Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Amesbury Community Area Board

31 March 2011



1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Martin Phipps

Amesbury Town

Beat Manager – PC Lucy Smith PCSO – Jo Atkinson PCSO – Dean Shaw

Amesbury Rural

Beat Manager – PC Mark Steele PCSO – Shona Maycock PCSO – Will Todd

Durrington, Larkhill & Bulford

Beat Manager – PC Lyndsey Smith PCSO – Chris Miller

2. NPTs - Current Priorities & Consultation Opportunities:

Up-to-date details about Neighbourhood Policing Teams including team membership, current priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on our Wiltshire Police Website.

* Visit the new and improved website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

3. Police Authority Representative: Councillor Richard Britton

Please contact via Wiltshire Police Authority Tel. 01380 734022 or http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp

4. Performance and Other Local Issues

On Monday 4 April the internal structure of our Neighbourhood Policing Teams (NPT's) is changing. The change will not affect the local service that we offer at beat level but is designed to improve effective partnership working by having one team servicing one Community Area. This will result in the number of NPT's reducing from 76 to 27 and therefore reducing some of the bureaucracy and allowing more time to be spent on their areas. In line with the Force's commitment to neighbourhood policing, the realignment will see no redeployment or reduction of neighbourhood policing officer staffing levels. The Amesbury sector will become one NPT with the existing three areas covered by the current Community Beat Manager's supported by their PCSO's.

This change coincides with the upgrading of our Force NPT computer system. The system stores information, such as contacts, NPT priorities and consultation/meeting details, with some of this information feeding the external website. It will be easier for NPT's to input, share, store and retrieve information using the new system and officers will be able to update it on their PDA's(personal handheld computers) so they can carry out this work when on patrol. Officers are currently receiving training and these new working practices should ensure more flexibility and more efficient working practices.

Amesbury NPT continues to work with our partners to deal proactively with areas such as Anti-social Behaviour and Graffiti. In Amesbury we are nearing finalising our ambition to have Graffiti Walls, where the local youth can practice and exhibit their artwork without causing an unnecessary fear of crime. It is hoped that the wall or walls will be situated at the Skate Park at Bonnymead Park and at the lorry Park on Solstice Park Amesbury. There is ongoing work with the Town and Wiltshire Councils to remove the graffiti that has blighted the area around Amesbury and Durrington recently. The NPT have brought offenders to justice and are currently interviewing further suspects in relation to these crimes.

Please report any sightings of suspects or new graffiti to amesburynpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk or telephone 08454987000 x724511/522.

The NPT continues to target drug crime with 3 further warrants being executed over recent weeks. All these warrants were positive.

Durrington held a Bike event in March relating to bike safety and crime prevention. This was well attended and a great success. A further event is taking place in Amesbury on 18th April at the Bowman centre in conjunction with Radian Housing and Amesbury Town Council which will also include an Easter Egg Hunt. The NPT has worked hard in this area and secured further funding from several sources including the Board. These events will continue and will hopefully become a regular feature.

Total crime for Amesbury continues to fall and over the past 12 months has fallen by 5.1%. Total levels of violent crime have dropped by 15%. My beat managers all report the downward trend of ASB. Detections are at levels we hoped as we approach the end of the year especially taking into account Local Resolutions (of which I spoke at some length in my January report).

Sergeant Martin PHIPPS

AMESBURY	CRIME					DETECTIONS	
	MAR 2010 - FEB 2011 cf previous year					MAR 2010 - FEB 2011 cf previous year	
	2009/10	2010/11	+/-	% Change		2008/09	2009/10
Violence Against the Person	306	258	-48	-15.7%		50.3%	53.9%
Dwelling Burglary	74	54	-20	-27.0%		35.1%	18.5%
Criminal Damage	314	302	-12	-3.8%		20.1%	15.2%
Non Dwelling Burglary	74	104	30	40.5%		10.8%	13.5%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	70	68	-2	-2.9%		11.4%	20.6%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	34	26	-8	-23.5%		20.6%	34.6%
Total Crime	1366	1297	-69	-5.1%		36.4%	31.5%

County Division is compared with 15 most similar divisions in other Forces. Currently we are performing well e.g. ranked 1st (out of 15) for All Crime and 3rd (out of 15) for Violent Crime

<u>Anti-Social-Behaviour – reported incidents</u>

JAN-MAR	APR-JUN	JUL-SEP	OCT-DEC	MONTHLY
2010	2010	2010	2010	AVE (09/10)
310	368	397	282	339.3

Inspector Martyn Sweett Area Commander 31/03/11