

Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Royal Wootton Bassett Community Area November 15 to January 16



1. Neighbourhood Policing Team

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Royal Wootton Bassett Town

Beat Manager – PC Georgina ROMANI

PCSO Jim WALE

PCSO Andrea HECTOR

Royal Wootton Bassett Rural

Beat Manager – Pc Stewart HULMES

PCSO Andy SINGFIELD

Cricklade, Purton and surrounding villages

Beat Manager- PC Dave CANAVAN

PCSO Joseph TEDDER

PCSO Nicola ALLEN



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 the Wiltshire Police Website. Consultation information and further updates of work in our area can be found on our Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade facebook page.

□ Visit the new and improved website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

3. Performance and Other Local Issues:

Days of action and other Operations

Whole Sector – Weeks of actions

The whole team were involved in 2 crime prevention initiatives prior to Halloween / Fireworks and then Christmas. This involved safety presentations and engagements within local schools, community events and Residential Homes. Street briefings, and exhibition vehicle being utilised in all towns and villages.

We will look to do further days of actions throughout the year.

Royal Wootton Bassett

Following Community Intelligence, a drugs operation was conducted where one person was summonsed to court for possession

In other routine patrols, 5 Cannabis Street Warnings were issued, 2 Fixed Penalty Notices were issued, 2 x youth caution for possession of MDMA, and 1 youth caution for possession of Cannabis.

Cricklade

A Drugs warrant was executed, and the investigation is still ongoing into possession with intent to supply. One person is currently on bail. Another member of the same house to be interviewed for possession.

Licensing follow up operation, this operation concentrated on levels of intoxication, and no premises were warned.

Local Concerns

Whole Sector

ASB has significantly decreased and we had no reported anti-social behaviour connected with Halloween, fireworks Night, Christmas or New Year

Road Traffic Accidents - There has been an increase in road traffic accidents on the area, this has been seen across all parts of Wiltshire and I am sure reflective across all forces. A lot of this is due to road flooding and persistent rain where the roads are extremely wet and slippery. We continue to remind people to take extra care and leave plenty of time for journeys.

The Investigation into the fatal road collision at Tockenham is still ongoing but we would like to thank the patience of local residents and other road users whilst the lengthy investigation took place.

Royal Wootton Bassett, there continues to be theft from motor vehicles, we continue to urge the public to report anyone acting suspiciously near vehicles, and to not leave valuable items in vehicles and ensure they are secured.

Off the 7 cars that were targeted, 3 were insecure and the off the other 4, 3 windows were smashed and 1 door bent to gain entry. 1 Van has been broken into, tools were stolen and some were recovered within 24 hrs. 2 motorbikes have been stolen and 1 catalytic converter.

Lyneham

A member of the public has raised concerns regards vehicles left on the banks off road after accidents. Unfortunately we have no grounds to recover those vehicles unless they are obstructing the Highway or need to be seized as evidence. When this does not

apply, they are the responsibility of the owner to recover. This has been forwarded to Highways (Wiltshire Council) and traffic management, Pc Kyne.

Cricklade

The Basin, Bridleway. New signage has been put in place by the council, and Police with local residents have worked together to educate drivers using this as a thoroughfare. 2 Operations have been done and leaflets are put on cars during routine patrols.

Speed Checks

Drug driving x 3 one in Rural Wootton Bassett and 2 rural

RSA x 7 3 in Cricklade and 4 in Rural

No Insurance x 9 2 in Rural Wootton Bassett, 1 in Cricklade and 6 in rural

Burglaries.

Royal Wootton Bassett

NOV – Non Dwelling (No dwelling burglaries)

Superdrug x2 and Tools from a barn

DEC – Non Dwelling

Tools from shed, Bike and a motorbike from garages, Coped Hall Service Station, Interface Business Park

Dwelling

Cash, Jewellery and electricals stolen in 3 houses (secure properties entry through back patio doors)

Cricklade

NOV – Non Dwelling

1x Boots, and garage where bike was stolen

Dwelling

1x attempt

DEC – Non Dwelling

Tesco, Red Lion, Leisure Centre, and Old Bear Inn

Dwelling

Tools from one property and cash from another.

Villages

NOV – Non Dwelling

LYNEHAM – Tesco

Dwelling

Attempt at Clyffe Pypard

DEC – Non Dwelling

LYNEHAM – Tesco and tools from a shed

Dwelling

LYNEHAM – attempt from one property

LYDIARD MILLICENT – Wine stolen from a house

THORNHILL – Entry gained on a property but nothing stolen

BROAD TOWN – Jewellery taken from a property

These have mainly been night time burglaries, where all sheds and outbuildings were secured. The local NPT have already been working hard to gain intelligence and conduct patrols at different times. The burglaries have been really sporadic and we are aware that some of these burglaries are similar to those occurring across borders.

There is no pattern to any of the burglaries, as to time of week and night. NPT continue to work with the local community and Rural Crime Team to gather any intelligence around the burglaries, and have stepped up patrols. CCTV Unit has been utilised to provide reassurance to the communities and as a deterrent. We urge Communities to continue to secure their premises and consider the purchase of shed alarms, which can also be used on garage doors. Install security lighting where applicable. Reminder to communities to report anything suspicious.

News from your NPT

Pc Hulmes has now started with us as the Rural Officer of Royal Wootton Bassett. He has already started to introduce himself around the area, and to work with MOD Lyneham.

Although it was reported in the media **by the PCC** that Cricklade Police Station would be shutting in October, we have not yet been told when this will happen, and at present it is still open. Once we know anything we will update you.

We have looked at how the street briefings are being done around the sector, and rather than holding them in council Offices and Police stations where previously they were unattended. We are now holding them alongside Community events, in the High Streets, in local shops, and coffee shops. They will continue to be advertised through Facebook, Community messaging and NPT Wiltshire Police Website. If you would like a drop in to one of your events (Coffee mornings etc) then please let us know, we will not be able to attend everything but we are keen to get further engagement with the community.

The bikes seem to be going down a treat in Royal Wootton Bassett, I am keen to roll this out to Cricklade and Purton Areas so we are currently looking at how we can do this and obtain equipment. We have a very old bike in RWB which is also not fit for purpose, and would like to put to the Area Board for funding for 2 Community Push Bikes, one to be used in Royal wootton Bassett and the other to be used in Cricklade.

please feel free to come and chat to us or visit us at our community consultations which are advertised on the Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Police facebook page.

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