



Trowbridge Community Area Board March 2013

Neighbourhood Policing

Current NPT Priorities:

Up-to-date information about Neighbourhood Policing Teams (NPTs) including profiles, priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on the Wiltshire Police website www.wiltshire.police.uk

Team News:

PS James Brain and PS Jim Suter continue to supervise the Trowbridge NPT. The team includes:

PC Jamie Darvill, PCSO Laura Humphreys, PCSO Peter Tscherniawsky, PCSO Jo Matthews & PCSO Debbie Robbins – Trowbridge Town

PC Jodie Price, PCSO James Bates & PCSO Nina Marsh – Adcroft & Paxcroft

PC Sonya Stockhill & PCSO Matt Till – Trowbridge Park

PC Helen Beaven, PCSO Vicky Huntley & PCSO Phil Greenaway – Drynham & Grove

PC Alison Davies, PCSO Xanthe Knowles & PCSO Ben Brown – Lambrok

PC Mark Hough & PCSO Maria Badder – Trowbridge Rural

Crime Overview

This report includes a table at the foot of the report that shows the crime type per beat. Overall performance is good however there are a few points to highlight.

Trowbridge Central (ET11) shows an increase in non-dwelling burglaries. This has been reported over past months and as yet has not seen a reduction that would be ideal. The burglaries are mainly garages and sheds where bikes, tools and golfing equipment have been stolen. Most offences happen overnight and many have insecure doors or locks that are not fitted.

In contrast ET11 has seen a reduction in victim based crime and although the figures are low, this is very encouraging in keeping the community safe.

Adcroft & Paxcroft (ET12) has an increase in vehicle crime and violence against the person (VAP). The vehicle crime is again no helped by owners not always locking their cars even if parked off the road or in garages. Owners are leaving valuables in easy sight of anyone looking into the cars rather than taking the time to take their personal belongings indoors with them. If a thief can see anything and an opportunity to gain entry to a car without making a noise, they will steal anything.

The VAP has increased however this is not stranger based crime, sadly in the main the person being assaulted knows the other person. Often the assaults are happening behind closed doors and therefore hard to prevent. It is urged that victims however do report such incidents to police or support agencies so that safeguarding measures can be put in place and action can be taken against those responsible.

Trowbridge Park (ET13) has reductions in the majority of crime categories and where there are increases, the numbers are very low. Of particular note are 100 less antisocial behaviour (ASB) offences than the same period last year.

Drynham & Grove (ET14), Lambrok (ET15) and Trowbridge Rural (ET16) have all seen reductions with some increased but again the figures are particularly low.

NPT activity

PC Helen Daveridge (ET14) and PC Sonya Stockhill (ET13) have executed a number of warrants in their beats under the Drugs Act. The intelligence to gain such warrants has come from the public as well as police information. All warrants have been successful with arrests made and more intelligence being gained. This police tactics continues to be invaluable in disrupting those driven by drugs as well as stealing to raise money to continue their habits. Wherever possible the police will work with partner agencies to try to get people out of the habit of such abuse.

Spitfire Retail Park

Police enforcement of speeding vehicles and noisy motorists has continued into 2013 with another operation planned. Vehicles have been seized, arrests made and tickets issued to reduce ASB.

Noise – police powers

This will be spoken about at the meeting but in essence the police have no powers to deal with noise. If calls come to the police, the current policy is to refer the matter to the Council.

Police patrolling

As it is known officers working from Trowbridge come from two teams. One team is the NPT and other is Operational Response.

NPT in the main remain on foot patrol to provide a visible presence to the public. The Operational Response however will travel in police vehicles to be ready to be deployed within the town or travel to Warminster, Devizes or Pewsey. The officers from this team will not normally leave their cars unless specifically deployed to a NPT run operation. Equally when Specialist Operations attend the town to assist NPT, they will not necessarily leave their vehicles so that they can be rapidly deployed throughout the County.

This may give the perception that officers are just driving about rather than getting out of vehicle to walk around. Resources are limited and officers are deployed on foot when possible however this cannot be guaranteed for operational reasons.

Lisette Harvey
Sector Commander
7 February 2013

ET Trowbridge	Crime			
	February 2011 - January 2012	February 2012 - January 2013	Volume Change	% Change
Victim Based Crime	2758	2633	-125	-5%
Domestic Burglary	144	130	-14	-10%
Non Domestic Burglary	184	233	49	27%
Vehicle Crime	298	291	-7	-2%
Criminal Damage & Arson	560	488	-72	-13%
Violence Against The Person	567	601	34	6%
ASB Incidents (Year to Date)	2191	1757	-434	-20%

ET11 Trowbridge Central	Crime				Detections*	
	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013	Volume Change	% Change	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013
Victim Based Crime	991	947	-44	-4.4%	32%	35%
Domestic Burglary	32	26	-6	-18.8%	38%	8%
Non Domestic Burglary	37	75	+38	+102.7%	5%	5%
Vehicle Crime	86	63	-23	-26.7%	20%	11%
Criminal Damage & Arson	177	156	-21	-11.9%	19%	24%
Violence Against The Person	231	237	+6	+2.6%	39%	50%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	760	594	-166	-21.8%		

* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution

ET12 Adcroft & Paxcroft	Crime				Detections*	
	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013	Volume Change	% Change	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013
Victim Based Crime	439	417	-22	-5.0%	18%	21%
Domestic Burglary	32	21	-11	-34.4%	25%	19%
Non Domestic Burglary	45	36	-9	-20.0%	2%	0%
Vehicle Crime	40	68	+28	+70.0%	13%	6%
Criminal Damage & Arson	102	81	-21	-20.6%	18%	12%
Violence Against The Person	63	93	+30	+47.6%	29%	51%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	378	249	-129	-34.1%		

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ET13 Trowbridge Park	Crime				Detections*	
	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013	Volume Change	% Change	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013
Victim Based Crime	405	346	-59	-14.6%	29%	29%
Domestic Burglary	24	19	-5	-20.8%	13%	11%
Non Domestic Burglary	17	19	+2	+11.8%	18%	0%
Vehicle Crime	32	37	+5	+15.6%	25%	11%
Criminal Damage & Arson	87	74	-13	-14.9%	16%	19%
Violence Against The Person	105	72	-33	-31.4%	37%	44%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	334	234	-100	-29.9%		

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ET14 Drynham & Grove	Crime				Detections*	
	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013	Volume Change	% Change	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013
Victim Based Crime	365	382	+17	+4.7%	17%	25%
Domestic Burglary	27	35	+8	+29.6%	37%	29%
Non Domestic Burglary	30	39	+9	+30.0%	7%	5%
Vehicle Crime	47	46	-1	-2.1%	17%	9%
Criminal Damage & Arson	69	57	-12	-17.4%	9%	14%
Violence Against The Person	47	73	+26	+55.3%	40%	32%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	288	277	-11	-3.8%		

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ET15 Lambrok	Crime				Detections*	
	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013	Volume Change	% Change	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013
Victim Based Crime	203	191	-12	-5.9%	20%	20%
Domestic Burglary	10	6	-4	-40.0%	0%	17%
Non Domestic Burglary	6	15	+9	+150.0%	0%	0%
Vehicle Crime	28	27	-1	-3.6%	14%	7%
Criminal Damage & Arson	49	44	-5	-10.2%	24%	20%
Violence Against The Person	61	55	-6	-9.8%	36%	29%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	206	167	-39	-18.9%		

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ET16 Trowbridge Rural	Crime				Detections*	
	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013	Volume Change	% Change	12 Months to January 2012	12 Months to January 2013
Victim Based Crime	355	350	-5	-1.4%	14%	24%
Domestic Burglary	19	23	+4	+21.1%	26%	9%
Non Domestic Burglary	49	49	+0	+0.0%	4%	4%
Vehicle Crime	65	50	-15	-23.1%	5%	10%
Criminal Damage & Arson	76	76	+0	+0.0%	16%	20%
Violence Against The Person	60	71	+11	+18.3%	37%	59%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	225	235	+10	+4.4%		
Wiltshire Police are compared against a group of 8 most similar forces.						
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