# Crime and Community Safety Briefing Pal **Amesbury Community Area Board**

November 2012



**Sector Commander:** Christian Lange

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 Mavcock

PCSO - Wendy Leate

PCSO - Will Todd

#### **Durrington, Larkhill & Bulford**

Beat Manager – PC Lyndsey Smith

PCSO - Luke Woodward

# 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 NPT 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

The Neighbourhood Policing Teams covering the Community area have been working closely with partner agencies over recent months in order to try and reduce the incidents of non-domestic burglaries and other rural crime. We have run two operations called 'Operation Engage' where we have carried out both high visibility and covert patrols with the RMP, MOD Police, a number of farmers and officers from Customs and Excise. These operations have successfully disrupted the activity of some criminals, some of which received £500 fines for having red diesel in their cars.

Despite these operations we have still seen an increase in non-domestic burglaries where sheds and garages have been targeted. Many of these premises have been insecure or in rural isolated locations. Please can everybody be reminded of the need to keep their sheds and garages as secure as possible. Your neighbourhood policing teams are planning a number of crimes prevention clinics as shown below:

- Tuesday 13th November 2.30-4pm at Ron Burton Room, Glebe Hall, Winterbourne Earls
- Friday 23rd November 2.30-4pm at Wyvern Hall, Wylye
- Wednesday 5th December 2.30-4pm at Shrewton Sports and Social Club.

The Neighbourhood Policing Teams have also recently recovered a large quantity of stolen goods whilst searching the house of an offender. Some of the property has been identified as having been stolen at a burglary in Amesbury but we also have other property which we believe is stolen but it appears that it has yet to be reported as stolen so we are unable to return the property to its rightful owner. This reinforces the important message that people should report all thefts to the police.

We have also seen an increase in the number of violent crimes being reported. About half of these crimes are linked to reports of domestic abuse where the victims often suffer in silence. Wiltshire Police, Wiltshire Council and partner agencies have, over the past years, encouraged people to come forward to report such crimes so that preventative measures can be put in place to reduce future crimes taking place.

The Neighbourhood Policing Team has been working hard over the past year to tackle the route causes of anti-social behaviour and it is pleasing to see that this work is starting to pay dividends. There has been a 14 % reduction in calls regarding anti-social behaviour over the past year and this represents a total of 108 fewer calls. Over recent weeks we have started to see ASB problems occurring around some of the supermarkets in Amesbury. A meeting involving the young people concerned, town councillors and youth workers is being planned for the 27<sup>th</sup> November with the aim of involving the young people in coming up with long term solutions.

Speeding in villages has always been an issue which many people have complained about. A speeding working group, led by Cllr Graham Wright, has been set up and has attracted over 30 people who have now come to two meetings. There appears to be great enthusiasm to tackle this problem and it is very encouraging to see so many people getting involved.

Christian Lange Sector Commander Amesbury and Tidworth.

	Crime			
EM Amesbury	November 2010 - October 2011	November 2011 - October 2012	Volume Change	% Change
Victim Based Crime	1025	1148	123	12%
Domestic Burglary	31	33	2	6%
Non Domestic Burglary	126	153	27	21%
Vehicle Crime	98	112	14	14%
Criminal Damage & Arson	286	252	-34	-12%
Violence Against The Person	187	245	58	31%
ASB Incidents (Year to Date)	751	643	-108	-14%

Detections*				
November 2010 - October 2011	November 2011 - October 2012			
23%	20%			
16%	18%			
5%	2%			
8%	4%			
17%	15%			
52%	43%			

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 Violence Against the Person and Domestic Burglary in the previous 12 month period (October 2011 -September 2012).

<sup>\*</sup> Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution