

Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper
Amesbury Community Area Board
21 October 2010



1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Martin Phipps

Amesbury Town

Beat Manager – PC Lucy Smith
 PCSO – Jo Atkinson
 PCSO – Dean Shaw

Amesbury Rural

Beat Manager – PC Mark Steele
 PCSO – Shona Maycock
 PCSO – Will Todd

Durrington, Larkhill & Bulford

Beat Manager – PC Lyndsey Smith
 PCSO – Chris Miller

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 new and improved website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

3. Police Authority Representative: Councillor Richard Britton

Please contact via Wiltshire Police Authority Tel. 01380 734022 or
<http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp>

4. Performance and Other Local Issues

Amesbury area neighbourhood policing team welcomes PC Mark Steele as the new rural Community Beat Manager. Mark has over twenty years experience as a police officer in Wiltshire Police. He has been in a similar role in Tisbury where he was nominated for awards for his success as an Area officer. More recently he has been involved with interviewing suspects and file preparation on the Local Crime Team and tutoring/ training of police officer recruits. He will be a valuable and experienced member of Amesbury NPT and no doubt contribute to the continuing success of the team.

This last month has seen a decrease in crime in most categories on the same period last year but we have identified two areas of concern. Amesbury Town has seen an increase in incidents of graffiti. The local team has taken a lead in this and through

their local knowledge and enquiries have identified several suspects. Although enquiries are still in hand it is envisaged that the majority of these crimes will be detected and the offenders brought to justice. We hope that this action will solve the current problem.

The other area of concern is the recent spate of 14 non- dwelling shed burglaries where bicycles and mopeds have been stolen. Again we have had success and suspects have been identified and arrests have been made. Most of these crimes involve bikes left in insecure sheds and are occurring in the early hours of the morning. We are increasing patrols in Amesbury and Durrington to prevent more of these crimes.

Of course, there are two ways in which the community can help:

- Report any suspicious activity to police as soon as possible.
- Always close and lock all windows and doors, to your home and outbuildings. Double-check that doors and windows are locked at night before you go to bed.

Please do all that you can to stop thieves targeting your homes - prevention is always better than cure!

The current priorities for Amesbury Town are preventing and detecting offences of graffiti/shed breaks and preventing ASB in Harvard Park.

Durrington, Larkhill, Bulford and Figheledean NPT have set their main priority as reassurance and crime prevention in relation to the shed breaks. The team will also be working on reducing ASB in Durrington and Bulford. Durrington continues to drive their pub and shop watch schemes and have also organised a crime prevention afternoon at Durrington and Larkhill on 13 November 2010 to promote cycle awareness and security. It is hoped if this is successful it will be rolled out to Amesbury and our other areas.

Amesbury Rural continues to enjoy very low levels of crime and their priorities concentrate on preventing ASB in the parish park areas as well as Byford Gardens in Porton.

Drugs have continued to be targeted with two warrants being executed in the Bulford area over the last month - both these warrants proved positive with persons arrested and drugs seized.

Sergeant Martin PHIPPS

AMESBURY SECTOR						
AMESBURY	CRIME				DETECTIONS	
	OCT 2008 - SEPT 2010				OCT 2008 - SEPT 2010	
	2008/09	2009/10	+ / -	% Change	2008/09	2009/10
Violence Against the Person	294	274	-20	-6.8%	56.5%	47.1%
Dwelling Burglary	64	56	-8	-12.5%	46.9%	8.9%
Criminal Damage	307	284	-23	-7.5%	28.7%	15.5%
Non Dwelling Burglary	72	95	23	31.9%	11.1%	13.7%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	61	77	16	26.2%	39.3%	22.1%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	30	30	0	0.0%	26.7%	30.0%
Total Crime	1314	1295	-19	-1.4%	41.3%	29.3%

County Division is compared with 15 most similar divisions in other Forces. Currently we are performing well e.g. ranked 3rd (out of 15) for violent crime and 4th (out of 15) for violent crime detections.

Anti-Social-Behaviour – reported incidents

OCT-DEC 2009	JAN-MAR 2010	APR-JUN 2010	JUL-SEP 2010	MONTHLY AVE (09/10)
343	310	368	397	354.5

Inspector Martyn Sweett
 Area Commander
 21/10/10