

# Pewsey Community Area Board

July 2014



## 1. Neighbourhood Policing

**Team Sgt:** Vincent Logue

### **Pewsey West Team**

Beat Manager – PC Richard Barratt

PCSO – Joe Sadd

### **Pewsey East Team**

Beat Manager – PC Teresa Herbert

PCSO - Melissa Camilleri

## 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 website at: [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk)

## 3. Police and Crime Commissioner: Mr Angus Macpherson

PCC website: [www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk)

## 4. Performance and Other Local Issues

Pewsey retains a low crime rate and the crime statistical chart below reflects this. There have been no recent significant spikes in crime but some of the old favourites continue. Thefts from motor vehicles at beauty spots / walking areas continue. Very opportunistic, targeting those who leave items on display, forget to secure their vehicle or are seen to place valuable items in the boot. Wiltshire Police have a team working on this crime type together with other neighbouring police forces.

We have had a couple of catalytic converters stolen from the underside of vehicles in other areas of Wiltshire, mostly larger towns to the West. These items are of a relatively high scrap value. Cages can be purchased which fix around the converter and assist in preventing an attack. Prices are in the region of £50 which is significantly lower than the £350+ to replace. Parking close to buildings and in well lit areas can also deter thieves.

In the last three months there has been a series of theft of parts from Landrovers, again across Wiltshire. There was a recent theft of number plates from such a vehicle in the Pewsey area.

For other crime there was an attempt to gain entry to a house in Milton Lilbourne. What made this offence unusual was that the offender tried to cut a circle in the glass of a window. No access was gained.

On the 25<sup>th</sup> May in North Street, Pewsey PC Theresa Herbert arrested a male for possessing drug with the intention of supplying to others. The suspect also had two weapons (knives) with him. The suspect remains on bail to allow Police to conclude enquiries into the drugs offences.

In early May a number of charity boxes were stolen from business premises in Pewsey. 2 people, resident in Pewsey, have been arrested following a review of available CCTV and subsequent identification by an employee.

On the 20<sup>th</sup> June concern was raised by a male in the area of Alton Barnes approaching members of public with a machete in his hand. Resources were tasked, including the Police helicopter. The male was subsequently located hiding in a ditch and arrested.

In the last two months there have been 14 incidents reported to us of violent crime. 12 of these occurred in private places. Of the two in public places, the most significant was the assault associated at the Royal Oak where a suspect hit another with a glass. The offender was arrested and charged with the offence and remanded to the custody of the court. The NPT team continue to work very hard to deal with the offending and ASB in River Street, Pewsey. Unfortunately there have been some glitches in the criminal justice system that we are continuing to push against.

### Crime Statistics

EC Pewsey NPT	Crime				Detections*	
	12 Months to May 2013	12 Months to May 2014	Volume Change	% Change	12 Months to May 2013	12 Months to May 2014
Victim Based Crime	447	399	-48	-10.7%	19%	14%
Domestic Burglary	22	11	-11	-50.0%	41%	18%
Non Domestic Burglary	88	81	-7	-8.0%	2%	0%
Vehicle Crime	79	77	-2	-2.5%	5%	3%
Criminal Damage & Arson	83	71	-12	-14.5%	19%	11%
Violence Against The Person	60	62	+2	+3.3%	53%	52%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	221	163	-58	-26.2%		

\* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolutions

**Matthew Armstrong**  
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