



Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Devizes Community Area Board July 2011

1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Ian Thomas

Town Centre Team

Beat Manager – PC Adam Hall

PCSO – Paula Yarranton

PCSO – Lucy Sainsbury

PCSO – Kelly Watts

Rural North Team

Beat Manager – vacant (PC Gareth Milnes covering)

PCSO – Wendy Leat

Rural South Team

Beat Manager – PC Gareth Milnes

PCSO Nina Marsh

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 Christopher Humphries

Please contact via Wiltshire Police Authority Tel. 01380 734022 or

<http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp>

4. Performance and Other Local Issues

In the past few weeks your local Neighbourhood Policing Teams have conducted consultations across the Devizes Community Area. Following these community consultations the 3 neighbourhood priorities for this quarter have been established. Between now and the middle of September your local officers will be concentrating on working with partners and communities to address issues of anti-social behaviour on The Green, Devizes; speeding on Windsor Drive, Devizes and criminal damage in White Street, Market Lavington.

Street Watch is a national police and community partnership initiative that empowers communities to take back ownership of their public spaces through high visibility civilian patrols and good citizenship. Street Watch operates as the only fully regulated model for civilian street patrols which

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involves the whole community in the UK. It is regulated by a constitution, operating guidance, codes of conduct, risk assessments and all members are police vetted. It is covered by full public liability and accident/injury insurance. If anyone is interested in starting a Street Watch scheme in the Devizes Community Area please do not hesitate to contact Sergeant Ian Thomas.

Finally, thanks to information from the community, I am pleased to report that 2 of our local prolific offenders, Glenn Jones and Timmy Cooper, have both been charged with a dwelling burglary offence and are currently on remand in prison. This is a very good result and is an excellent example of the Police and communities working together.

Crime Performance – Devizes Community Area

The below crime performance data is in the agreed format for presentation at community area boards. Because of a 'spike' in certain offences towards the end of last year - e.g. Non Dwelling Burglary and Theft from Motor Vehicle - the figures for these particular crimes will appear disproportionately high until the 'spike' works its way out of the catchment period.

The reality is that since April this year crime in almost every category has fallen dramatically with exceptionally high detection rates – e.g. detection rate for violent crime is now 64% that is nearly two out of every three offences being detected!

Devizes	Crime				Detections	
	July 2009 - June 2010	July 2010 - June 2011	Volume Change	% Change	July 2009 - June 2010	July 2010 - June 2011
Violence Against the Person	352	301	-51	-14%	47%	57%
Dwelling Burglary	42	59	17	40%	12%	8%
Criminal Damage	280	314	34	12%	16%	15%
Non Dwelling Burglary	88	148	60	68%	5%	3%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	52	110	58	112%	2%	2%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	19	20	1	5%	21%	10%
Total Crime	1250	1490	240	19%	29%	27%
<p>Wiltshire Police are compared against a group of 8 most similar forces. Wiltshire Police have performed better than peers in All Recorded Crime for the most recently reported 3 month period (Mar - Jun 2011)</p> <p>*Total Crime comprises all Crime Groupings listed above and also includes Theft and Handling, Fraud and Forgery, Robbery and Sexual Offences ** Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution</p>						

Inspector Ron Peach
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