

PEWSEY Area Board Police Report June 2018

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Target Patrols Pewsey and surrounding areas:

Beauty Spot Theft from Motor Vehicles:

On the 16th January 2018 we relaunched this priority due to this area of the county still suffering a significant amount of thefts. The difference being that this time, we have identified potential suspects and are following numerous intelligence leads. Since the above date we officers have made a significant number patrols of all of our beauty spot car parks; however thieves appear to be favouring:

DOWNS LANE, MANTON, MARLBOROUGH
ROUNDWAY HILL, DEVIZES
EAST/WEST KENNETT
WIDDINGTON HILL, UPAVON
WOOTTEN RIVERS, PEWSEY
AVEBURY
A4 SILBURY HILL
ALTON BARNES
GRAND AVENUE, SAVERNAKE



You will be pleased to hear that after securing funding from the 'Area Board' Wiltshire Police have been able to erect 'Warning Signs' at the majority of these

PCSO's have been issuing leaflets to members of the public and parked cars in the areas in order to highlight the issues.



Media

Community messaging continues.

Consultations

Your PCSO's are carrying out consultations on their areas;

26th June 0945hrs – 1115hrs
10th July 0945hrs– 1115hrs
24th July 0945hrs – 1115hrs
31st July 0945hrs – 1115hrs
14th August 0945hrs – 1115hrs
4th September 0945hrs – 1115hrs

Burglaries

Unfortunately East CPT has seen a rise in burglaries over the past 8 weeks, alongside our increased patrols we are offering the following security advice to residents;

To improve the security in and around your home we are asking residents to remember the following advice:

- Lock your doors and windows every time you leave the house, even if you're in the garden, and make sure you have approved locks or bolts on all doors and windows
- Never leave a spare key in a hiding place like in a plant pot or letterbox - a thief knows all the hiding places
- Keep all keys, purses and wallets out of sight and away from the letterbox
- Consider installing a burglar alarm, and only use a company that is registered or certified with the NSI or the SSIAB
- Do not open the door to anyone you don't know or are not expecting. Always check by using a spy-hole or look through a window
- Make sure that you have up to date contents insurance
- Register all serial numbers from electrical items, tools and garden equipment with Immobilise.com (the free national property register). Mark items without serial numbers with an artificial DNA property marker such as Smartwater or SelectaDNA
- Do not keep large amounts of cash at home - it is much safer in a bank or building society
- Trim back any plants and hedges at the front of your property to no higher than 1 metre to remove hiding places
- Always report any suspicious activity, note any vehicle registrations, descriptions of persons involved and direction of travel
- Use a timer to set lights to mimic your usual activity when you are not at home
- Take photographs of all jewellery including hallmarks and keep them safe. Also consider using an artificial DNA property marker on jewellery or other valuable items
- Make sure any bolts are low enough so they cannot be opened by reaching over the top of the gate.

Crimes:

Drugs

1x Male Summoned to court for possession of Class B Drug

Burglaries

There have been 10 reported burglary incidents between 01/05/18 – 20/06/18

These have varied from residential dwelling burglaries, business burglaries to residential shed break style burglaries.

Missing Persons

Pewsey CPT have dealt with 4 reports of missing persons between 01/05/18 – 20/06/18

These missing persons can vary between children, young persons, adults and the elderly. Each individual case is graded appropriately to the circumstances.

Update re Rural Crime Partnership

OPERATION BADGER

WE NEED YOUR HELP!
 Persecuting badgers is a crime - if you have information please contact your local police or phone crimestoppers. With your help we can make a difference.

IT IS ILLEGAL TO TAKE, INJURE OR KILL A BADGER.




CALL: If the incident is taking place ring 999. For non urgent ring 101 OR Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111









 **Wiltshire Rural Crime Team**
 30 April · 🌐

Wiltshire Police, working with our partners Avon and Somerset Constabulary, Devon and Cornwall Police, Dorset Police and Gloucestershire Constabulary are pleased to pledge our ongoing commitment to Operation Badger, which is an intelligence-led nationwide police operation gathering evidence of badger persecution and targeting offenders.

All five south west forces are sharing the new set of posters agreed by the UK Priority Badger Group depicting the plight of the badger and urging members of the public to report any illegal activity they are aware of.

Chief Inspector Richard Pegler The Senior Rural Crime Officer from Gloucestershire Constabulary said: "We are pleased to join our partners in our ongoing commitment to Operation Badger, which we hope will once again raise awareness of the cruel and illegal activities carried out against them.

"Badgers are a protected species, and defined as a priority group by the National Wildlife Crime Unit.

"There are many levels of persecution; such as sett interference, shooting, poisoning, snaring, or badger baiting, all result in either a loss or disturbance of their habitat, suffering or death. These offences are sadly all too frequent events across the UK. There is also a link between some of the activity and the involvement of organized crime groups.

"We appeal to everyone to be our eyes and ears - together we can make a difference.

"If you believe a crime is taking place call 999, or you have any information call 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."

Pewsey this month:



Three men have been arrested and are currently in custody following a police pursuit in and around Pewsey last night.

Police were called shortly after 9pm last night (13 May 2018) by a man from Devizes who had been visited by three men who had come to view his car, which was for sale.

One of the men asked to test drive the vehicle, a black Mercedes, and had driven off, closely followed by the other two men, who were in a black BMW.

Both vehicles, travelling in convoy, were spotted on the A345 in Pewsey at 9.50pm and when it failed to stop a pursuit was authorised.

Shortly after, the Mercedes collided into a fence in The Crescent, in Pewsey, and the driver escaped on foot.

At around 10.10pm officers located the BMW driving along the A345 towards North Newton and it was stopped by police and its two occupants were arrested.

A search, which included the police helicopter and the dog unit, was carried out in Pewsey and a man was located and arrested at 11.50pm.

Three men, aged 39, 35 and 32, all from the London area, have been arrested in connection with the suspected theft and are currently in police custody.

Dangerous and Persistent offenders

Work is continuing with our SWITCH nominals, (those who are identified as persistent and prolific offenders), including intelligence gathering and relevant actions following dissemination. We currently have two nominals within the East Policing Area classified as such and we work closely with our SWITCH team members and partner agencies to manage these offenders.

None of our current nominals are residing in Pewsey.

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