



## Malmesbury Community Policing Team (CPT) update November 2018



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Community Policing Team report.

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Op Septre (knife amnesty) which I have included an update which was very successful.

County Lines operations which disrupt the drug networks that prey on the young and vulnerable people of the county. Over 70 addresses were identified of vulnerable people who were being used several arrests, cash and drugs seized.

I hope you find the report informative and will keep you up to date with the current activities in your area.

I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year,  
please enjoy the festivities and stay safe.



### **Crimes that have an impact on the community**

On 19/09/2018 18:15 a known female has entered the Co'Op store, walked around selecting various items - which she has placed into her bag. She has then left the shop without making any attempt to pay.

The Items taken include cleaning products and meat. The suspect has been identified and will be interviewed for the offence of theft.

On 25/09/2018 02:02 a suspect has broken into the premises in Malmesbury and stolen bicycles from within. The investigation is ongoing at this time; however a suspect was arrested and has been charged.

On the 27/09/2018 06:42 unknown suspect(s) has gained access to the location in Kemble by lifting the rollers and smashing the window. Up to 12 RC boats have been taken, approximately £1500 each.

Enquiries have been completed and nobody has been identified.

On the 30/09/2018 00:00 hrs an unknown suspect has gained entry to the IP's garage by smashing the lock. Two bicycles have been stolen from inside TVO £2000. Enquiries have been completed and no suspects have been identified.

On the 10/10/2018 12:00 at the Waitrose store Malmesbury someone has gone into the injured parties hand bag and stolen her purse whilst she was shopping. The injured party had various bank cards and cash stolen. Enquiries are ongoing with the local officer.

On the 19/10/2018 10:00 An unknown suspect has attempted to gain entry to a Oaksey home by using a pickaxe and tiles to try and break the French door windows. Suspect has been unable to gain entry, believed to have been scared off by neighbour's dog. Scratch marks left on window.

No suspects have been identified.

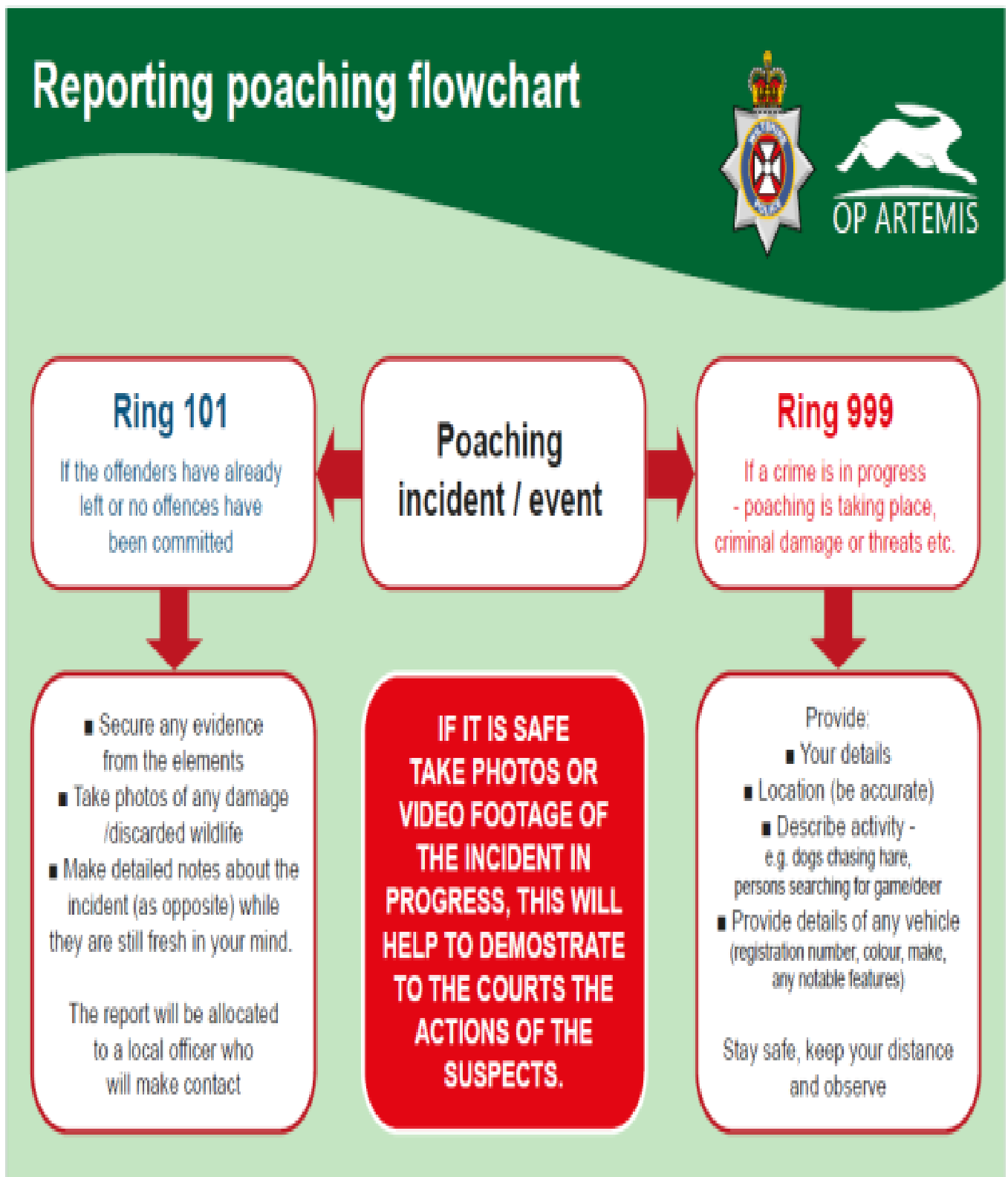
On the 01/11/2018 00:00 hrs at a location in Luckington, an unknown suspect has used an unknown method to damage an Oil tank and remove its padlock. No oil had been taken from the tank.

No suspects have been identified.

On the 07/11/2018 20:57 a known male suspect has entered injured party's house in Oaksey without permission and taken cash from within. Suspect arrested and in custody, investigation ongoing.

The Rural Crime Team is noticing a rise in activity by poachers / hare coursers around the A4 corridor close to Yatesbury and Avebury. A number of farms have been effected, which has included abandoned vehicles, threats and damage and the RCT will continue to support those effected.

Since August, Operation ARTEMIS has been running which is the forces response to poaching across the county. We are asking members of the public to report any incidents of poaching via 101 or 999



## **Your Local PCSO's**

Below area list of the PCSO's that cover Malmesbury and their specific area's of responsibility. If you need to make contact then you can use the email address,

northwiltshirecpt@wiltshire.police.uk

This is monitored by a number of officers who may be able to answer your query if your local PCSO isn't on duty.



**PCSO John Bordiss**  
**Malmesbury, Ashton Keynes, Minety**



**Juliet Evans**  
**Malmesbury Rural**



**Jordan Rose**  
**Malmesbury Town**

**\*\*\*OP SEPTRE UPDATE\*\*\***

As part of **Op Sceptre** - the national knife crime prevention initiative was launched, bringing together police forces co-ordinating ways to tackle knife crime, appealing for people to hand in unwanted or illegal knives and bladed weapons during the period of the amnesty: Monday 17 - Sunday 30 September. Our two week campaign featured case studies from people whose lives have been affected by knife crime - from the victim of knife crime to the police officer who had to deal with a serious stabbing. Knives are used as an everyday tool in the home and in industry, but when placed in the wrong hands or adapted for the wrong purpose can have devastating consequences.

Special amnesty bins were available at six locations across the county: Swindon's Gablecross Police Station, Marlborough Police Station, Melksham Police Station, Chippenham's Monkton Park, Trowbridge Police Station and the Temporary Police Station at the rear of Five Rivers Leisure Centre in Salisbury. The knife amnesty gave people the chance to dispose of knives and weapons by simply taking them to one of the specified police stations and dropping them in to an amnesty bin. During the period of the amnesty those handing in knives and weapons will not face prosecution for possession of a knife or weapon and can remain anonymous.

Of the 43 forces across England & Wales, Wiltshire had the 29th highest number of serious knife crimes reported. However, for possession offences Wiltshire ranked 34th of 43 - only Gloucestershire was ranked lower within the South West.\*

Between August 2017 and July 2018, there was a total of 800 offences in Wiltshire, where a knife or blade was used, a reduction of 3% on the previous year. \*\*

However, any incidents of knife crime are a major concern but the public should be reassured that we will continue to vigorously investigate offences linked to any knives or weapons recovered.

Assistant Chief Constable Gavin Williams said: "We want to raise the awareness of the dangers of carrying a knife or owning an illegal weapon. As a county Wiltshire cannot be compared to what is happening in cities like London or Manchester but we cannot be complacent; we must take action to educate the public and do what we can to remove knives from our streets.

"Most people in Wiltshire or even in the country don't carry a knife; it should not be considered the 'norm'. A very small minority choose to leave the house with a knife or blade, but the reality is they themselves are more likely to get injured.

"I would also like to appeal to parents across the county to talk to their children. We know that some young people carry knives for what they consider to be protection, but it is placing them and those around them in danger. Angus Macpherson, Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon, said: "Knife crime wrecks lives - not only the life of the victim but their families and friends. There are many people directly and indirectly linked to just one incident - not just the victim and perpetrator.

"The amnesty is great way to encourage people to do the right thing and hand in any illegal weapons.

"Parents and schools can do their bit by checking what their children are carrying in their bags; it's a good way to educate youngsters too that being caught with a knife could mean they end up in serious trouble as well as risking being injured themselves.

"Long term - good education and prevention means the wider community becomes a safer one."



We're launching a new campaign that aims to increase the amount of intelligence we receive on modern day slavery.

The campaign, called #TellUsWhatYouSee, aims to educate the public on the signs and indicators of various forms of Modern Day Slavery, and how to report this information, in order to help us tackle this crime.

Forces in the South West have seen a 5% increase in intelligence reporting between 2016 and 2017, receiving a total of 3272 pieces of intelligence. Forces anticipate this figure will rise next year, having already surpassed the 2017 figure with two months left till the end of the year.

While the increase is positive and in part down to increased media attention on modern slavery in nail bars and car washes, there are still many forms of lesser-known modern slavery going on, in neighbourhoods and local communities across our force area.

Labour exploitation, which is linked with industries such as car washes, nail bars and building sites, is the most common form of intelligence we've received information on, followed closely by sexual exploitation, which covers brothels and sex workers. Reports of criminal exploitation and domestic servitude are minimal and are lesser known to the public as modern slavery.

We know domestic servitude is happening across the UK but there is very little information on it due to how invisible this form of modern slavery can be. Only one force has received a report of domestic servitude out of the hundreds of reports we've received year on year on this form of modern slavery. We are keen to hear from anyone who suspects domestic servitude is happening. Some of the signs to look out for include an individual who is not only responsible for children 24 hours a day, but also for the cleaning or day-to-day housework and is never allowed to leave home alone.

Assistant Chief Constable Craig Holden, Chief Officer Lead for Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking at Wiltshire Police, said: "I welcome the fact that intelligence submissions we receive from the public are already up on the previous year. This goes to show that the local communities of Wiltshire and Swindon are taking this issue seriously and are supporting us in our fight against this horrific crime.

"However, we need the public to continue being our eyes, telling us what they're seeing and sending that information in, either direct to police on 101 or through the Modern Slavery Helpline on 08000 121 700."

Angus Macpherson, Police and Crime Commissioner for Swindon and Wiltshire, said: "Protecting the most vulnerable in society is one of the four priorities of my Police and Crime Plan.

"Modern slavery is a serious, complex and challenging issue for police forces and partners across the country. It is not just a 'big city issue'. Wiltshire is a safe place to live but that doesn't mean it is immune.

"The Chief Constable and his team will continue to 'lift the stone' on this toxic crime in our communities. I want to see offenders brought to justice wherever possible through close cooperation with our partners."

There were 93 active on-going investigations linked to potential modern slavery within the South West force area as of 15 October and these investigations rely heavily on information received from the public, also known as intelligence.

Put simply, intelligence is information, which can arrive in a number of ways to us and plays a crucial role in the disruption and prosecution of Modern Day Slavery. One piece of intelligence could be the missing piece an investigator needs to carry out a safeguarding visit or issue a warrant for an arrest. That's why it's vital that the public tells us what they see and report any activity they suspect could be linked to modern day slavery.





### **Government launches new national hate crime awareness campaign**

A new nationwide hate crime campaign aimed at increasing awareness and understanding of what constitutes a hate crime has been launched by the government

The campaign has been developed in consultation with the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS), the Independent Advisory Group on Hate Crime and other organisations, to help the public understand hate crime, particularly offences which often people do not recognise as criminal, such as some forms of online and verbal abuse.

This includes educating perpetrators who have been motivated by hostility towards the victim's race, religion, sexual orientation, transgender identity or disability that they have committed a hate crime.

The strapline of the campaign sends a clear message about what hate crime is:

'If you target anyone with verbal, online or physical abuse because of their religion, race, sexual orientation, disability or transgender identity – you may be committing a hate crime. It's not just offensive. It's an offence.'

Minister for Countering Extremism Baroness Williams said:

Committing a hate crime goes against all the shared values we hold and can have a traumatic impact on victims.

The campaign gives clear examples of hate crime and sends a message that not only is this behaviour unacceptable, it is a criminal offence.

This is just one part of the ongoing work of the government to tackle hate crime to ensure this sickening behaviour is stamped out.

The campaign goes live today (Wednesday 31 October) with adverts running on video-on-demand sites, social media and posters to be displayed across the country.

The campaign seeks to reassure communities at risk of hate crime that the government takes this seriously and to publicly address the attitudes and beliefs that foster hate crime and re-establish boundaries around not targeting people on the basis of their identify.



**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  
northwiltshirecpt@wiltshire.police.uk  
Please phone 101, or 999 in an emergency to report any incidents or

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

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

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

This report has been prepared by PC 1952 Steve Carroll

Thank you for your continued support to Wiltshire Police.

