

# <u>SOUTH WILTSHIRE COMMUNITY POLICING TEAM – JULY 2018</u>

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Welcome to the second edition of the new South Wiltshire Community Policing Team Area Board report.

As previously stated, you will notice that it is a little more comprehensive than you are used to, as henceforth my intention is to include the entire South Wiltshire CPT within the body of a single report. The idea is that it will give a much greater understanding of the issues facing South Wiltshire as a whole community, rather than in isolation by single area.

My policing team operate on the basis of 'One Team' and as such, resources are moved around on a daily basis according to demand. Whilst each Police Officer and our PCSO's will still retain ownership of a given area in terms of longer term problem solving approaches, the very nature of policing and answering calls for service often dictate that officers are brought together from the wider area to respond to given circumstances. This has always been and will continue to be the case.

The document is broken down in to 5 parts:

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Staffing listed are the Community Coordinators and PCSO's for your given area.
- 3. Community Engagement How to contact us and where we are due to be.
- 4. Particular Issues and Crime Series
- 5. Items of Note

Since the last report there has been no change in the situation regarding the location of the policing team in Salisbury, they remain at Five Rivers whilst Bourne Hill undergoes its refurbishment. We hope to be back in by the end of September. The enquiry office is still situated in Salisbury Library 6 days a week.

The events in Amesbury and other areas of Salisbury since my last report have once again consumed our activities and where we hoped to be scaling down the Operation Fairline, instead, a new Operation Fortis was born; drawing ever more resources from across the country to assist. Tragically this side of the new enquiry involved two innocent members of the community and has led to the death of one, thereby turning the incident into a murder enquiry which once again is being led by counter terrorist officers from the Metropolitan police. Whilst that is the case, it remains a Wiltshire operation and as such, demands on our resources are made. On this occasion however, we were able to draw on our learning from Fairline and engage the use of private security staff for some sites very quickly, therefore reducing the burden on us to staff the same.



To add to this, on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018 we were called to a chemical explosion at Chemring Countermeasures at High Post. Upon arrival it quickly became apparent that we were dealing with another major incident. Once again my officers and those of our partner agencies rushed in to the face of danger in order to assist in the saving of life, safeguard the wider public, secure the scene and commence an investigation. I am very proud of all those officers and those of the other emergency services as well as the staff at Chemring who initially dealt with the casualty and the scene. Sadly one person was killed and another critically injured and the investigation in to the cause continues, with police officers at the scene 24hrs a day.

# **Staffing**

With the recent changes in CPT boundaries I am proud to say that I now have available some 147 officers and staff under my command. This does not include over 40 members of our Special Constabulary. Whilst I would love to list them all, I have limited the information to the officers that make up the immediate community team whom have the closest relationships and links with our communities, those being our Community Policing Coordinators and PCSO's. These officers are pivotal in maintaining strong working relationships with the whole community, be it business or public and they all work exceptionally hard at doing just that. I would like to welcome those latest officers joining us and have highlighted a few below. I am sure that you will quickly get to know them and together we can continue to help keep Wiltshire as being one of the safest counties in the country.

You may have read or heard in the news that Wiltshire Police have been voted No1 in the country for listening to and tackling community concerns and I am again proud of my officers for assisting in attaining that accolade.

### Salisbury

Pc 1792 Al Cromwell - Coordinator

Pc 2398 Elle Darcy - Coordinator

PCSO 3951 Val BROWN - City Centre

PCSO 8686 Gareth JAMES - City centre

PCSO 3985 Laura KING - Southampton Road and the Friary

PCSO 8704 Kady GREEN - Castle Road and Bishopdown

PCSO 8195 Kim ORZA - Bemerton Heath

PCSO 9001 Matthew MURRAY - Churchfields and St Pauls

PCSO 6025 Simon WARD - Harnham

# South Rural

Pc 1157 Matt HOLLAND – Coordinator PCSO 6227 Matt SMITH – Downton Rural

PCSO 6314 Nicola CLARK - Wilton Town/Rural

PCSO 6150 Jenny MOSS - Laverstock and Old Sarum

PCSO 8076 Simon NASH - Alderbury Rural



# Amesbury

Pc 1596 Lucy WILEMAN – Coordinator
PCSO 8098 Pippa BREWER – Durrington, Larkhill, Bulford and Figheldean
PCSO 9031 Luke George – Ludgershall
PCSO 3972 Levi MORPHY – Amesbury Town
PCSO 6623 Amy JONES – Ludgershall
PCSO 6716 Luke HOSKEN – Tidworth
PCSO 3961 Tina ROYLANCE – Amesbury Rural

#### **Contact Us**

# Contacting Wiltshire Police by phone –101 should be used for non-emergencies such as:

- Reporting a non-urgent crime or incident (unless the crime or incident is in progress, when you should dial 999)
- Contacting local officers
- Making us aware of policing issues in your local area (consider email as below)
- Making an appointment with a police officer
- For any other non-emergency, such as making a complaint

999 should be used for an emergency, when a crime is happening, someone suspected of a crime is nearby, someone is injured, being threatened or in danger.

You can also contact local officers about non-urgent issues via **email – General Community Policing enquiries -** CPTSouthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

For crime updates and local policing news via email, please sign up to our **Community Messaging** scheme at –

www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

You can also follow us on Facebook – search 'Salisbury Police' 'Amesbury Police' or 'Tidworth Police' or On Twitter - @SouthWiltsCPT

### **Community Engagement**

This is a key area of our work and comes in many forms, from our physical presence on the traditional beat or through PULSE patrols, to our mobile and cycle patrols as well of course as our social media footprint.

Wherever possible our teams are engaging with the community at every level and one of these ways is through community consultations, where a member of staff will be made available to speak to our



community on any given day and time. These consultations are a great way to meet and greet my staff that are local to you and are a great way for you to raise any issues that you may have directly with an officer or PCSO at that time.

Community Consultations will take place on the following dates:

Waitrose, Churchill Way -Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September 1000-1200 Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 1400-1600

Salisbury Charter Market – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1000-1300

Dates and times will be advertised through social media and community messaging so please make sure that you follow us to receive them. Further venues across the area are being sought at the moment and if you have any event or venue suggestions please let us know via the CPT e-mail listed above and we will endeavor to be there!

# **Neighbourhood Tasking Meetings**

The next Tidworth/Ludgershall NTG is planned for 6<sup>th</sup> November at 14.30 hours in Ludgershall at the Town Council Office.

The meeting time for the Amesbury/Durrington/Bulford/Larkhill & Figheldean has now been arranged for 19.00 hours on Monday  $17^{th}$  September at Amesbury Police Station.

Amesbury Rural's meeting is planned for 26<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm at Amesbury Police Station.

# **Particular Issues and Crime Series**

#### Salisbury City

<u>Bike Theft</u> – This year has seen a series of bike thefts across the city centre and officers are working to identify patterns etc. Two suspects have been arrested and following this, the numbers of thefts happen to have declined.

<u>Commercial Burglaries</u> – **Update** David Clift a suspect for this series was subsequently found and arrested and is currently serving time at Her Majesty's pleasure. Again, a big well done to my Community Tasking Team for their work on getting this arrest

<u>Dangerous Drug Networks (DDN's)</u> - Despite significant disruptions through proactive policing, gangs are continuing to infiltrate the south of the county pedalling drugs and preying on our most vulnerable within the community. The war against drugs is a long fought one and we will continue in our efforts to disrupt activity, arrest offenders and bring them to justice whilst protecting the vulnerable in the process.



We cannot be complacent in our effort and attention to this area of our business, as the tendrils of drug addiction and the destructive behaviour that it breeds are prevalent in every town on our area.

Any intelligence in this regard is always welcome and can be fed in to the system via speaking to an officer or member of staff, e-mail or through **Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111**.

#### Harnham

<u>Ongoing multi-agency work</u> continues - in Essex Square to support 'sensitive let' scheme which has been successful in tackling issues of ASB and misuse of drugs. PCSO WARD will continue to work closely with Wiltshire Council colleagues, our Teams will support with targeted patrols and enforcement action where appropriate.

<u>Catapult related damage and ASB</u> – We have continued with targeted patrols in response to recent reports of young people behaving in an antisocial way, using catapults to injure birds and cause damage. Hotspots include Harnham recreation ground, Town path, Middle and Lower Street. Regular 'PULSE' patrols have been undertaken by my teams and the reports have subsequently decreased. The hot weather and summer holidays has no doubt contributed to this developing situation, but I am pleased to report that a swift and robust patrol strategy does seem to be working and these will continue throughout the holidays at least.

### South Rural

Shed/garage Burglary series - Nunton/Bodenham/Charlton-All-Saints

Targeted patrols and cross-border enquiries in response to recent offences August into September. These offences have been committed during the daytime targeting sheds and garages and stealing mowers and garden power tools.

# ASB & catapult related damage - Wilton

Targeted patrols of hotspots following recent increase in reports of criminal damage and ASB being caused by young people carrying catapults (possible links to similar issues in nearby Harnham

### Amesbury and Tidworth

Target Patrols Tidworth/Ludgershall and surrounding areas

### Dewey's Lane - Ludgershall

Following complaints from the Community a target patrol commenced at this location on 29<sup>th</sup> June, to offer reassurance and gather intelligence. The concerns were around possible drug use at the location along with anti-social behaviour. To date 88 patrols have taken place resulting in. The policing team are continuing to gather intelligence and refer the people causing issues to the relevant agencies for actions to be taken.



# Mughal Restaurant

Following as assault and reports of continued ASB from identified youths outside the restaurant positive action has been taken in order to work with the owner and the community in order to address the issues that are ongoing. Various options are being looked at to jointly approach this issue and a further joint agency meeting is planned for the 29<sup>th</sup> August.

### Tidworth Town Centre

On 26<sup>th</sup> July patrols commenced at various locations around Tidworth, due to complaints of anti-social behaviour and possible drug taking. The locations are NSPCC, Ashdown Family & Health Centre, Clarendon Club, Royal British Legion. Paddington Playstation. The patrol is currently being reviewed, to date 37 patrols have been actioned.

# **Target Patrols Amesbury and surrounding areas**

# Mill Pond, Figheldean

### **UPDATE**

ASB issues have been highlighted at this location and as a result over 68 patrols have been completed to date. An outbreak of toxic algae has subsequently caused the Environment Agency in conjunction with MOD to screen off the entire area with Harris Fencing, which in turn seems to have curtailed the issues reported there. We will continue to monitor this over coming weeks.

#### Harvard Park & Fosters Bushes

Following complaints and concerns from the Community. A new patrol commenced at these location on  $20^{th}$  August. Concerns are around anti-social behaviour, possible drug use and loud music. To date 10 patrols have been actioned.

# Shrewton

Due to complaints from the Community a new target patrol commenced on 31<sup>st</sup> August. The purpose of this patrol is to target lorries/heavy vehicles who contravene the 3.5 tonne weight limit on B3086 London Road Shrewton. The restriction is in place, and sign posted, from the Rollestone cross roads B3086 (heading into Shrewton) continues through the Village High Street and finishes at the mini roundabout by the co-op (where it joins the A360).



# **Community Speedwatch**

Amesbury and Salisbury have now combined this priority which commenced on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018. To date 177 actions have taken place. With effect from 29<sup>th</sup> August the 4 new areas are:

- Cholderton
- Porton
- Quidhampton
- Broadchalke

#### **Items of Note**

# **Autumn Equinox**

The Autumn Equinox is fast approaching and we are alive to concerns regarding associated ASB and illegal camping etc around both Stonehenge and Woodhenge.

Currently there are temporary experimental traffic orders in place on the byways around Stonehenge which prevent vehicles accessing them, so the instances of persons setting up camp should be reduced.

The closure of the byways, particularly byway 11 and 12 has been blamed for persons parking on the verges of the A303 in order to stop to take photos. Whilst this is possible, we have always suffered from this occurrence and wherever possible my officers are being asked to move vehicles on.

We are very much aware and share concerns that persons crossing the carriageway are in danger and as such a multi-agency approach has been instigated to address these issues around the clearway.

# **Operation Sceptre**

Operation Sceptre is a national Police initiative run approximately 4 times a year. It targets knife crime and possession in the UK. It is a Home Office led initiative. The operation will start on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018 for 2 weeks. We will look to tackle prevention and awareness amongst children and young people, whilst also dealing with criminals who carry weapons to facilitate other types of activity such as County Lines.

On Saturday  $22^{nd}$  September we will have a staff at Salisbury Market specifically aimed around this Operation.

We are also liaising with Licenced Premises in order to promote awareness.



# Community Engagement - Salisbury Fun Days

Over the summer holidays our local PCSO's and Salisbury Cadets have been able to attend these events in The Friary, Bishopdown and Bemerton Heath. The time spent in the Community was valued by our staff that enjoyed meeting new people.

# Salisbury City Centre

Visible patrols and public engagement in Salisbury City Centre. This priority focus is on anti-social behaviour, street drinkers and disorder. CPT are working in partnership with Venture Security, BID and pub watch. It also aims to speak with rough sleepers, some of which are vulnerable in order to check on their welfare and signpost them to other agencies via <a href="www.streetlink.org.uk">www.streetlink.org.uk</a> which triggers intervention from the local authority/outreach service that can provide help and assistance.

Officers are also making regular welfare visits to various addresses within the City Centre and the immediate surrounding area of vulnerable residents who are drug and alcohol dependent. Some of these addresses have been targeted by drug gangs from out of the area. Officers take positive action by way of arrest.

We will continue to publicise these checks via social media.

### Selection of pictures from recent weeks.....

Apologies, technical difficulties have prevented me from providing any more pictures in this report.

From L to R

Some 180 cannabis plants recovered by hand in Salisbury this week. Cadets at fun days.



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