

Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper
Amesbury Community Area Board
21 July 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

Broadly speaking crime levels have remained level across the three beat areas even though there has been an increase in reported crime following the policing activity at Solstice. This year approximately 18,000 people attended the summer Solstice. It was relatively incident free at Stonehenge with only 15 arrests in total. More importantly, the event did not have a significant adverse effect in the local area.

At the force level incidents of crime and violent crime have fallen and detections are higher than this time last year. Response times are being achieved in 89% of cases.

Amesbury town had continued to suffer from incidents of criminal damage by graffiti for a number of weeks. However, it is interesting to note that these appear to have suddenly stopped and there have been no further incidents for almost 4 weeks now.

This problem has been tackled by close co-operation between local ASB officers from Wiltshire Council, Amesbury Police NPT, Amesbury Town council and various other sections of the community. The broad thrust has been to have a “zero” tolerance to this crime which has been backed up with anti-social behaviour contracts.

There has also been a slight rise in crime where damage has been caused to vehicles tyres. This worries me greatly because of the potential for serious consequences. If anyone in the community has any information about these types of offences then please contact us. If you want to report information anonymously then use the Crime stoppers number 0800 555111. Otherwise ring 999 if offences are in progress or 0845408 7000 if it is less urgent.

Another area of increased levels of crime is in metal thefts. These are usually from building sites but can also be from builders vans, utility wiring and lead roofing. This offence is often committed in the hours of darkness and the offenders can be on foot as well as using vehicles. The metal is often being hidden close to the crime scene for retrieval later so please keep an eye out for metals in odd places. If anyone sees individuals transporting metals or acting suspiciously in the vicinity of potential targets, then please obtain as much detail relating to the individuals and vehicles as possible and pass it onto the Police. It is essential that we all try and secure areas which might be subject to this type of crime. Crime prevention advice is available from the NPT TEAM or force website.

The Amesbury sector priorities for the next 3 months are targeting graffiti, criminal damage and metal thefts.

On a lighter note the NPT team will be out and about and consulting with the community at various venues over the summer months including various fêtes etc. The NPT site contains all these details and during these events will be available to give crime prevention and ASB advice. I have even heard that PC STEELE has been seen in the Stocks at Tilshead School fete assisting in raising money for local charities. As the Neighbourhood Policing sergeant I believe there should be more events where this takes place! So don't hesitate to invite us along if you are arranging similar events.

Local Amesbury officers continue to target drugs misuse and supply. We have been involved in the execution of 3 Drugs warrants in Amesbury resulting in drugs seizures, 2 persons arrested and charged.

Sergeant Martin PHIPPS

Amesbury

Amesbury	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	268	242	-26	-10%	44%	57%
Dwelling Burglary	68	41	-27	-40%	25%	17%
Criminal Damage	274	324	50	18%	18%	14%
Non Dwelling Burglary	77	122	45	58%	8%	11%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	81	68	-13	-16%	15%	12%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	32	18	-14	-44%	19%	44%
Total Crime	1257	1346	89	-4%	39%	32%
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)						
*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						

Anti-Social-Behaviour – reported incidents

APR-JUN 2010	JUL-SEP 2010	OCT-DEC 2010	JAN-MAR 2011	QUARTERLY AVE (10/11)
368	397	282	274	330.3

Inspector Martyn Sweett
Area Commander
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