

Police update

The good news stories / updates are as follows:

“Two Rural Ops were carried out throughout October where the Neighbourhood Team, assisted by the Rural Crime Team, Special Police Constables and Traffic Officers carried out targeted patrols in our rural communities. These were aimed at deterring criminal activity, catching offenders and providing an increased visible presence to our rural areas.

A National County Lines intensification week was held in October and Salisbury Neighbourhood Team played an active part in this. We made repeat visits to a number of vulnerable individuals in our community. These included some who had been cuckooed previously and some who were deemed at risk of being cuckooed. These were important safeguarding visits and also allowed further intelligence on County Lines activity in our area to be gathered. This intelligence will now be reviewed and acted on where possible.

The Salisbury Cadets assisted the Salisbury Neighbourhood Team with a successful leaflet drop in and around Bemerton Heath just before Halloween, delivering ‘No Trick or Treat’ leaflets to residents. Over 250 leaflets were delivered to homes.

Most recently the team have been supporting our colleagues from British Transport Police and working closely with Network Rail, Wiltshire Council and Salisbury City Council in supporting the operation following the terrible train crash a couple of weeks ago. We have been involved in a number of community consultations regarding this and I would like to thank the public for their continued support and understanding regarding the road closure and the knock on affects this had had on local residents and the wider community.

I would also like to update that we will be having 2 new PC’s joining the neighbourhood team in the next couple of weeks. These Are PC Nicola Clark who will be the city centre and Friary officer and PC Pete Jung who will be the neighbourhood officer for Castle Road, Bishopdown, Alderbury, Laverstock & Old Sarum. PC Caroline Ralph who has been covering the City Centre and Friary area will be covering the Bemerton Heath, St Paul’s and Churchfield area. Both Nicola and Pete are local officers who know the area well and come to the team with previous knowledge and experience of working within the neighbourhood policing team.”