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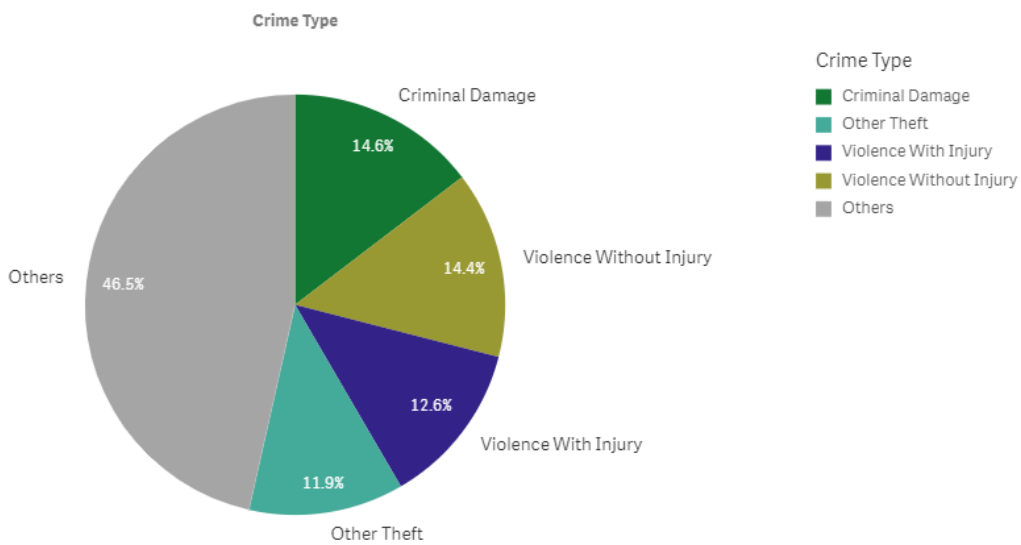


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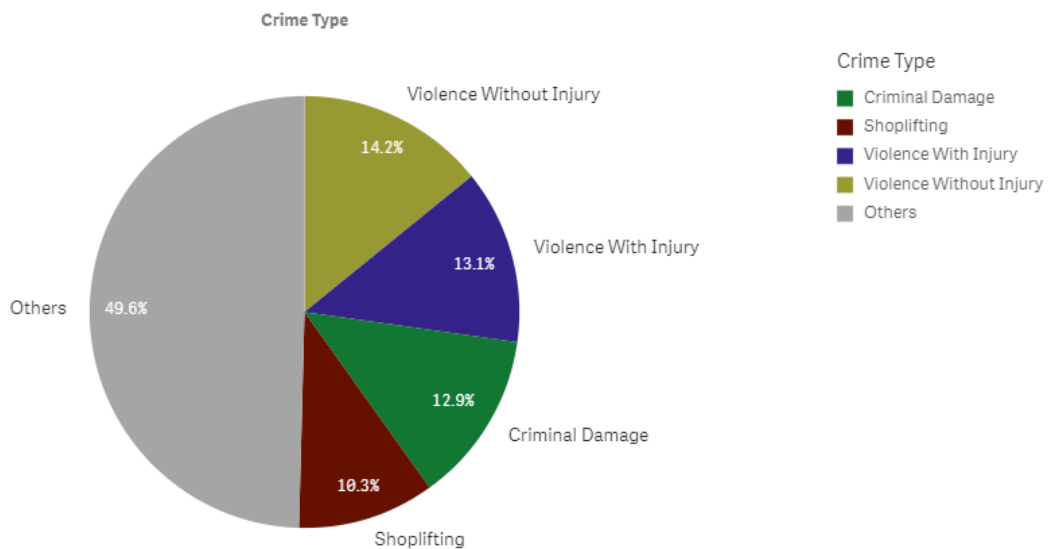
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## PERFORMANCE

Your Area - Five Highest Crime Groups (Previous 12 months)



Force Area - Five Highest Crime Groups (Previous 12 months)



Wiltshire South and South East CPTs - crime and incident demand for the 12 months to July 2019

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## Force-wide

- Wiltshire Police has reduced the volume of recorded crime by 1% in the 12 months to July 19 and continues to have one of the lowest crime rates in the country.
- Our service delivery remains consistently good.
- In July, we received 9,653 999 calls which we answered within 4 seconds on average and 14,474 101 calls which we answered within 1 minutes 44 seconds on average.
- In July, we also attended 1,862 emergency incidents within 10 minutes and 49 seconds on average.
- Wiltshire Police has seen a 26% reduction in vehicle crime and 20 per cent in burglary in the 12 months to June 2019. These are the most improved trends in the country.
- The Crime Survey of England & Wales recently ranked Wiltshire as one of the top forces nationally for public confidence. It covers the 12 months to December 2018 The publication can be found here: [WWW.CRIMESURVEY.CO.UK](http://WWW.CRIMESURVEY.CO.UK)

For more information on Wiltshire Police's performance please visit:

PCC's Website - <https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/article/1847/Performance>

HMICFRS Website - <https://www.justiceinspectrates.gov.uk/hmicfrs/police-forces/wiltshire/>

Police.uk - <https://www.police.uk/wiltshire>

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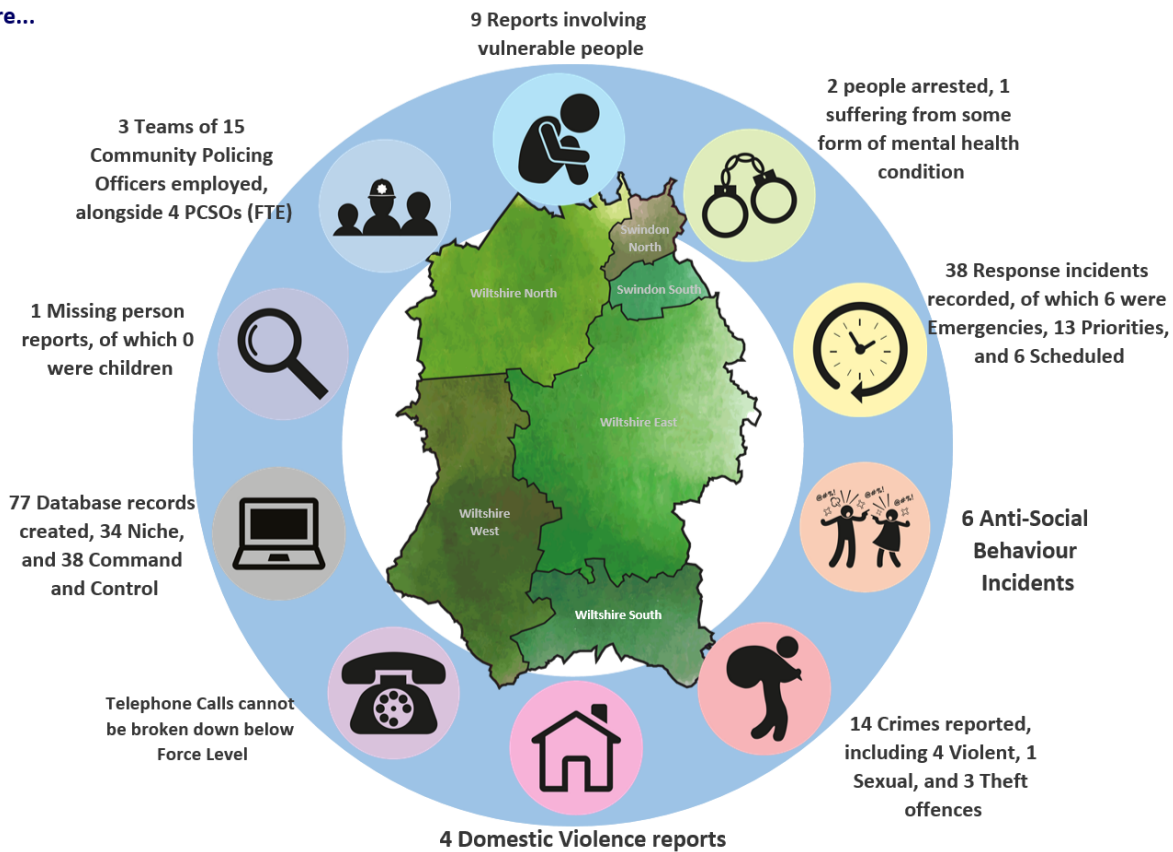


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## Area specific

On an average day in Wiltshire South there were...



Wiltshire South / South East CPT Demand Overview – 12 months to July 2019

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## HIGH LEVEL CPT UPDATES:

Welcome to the all-new Area Board report, which builds on the change of direction implemented locally last year in provided a much more holistic view of Wiltshire Police as a whole, including Swindon.

**Youth ASB** - This is always a challenging period for police; not least due to the demands of further reduced policing numbers due to colleagues taking well-earned summer holidays, but, as we move through the summer period, unsurprisingly we have seen an increase in ASB particularly from a minority youth element. Once again, their activities take up a disproportionate amount of our time and measures such as Sect 35 dispersal orders have had to be issued to a few individuals causing the most problems.

Some youths have been arrested and subsequently charged with offences including Assault, Dangerous Cycling and Public Order type offences, all of which are wholly avoidable with a modicum of common sense and the will to treat each other with respect.

We will continue to deal with such offences robustly as the holidays continue and we would like to thank the public for their overwhelming social media support for the actions thus far taken.

**Cycle Theft** - One area of particular note is the high number of cycle thefts currently being experienced in the city centre. This year has seen a sharp increase of thefts of cycles or cycle parts and some of these cycles have been locked at the time of the theft.

As we work through the numbers and available evidence, our message has to be a clear one – a locked cycle is always harder to steal and you should always get the best lock that you can afford. Many people spend £100's or even £1000's on a cycle, only to buy a cheap lock. Also, wherever possible when at home, lock your bikes within your shed as well as locking the shed as an excellent deterrent.

Locally, we are also recommending spending a few minutes taking pictures of your valuable possessions and any identifying features such as serial numbers and marks or features particular to the cycle. Also, post-coding and registration of bikes with <https://www.bikeregister.com/> will significantly aid our ability to reconcile stolen goods with their owners when recovered through arrest or warrant. There have been some great examples of this lately, following recovery and it would be great if this can continue through a few minutes well spent in the recording and storing of such simple information.

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**Harnham Hill** - Following concerns raised by residents in Harnham over recent weeks regarding the illegal use of motorcycles on public footpaths and wooded areas, police activity in the area has increased.

Earlier this month a combined multi team operation was conducted in Harnham as a show of support to the residents that we are taking these concerns seriously. Again, the support through our social networking accounts was clear to see so thank you. The operation utilised the drone unit and roads policing, as well as an off road motorcycle



**Operation Wolf** - Further south, we hosted a multi force and agency operation recently in Downton, targeting rural crime trends. As we all know, criminals that enter Wiltshire often do so from far reaching areas where they live so an operation to target typical vehicles often associated with acquisitive crime is a useful manner in which to have an impact on this type of criminality.

The operation involved agencies including: Trading Standards, HM Customs, Police and the Vehicle Standards Agency and over 100 vehicles were stopped, with several being taken off the road for one reason or another.

## **Dangerous Drug Networks (DDN's)**

We continue to work closely with our specialist teams and arrest and charge visitors to the city who come here for the sole purpose of "making money from the misery of others".

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*This work is an ongoing feature of our policing activity locally and positive action is always taken when there is evidence to do so.*

*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**.*

**DS Nick Bailey – Update** – Nick successfully completed the Salisbury Marathon as planned and so far has raised in excess of his £15,000 target at £15,499.

*Thank you to all those that have supported his efforts.*

### **Stories that you may have missed:**

- Cannabis factory raided in the city and two arrested with seizures to the value of circa £70,000 street value of cannabis in varying forms.
- Thousands of pounds worth of counterfeit goods seized during local operation.
- Salisbury Police pursue vehicle resulting in 2 arrests and £1,000's of tools and garden machinery being recovered.
- Following a robbery of an elderly female leaving Salisbury train station, 2 persons quickly identified and arrested.

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## YOUR CPT – Wiltshire South



Pete Sparrow  
Inspector - Sector Head



John Hutchings  
Sergeant - Sector Deputy

### Community Co-ordinators:



PC Matthew Holland  
(Salisbury Rural)



PC Al Cromwell  
(Salisbury City Centre)



PC Jack Billington  
(Salisbury)

Beyond the above, the main contact within the teams are the PCSO's for your area. Recent weeks have further seen some changes in the staffing dynamic, as some of our PCSO's have moved on to other roles within the policing family.

PCSO Kim ORZA has left her role in favour of becoming a Police Officer with Gloucester Constabulary.

PCSO Laura KING has been successful in her application to become a Local Crime Investigator and has been posted to Amesbury CPT.

Both roles currently sit vacant and we are hoping for an intake of PCSO's to start shortly. In the meantime, the wider team will look to pick up the relevant work on these areas.

PC Caroline Ralph has now commenced her maternity leave and she has been formally replaced by Pc Jack Billington as the Salisbury Coordinator.

Listed below are our PCSO's

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## Salisbury

PCSO 3951 Val BROWN - City Centre  
PCSO 8686 Gareth JAMES - City Centre  
PCSO 9465 John Taylor - City Centre  
PCSO 9590 Harrison EVANS - Southampton Road and the Friary  
PCSO 8704 Kady GREEN - Castle Road and Bishopdown  
PCSO 9001 Matthew MURRAY - Churchfields and St Pauls  
PCSO 6025 Simon WARD - Harnham

## South Rural

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

## Community Engagement Sessions

Engagement sessions come in many forms, from community events, to formal public meetings such as Area Boards and meet and greet sessions in places like Salisbury Market.

Since our last report, we continue in our trend to meet the demand for our attendance at such events and I can only encourage you to continue asking and we will endeavour to continue to deliver.

Salisbury Market engagement will continue from next Tuesday and be monthly thereafter, but please keep an eye on Facebook for ad hock sessions as and when someone is available.

You can find out more about Wiltshire South CPT, including news stories and contacts for local officers, on our website: [www.wiltshire.police.uk/WiltshireSouth](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk/WiltshireSouth)



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## LOCAL PRIORITIES

During the summer months, we are actively engaging in activities to prevent, deter and detect crime through the use of our high visibility patrols. With this in mind, expect to see officers out on an area in numbers. This could be anywhere across the South but particularly where we are experiencing higher than usual instances of ASB or other criminality. This is not something to fear, but moreover please embrace the sight and engage with officers when out and about or even take a photo, we love to share them through social media.

PRIORITIES FOR WILTSHIRE SOUTH CPT	UPDATE
<b>Priority 1:</b>	
Youth ASB in the city centre	High Visibility Patrols and positive action continue to be the theme over the summer
<b>Priority 2:</b>	
ASB Harnham area including Harnham Hill, the chalk pits and Harnham Old Mill and the Town Path.	Foot patrols and cycle patrols will continue over the school holidays.
<b>Priority 3:</b>	
Cycle Thefts	Police continue to stop and challenge youths on cycles both in the manner of riding and ownership of the cycle
<b>Priority 4:</b>	
Rural Crime - Theft and Poaching	Rural patrols and stop checks of vehicles persons were appropriate.

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## HIGH LEVEL PCC UPDATES

- **Pay increase** - Police Officers are to receive a 2.5% pay increase as agreed by the Government. This is welcome news and well deserved, I only hope that the same increase is also afforded to police staff as well. However, it is expected that we will have to meet this increase from existing Wiltshire Police budgets and that no further funding will come from the Government to fund this rise, which is disappointing and I continue to lobby the Government for fairer funding in Wiltshire.
- **PCSOs** - Last month Wiltshire Police Federation, which represents police officers within the Force, wrote an open letter suggesting that the Force should 'axe PCSOs' and recruit police constables instead. Both the Chief and I strongly refuted this suggestion. We both recognise the key role that PCSOs play in community engagement, intelligence gathering and supporting the most vulnerable. The role of a PCSO is a completely different one to that of a police constable and they play a key role in our community policing teams.
- **Additional police officers** - I was pleased to hear the new Prime Minister's commitment to policing and his promise of 20,000 additional police officers in the next three years. We don't know what this will look like in terms of how many more we will get in Wiltshire but I trust that more detail will soon be forthcoming. I do have some concerns around the practicalities of recruiting so many officers in such a short period of time and it certainly won't happen overnight, with it taking around a year to recruit and train an officer before they're able to go on the beat, but his commitment to strengthening our police forces is welcome nonetheless.

## HIGH LEVEL FORCE UPDATES

- **Youth crime** – A Government report into the increase in youth violence has been welcomed by the Force. Chief Constable Kier Pritchard has said that although there hasn't been a significant increase in Wiltshire, it is still a concerning issue for local people. He is calling for a multi-agency approach and focused on the need to engage with young people to help prevent them from falling into a life of crime.
- **Rural crime** – Wiltshire has bucked the national trend when it comes to rural crime, recording a 36% year-on-year drop when it comes to the amount of money this type of crime is costing people in the county. This is believed to be due to the focus our Rural Crime Team has placed on crime prevention advice, including the encouragement of CCTV, anti-poaching ditches and the installation of GPS trackers on equipment.

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- **Domestic abuse** – As part of our Summer Demand campaign, we have been focusing on highlighting the important topic of domestic abuse and making sure victims know how to access the support available. There is also a focus on encouraging friends and neighbours to report concerns to the police. You can read more online:

<https://www.wiltshire.police.uk/article/4820/VIDEO-What-to-do-if-you-have-concerns-your-neighbour-is-being-abused-by-a-partner>

## GET INVOLVED

- You can keep up to date with the latest news in your area by signing up to our Community Messaging service – [www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk](http://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk)
- You can follow your CPT on social media <https://www.wiltshire.police.uk/Followus>
- More information on your CPT area can be found here: [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk) and here [www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk)

## FEEDBACK/ACTIONS TAKEN