	% of Crime
<b>Totals</b>	<b>43,310</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Violence without injury	7,521	17.4
Violence with injury	6,280	14.8
Criminal damage	5,127	11.9
Stalking and harassment	4,205	9.7
Public order offences	4,121	9.5
Other crime type	16,056	37.1

## Devizes CPT

Crime Type	Crime Volume	% of Crime
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,310</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Violence without injury	507	15.3
Violence with injury	467	14.1
Criminal damage	378	11.4
Stalking and harassment	293	8.9
Public order offences	288	8.7
Other crime type	1,377	41.6

### Stop and Search information for Devizes CPT

During the 12 months leading to August 2022, 117 stop and searches were conducted in the Devizes area of which 59.8% related to a search for controlled drugs.

During 79.5% of these searches, no object was found. In 20.5% of cases, an object was found. Of these cases 80.3% resulted in a no further action disposal; 18.8% resulted in police action being taken; 10.3% resulted in an arrest.

Of the stop and search subjects who defined their ethnicity:

- White – 92 stop and searches
- Black or Black British – 8 stop and searches
- Asian or Asian British – 3 stop and searches
- Mixed – 3 stop and searches

# Performance – Hate Crime Overview

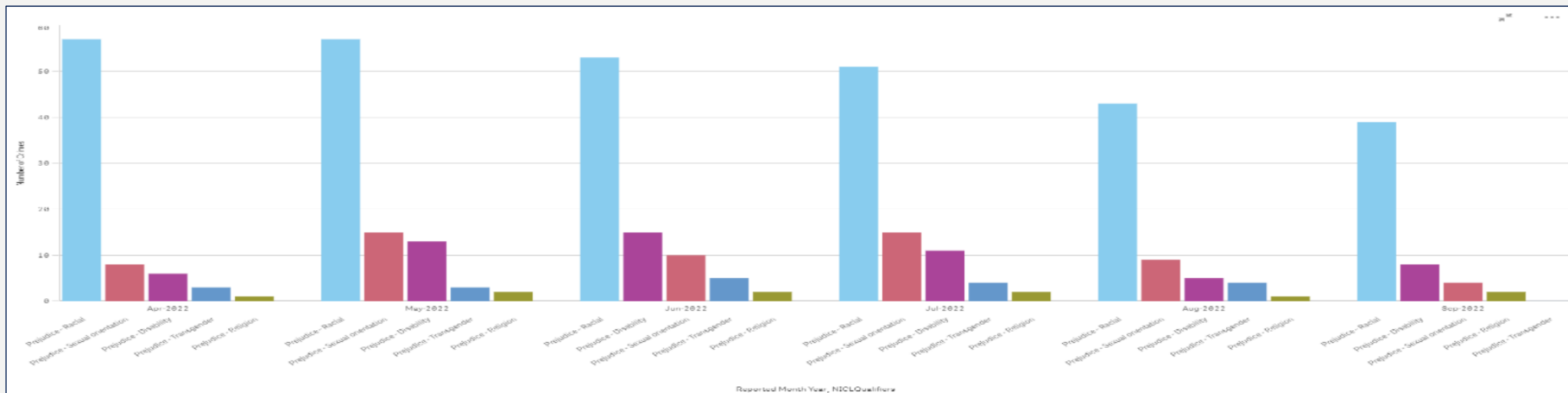
## Force

Hate Crime is reporting as stable across the Force. Volumes are now reporting flatter across the year. Year on year trend data is reporting increases in Transgender and Sexual Orientation related hate which follows National trends.

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Work by the Hate Crime Silver Scrutiny Panel on hate crime video to raise awareness of Hate Crime and how to report it, including details surrounding how the Criminal Justice System responds to it is ongoing. There is an increased focus on Out of Court Disposal outcomes relating to Hate Crimes.

### Force Hate Crime (6 months to September 2022)



## Devizes CPT

	Number of Crimes	Change (number)	Change (%)
<b>Total</b>	44	-6	-12.0%
<b>Prejudice – Racial</b>	35	2	6.1%
<b>Prejudice – Sexual orientation</b>	5	-6	-54.5%
<b>Prejudice - Disability</b>	5	-1	-16.7%
<b>Prejudice - Religion</b>	1	1	0.0%
<b>Prejudice - Transgender</b>	0	0	0.0%

Year on year comparison October 2021 to September 2022 (note: an individual crime can be tagged with more than one prejudice type e.g. sexual orientation & transgender)

# Local Priorities & Updates

Priority	Update
Shed, outbuilding and garage breaks in Pewsey rural	We have had reports of several attempt and successful breaks of sheds, garages and outbuildings around Upavon, Burbage and Milton Lilbourne. Officers are increasing patrols in these areas but can the public please remain vigilant to any suspicious activity and contact police on 101/999
Team Changes	The Neighbourhood team for Devizes, Marlborough and Pewsey is currently undergoing significant change. Inspector Al Lumley has moved to pastures new. The Inspector role is currently being covered by Sgt Luke Atkinson with PC Sarah Hardwidge covering the Sgt post for the area. Local officer PC Ellie Porter has also moved on and the new area officer for Pewsey is PC Chris Rideout who joined us a couple of weeks ago.
Olympian Road Update	As discussed in the last area board there was a stabbing incident on Olympian Road, Pewsey in early October. The suspect for this is currently on bail. This was an isolated incident with no subsequent linked offences taking place. Enquiries are still ongoing pending full review by the Crown Prosecution Service. Please can the public make contact with Wiltshire Police if they have any information relating to this incident
ASB in Watson Close, Upavon	Police have been required to attend Watson Close, Upavon on numerous occasions in the last two months relating to a resident residing there. This resident is carrying out significant amounts of anti-social behaviour and Police are working with partner agencies to tackle this issue. Officers are engaging with local residents directly impacted.

# Useful Links

For more information on Wiltshire Police's performance please visit:

- PCC's Website - <https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/>
- HMICFRS Website - <https://www.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmicfrs/police-forces/wiltshire/>
- For information on what crimes and incidents have been reported in the Devizes Community Policing Team area visit <https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/wiltshire-police/>

# Get Involved

Keep up to date with the latest news and alerts in your area by signing up to our **Community Messaging service** –

[www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk](http://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk)



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## Follow your CPT on social media

- [Devizes Police Facebook](#)
- [Devizes Police Twitter](#)
- [Marlborough Police Facebook](#)
- [Marlborough Police Twitter](#)
- [Pewsey Police Facebook](#)
- [Pewsey Police Twitter](#)

Find out more information on your CPT area at: [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk) and here [www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk)

The screenshot shows the Wiltshire Police website. At the top left is the "WILTSHIRE POLICE" logo. To the right is a search bar with the text "How can we help you?". Below the search bar is a navigation menu with five items: "Report", "Tell us about", "Apply or register", "Request", and "Feedback". Below the menu is a breadcrumb trail: "Home > About us > CPTs". The main heading is "Devizes CPT". Below this is a paragraph: "CPT Devizes covers the areas of Devizes, Marlborough and Pewsey and surrounding areas." This is followed by two paragraphs of contact information: "To contact your CPT about a community-related matter, such as a school visit, then please email [DevizesAreaCPT@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:DevizesAreaCPT@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk). Please note that this mailbox is not monitored 24/7." and "You are unable to report crimes of any type via email and please do not report any situations that require an urgent response. In the case of an emergency please contact 999 and for non-urgent crimes and incidents, please call 101 or [Report a crime here](#)". The final paragraph says: "You see a map of [crimes in the Devizes area](#) by visiting [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk)".

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