



Warminster

Antisocial Behaviour

Antisocial Behaviour, also widely known as ASB, is an extremely broad term used to describe day to day incidents that can have an impact on people's lives. Antisocial Behaviour is often a combination of both crime and nuisance. Because Antisocial Behaviour includes such a wide range of behaviours, it means that the responsibilities are shared between a number of agencies including the police, local councils and social housing landlords.

ASB can include :

- Rowdy and noisy behaviour
- Night time noise from properties and gardens
- Threatening and drunken behaviour
- Vandalism and graffiti
- Drug dealing and drug taking
- Litter and fly tipping rubbish
- Begging
- Street drinking

What can the Police do?

The police and local agencies have a number of powers available to them, in order to tackle antisocial behaviour. Each situation is different, however we will usually issue words of advice and / or a warning letter initially.

We also have the following powers available to us :

- Civil Injunction
- Criminal Behaviour Order
- Dispersal Power
- Community Protection Notice
- Public Spaces Protection Order
- Closure Order

Local Authorities are able to deal with :

- Abandoned vehicles
- Graffiti
- Damage to public property (street lighting, road signs etc)
- Rubbish and fly tipping
- Noise, including loud music, noisy neighbours, parties and animals
- Animal complaints can be dealt with by the dog warden
- They also have been granted powers to obtain Civil Injunctions, Community Protection Notice, Public Spaces Protection Order, Closure Order and Criminal Behaviour Orders.

How you can report antisocial behaviour

From the list above, establish which agency is best placed to deal with your complaint.

You can contact Wiltshire Council by telephone – 0300 4560100 or via the Wiltshire Council App. You can contact Wiltshire Police by telephone – 101, or 999 in the case of an emergency.

It is really helpful when trying to deal with antisocial behaviour, that we have logs of when and where the problems are occurring. It would be useful to keep a log including :

- Dates and times of incidents
- As much information as possible about what has happened
- Names and descriptions of those involved (if known)
- Details of any witnesses
- How the incident has affected you
- Whether the matter has been reported, and if so, who to as well as any reference numbers provided

COMMUNITY MESSAGING

Through feedback and working with our local communities, we have developed the use of <https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/> and are now sending out daily updates around crimes that matter to you in your area. This is enabling us to reach as much of our community as possible, as quickly as possible and impart any new crime prevention advice or information about incidents that may affect you in your community that we feel you need to know about.

We have received some very positive feedback around this and encourage you to speak to all members of your community and encourage them to sign up to Wiltshire Messaging. It is free and a very good way of keeping all our communities connected.

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

CRIME EXCEPTIONS

These figures are based on an evaluation of data, over a two year rolling period. Using this data we can predict what figure is the average that should be reported in a specific month, and what are the higher and lower parameters that we may expect. Figures outside of these parameters are classed as 'Crime Exceptions'.

Due to the deadline that this report had to be in for, the stats provided below are from the month of September 2017.

September 2017 saw 211 reported incidents for Warminster, which is a reduction from the same time period last year, which saw 229 reported incidents.

The only crime type showing as an exception is for 'Miscellaneous Crimes against Society'. On average we see two offences of this type per month, although the month of September saw an increase to six offences. All six of these crimes are linked to the same incident, whereby a 12 year old

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youth has taken nude photographs of them and forwarded it to other people. This is currently being jointly investigated by Wiltshire Police and Social Services.

Warminster Town

We have seen four reported Dwelling Burglaries to date since the 01st September 2017. As a result of enquiries a 16 year old local male has been arrested and charged and dealt with in relation to two burglaries and an attempted burglary.

Warminster Rural

There were no reported Dwelling Burglaries in the rural area since the 01st September 2017.

OTHER INFORMATION

Each week the West Community Policing Team holds a tasking meeting. This meeting is designed to allow local officers to discuss issues within their communities, and for priorities to be set accordingly.

Warminster Town Park was set as a priority due to an increase in Antisocial Behaviour and reports of Criminal Damage at the location.

This has seen an increase in patrols from local community support officers, local police officers and a dog handler with their drugs dog. Whilst the patrols can go some way in deterring and preventing issues, can we please ask that you contact Wiltshire Police on 101 to report them. This enables us to build a clearer picture as to when and where the problems are occurring.

The use of our Community Tasking Team will be utilised in the coming weeks.

For a detailed breakdown of the crime in your area visit...

<https://www.police.uk/wiltshire/>

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