

Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Marlborough Community Area Board April 2011



1. Marlborough Neighbourhood Policing Team

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Town Beat

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Rural East Beat

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PCSO – Jonathan MILLS

Rural West Beat

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PCSO - Polly RITCHIE

2. NPT - Current Priorities & Consultation Opportunities:

Our Neighbourhood Policing Team has concentrated on a variety of issues involving anti social behaviour, traffic matters, and crime. We have continued until now with the priorities previously notified. These have been positively supported by all patrolling Officers and instances of ASB/damage/theft appear to be decreasing.

Rural priorities remain as beauty spot thefts with continuing spot checks at vulnerable sites and leafleting, and traffic matters in the area of Baydon school. These have been well received by local communities and in some cases on inconsiderate use of motor vehicles apologies have been received from the users.

A great deal of work is being carried out by analysts researching the series of burglaries that have occurred in and around Marlborough. Proactive patrols and then arrests have followed from that work. The continuing operation impacts on communities as the Beat Managers concentrate on patrolling during specific times primarily during darkness thereby reducing their visibility within parishes.

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.

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3. Police Authority Representative: Mr Chris HUMPHRIES

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4. Performance and Other Local Issues

The main area for concern is the increase in reported non dwelling burglaries particularly in our rural areas. There has been a slight increase during the period leading to April that has resulted in significant additional police resources being dedicated to combat the problem. Cross border activities are planned and the results of this focussed activity are awaited.

The onset of better weather has also caused us to concentrate on preventing thefts from vehicles at our area beauty spots. I believe our early start to the annual campaign has borne fruit in that the frequency of offending has decreased.

We have seen benefits in our increased patrolling in a 32% reduction in violent offences, 31.6% reduction in the theft of motor vehicle, and 11.7% reduction in criminal damage.

We will endeavour to focus our activities on the prevention and detection of crime through increased use of analytical tools and where ever possible additional police activity in an effort to catch and convict the offenders and also to prevent/reduce the overall level of offending. There are 2 areas where all the community can help:

- Report any suspicious activity to police as soon as possible.
- Always close and lock all windows and doors of out buildings when you are not in the vicinity, especially when leaving the house or garden.

Please do all that you can to stop thieves targeting your homes? Prevention is always better than cure!

CRIME & DETECTIONS (JAN 2010 – DEC 2010 compared to previous year)

MARLBOROUGH	CRIME				DETECTIONS	
	APR 2010 - MAR 2011 cf previous year				APR 2010 - MAR 2011 cf previous year	
	2009/10	2010/11	+ / -	% Change	2008/09	2009/10
Violence Against the Person	130	88	-42	-32.3%	49.2%	47.7%
Dwelling Burglary	28	35	7	25.0%	3.6%	5.7%
Criminal Damage	163	144	-19	-11.7%	11.7%	7.6%
Non Dwelling Burglary	83	107	24	28.9%	1.2%	0.9%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	81	85	4	4.9%	2.5%	1.2%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	19	13	-6	-31.6%	10.5%	15.4%
Total Crime	710	766	56	7.9%	20.4%	15.9%

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

Anti-Social-Behaviour – reported incidents

COMMUNITY AREA	APR – JUNE 2010	JUL - OCT 2010	OCT – DEC 2010	JAN – MAR 2011	PERIOD AVERAGE
MARLBOROUGH	133	129	90	94	111.5

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