

# **Update for Chippenham Area Board**

<b>Update from</b>	<b>Chippenham Neighbourhood Policing Team</b>
<b>Date of Area Board Meeting</b>	7 September 2015

## **Headlines**

- **Drug Stop**
- **Money Scam**
- **Stolen Vehicle**

## **Future Events/Dates for the diary**

- Chippenham Half Marathon Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2015
- The Emergency Services Show Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2015

### **Drug Stop**

On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2015 PCSO's were on routine patrol when they noticed two males leaving an address connected with drug use/supply. The officers contacted DCT (Dedicated Crime Team) who made to the area whilst PCSO's kept the males under observation. Whilst awaiting for DCT Officers 4-5 persons connected with drug use started to appear and all gathered by where the two males were last seen. This was believed to be a drugs deal and the two male witnessed leaving the address previously were believed to be drug dealers. DCT were keen to stop and search these males as they were believed to be part of a DDG (Dangerous Drugs Gang). One of the males was found a little while later and was arrested for being concerned in the supply of class A drugs. The other male unfortunately became aware of officers presence and had gone to ground.

This demonstrates the importance of regular foot patrols and mobile patrols in areas known for drug use/supply. Uniformed and plain clothes operations will be conducted in the area and intelligence gathered by NPT.

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## **Money Scam**

Chippenham NPT received a call from the Post Office to say that they had concerns that an elderly lady had attempted to send a moneygram to India. They refused the transaction as they believed it to be fraudulent. PCSO's YOUNG and DUNCAN then visited the lady at her home. She explained that she had been receiving phone calls from a male who stated that she had won the lottery and that she should send them money for the funds to be released.

She told Officers that she had sent £350 at least three times, but had received no winnings. The Officers explained to her that this was a scam and that she should have no further contact with this male and send no more money. Support was put in place for the female- her relatives were contacted and advice leaflets given. Follow up visits have been made by NPT to check on her welfare. This has now been passed to Action Fraud for further investigation, she was able to provide a telephone number for the male.

## **Stolen Vehicle**

Chippenham NPT officer were involved a high-speed pursuit Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2015 which led to 4 people being arrested. A vehicle travelling through Calne activated ANPR (Automatic Number Plate recognition) which alerted the control room that this vehicle had been stolen during a burglary in Bristol. The vehicle was later sighted in Corsham but the vehicle failed to stop and a pursuit began. The pursuit continued from the A420 to Yatton Keynell, Castle Combe, Grittleton, Hullavington and Sherston before the 4 males decamp from the vehicle near to Easton Grey just outside of Malmesbury. Chippenham NPT sergeant Phil CONNOR was one of the attending officers and made an arrest of one of the males who were all located and arrested on suspicion of burglary and theft of a vehicle.

This pursuit involved a number of Police units from Chippenham NPT, Tri-Force and the Police Helicopter from Filton.

All were released and bailed pending further enquires.