



## **Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Bradford on Avon Community Area Board 16<sup>th</sup> May 2012**

### **1. Neighbourhood Policing**

#### **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 the Wiltshire Police Website.

📄 Visit the new and improved website at: [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk)

#### **Team News:**

Although there have been no team changes since the last meeting, Pc Jamie Darvill continues to support the team and to provide supervisory support to the team while Sergeant Chris Hams continues his recovery. Chris is back to work but on a restricted duty plan.

**Cllr. Paul Sample** is Member of the Wiltshire Police Authority and has the responsibility for overseeing policing matters in the Community Area.

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

## 2. Performance

We continue to focus on certain types of offences across Bradford on Avon and other areas of Wiltshire where specific focus has been given to reduce offending. These offences can be broadly categorised as vehicle crime. This includes theft from vehicles and theft of vehicles.

Local officers have increased patrols both overtly and in plain clothes to reduce and detect these crimes. Officers have been deployed from specialist functions and from our crime investigation teams

Through ongoing, regular review we have been able to redirect these resources to tackle the issues but there remain actions we can all take to further reduce offences. It is clear that many offences are committed due to the visibility of valuables and lack of security of vehicles. Cars are often left unlocked and offenders are readily finding easy targets for their crimes.

We are promoting a 'lock it or lose it' approach to security and asking that people remove valuables from vehicles particularly when leaving them overnight.

**Anti Social Behaviour** (ASB) has been highlighted within the Town

Our Neighbourhood Policing Team are working alongside the Wiltshire Council's ASB reduction team and other statutory partners to identify and take appropriate action against a number of people who commit large amounts of ASB.

**Table 1 – Reported Crime Figures**

**1<sup>st</sup> May 2010 – 30th April 2012**

EA Bradford-on-Avon	Crime				Detections	
	May 2010 - April 2011	May 2011 - April 2012	Volume Change	% Change	May 2010 - April 2011	May 2011 - April 2012
Victim Based Crime	505	583	78	15%	15%	7%
Domestic Burglary	35	41	6	17%	14%	2%
Non Domestic Burglary	74	65	-9	-12%	1%	3%
Vehicle Crime	48	114	66	138%	6%	0%
Criminal Damage & Arson	117	133	16	14%	12%	5%
Violence Against The Person	79	75	-4	-5%	44%	24%
ASB Incidents	391	460	69	18%		
<p>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)</p> <p>* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution</p>						

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