

**Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper
Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Community
Area Board
1st December 2010**



1. Neighbourhood Policing

Area Commander: Inspector Steve Cox

Neighbourhood Policing Sergeant: Sgt Martin Alvis

Wootton Bassett Town Centre Team

Beat Manager – PC Nick Spargo
PCSO – Jim Wale

Wootton Bassett Rural Team

Beat Manager – PC Steve Porter
PCSO – Andy Singfield
Ministry of Defence Police Unit Beat Officer (Lyneham) – PC Jarra Brown

Cricklade & Purton Team

Beat Manager – PC Chris Skey
PCSO – Nicola Allen
PCSO – Richard O'Halloran

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 always be found on our Wiltshire Police Website.

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

3. Police Authority Representative: Mrs Carole Soden

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

4. Performance and Other Local Issues

With the darker evenings upon us we often see an increase in low level anti-social behaviour, this is clearly linked to persons congregating in public areas that are poorly lit. They are often doing absolutely nothing wrong however their mere presence can give rise to a fear of crime. I am pleased to announce that we have seen very little anti-social behaviour in your area, in fact during Halloween and Fireworks night where we expect to see a rise in ASB, we had no incidents reported. This was due to dedicated patrols being visible throughout the night and early intervention being made when appropriate.

You will note below that over a three month period that this area has had on average 223.5 incidents of ASB. It is however important to note that ASB from a Police Incident Log perspective covers many incidents that the average person would not consider to be ASB. The list is long but includes issues such as dogs being left in cars, livestock on roads, loud noise to name just a few. Very few relate to abuse, alcohol or persons gathering in public areas.

There are two areas where the community can help reduce ASB:

- Report any suspicious activity to police as soon as possible.
- If you know of locations where a build up of rubbish such as fast food containers or bottles/cans are located, please let us know so we can dedicate evening patrols to these areas.

Please help us to stop Anti Social Behaviour in your town or village? Prevention is always better than cure!

CRIME & DETECTIONS (MAY 2009 – APRIL 2010 compared to previous year)

WOOTTON BASSETT SECTOR						
WOOTTON BASSETT	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	172	143	-29	-16.9%	49.4%	54.5%
Dwelling Burglary	55	52	-3	-5.5%	25.5%	21.2%
Criminal Damage	356	240	-116	-32.6%	18.8%	8.8%
Non Dwelling Burglary	104	153	49	47.1%	11.5%	5.2%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	78	55	-23	-29.5%	20.5%	1.8%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	18	22	4	22.2%	16.7%	18.2%
Total Crime	1175	1075	-100	-8.5%	24.6%	23.3%
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 2009	Apr-Jun 2010	Jul-Sept 2010	Yearly Ave (09/10)
253	183	222	236	223.5

Inspector Steven Cox (23rd November 2010)
Area Commander