



Community Policing Report Area Board – 19th January 2017

Corsham

Hello and welcome to this latest Community Policing report.

Over the last few months Wiltshire Police has rolled out its Community Policing Team (CPT) model across Wiltshire and Swindon.

Any large scale restructuring is naturally likely to have its teething problems but I am delighted to say that so far the response has been positive. I extend my thanks to everybody within the community for their assistance and valuable feedback, which helps us to continuously improve the way we work and ultimately helps us provide the high quality of service you all deserve and expect.

Partnership work has been incredibly important in this process and we are keen to continue, where possible, working in a joined up approach to deliver that high standard of service.

As we head in to the New Year we can look forward to seeing the results of ongoing innovation and investment within Wiltshire Police. Senior leaders within the organisation have made a clear commitment to ensuring the workforce is fit and well for work and have outlined their dedication to embracing innovation and technology so that officers and staff are able to do their jobs serving and protecting the people of Wiltshire and Swindon confidently, effectively and efficiently.

I would like to reassure you that we are working to improve our 101 system. We have made efforts to ensure the service you can expect to receive when calling for non-emergencies is high quality and we are continuing to work to reduce the time it takes to get through to us.

Going forward, as ever, we welcome and encourage your feedback. Wiltshire Police is here to serve you and we always want to know where you think we can improve and of course where you think we have done well. I wish you all a safe and happy 2017.



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COMMUNITY MESSAGING

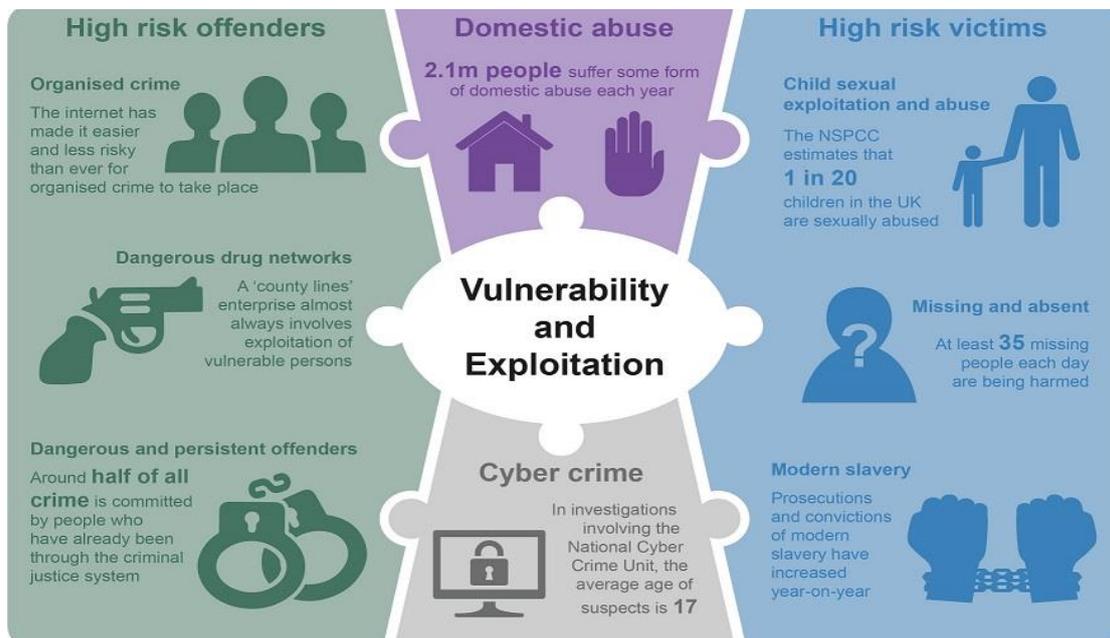
We have been talking a lot publically about Community Messaging over recent months and I have included the link below and would continue to encourage you to spread the message to your communities, encouraging as many people as possible to sign up. We have seen a 20% growth over the recent months and this is to be commended and I want to say thank you for this and the work you have done within your communities to assist us in getting the key messages out there to the right people at the right place at the right time. Please help us take this even further. We are continually reviewing the content of our messages, so if there is any feedback for us, please let us know.

<https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/>

CONTROL STRATEGY

Below is our control strategy for your reference. This focuses on where how we conduct our operational Policing based on the Police & Crime Plan. We will continue to align our resources with the threat/harm/risks presented in line with the control strategy.

- Domestic abuse / Cyber Crime / High risk offenders / High risk victims



Our CPT priority: ASB at Springfield Recreation Ground and Colerne Skatepark

To conduct additional patrols to tackle ASB at the Youth Shelter and Skatepark, Springfield Recreation Ground, Corsham, also at Colerne Skatepark due to alcohol and substance misuse.

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Local Crimes

An update with regard to a local adult male who was arrested for a Public Order offence and assaulting two Police Officers, he was recalled to Prison and sentenced to 21 days in total.

On the 28th of November there was an attempted armed robbery at Whitehall Garden Centre. The unknown male suspect has appeared and brandished a gun at staff and attempted to gain entry to the store. Staff secured the entrance and the suspect fled, nothing was taken and nobody was hurt as a result. Enquiries are ongoing and Police have been carrying out reassurance patrols for the staff and public.

Unknown suspect(s) have entered the elderly males insecure home in Neston, while he was distracted out in the garden, they stole approximately £12,000.

Unknown suspect(s) have entered two houses under construction on PRIORY STREET and have stolen a Bosch cooker from within each house, to the value of £500 each.

Officers attended an RTC in Box, the passenger in one of the vehicles was found to be in possession of cannabis, cash and 2 x mobile phones. They were arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply drugs.

A local adult male was stopped in a vehicle which was searched, he was issued with a Cannabis Street Warning.

A known local male attempted to steal a £200 handbag from TK MAXX, he was stopped and searched and the item was recovered.

Unknown suspect(s) entered an insecure barn in KINGSDOWN and have stolen power tools and a "derby" horse rug from within.

Unknown person stole a member of staffs' wallet from their staffroom at Stokes Greengrocers.

A customer at the Hare and Hounds Pub left their bag on the ground next to their table which was outside the pub, unknown person has stolen the bag and contents within, again there was no CCTV or witnesses to this theft.

A secured vehicle which was unattended and parked on Charles Street, had both wing mirrors removed. Unknown suspect stole the rear number plate off a vehicle parked in The Ley, Box. An unattended vehicle parked on Pinewood Way, Colerne had a window smashed. There is no CCTV or witnesses to these offences.

Unknown suspects have stolen the following items from Thingley Court Farm, Thingley; 6 reels of electric fencing, 2 x posts, battery and fence insulators to the value of £700. There is no CCTV or witnesses.

Unknown suspects have broken into the yard at Thingley by cutting the padlock to the metal gates, approximately 15 batteries have been stolen from buses stored at the yard.

Police and Fire attended a caravan on fire near to Thingley, this is thought to be suspicious.

A vehicle was stopped and subsequently seized for having no insurance.

Unknown suspect(s) have entered a rear garden in DICKETTS ROAD and stole an Apollo mountain bike.

A sheep on POCKERIDGE DRIVE was found injured by the owner, there was an unaccompanied dog nearby, the owner of the dog was located a short time afterwards and has agreed to pay for all veterinary costs.

Four unknown male suspects, (all approx. 15 - 16 years old) have removed a large panel of glass from a telephone kiosk on HATTON WAY.

Suspect(s) have targeted two unattended vehicles parked in a secluded Beauty Spot Car Park on Quarry Lane whilst the owner was out walking their dogs. Entry was gained to both vehicles and their handbags were stolen which contained a wallets, bank cards and money.

Unknown person(s) have stolen a moped which had been involved in an RTC on Chequers Hill, A4 and left at this location.

Christmas Lights Switch On - On Friday 2nd December 2016 the Xmas lights were switched on attracting a large crowd of mostly families with children.

Police Cadets

Our Police Cadets who are aged 13-16 years of age assisted with community engagement at the Christmas Lights Switch on in Chippenham and are very keen to get involved in future events. If you have any local events that you would like the Cadets to attend and assist with community engagement do please e-mail CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk to check availability.



The mobile CCTV van has been a very useful piece of equipment and it has been deployed in Chippenham town for the Christmas Lights Switch on and to assist with OP ELF (Shoplifting priority over the festive period) during the daytime. With the sheer visible presence, it prevents any criminality in the town which has been reflected in the very few number of thefts reported to the Police, in addition deployment in the evenings to assist with any reports related to Night Time Economy. Officers are being encouraged to deploy the CCTV Van within the 3 towns.

Preventing vehicle crime



Most vehicle crime is preventable. It can take as little as 10 seconds for a thief to steal something from your car. The best way to protect your belongings is to lock your car whenever you leave it.

Other things you can do include:

Removing everything from the car; don't even leave a jacket where it can be seen.

Closing the sunroof along with the windows when you leave.

Not storing things in the boot; take them with you.

Storing car ownership information in your home, not your car.

Having a routine to ensure you always take the keys out of the ignition.

Taking removable stereos and sat nav equipment with you.

In addition, using secure (theft resistant) number plates can make your plates less attractive to thieves.

Where you park can make a big difference to the safety of your car and your belongings. Look out for car parks approved by the police [Safer Parking \(opens in a new window\)](#) scheme. You can find them by looking for their distinctive 'Park Mark' signs.

How to keep your car safe at home

Thieves sometimes break into houses looking for car keys. They can also use wires and hooks 'to try and drag' your keys through the letterbox.

Keep your keys away from doors and windows, and tucked away out of sight.

Have your vehicle's windows etched with its registration number or the last seven digits.

Motorbikes

There are plenty of ways you can help to keep your motorbike safe:

Always lock your bike and set its alarm if it has one

Try to use a designated motorcycle parking place with a stand and security loop

When leaving your bike for some time, try to lock it to something secure. At home, you can fit special attachments to lock your bike to.

Use a motorbike cover.

Have the motorbike marked with its vehicle identification number (VIN).

Article taken from police.uk

Burglaries

We take every opportunity to educate members of the public to keep their properties secure and valuables safe to prevent further people becoming victims of crime.

We have pulled together some top tips to prevent becoming a victim of burglary :

- Always close and lock all windows and doors when leaving your home.
- Invest in a light timer and leave lights on inside your house in more than one room.
- Remove any cover for a burglar to work unseen, such as shrubbery, and give your neighbours every chance to spot something suspicious.
- Ensure valuable or sentimental items of jewellery are suitably insured.
- Take photographs of all such items (laid beside a ruler) and store these in a safe place.
- Register all valuable items on www.immobilise.com
- Large quantities of cash should never be kept at home.
- Keep keys and valuables out of sight, and reach from cat flaps, letterboxes, and downstairs doors and windows.

POLICE COMMUNICATION

In an emergency call 999

Call 999 if you need an immediate response because:

- A crime is in progress.
- You or someone else is injured or there is a threat to life.
- A serious road traffic collision has taken place.
- Violence is being used.

For less urgent matters you can call **101**

Call 101 for less serious matters

- To report a crime or issue that does not require an immediate emergency response
- You or someone else are not in immediate danger
- You would like to speak to your local police officer
- You want to provide information about a crime

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Stop a police officer or PCSO

Although we cannot take reports of crime on the street we are happy to receive information and give advice.

E-mail

Your local officer can be contacted by e-mail CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Website

There are a number of forms available on www.wiltshire.police.uk where you can pass information.

Crimestoppers

Information can be passed anonymously via Crimestoppers. They can be contacted at crimestoppers.org.uk or via telephone on 0800 555 111. Their website also provides useful information and crime prevention advice

Facebook

Each town within the Community Policing Team has its own Facebook page, where you can find information about what has been happening in the area. We are unable to take reports of crime through Facebook.

Community Messaging

The police will share information via Community Messaging, you will receive these messages if you are registered. You can also reply and give feedback to these messages.

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