



Community Policing Report Chippenham Area Board – 23rd July 2018

Hello and welcome to this Community Policing Team report.

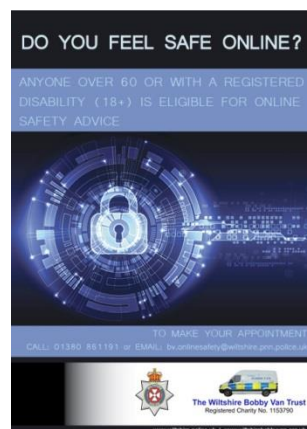
Policing resources all across the country are currently facing extraordinary demand due to support required for the US presidential visit, World Cup, major events across the country and the ongoing high profile and complex major incidents in Salisbury and Amesbury. This is alongside other ongoing operations and day to day policing.

We are pleased to report our achievement as the first police force in the country to achieve **Disability Confident Leader** status in the Government's three stage programme to encourage more recruitment and retention of disabled people has been recognised in a national recruitment campaign. Wiltshire Police has been chosen by the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) as one of the 123 employers who have to date been awarded Disability Confident Leader status to showcase our recruitment work within the Force to 2,666 employers across the country who have achieved the second stage in the programme – **Disability Confident Employer** – and help them on their journey to becoming a Leader.

Raising awareness and understanding of hate crime, how to report it, and what we and our partners are doing to manage it, is a key priority for the Force.

Our Wiltshire Police Hate Crime Strategy has just been updated for the period 2018 to 2021 and explains our approach to tackling hate crime in Wiltshire and Swindon, the difference between a Hate Incident and a Hate Crime and summarises ways to report, either direct to the police or third party reporting.

We have also produced a Hate Crime briefing sheet for our professional partners in organisations we work with on the ground across the county. We have a Public Information leaflet H8 – Challenge it – Report it – Stop it has also been updated with basic information on definitions, what to report and how. It can be downloaded from our website.



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We, alongside Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Service (DWFRS), launched a new pilot project on the 29th June that will see two existing PCSOs take on-call firefighter status while carrying out their normal policing roles. A PCSO stationed at Marlborough and a PCSO in Salisbury will be wearing different badges and epaulettes over the coming weeks. These two officers will be leading the pilot project for us and feeding back their experiences to the project leads. The Chief Constable and the PCC are fully supportive of the project that aims to upskill existing PCSOs, provide a collaborative working opportunity with DWFRS, as well as offering a more streamlined and improved service to the communities that we serve. The pilot will run for the next six months when all of the feedback will be fully evaluated before a decision is made whether to roll-out the scheme across the Force.

Whilst the report below gives a summary of Key Impact Crimes in your area such as Burglaries, the interactive element will allow you to see the statistics of the reports for your area and your local Police contacts. The website address remains unchanged and the interactive map can be found by following the below link.

<http://www.wiltshire.police.uk/article/832/Your-Area>

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

Twitter <https://twitter.com/wiltshirepolice>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/wiltshirepolice/>

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

Thank you for your continued support to Wiltshire Police.

COMMUNITY MESSAGING



We are constantly reviewing our visibility and how we can develop this and work with our communities. We cannot physically be everywhere all of the time and we want to ensure consistent information with our communities and to be able to provide the information that matters to you when you need it. There has been some good feedback from our new way of working using Community Messaging so please sign up and use it.

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

Our CPT priorities can be accessed online, also persistent offenders and ongoing issues affecting the Community in line with our Force Control Strategy. Priority Offenders are established at a weekly Sector meeting, as a result priorities and taskings are raised as a way to effectively manage live intelligence and priorities that are developing in the northern hub.

CONTROL STRATEGY - Every year, the Force assesses its operational priorities for the year. Through a combination of research and consultation, the Intelligence team identify the areas of criminality that present the biggest threat, harm and risk to our communities as well as the areas where we most need to fill gaps in terms of our understanding, intelligence or capability.

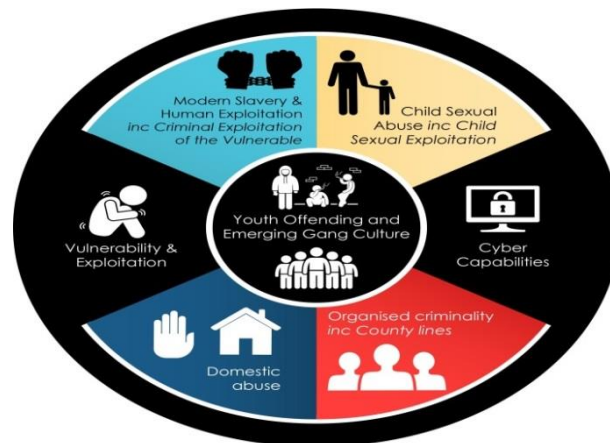
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The resulting document is known as the Control Strategy which outlines the following operational priorities:

1. Modern Slavery & Human Exploitation (including Criminal Exploitation of the Vulnerable)
2. Child Sexual Abuse (including Child Sexual Exploitation)
3. Organised Criminality (including County Lines)
4. Domestic Abuse
5. Youth Offending and Emerging Gang Culture

As has been the case in previous iterations of the Control Strategy, there are clear themes running through all the priority areas – ‘Cyber Capabilities’ and ‘Vulnerability and Exploitation’. Digital technology is used to carry out offending in all the above areas and at the heart of all the above there are vulnerable victims, witnesses or offenders that are often being exploited.

Below is our control strategy for your reference. This focuses on where how we conduct our operational Policing based on the Police & Crime Plan. We will continue to align our resources with the threat/harm/risks presented in line with the control strategy.



LOCAL ISSUES/CRIMES

Burglaries - Chippenham remains a very safe place to live. Do please ensure that you secure property when unattended especially in this warm weather, leave lights on if you are not at home in the evening, keep valuables eg jewellery and electronic devices out of sight. Ask your neighbours to keep ‘an eye’ on your home and report anything suspicious immediately.

Rogue Traders – It is that time of year that unsolicited gardeners are targeting the elderly and vulnerable which results in over charging and or Distraction Burglaries. Barons Close in Chippenham attracted attention from ‘cold callers’. The local Police Community Support Officer Julie Chard made contact with Trading Standards and has since carried out some excellent community engagement by visiting the residents along with Trading Standards and offering them some useful information about a **14 day cooling-off period which must be in writing if they have been charged or quoted over £42 for work to be carried out.** PCSO Chard has extended these joint agency visits to other areas in Chippenham to warn elderly residents that rogue traders are operating in the area. If you have an elderly family member/relative/neighbour, do please advise them of the above.

Wiltshire Council Trading Standards runs a **Buy With Confidence** approved trader scheme. To find a trader you require you can log onto the website www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk or call Wiltshire Council Trading Standards on 01225 713652.

Vehicle Crime – There has been a number of reports involving damage to vehicles in Chippenham. We would encourage public to call the Police if they see anyone acting suspiciously.

Warrants/Drugs – On the 10th July 2018, officers from Chippenham CPT attended an address in Heathfield due to a report of cannabis being grown in a tent in the garden. Upon arrival, Officers located 23 cannabis plants within the tent and the home owner who was aged 34 was arrested on suspicion of cultivation of cannabis. He was interviewed and later issued with an Adult Caution as a result.



On Friday 29 June 2018, officers from the Chippenham CPT executed a search warrant at an address in Chippenham following information given to us by the community. After an initial delay gaining access using our 'big red key' we located a male inside. Even better than that, we searched and found approximately £26,000 in cash and drugs suspected to be Class A to the value of approximately £36,000 (subject to further analysis).

The male was arrested and later Released Under Investigation while we continue with our enquiries - jobs like these can be complex and it's often better to be thorough and continue our investigations before rushing to charge. In all, a great demonstration of what we can do when we get help from the public.



We continue to develop intelligence by adopting a joint multiagency approach to assist with the preparation of further warrants in the future, so they may be executed in line with the Force Control Strategy.

Rough Sleepers – We have received a small number of reports concerning homeless people and street drinkers in the town centre. The complaints mostly concern anti-social behavior and public order offences. We continue working in partnership with other agencies. Officers are encouraged to use their powers outlined in the PSPO (Public Space Protection Order).

Anti-social Behaviour (ASB) - This has been discussed at our weekly Sector Priorities meetings and the CPT officers have been carrying out targeted patrols at John Coles Park and the old Wiltshire College building. These patrols were introduced to offer reassurance to the community and to deliver a clear message that ASB will not be tolerated. A number of banning letters were issued to some locals to stop entering John Coles Park, however due to the increased visibility in the area, the number of reports have reduced and Chippenham Town Council have decided to retract the bans which were in place. The owners of the old Wiltshire College building have advised that this is due to be demolished during the school summer holidays. The CPT will continue to monitor and liaise with agencies over the summer months.

Events - The Community Policing Team continue to attend local events the most recent being the Chippenham Carnival.

Police Cadets who are aged 13-16 years of age can attend local events and assist with community engagement, they are very keen to get involved in future events, please e-mail CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

If you are planning any event and require assistance from the Police to assist, please e-mail CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk in advance as you may be required to complete an 'Events Form' and there may also be a cost incurred to ensure that you have dedicated officers throughout. If you would like the Cadets to assist with community engagement at events please e-mail the address above, there is no charge for this.

EVENTS... Don't forget that a toolkit is available from Wiltshire Council which gives fantastic guidance and advice for organising most types of events, including topics ranging from traffic management to toilets, and gives contact details for which agencies and departments need to be contacted when applying for various licences or road closures. It can be found at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-events-toolkit.pdf>, In essence, all organisers must be responsible for identifying any risks and putting in measures to remove or reduce them.

The Force now has a dedicated cybercrime Facebook page. If there are any local businesses who would value having this information do please e-mail CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk.

In addition to the Wiltshire Police website, Chippenham CPT has 5567 followers on Facebook, please join us either on Facebook or Community Messaging.

For a detailed breakdown of the crime in your area visit...<https://www.police.uk/wiltshire/>

The e-mail address for the Wiltshire North Community Policing Team is
[**cptnorthwiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk**](mailto:cptnorthwiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)

Please phone 101 (non emergency) or 999 (emergency) to report any incidents or crimes, reports cannot be taken via the above e-mail address.

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