



**Trowbridge Area Board
July 2014
Neighbourhood Policing**

ET Trowbridge NPT	Crime			
	12 Months to May 2013	12 Months to May 2014	Volume Change	% Change
Victim Based Crime	2512	2447	-65	-2.6%
Domestic Burglary	127	140	+13	+10.2%
Non Domestic Burglary	244	168	-76	-31.1%
Vehicle Crime	230	175	-55	-23.9%
Criminal Damage & Arson	464	458	-6	-1.3%
Violence Against The Person	586	625	+39	+6.7%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	2029	1589	-440	-21.7%

Current NPT Priorities:

My priorities for Trowbridge NPT are simple. I will provide a visible team within the community and respond to the needs of that community.

In order to provide this I will ensure officers patrol more on foot and bicycles, and less in cars.

Team News:

I am now 3 months into my new job, and I am starting to recognise people, and be recognised!

Wiltshire Police have recently had a promotion process to Inspector and I am pleased to say that your NPT Sgt James BRAIN has been successful in gaining a Temp Insp promotion, he has been replaced by Sgt Gill Hughes. Gill is a hugely experienced response Sgt, and will bring those skills into NPT.

I have been able to keep hold of Sgt Jim Suter to provide the consistency in NPT.

There have been some slight changes to some posts and the up to date teams are below. I am currently carrying 2 vacancies for PCSO's in Trowbridge, but there is a new intake within force that is due to finish their training and be on the streets in October, and I am working hard to get the best ones here!

Trowbridge Town (ET11)

PC Alison Davies, PC Jamie Darvill, PCSO Jo Matthews & PCSO Ben Brown

Adcroft & Paxcroft (ET12)

PC Amy Hardman, PCSO Nina Marsh & PCSO Jason Greenland

Trowbridge Park (ET13)

PC Charlotte Chilton, PCSO Matt Till & PCSO Laura Humphreys

Drynham & Grove and Lambrok (ET14 & ET15)

PC Helen Daveridge, PCSO Vicky Huntley & PCSO James Bates

Trowbridge Rural (ET16)

PC Mark Hough & PCSO Maria Badder

You may have seen that PC Hough and PCSO Badder have recently won runners up in the NPT of the year awards.

Overview

As shown at the start of this report the performance data for a 12 month period, to June 2014 is extremely positive with **2.6% less crime** that the previous 12 month period.

We are now entering the 'busy season' for ASB, and the visible policing will form the main tactic in dealing with this.

Burglaries in private homes has risen by 10.2%, and this equates to 13 extra offences over a 12 month period, however these figures have risen after a spate of houses were entered through insecure doors and windows when the weather started to turn warmer. We will shortly be running an initiative to raise awareness to these risks, which I hope will bring this back under control.

Key prevention messages to help us combat this are:

- Report to police, or via Crime stoppers, any information you have or any concerns or suspicions about anyone involved in criminality
- Secure your property
- Mark your property
- Record details of identifiable property and/or take photos of you belongings.

The website www.immobilise.com can be used to record these details and may even prevent offenders taking the item in the first place.

Violence against the person over the year has risen slightly, however Violent Crime resulting in injury has actually reduced over the year, and this is as a direct result of the ongoing presence in the town centre with Op Exit, and also the highly effective work taking place with Drink Banning Orders.

Through effective use of staff during the World Cup, the streets of the town have been kept safe from football related violence, and this continues across the pay/world cup weekend of 28/29th June.

You may be aware that the Tour of Britain is now coming through Bradford on Avon and Trowbridge on the 12th Sept, this will attract many of the worlds top professional cyclists that compete in the Tour de France, and will be televised live in over 100 countries around the world, this will provide a huge shop window for our towns, and I am working closely with both Wiltshire Council and Town Councils to ensure we can capitalise on this event.

Due to the massive increase in cycle patrols by NPT I am running out of bikes to keep them mobile and visible, and therefore after much negotiation, Trowbridge Halfords have kindly donated 2 bikes to the NPT, and for this I am very grateful as this will directly benefit my policing priorities within the town.

Lastly, we have been working closely with Bill Austin and The Friends of Trowbridge Park to make the community feel safe to use this fantastic resource and this joint working seems to be making a positive difference.

Chris Chammings
Sector Commander