

# Marlborough Area Board

November 2015



## 1. Neighbourhood Policing

**Team Sgt:** Clare Wallace

### **Marlborough Town**

PC Nick Spargo  
PCSO Mark Braithwaite

### **Marlborough West**

PC Rich Barratt  
PCSO Polly Ritchie

### **Marlborough East**

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: [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk)

## 3. Police and Crime Commissioner: Mr Angus Macpherson

PCC website: [www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk)

## 4. Local Issues

- This year we have seen a spate of burglaries, both dwelling and non dwelling, throughout the area. Several weeks ago a burglary took place where diesel was stolen, in distinctive containers. Marlborough NPT officers with Swindon response officers located matching items with two males, just outside Marlborough. The two males were arrested for this offence and are now being investigated for nearly 30 offences in the area.
- We have recently had several reports through Wiltshire, of scam phone calls, with 2 calls in the Marlborough area, particularly targeting the vulnerable and elderly residents. Callers are purporting to be police officers and asking for bank details, PIN numbers and asking residents to withdraw all savings from their accounts and transfer to a new account, given over the phone. On several of these occasions they have informed the residents that they work for a fraud team and they are told that access has been gained to bank accounts, leaving their money at risk. We have also had reports of several scam emails circulating at the moment, asking for financial assistance and bank details. Police would never call or email you, asking for such details, or such withdrawal of monies. Please do not disclose any bank and personal details over the phone and seek advice should you be concerned that you have received a scam phone call of this nature. Please, if possible, also record

the number that makes the call to you. Please share this information with friends, relatives and any elderly or vulnerable people in your area, to avoid them becoming victims of these calls. Advice and guidance can be found at <http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/>

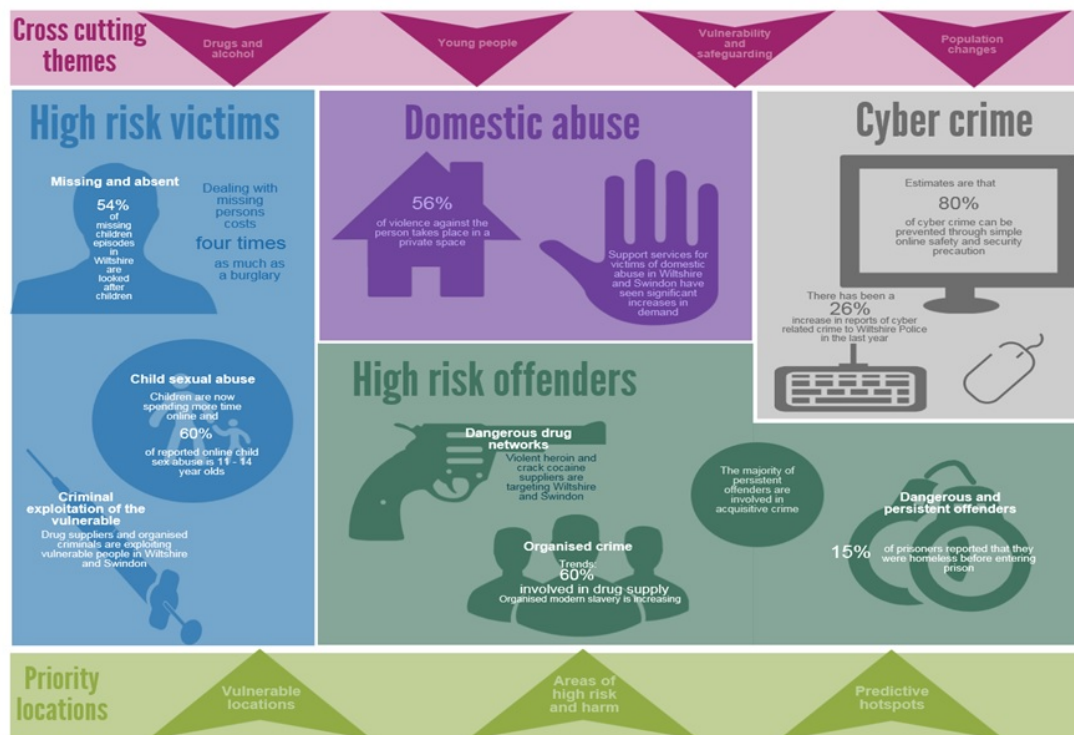
- On 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2015 Pewsey and Marlborough NPT carried out a road safety operation in the area, with the support of traffic officers, special constables and community speed watch groups. During the day one vehicle was seized for a no insurance offence, 1 person was reported to court for excess speed, 12 fixed penalty notices issued and 51 verbal warnings issued.
- The Mop fairs went well, without any reports of disorder in the area. Officers patrolling reported a good spirit of those attending. Alcohol was seized from several groups of teenagers, but otherwise we had no reported incidents over both nights.
- Three weeks ago a report was made of a male causing a disturbance outside an address in Salisbury Road. A male was located at the scene by officers, who had caused damage to the property and was also found in possession of drugs. He was arrested and later cautioned for both offences.
- On 19<sup>th</sup> October a local male was detained and arrested for shoplifting at Morrisons, he had also previously been to the store and stolen alcohol. He was arrested, charged and remanded for the offences. This male has also been causing anti social behaviour towards his neighbours and we are working with the housing association to deal with the male.
- On 25<sup>th</sup> October a report was received of a male having taken a vehicle without the owners consent from a property in Baydon. Officers attended, locating the vehicle and male responsible. He was arrested and then charged to court for taking without consent, driving whilst disqualified and driving without insurance.
- Two weeks ago a report was made of a female, who was intoxicated, having taken a vehicle without consent, hit another vehicle and made off whilst also driving without any documentation. The vehicle and female were located and she has been charged to court for aggravated vehicle taking, driving whilst over the prescribed limit and driving without a licence or insurance
- We have had several beauty spot thefts reported throughout the area over the summer. We have been working to educate residents and visitors to the area not to leave valuables in their vehicles or hide them under seats or in the boot. We are still looking at starting an education campaign in other languages to assist our visitors from other countries ready for next year and PC Rich Barratt is heading this priority. We have also been in contact with English Heritage as well as the National Trust about what others measures can be put in place to reduce incidents next year.

## **5. Organisational changes**

- Inspector Matt Armstrong has now left the team to work at Swindon. Inspector Nick Mawson has joined the team as the Sector Inspector.
- Sergeant Clare Wallace will be going on maternity leave at the end of November. PC Rich Barratt has been carrying out acting Sgt duties outside the station while Clare has been on restricted duties and he will be the point of contact for the town as acting Sergeant after this month.
- You may have heard that Trowbridge and Warminster Policing areas have been piloting a new Community Policing model. It has been decided that this pilot will be extended to cover

Marlborough, Pewsey and the surrounding area. Exactly what this will mean is yet to be fully decided and is subject of current planning discussions.

- You will also see a change to the structure of future Police reports to the Town Council and Area Board. Subsequent reports will focus on the Wiltshire Police Control Strategy which describes the current and emerging threats that are of greatest impact to Wiltshire’s communities. It is set annually following the analysis of all threats, harms and risks (see below).



- 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/>

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