

Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper
Amesbury Community Area Board
2 December 2010



1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Martin Phipps

Amesbury Town

Beat Manager – PC Lucy Smith
PCSO – Jo Atkinson
PCSO – Dean Shaw

Amesbury Rural

Beat Manager – PC Mark Steele
PCSO – Shona Maycock
PCSO – Will Todd

Durrington, Larkhill & Bulford

Beat Manager – PC Lyndsey Smith
PCSO – Chris Miller

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 new and improved website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

3. Police Authority Representative: Councillor Richard Britton

Please contact via Wiltshire Police Authority Tel. 01380 734022 or
<http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp>

4. Performance and Other Local Issues

Amesbury area has been working hard with other departments to detect and prevent further reports of Burglary both dwelling and non-dwelling (sheds and out-buildings). The Priority Crime Team and local officers have identified a number of suspects. These individuals have been arrested and are in the process of being charged with many of the local offences. It is good to see that following this recent action the number of reported burglaries has reduced over the past few weeks. The NPT have also had some success in charging an individual in relation to non-dwelling burglaries and bike thefts. I would like to take this opportunity to report that we are receiving too many complaints of property being taken which has not been secured or left in open sheds/outbuildings. Can I ask that the community take action to secure their possessions and;

- Report any suspicious activity to police as soon as possible.
- Always close and lock all windows and doors, to your home and outbuildings . Double-check that doors and windows are locked at night before you go to bed.

Please do all that you can to stop thieves targeting your homes? Prevention is always better than cure.

Another area of concern is theft of metals and machinery from our rural areas. Again we request that the community help us in our efforts to tackle this issue by taking the following action;

- Report any suspicious activity to police as soon as possible.
- Take details of any suspicious vehicles carrying metal scrap/Plant machinery especially index numbers.
- Record descriptions of individuals seen with these vehicles.
- If you believe a crime is in progress ring 999.

Last month I reported an increase in the amount of graffiti that had been sprayed on properties in the Amesbury Town area. I am pleased to report that the local NPT have arrested several suspects and dealt with these offenders. This is an ongoing problem and as I write this report further suspects have been arrested. We hope that the positive action taken will reduce the amount of graffiti appearing on walls and signs around the town.

The local NPT teams have been holding 'Crime Prevention and Bike Safety Days' over the past month. These events have already taken place in Larkhill and Durrington where in excess of 50 youths and adults have attended benefited from a safety check of their cycle and the provision of security equipment. I would like to thank the local councils for their financial support and the time given by local councillors.

The Amesbury 'Crime Prevention and Bike Safety Day' will take place on Saturday 11th December 2010 at the Bowman Centre. The issue of bike safety and security is currently a NPT priority and it is hoped that there will be a good attendance at this event. The event will deliver a very important message to cyclists in the area with a focus on safety and security with the provision of lights and security equipment.

The local teams are taking positive action against those who we suspect to be involved in the use and supply of drugs with a further two successful warrants being executed over the last month. Further warrants have been obtained and will continue to be executed. Local Intelligence suggests that our activity has had a dramatic effect on local availability of some drugs and will inevitably reduce some Anti-Social Behaviour that is often associated with this sort of activity.

Sergeant Martin PHIPPS

AMESBURY SECTOR						
AMESBURY	CRIME				DETECTIONS	
	NOV 2008 - OCT 2009 compared to NOV 2009 - OCT 2010					
	2008/09	2009/10	+/ -	% Change	2008/09	2009/10
Violence Against the Person	312	263	-49	-15.7%	54.5%	44.9%
Dwelling Burglary	62	62	0	0.0%	41.9%	11.3%
Criminal Damage	317	280	-37	-11.7%	21.8%	14.3%
Non Dwelling Burglary	76	101	25	32.9%	6.6%	13.9%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	54	80	26	48.1%	29.6%	20.0%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	34	28	-6	-17.6%	14.7%	35.7%
Total Crime	1339	1300	-39	-2.9%	38.5%	28.2%

County Division is compared with 15 most similar divisions in other Forces. Currently we are performing well e.g. ranked 1st (out of 15) for Total Crime and 4th (out of 15) for Violent Crime.

Anti-Social-Behaviour – reported incidents

OCT-DEC 2009	JAN-MAR 2010	APR-JUN 2010	JUL-SEP 2010	MONTHLY AVE (09/10)
343	310	368	397	354.5

Inspector Martyn Sweett
 Area Commander
 02/12/10