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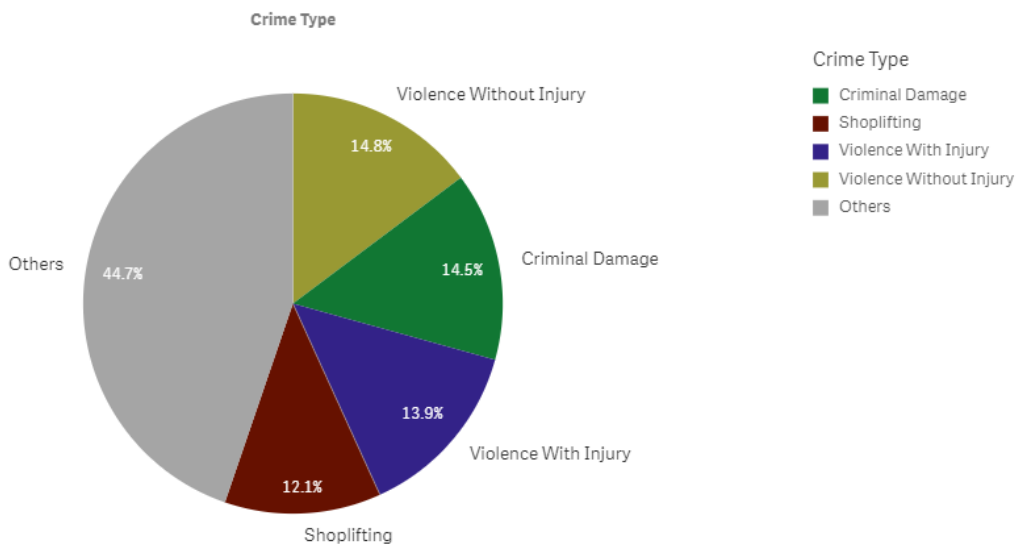


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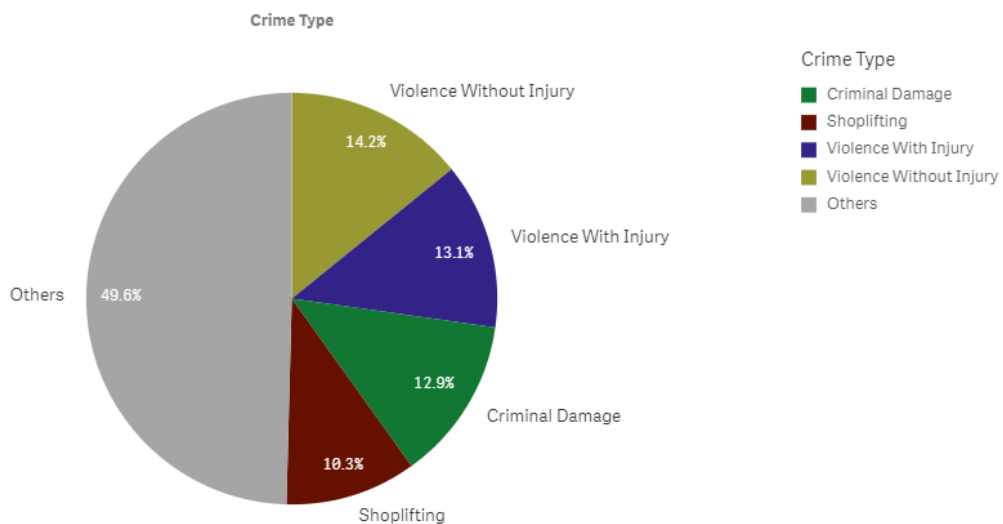
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PERFORMANCE

Your Area - Five Highest Crime Groups (Previous 12 months)



Force Area - Five Highest Crime Groups (Previous 12 months)



Wiltshire West CPT - crime and incident demand for the 12 months to July 2019

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Force-wide

- Wiltshire Police has reduced the volume of recorded crime by 1% in the 12 months to July 19 and continues to have one of the lowest crime rates in the country.
- Our service delivery remains consistently good.
- In July, we received 9,653 999 calls which we answered within 4 seconds on average and 14,474 101 calls which we answered within 1 minutes 44 seconds on average.
- In July, we also attended 1,862 emergency incidents within 10 minutes and 49 seconds on average.
- Wiltshire Police has seen a 26% reduction in vehicle crime and 20 per cent in burglary in the 12 months to June 2019. These are the most improved trends in the country.
- The Crime Survey of England & Wales recently ranked Wiltshire as one of the top forces nationally for public confidence. It covers the 12 months to December 2018 The publication can be found here: WWW.CRIMESURVEY.CO.UK

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

PCC's Website - <https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/article/1847/Performance>

HMICFRS Website - <https://www.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmicfrs/police-forces/wiltshire/>

Police.uk - <https://www.police.uk/wiltshire>

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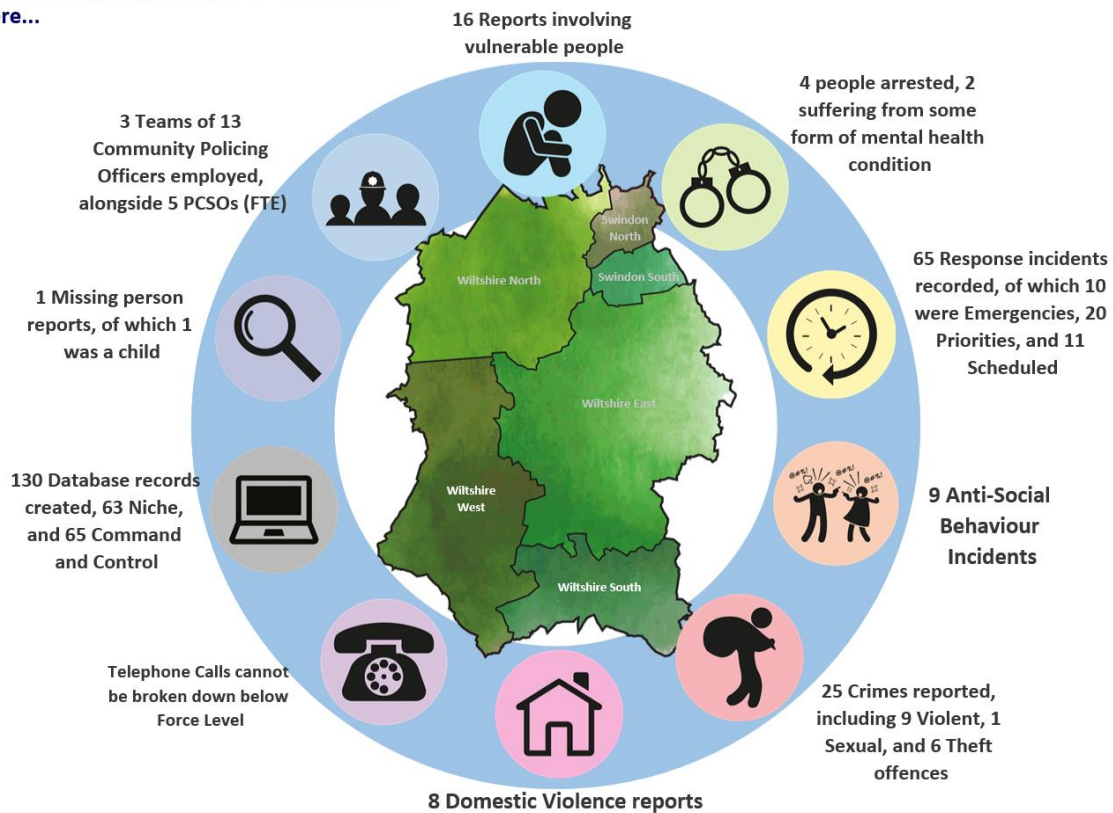


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Area specific

On an average day in Wiltshire West there were...



Wiltshire West CPT Demand Overview – 12 months to July 2019

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HIGH LEVEL CPT UPDATES:

Rural Warminster

Criminal damage to vehicles

During the evening of 8th July 2019 almost 50 vehicles were damaged over a period of approximately 5 hours, 22 of these were in the Warminster rural Villages. A 19 year old male from Warminster has been interviewed regarding these offences. The investigation is ongoing. The Investigating Officer is Local Crime Investigator Angela Dowsett. If you have any further information, CCTV or other evidence please contact her on ange.dowsett@wiltshire.police.uk quoting reference 54190066483

Warminster Town

Criminal damage to vehicles 8th July 2019

23 of these were in the Warminster Town.

Warminster Town and Rural

Youth Anti-social Behaviour and Crime – You may have seen a recent post on the local Police social media sites my concerns about a small group of youths coming to Police attention and committing theft, minor assaults and anti-social behaviour.

We are working with Parents, Social Services and Youth Offending teams across West Wiltshire to identify all the children involved in this, and can assure residents that we will deal with these incidents robustly. Several parents and carers have been visited, to make them aware of their child's alleged behaviour and that Police Officers will make contact regarding the specific crimes in due course.

This last monthly we have removed alcohol, tobacco, cannabis and stolen items from children. We would ask that you speak to your children to make them aware of our concerns and help them make the right choices.

In July there were reports of Anti-social behaviour and theft specifically related to groups of children between the ages of 14 years and 17 years old.

This equated to:-

4 x Anti-social behaviour directed at individuals and private homes

23 x Theft and assaults of staff at businesses within the town

5 x anti-social behaviour and concerns of children smoking and drinking alcohol in parks

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Unfortunately these figures may rise, as we are currently awaiting CCTV and witness statements of those affected.

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YOUR CPT – Wiltshire West



Inspector Andy Fee

Sergeant Dan Green

Community Co-ordinators:



PC Charly Chilton (Trowbridge)



PC Helen Daveridge (Westbury, Warminster, Tisbury and Mere)



PC Lee Pelling (Melksham)

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Leavers – PCSO Mary Moore – Town PCSO for many years has left the force and is moving to a new challenge in a new county. She didn't want a fuss and has quietly left, leaving a vacancy in Warminster Town which we are hopeful to fill soon. The remaining team members will cover Warminster Town with Roland until a new appointment is made.

Your current local Policing team are:-

CSO Roland Revers - Roland.Revers@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Community Coordinator PC Helen Daveridge – helen.daveridge@wiltshire.police.uk

You can find out more about Wiltshire West CPT, including news stories and contacts for local officers, on our website: www.wiltshire.police.uk/WiltshireWest

Or contact 101 for non-emergency enquiries, or CPTWest@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

LOCAL PRIORITIES

PRIORITIES FOR WILTSHIRE WEST CPT	UPDATE
Priority 1:	
Youth Anti-social behaviour and concerns of cannabis use	CPT West Officers continue to patrol green spaces and other area that children congregate, to encourage them to be respectful and considerate to all residents. They are working closely with neighbouring Forces where children attend senior schools to ensure a cohesive approach to. We will endeavour to make parents aware of their children's behaviour but this can take some time due to numbers involved.
Priority 2:	

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Community Speed Watch

Supporting communities in their area Speed Watch volunteering.
 4 Areas across West CPT area ever two weeks. In July speed checks were conducted in Bratton, Chitterne and Chapmanslade
 This week's current check areas are:-
 Chitterne, Shrewton Road
 Hilperton, Trowbridge Road
 Maiden Bradley Frome Road
 Melksham/Berryfields, Semington Road

If you would like to find out how you can get involved in CSW please follow the link on the Wiltshire Police website

Priority 3:

Burglaries and vehicle break-in

Although the number remains low we are looking to encourage owners of desirable items to consider all security options. Crime Prevention advice is circulated regularly by Wiltshire Police via Police Websites, Police Facebook, Twitter and Community Messaging.
 Have you considered joining Neighbourhood/Farm Watch

Priority 4:

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HIGH LEVEL PCC UPDATES

- **Pay increase** - Police Officers are to receive a 2.5% pay increase as agreed by the Government. This is welcome news and well deserved, I only hope that the same increase is also afforded to police staff as well. However, it is expected that we will have to meet this increase from existing Wiltshire Police budgets and that no further funding will come from the Government to fund this rise, which is disappointing and I continue to lobby the Government for fairer funding in Wiltshire.
- **PCSOs** - Last month Wiltshire Police Federation, which represents police officers within the Force, wrote an open letter suggesting that the Force should 'axe PCSOs' and recruit police constables instead. Both the Chief and I strongly refuted this suggestion. We both recognise the key role that PCSOs play in community engagement, intelligence gathering and supporting the most vulnerable. The role of a PCSO is a completely different one to that of a police constable and they play a key role in our community policing teams.
- **Additional police officers** - I was pleased to hear the new Prime Minister's commitment to policing and his promise of 20,000 additional police officers in the next three years. We don't know what this will look like in terms of how many more we will get in Wiltshire but I trust that more detail will soon be forthcoming. I do have some concerns around the practicalities of recruiting so many officers in such a short period of time and it certainly won't happen overnight, with it taking around a year to recruit and train an officer before they're able to go on the beat, but his commitment to strengthening our police forces is welcome nonetheless.

HIGH LEVEL FORCE UPDATES

- **Youth crime** – A Government report into the increase in youth violence has been welcomed by the Force. Chief Constable Kier Pritchard has said that although there hasn't been a significant increase in Wiltshire, it is still a concerning issue for local people. He is calling for a multi-agency approach and focused on the need to engage with young people to help prevent them from falling into a life of crime.
- **Rural crime** – Wiltshire has bucked the national trend when it comes to rural crime, recording a 36% year-on-year drop when it comes to the amount of money this type of crime is costing people in the county. This is believed to be due to the focus our Rural Crime Team has placed on crime prevention advice, including the

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encouragement of CCTV, anti-poaching ditches and the installation of GPS trackers on equipment.

- **Domestic abuse** – As part of our Summer Demand campaign, we have been focusing on highlighting the important topic of domestic abuse and making sure victims know how to access the support available. There is also a focus on encouraging friends and neighbours to report concerns to the police. You can read more online: <https://www.wiltshire.police.uk/article/4820/VIDEO-What-to-do-if-you-have-concerns-your-neighbour-is-being-abused-by-a-partner>

GET INVOLVED

- You can keep up to date with the latest news in your area by signing up to our Community Messaging service – www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk
- You can follow your CPT on social media <https://www.wiltshire.police.uk/Followus>
- More information on your CPT area can be found here: www.wiltshire.police.uk and here www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk

FEEDBACK/ACTIONS TAKEN