

Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper

Calne Town Area Board

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1. Neighbourhood Policing Team

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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 the Wiltshire Police Website.

□ Visit the new and improved website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

3. Police Crime Commissioner: **Mr Angus Macpherson**

Please contact via Secretary Tel. 01380 733439

4. Performance and Other Local Issues:

Calne NPT continues to forge strong links with its community partners including local schools. The NPT officers will support teaching staff with mentoring or support in cases of bullying or problematic behaviour. This intervention by Police staff has a significant impact on young people and is a way of positively influencing lives. On a less formal level there are regular sporting fixtures with pupils at Springfield School.

Calne NPT has regular meetings with its Greensquare Housing Association Partners. This means information on problem tenants can be shared with positive effect. Officers have recently attended County Court in Swindon where a Pym House resident was given a suspended possession order for two years. This was as a result of information sharing after the discovery of a cannabis factory.

Calne NPT continues to act on information received through community intelligence. In the last quarter drugs warrants have been executed in the town and rural section. A resident from Champion Close has been charged with five offences under the Misuse of Drugs Act for class A, B and C drugs to the value of £80. A resident from Lodowicks in Bremhill has been charged with possession of 61 grammes of cannabis and cultivation of five cannabis plants. Their cases are to be heard at Chippenham Magistrates in February. In Page Close and The Knapp, Calne warrants

led to the seizure of small amounts of cannabis and disposal was by way of fixed penalty tickets.

Calne NPT are now working more closely with their colleagues at Chippenham NPT. This means that resources can be combined to greater mutual effect. An example is the recent pro-active passive drugs dog patrol. This was an evening where licensed premises and nightclubs in Calne and Chippenham were visited. Though detections were low, there was a positive message made which was valued by landlords.

Calne Police Facebook, which is managed by PCSO Mark Cook, is proving a great success in keeping the Public informed about what is happening in their town and is a forum of discussion and debate. Currently, 955 persons are recorded as liking the site and up to 143,000 are subsequently made aware of Calne issues. All issues are covered from lost pets, recovered pedal cycles, advice on home security, Blues n Zuz marketing, up-dates on Police warrants and weather conditions. The recent apprehension of illegal immigrants on Porte Marsh Trading Estate attracted 6,700 hits. On average 2,000 persons engage directly with the site every week. The Calne Police Facebook is the most successful Neighbourhood Policing team site.

The Calne Pub Watch Scheme continues to be well supported by Licensees, meetings are held monthly and the Police attend every meeting to support the Licensees and share information with stake holders. I am pleased that most Licensees continue to take a robust stance against those within our community who think they can engage in alcohol related violence or crime and issue appropriate bans. Most people know the consequences should they engage in alcohol related crime and or breach their banning contracts. The Police will fully support responsible Licensees committed to running a professional business.

Many successes during the night time economy would not have been possible without the close working relationship with our partners, in particular Calne Town CCTV provide us with high quality footage during the late evening/early hours of Friday and Saturday. Calne CCTV often direct officers to events before they unfold into something more serious. The CCTV operators act as an extra officer with investigation of retail crime and criminal damage offences in the town. They supply a steady stream of community intelligence and assist with location of missing or wanted persons.

Calne Blues n Zuz Disco for 11-16 years olds continues providing young people the opportunity to socialise in a safe environment. Our thanks to the headmaster of John Bentley School for the use of the main hall to run this event and also volunteers who give of their time. The disco runs from 1900-2130 hours once a month and the disco on December 14th 2012 attracted 200 youngsters. The main raffle prize was an Ipod with a video player.

EN Calne	Crime				Detections	
	January 2011 - December 2011	January 2012 - December 2012	Volume Change	% Change	January 2011 - December 2011	January 2012 - December 2012
Victim Based Crime	956	836	-120	● -13%	17%	22%
Domestic Burglary	58	37	-21	● -36%	7%	24%
Non Domestic Burglary	155	127	-28	● -18%	3%	4%
Vehicle Crime	92	79	-13	● -14%	2%	6%
Criminal Damage & Arson	224	185	-39	● -17%	11%	11%
Violence Against The Person	155	163	8	● 5%	46%	45%
ASB Incidents (Year to Date)	740	621	-119	● -16%		
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 Victim Based Crime and Domestic Burglary in the previous 12 month period (December 2011 - November 2012).						
* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution						

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