

Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Bradford-on-Avon Community Area Board 17th March 2010

1. Neighbourhood Policing

Since last April we have been working on a range of improvements to how Neighbourhood Policing would be delivered to provide a better service to the community. These changes were adopted to meet national targets as set out in the Policing Pledge; to respond to boundary changes in the Community Area brought about by the new unitary Wiltshire Council; and also to improve on lessons learnt locally after the first 2-years of NPT's.

I am very pleased to report that we have achieved what we set out to do and in doing so have increased community confidence. One of the key areas highlighted by our communities was the need to keep the same personnel in post or in other words 'know your local bobby'. All Bradford-on-Avon NPT staff are the same as 12-months ago apart from the new Team Leader, Sergeant Chris Hams. They all remain very committed to serving their local areas. We have also met our Abstraction Rate targets as set out below.

The Rural Team area was changed to include the Parishes of Staverton (including the Marina development) and Wingfield.

Abstraction Rate Performance:

The Policing Pledge sets a target of a minimum of **80%** for the time spent by NPT staff on their respective areas. The performance figures for **January 2010** are:

Team Sergeant: 90.8% Community Beat Managers: 91.5% PCSO's: 99.4%

Current Priorities:

Up-to-date details of the current news about Neighbourhood Policing Teams, including, profiles, 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

Police Authority Representative

Clir. Paul Sample is the Wiltshire Police Authority member with the responsibility for the Bradford-on-Avon Community. He can be contacted via Wiltshire Police Authority **2** 01380 734022 or ■ http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp

Team profile:

Team Supervisor

Sergeant Chris Hams

Town Centre Team

Beat Manager – PC Martin Annetts PCSO – Laura Humphreys

Rural Team

Beat Manager – PC Martin Barrett PCSO – Vicky Huntley

Special Constables

Dave Lee

Community Volunteer

Theresa Clayton

We are still recruiting Volunteers:

The service provided to the community by our Special Constables and Police Support Volunteer is invaluable. They give up many hours of their own time to support the policing of the Community Area helping to make it one of the safest areas in the Country. We are keen to recruit more voluntary staff. For further details please contact:

Special Constabulary

The Special Constabulary Police Headquarters London Road Devizes Wiltshire SN10 2DN

Call: **0845 408 7000**

E-mail: hq.recruitment@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Police Support Volunteer

Call: **01225 794775**

E-mail: policesupportvolunteers@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

2. Performance

Crime performance is still good especially in areas of reduction. Overall reduction against target is **14%** or in other words **82** fewer victims of crime. With the growth of the Community Area coinciding with the global recession this continuing trend is fantastic news.

Dwelling burglaries remain the only real area for concern and I again would urge the community to follow these simple steps:

- Report any suspicious activity to police as soon as possible.
- Always close and lock all windows and doors when you are not in the room, especially when leaving the house or in the garden. Double-check that doors and windows are locked at night before you go to bed.

Please do all that you can to stop thieves targeting your homes. Prevention is always better than cure! The **'Lock it or Lose it'** campaign offers good practical advice.

'Lock it or Lose it' leaflets can be obtained from the Bradford-on-Avon NPT.

Table 1 – Reported Crime Figures – Bradford-on-Avon Community Area April 2009 – 28th February 2010

Crime Type	Target year to date	Actual Crime to date	No +/-	% +/-	% Current detected
Robbery	0	0	-	-	-
Violent Crime	99	85	-14	-14.1	56.5
Burglary Dwelling	24	36	+12	+50	19.4
Burglary Other	73	58	-15	-20.5	8.6
Theft from Motor Vehicles	37	35	-2	-5.4	5.7
Theft of Motor Vehicles	23	15	-8	-34.8	26.7
Theft & Handling	164	130	-34	-20.7	14.6
Fraud & Forgery	12	10	-2	-16.7	90
Criminal Damage	184	120	-64	-34.8	10.8
Drugs	31	6	-25	-80.6	100
Other Crime	9	7	-2	-22.2	85.7
Total Crime	584	502	-82	-14	23.9

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