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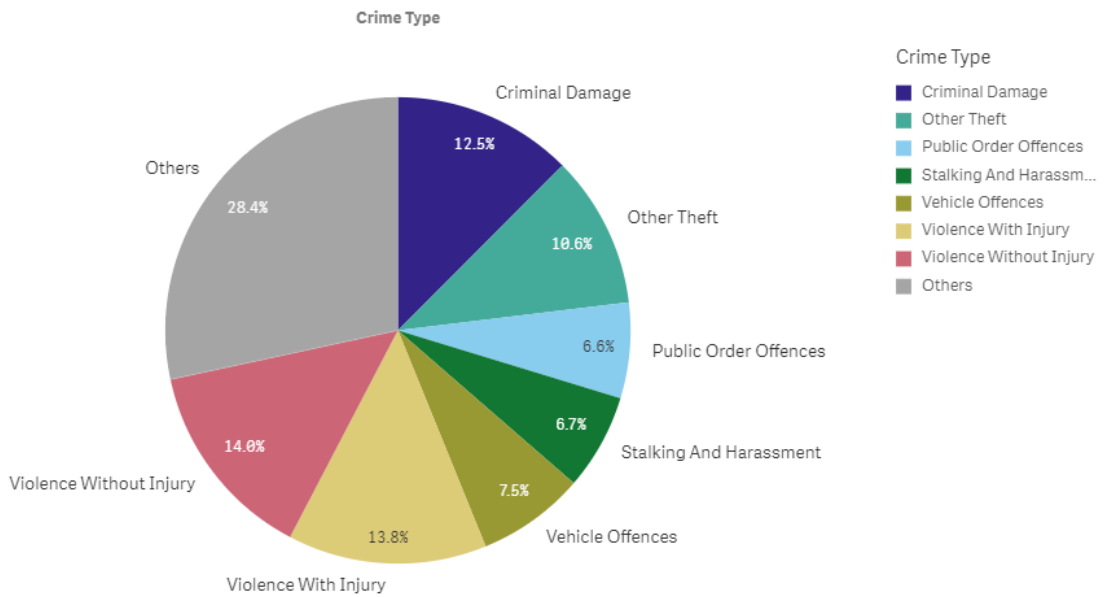


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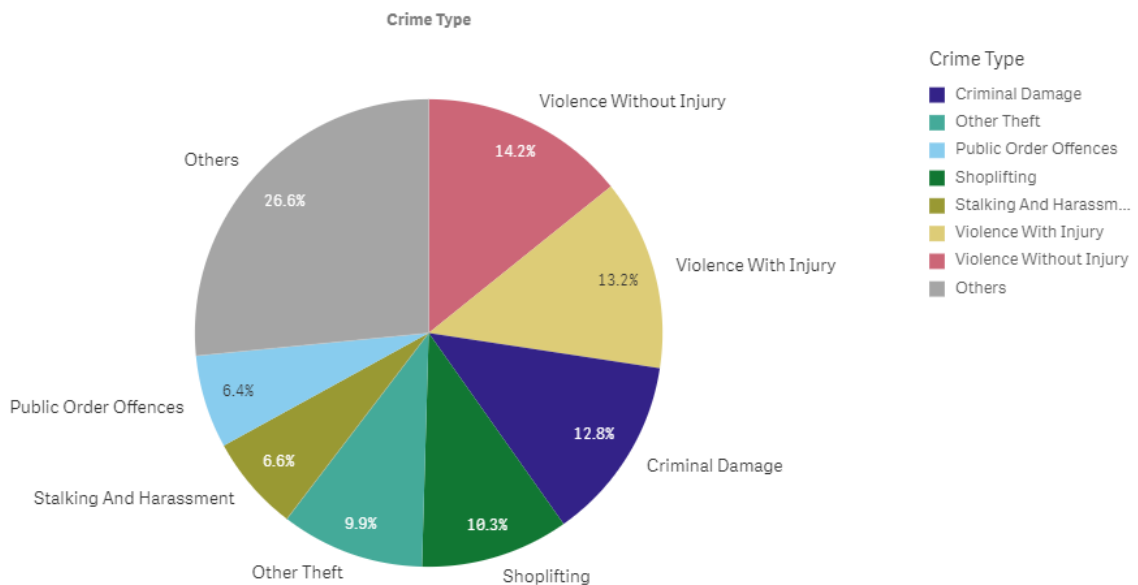
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PERFORMANCE

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



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



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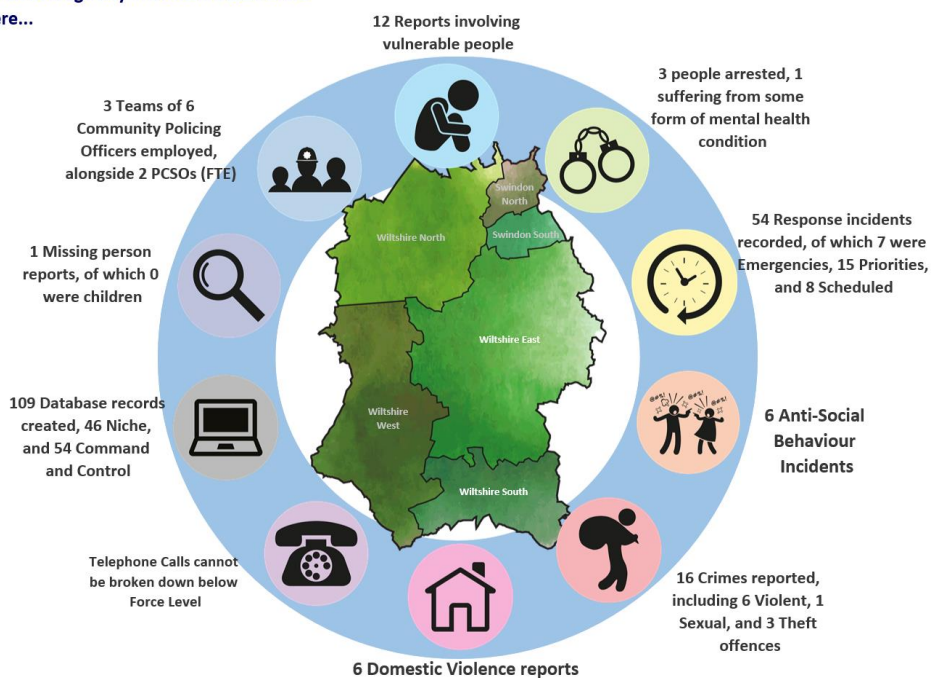
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FORCE-WIDE

- Wiltshire Police has had an increase in the volume of recorded crime by 1% in the 12 months to September 19 and continues to have one of the lowest crime rates in the country.
- Our service delivery remains consistently good.
- In September, we received 8,312 999 calls which we answered within 6 seconds on average and 12,474 CRIB calls which we answered within 2 minutes 08 seconds on average.
- In September, we also attended 1,344 emergency incidents within 17 minutes and 00 seconds on average.
- Wiltshire Police has seen a 17% reduction in vehicle crime and 21 per cent in residential burglaries in the 12 months to September 2019.
- The Crime Survey of England & Wales recently ranked Wiltshire as one of the top forces (78.3%) nationally for public confidence. It covers the 12 months to March 2019.

The publication can be found here: WWW.CRIMESURVEY.CO.UK

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



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.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmicfrs/police-forces/wiltshire/>

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

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DEVIZES CRIME STATISTICS UPDATES:

<u>Devizes Crime Statistics:</u> <u>01/08/2019 – 01/09/2019</u>	<u>Devizes Crime Statistics:</u> <u>01/09/2019 – 15/09/2019</u>	<u>Devizes Crime Statistics:</u> <u>15/09/2019 – 15/10/2019</u>
4 REPORTS OF VEHICLE OFFENCES	2 REPORTS OF VEHICLE OFFENCES	3 REPORTS OF VEHICLE CRIME
25 REPORTS OF ASB	14 REPORTS OF ASB	16 REPORTS OF ASB
10 REPORTS OF SHED BREAKS	4 REPORTS OF SHED BREAKS	3 REPORTS OF SHED BREAKS
2 REPORTS OF BUSINESS BURGLARIES	2 REPORTS OF BUSINESS BURGLARIES	1 REPORT OF BUSINESS BURGLARIES
25 REPORTS OF THEFTS	15 REPORTS OF THEFTS	22 REPORTS OF THEFT
25 REPORTS OF CRIMINAL DAMAGE	11 REPORTS OF CRIMINAL DAMAGE	14 REPORTS OF CRIMINAL DAMAGE
85 REPORTS OF VIOLENT CRIME	56 REPORTS OF VIOLENT CRIME	70 REPORTS OF VIOLENT CRIME
21 REPORTS OF PUBLIC ORDER	13 REPORTS OF PUBLIC ORDER	15 REPORTS OF PUBLIC ORDER
8 DRUG OFFENCES	2 DRUG OFFENCES	3 DRUG OFFENCES.

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YOUR CPT – Wiltshire East



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Sadly PCSO Lucy Stonestreet has left the organisation to pastures new while PCSO Jon Mills has moved to cover Pewsey. We will shortly be welcoming PCSO Henry Bremner to the team once he has finished his tutorship.

You can find out more about Wiltshire East CPT, including news stories and contacts for local officers, on our website: www.wiltshire.police.uk/WiltshireEast

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We also have Devizes Police Facebook & Twitter accounts where we promote our work, put out information, appeals and press releases.

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PRIORITIES FOR WILTSHIRE EAST CPT

UPDATE

Priority 1: Retail Theft/Purse Dips in EZ

Christmas time is fast approaching which unfortunately means that we are likely to see an increase in retail thefts and purse theft from within the Devizes area.

ADVICE:

You can take the following precautions to discourage thieves:

- Never let your handbag out of your sight
- On public transport, keep hold of it, with the clasp or zip shut so a thief cannot steal your purse
- Always carry your purse or handbag close to your body
- Do not carry your handbag by the handle or place your arm through the strap and let it hang. Place one end of the handbag in the palm of your hand, the other in the bend of your elbow. Draw it close to your body. Hang on to it firmly especially when walking close to other people
- In the office, keep it in a drawer, or in a corner near to you and out of sight
- When in the car, keep it out of sight. If you have the windows open or a door unlocked a thief may reach in when you stop in traffic
- Always keep your wallet or purse out of sight
- **NEVER** keep it in your back pocket or anywhere a thief could steal it out of your sight

Officers will continue to conduct high visible patrols within Devizes Town Centre.

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Priority 2: Rural Crime Patrols

It is imperative that we maintain a high visible presence within our rural county.

Albeit the weather is now turning, we continue to patrol our Beauty Spots and rural sites including churches.

Due to their rural nature and number of visitors, these isolated locations unfortunately become a target of crime.

These patrols are now including farm land by the permission of the land owners

Advice:

It is important for members of the public not to leave any valuables within their vehicles.

It is also important for members of the public to report any suspicious activity to us via 101 or 999 if it is a crime in progress.

Officers will continue to conduct high visibility patrols offering advice to members of the public and business premises within these areas.

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Priority 3: Burglaries/Unexpected Callers

We continue to receive reports regarding burglaries within the Devizes Area. Whilst the number is reducing the likelihood that in the months leading up to December/January this number could increase.

We also anticipate an increase in unwanted/cold callers.

ADVICE:

You are never required to open their door to unexpected callers and that it is not rude to send someone away.

"IF YOU'RE NOT SURE, DON'T OPEN THE DOOR"

Display a 'No Cold Calling Home' sticker to discourage unwanted callers.

Do not keep money in the house and keep credit cards, debit cards, cheque books, savings books and any other valuables in a safe place

Never leave the door open and unattended - close it until you return

Ask to see the caller's ID, even if they have made an appointment to see you, and call their company yourself (not on a number they provide) to check they are genuine

The 'Waterboard' no longer exists, it is an obsolete phrase used only by bogus callers.

We will continue to host drop in surgeries within the rural areas and within the town offering advice to those who require it. We will also give out crime prevention leaflets and stickers.

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HIGH LEVEL PCC UPDATES

- **Recruitment** - Police officer recruitment continues with more than 500 applications received so far since the campaign launched on 23 September. Wiltshire Police is accepting applications until Sunday 13 October.
- **Community work** - In September PCC Angus Macpherson awarded a total of £22,500 from the Police Property Act to projects across the county which make a difference in their communities. Beneficiaries include a drop-in service for homeless people, a 12-week personal development course for unemployed young people and a pilot project using photography to engage with young people at risk of offending or exploitation. Full details are available on our website.
- **Herbert Protocol** – The PCC was proud to join Wiltshire Police, Swindon Borough Council, healthcare partners, Swindon Carers Centre and the Alzheimer’s Society at the launch of the Herbert Protocol last month. It comprises of a document in which carers, family and friends of vulnerable adults can fill out key details about the individual as a pre-emptive measure in case they later go missing. This will enable the police to start their initial enquiries sooner with the aim of finding the missing person safe and well.

HIGH LEVEL FORCE UPDATES

- **County Lines** – The issue of gangs transporting Class A drugs from major cities such as London and Manchester into rural counties, is one which is attracting significant media attention. Here in Wiltshire we are raising awareness of the problem, and specifically the impact these crimes have on the wider community, as they are often linked to modern slavery and organised crime, with children and vulnerable adults being exploited. Please look out for local media coverage, or go to our website for more information.
- **Domestic abuse** – This month we are highlighting the work Wiltshire Police is doing to tackle domestic abuse, including educating the public about the support that is available for victims. This campaign will include a young mother, who has been the victim of domestic violence, speaking out about her story in the hope that she can encourage other victims to come forward and get support.
- **Rural crime** - During the beginning of October we are taking part in a national week of action targeting rural crime. Our work will include providing crime prevention advice and encouraging residents to report all incidents to the police, as well as having our Community Policing Teams and the Rural Crime Team out and about engaging with our rural communities.

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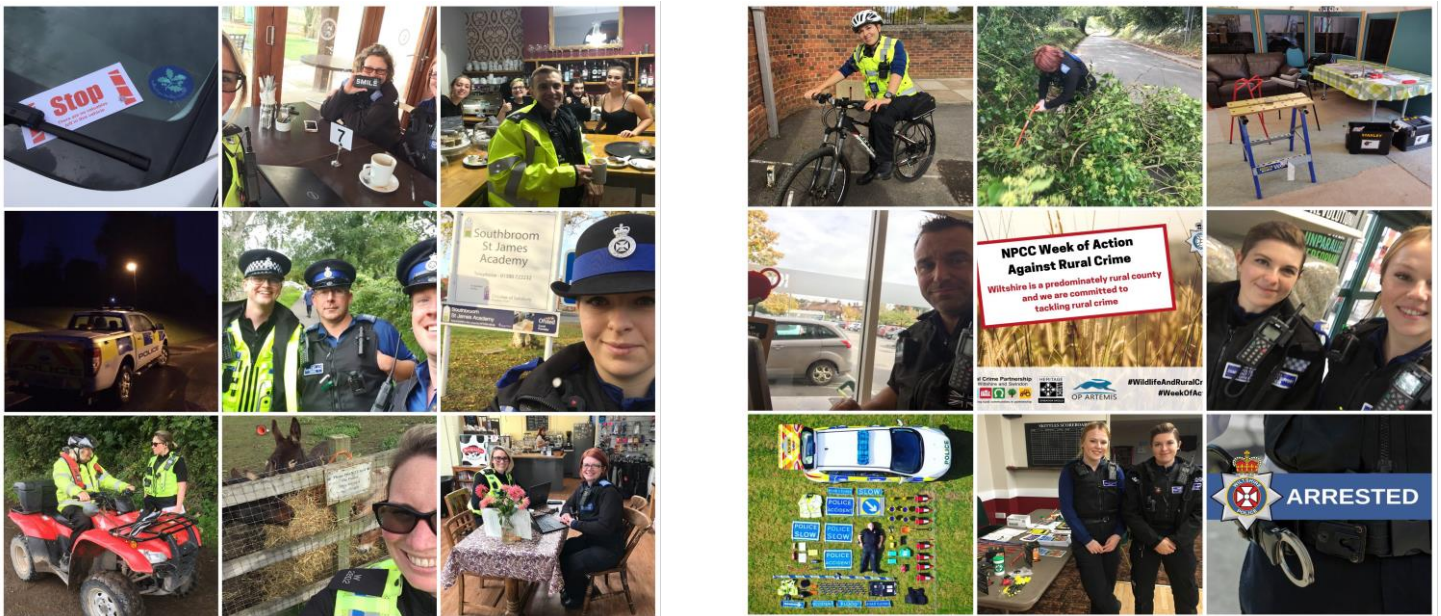
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GET INVOLVED



In addition to our usual day to day Community Policing, our teams have been extremely busy over the last month providing high visibility re-assurance to our community.

- We have assisted our Rural Crime Team by routinely patrolling rural areas within Devizes that have been victims of crime, working remotely from various rural sites and offered free tack marking sessions. We have also arrested two men following reports of lead theft from a church roof in EZ.
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- We have executed several drugs warrants within the Devizes area and recovered large quantities of cannabis, knives and cash from some of these addresses.

- 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
- You can follow your CPT on social media <https://www.police.uk/Followus>
- More information on your CPT area can be found here: www.wiltshire.police.uk and here www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk