Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper
Marlborough Community Area Board
27th March 2012

1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Vincent Logue

Town Centre Team
Beat Manager – PC Anthony Boardman
PCSO – Mark Braithwaite

Rural West Team
Beat Manager – Vacant
PCSO – Pauline Ritchie

Rural East Team
Beat Manager – PC Jeremy Batchelor
PCSO - Jonathan Mills

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 Chris Humphries is a member of the Wiltshire Police Authority and has the responsibility for overseeing matters in the community area.

Please contact via Wiltshire Police Authority Tel. 01380 734022 or
http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp

4. Performance and Other Local Issues

Our crime figures remain amongst the best in the county. In particular violent crime is down substantially and detection rates are greatly increased. In fact our detection rates are increased in almost every area, the areas that have not seen a detection rate increase are non-dwelling burglaries and thefts from motor vehicles.

This brings me on to the continuing problem of cars being broken into at our many beauty spots. Despite us doing our best to get the message out not to leave valuables in cars it is still happening. Some are making the mistake of placing items in the boot after they park their cars thinking the items will be safe as they are out of sight, what they do not realise is that criminals will often watch cars being parked before attacking them once the occupants have walked away. Our patrols of these areas remain high and an intelligence picture is growing but in the meantime, prevention is in your hands.

PCSO Jonathan Mills recently showed real initiative and bravery tackling a man in Aldbourne who was wanted for a distraction burglary offence in another police area. We received a report from a concerned neighbour of an elderly gentleman who was expecting a 'salesman' to call following a cold call by telephone. Jonathan attended, waited for the man to arrive and challenged him, the male went to drive off and after a struggle Jonathan removed the car keys and called for back-up which arrived and arrested the male who also had cocaine in his possession. Apart from congratulating Jonathan, I also want to pass on my thanks to the reporting person. I would rather my staff repeatedly went to calls to find everything in order than us not receive a call that could prevent a despicable crime from being committed. If you see anything that you think is suspicious, please call us.

5. Crime Figures

Marlborough	Crime				Detections	
	March 2010 - February 2011	March 2011 - February 2012	Volume Change	% Change	March 2010 - February 2011	March 2011 - February 2012
Violence Against the Person	99	86	-13	-13%	47%	55%
Dwelling Burglary	32	27	-5	-16%	3%	15%
Criminal Damage	134	142	8	6%	6%	27%
Non Dwelling Burglary	104	100	-4	-4%	2%	1%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	83	94	11	13%	1%	0%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	12	14	2	17%	17%	21%
Total Crime	762	721	-41	-5%	17%	21%
Total ASB	344	403	59	17%		

Wiltshire Police are compared against a group of 8 most similar forces. Wiltshire Police have performed in line with peers and better than average for All Crime and better than peers for Violent Crime in the previous 12 month period (Mar 2011 - Feb 2012)

*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

Sergeant Vincent Logue 27/03/2012