



Cricklade, Purton and Royal Wootton Bassett Community Policing Team Update



Hello and welcome to this Community Policing Team report.

The purpose of these reports is to provide a short summary of the local issues in your area. Engaging with the public is vital for us as. Not only does it give us an opportunity to share what we are doing and keep our communities informed and up to date but it also provides an opportunity for our communities to feed back to us; what we're doing well, where we can make improvements and how we can work together to tackle local issues.

We hope you find these updates useful, for the latest news, crime prevention advice and appeals please follow us on:

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Or sign up to Community Messaging <https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/>

Thank you for your continued support to Wiltshire Police.

Crimes that have an impact on the community reported between 19th July 2017 and 21st September 2017

There is an excellent website where crimes for an area can be mapped the link to it is here

[UK Crime figures](#)

I am therefore only including details of burglaries or any series of crimes that have occurred in the area.

On 25th July at about 20:15 an attempt Burglary occurred at an address at The Fiddle, Cricklade however no entry was gained.

Between 22:00 on the 16th August and 09:00 on the 17th August unknown offenders have gained entry to a Garden Pod used as an office, made an untidy search but not stolen anything.

On the 25th August between Midnight and 14:30 unknown offenders have attempted to break in to an address in Dogridge, Purton. They were unsuccessful and nothing was taken.

Between 20:00 on the 5th September and 08:00 on 6th September unknown offenders have forced entry to a property on Calne Road, Lyneham and stolen tools from the workshop to the value of £1500.

Between 17:30 on the 6th September and 11:00 on the 7th September unknown suspects have forced entry to a storage room attached to a property at Station Road, Cricklade, nothing was taken.

Between 01:00 and 01:30 on 13th September unknown suspects have entered an address in Dogridge, Purton and made a search but not stolen anything.

Theft from motor vehicles

Over the past 2 months there have been an unusually high number of theft from motor vehicles, this has included items being stolen from insecure vehicles and tools being stolen from vehicle following forced entry, work has been going on across various departments in Wiltshire Police to try and establish those responsible.

On Sunday 3rd September officers in Swindon executed a Warrant at a site on Tadpole Lane, Blunsdon where by a large number of tools were recovered some of which are believed to be related to the above offences (See report below).

Good News

Thousands of pounds worth of power tools found

Officers have recovered thousands of pounds worth of power tools at an isolated outbuilding on the outskirts of Swindon.

On Saturday 2 September 2017 police received a report from a member of the public that his disc cutter had been stolen from his van on Abbey View Road in Swindon. Following enquiries, officers went to a site off Tadpole Lane near the Blunsdon railway bridge.

A search warrant was executed on this site and on Sunday 3 September 2017 officers found and seized numerous power tools which are believed to be stolen - many were packed in to the back of a white Peugeot van - along with a stolen caravan.

The tools, van and caravan were removed; there was nobody on site at the time and we have not yet identified any suspects.

Sgt Karen Hunt said: "This is a fantastic find by the North Swindon Community Policing Team. "We believe that these recovered items, have been taken in thefts from vehicles and construction sites.

"We now have the difficult job of trying to track down the rightful owners of these tools as well as the caravan.

"If you have had power tools stolen or know of someone who has, please come forward."

If you can help with our enquiries in anyway please contact police on 101 or anonymously, via Crimestoppers, on 0800 555 111.



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Local Priorities

Since the Community Policing Team Model rolled out, we have been setting the local area priorities in a more fluid way. The priorities, in the most simplistic form, are what officers are expected to be doing, and where they should be patrolling, when they are not responding to ongoing crimes or incidents, or not carrying out enquiries relating to those crimes and incidents.

The priorities are set every two weeks and may be long term or short term. They are decided upon by Police Sergeant and Inspector using various information including:

- the views and concerns of the public expressed at area board and other public meetings.
- reviewing crime reports to enable the identification of crime series or identification of prolific offenders.
- reviewing logs of calls created by the control room that often highlight problems with antisocial behaviour, speeding, dangerous driving etc. that impact the community in a detrimental way.
- evaluating information received from the Police Community Support Officers and the Community Coordinator, who assist with identifying local issues and working on medium to long term issues for the community.
- the input of the team sergeants who supervise the PCs in the sector and allocate and manage crimes and incidents as they are reported.
- various other departments can also add to this picture such as intelligence units and crime analysts.

The force control strategy is also used to evaluate the priorities considering threat, harm and risk.

The priorities for the whole of this Community Policing Team i.e. Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade have between July and September included :

- ◇ Proactive and investigative work surrounding the rise in theft from motor vehicles in the area.
- ◇ Engagement with Licensed premises including regular checks to help reduce the chances of alcohol related issues.



The link below is for Community Messaging. The Community Coordinator for this area sends out a daily message, if there has been any crime that will benefit the community to be aware of. This includes thefts, scams and burglaries, the aim is to inform you of what is happening in your area, help you take any actions to avoid becoming a victim of crime and to alert you as a potential witness to any crime. Its easy to sign up and only messages, relevant to your area, are sent to your email inbox.

<https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/>

The email address for the Wiltshire North Community Policing team is
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Please phone 101, or 999 in an emergency to report any incidents or
crimes

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