



## **Corsham Community Policing Report Area Board – 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018**

Hello and welcome to this Community Policing Team report.

A new temporary Chief Constable will take the reins at Wiltshire Police with effect from 5th of March 2018. Kier Pritchard, who has worked for the Force since 1993, takes over from Mike Veale who starts today as Chief Constable of Cleveland Police. Kier has been an Assistant Chief Constable at Wiltshire since 2014.

He said: “Firstly, I would like to commend Mike for being an excellent Chief Constable and for helping to navigate Wiltshire through some of the most challenging circumstances.

“Mike leaves Wiltshire Police as one of the top performing forces in the country.

“I have a huge sense of pride in taking this position in a Force I have served for more than 20 years and continuing this successful legacy.

“I’m not making changes today – I intend on building upon our successes and celebrating the incredible people who serve the public each and every day.

“My commitment today is simple – to listen. I want to listen to our communities, our officers, staff and our partners.

“I want you to tell me what you think is working and how you think we can further improve the service we provide.

“Now is the time for us all to look forward and to do so with our communities at the heart of everything we do.”

“Delivering the four priorities as set out in the Police and Crime Plan will remain a top priority for Kier and his Senior Command Team.

“Wiltshire Police is an outstanding Force and I have every confidence it will continue to travel forward under Kier’s leadership.”

Whilst the report below gives a summary of Key Impact Crimes in your area such as Burglaries, the interactive element will allow you to see the statistics of the reports for your area and your local Police contacts. The website address remains unchanged and the interactive map can be found by following the below link.

**<http://www.wiltshire.police.uk/article/832/Your-Area>**

We hope you find these updates useful, for the latest news, crime prevention advice and appeals please follow us on:

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Or sign up to Community Messaging <https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/>

Thank you for your continued support to Wiltshire Police.

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**COMMUNITY MESSAGING**



We are constantly reviewing our visibility and how we can develop this and work with our communities.

We cannot physically be everywhere all of the time and we want to ensure consistent information with our communities and to be able to provide the information that matters to you when you need it. There has been some good feedback from our new way of working using Community Messaging so please sign up and use it.

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

Our CPT priorities can be accessed online, also persistent offenders and ongoing issues affecting the Community in line with our Force Control Strategy. Priority Offenders are established at a weekly Sector meeting, as a result priorities and taskings are raised as a way to effectively manage live intelligence and priorities that are developing in the northern hub.

**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, Organised criminality, County lines and the criminally exploited, Dangerous and persistent offenders, Child sexual exploitation and abuse, Modern Slavery and human exploitation.



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## LOCAL ISSUES/CRIMES

05/01/2018 14:54 Police stopped a white Ford Transit van at Showell, two males found to be in possession of a wood chipper believed to be stolen, they have been release under investigation.

07/01/2018 18:00 - 08/01/2018 08:30 Unknown suspect has broken into a white Vauxhall Vivaro parked on Coulston Road by ripping a hole in the back door, a petrol disc cutter with an approx value of £500 plus and a laser level with an approx value of £400 plus has been stolen.

07/01/2018 06:30 - 08/01/2018 08:30 Unknown persons have gained entry into a secure site at THINGLEY junction, Railway Sidings a battery from the Tipper and Battery from a Tower light have been taken, also a pack of ratchet straps have been stolen.

12/01/2018 08:30 - 12/01/2018 18:00 Unknown suspect(s) has stolen the index plates from a black Fiat whilst it was parked in a secure carpark at Methuen Park.

13/01/2018 19:00 - 14/01/2018 09:00 Unknown suspects have stolen a set of gates from Wadswick farm gateway.

17/01/2018 12:30 - 17/01/2018 13:36 Two unknown male suspects have stolen 5 x generator leads from the side of the road on the A365 and junction with the B3109 Devizes Road, Box TVO £4,773.45.

19/01/2018 22:00 - 20/01/2018 08:30 Unknown suspects have damaged a shed door at Tedder Avenue

19/01/2018 16:30 - 20/01/2018 08:45 Unknown suspect(s) have tried to enter a blue Honda CRV parked on Long Close Avenue by tampering with the drivers door lock.

26/01/2018 21:00 - 27/01/2018 08:45 A blue Volkswagen Polo was reported stolen from the Hare & Hounds car park.

28/01/2018 20:35 - 28/01/2018 20:40 Three(3) Unknown suspects have entered McColls, High Street, Box, two suspects have walked down the aisles placing varied household goods in their trousers, the third suspect has distracted staff. They all walked out without paying or attempting to pay for the items, exact details of which are unknown at this time. They were described as white males, the younger male was 30s and the two older male in their 50s, all dressed in black clothing.

28/01/2018 18:30 - 29/01/2018 08:30 Unknown suspect(s) have cracked the front bedroom window of a bungalow on Bath Road, Colerne.

29/01/2018 11:00 - 29/01/2018 14:00 Unknown suspect(s) has entered a location on Bewley Lane, Lacock and stolen 2 x batteries which were attached to the electric fencing TVO £50 each.

01/02/2018 22:49 A 22 year old male from Brook Drive, Corsham was stopped and searched in a black Vauxhall Corsa, he was found to be in possession of cannabis and was issued with a Cannabis Street Warning.

06/02/2018 17:30 - 07/02/2018 08:45 Unknown suspect has stolen both of the registration plates from a black Toyota RAVA which was parked on Poynder Road.

On Tuesday 06/02/2018 at 08:15 hours, an unknown male approached a 15 year old girl whilst she was walking down the alley way next to the Fire station in Corsham and he pulled at her skirt, he is described as a white male, around 40 years old, dark grey hair, approximately 5ft 10ins tall wearing a three quarter length coat and white trainers and spoke with a local accent. A local male has been arrested and was released under investigation pending further enquiries.

06/02/2018 17:30 - 07/02/2018 08:45 Unknown suspect has stolen both of the registration plates from a black Toyota RAVA which was parked on Poynder Road.

06/02/2018 20:00 - 07/02/2018 08:00 Unknown suspect has removed a spare wheel from the rear of a silver Honda CRV whilst it was parked on Brook Drive.

10/02/2018 19:00 - 11/02/2018 07:00 Unknown suspect(s) has removed some tiles from the roof of Pickwick Service Station on Pickwick Road, it is not known if this is an attempt to gain entry but there are no signs that any stock or money has been taken.

13/02/2018 13:00 - 13/02/2018 15:45 Unknown suspect has damaged a red Seat Ibiza which was parked on Tutton Hill, Colerne, the windscreen has been smashed, along with a small window, scrape on the side of the vehicle.

13/02/2018 20:00 - 14/02/2018 07:15 A green Land Rover was stolen from farmland on Lower Kingsdown, Box, it was later located by Police on Easton Lane on the 16<sup>th</sup> February and was seized for forensic examination.

17/02/2018 09:01-19/02/2018 09:00 Unknown suspect(s) have stolen a small pole mounted square red post box which was cemented into the ground on Fosseyway Close, value of post box unknown.

23/02/2018 12:51-23/02/2018 12:512 Males have entered McColls, High Street, Box one of the males has purchased a scratch card, the other male purchased a milkshake, both have handed over a fake £20 note in payment, the store have kept the notes. Enquiries are ongoing.

23/02/2018 14:40-23/02/2018 14:40 An unknown male aged approximately 19 years old entered a pub in Gastard and has attempted to buy a drink with a counterfeit £50 Scottish note but was refused.

04/03/2018 17:00 - 04/03/2018 17:30 Whilst a blue Honda Accord was parked in a layby at Lower Kingsdown, Box an unknown male was seen to remove a piece of the exhaust pipe and place it in a sack. The suspect ran when he was disturbed by the owner and got into a vehicle parked a few yards up the road and left the location. (No other details or descriptions at this time).

12/03/2018 10:50 - 12/03/2018 12:00 Unknown suspect has smashed the rear windscreen of a black Volkswagen Touran parked on Lacock Road.

12/03/2018 16:00 - 12/03/2018 16:20 Female has been to the ATM Machine near to the Co-op in the Martingate Centre to withdraw £50.00, there was some people nearby as she withdrew her money. The female then went into the shop to get some shopping, she looked to check her dog was ok outside the shop and noticed a male youth hanging about near the ATM, as she went to pay for her shopping she then realised that she had not collected her money from the ATM, she went back outside to the ATM and there was no money left at the machine.

12/03/2018 17:30 - 12/03/2018 19:00 Unknown suspect has smashed the passenger window on a black BMW parked on the High Street, Box and has then stolen the owners wallet which contained £270 cash and various bank cards and a check book.

**Vehicle Crime** – There has been a number of reports of thefts from motor vehicles in particular from vans containing tools/equipment. The Community Tasking Team along with the Community Policing Teams carried out pro-active patrols of those areas targeted and the number of reports has reduced significantly. Crime Prevention has been issued using social media and the local press:

We completely appreciate how annoying and disruptive this is for the owners – these tools are often expensive and people need them to carry out their work. We would ask people to make sure all expensive tools are removed from vehicles overnight where possible. You can also make sure you park your van somewhere safe, for example, in a driveway or well-lit area. People should also consider fitting an alarm, marking tools with your postcode using distinctive paint, and recording serial numbers of tools.

**Cold Callers** – There has been an increase in the number of reports of doorstep callers, in particular in Neston. These individuals who target areas offering small household products for sale. These callers may claim to be ex-convicts attempting to mend their ways or working with the probation service, however they may not be part of any recognised rehabilitation scheme. Please warn your neighbours, particularly elderly or vulnerable neighbours, not to open the door to strangers or buy or sell on the doorstep. There have been cases of elderly residents handing over large sums as these lads can be very persistent and confrontational. **TURN THEM AWAY Ring 101 if they are not carrying appropriate ID and a Pedlars Licence.**

**ASB** – Since the last Area Board meeting there has been a number of meetings involving the Manager at the Campus, Town Council, Youth Offending Team, Social Services, Victim Support and the Police, to ensure that various steps are taken and that a joint problem solving approach has been adopted to improve the situation. The Management Team is looking at ways to control entry to the Campus and other strategies to improve the situation. The local School will also be on board and a number of actions have been agreed as a way forward. This continues to be subject to the weekly Sector Priority meeting and remains a priority for the Community Policing Teams. Pulse Patrols were introduced and I am pleased to report that this has been very positive offering reassurance to the community and also delivering a message that ASB/threats and or violence will not be tolerated, the number of reports has reduced significantly and the Policing objectives have been achieved both in the community and within the Campus.

**Fraudulent Bank Notes** – there has been a few reports of fraudulent notes in circulation. Do please check your money. Anything suspicious please report to the Police immediately.

**Warrants** – We continue to develop intelligence to assist with the preparation of further warrants in the future, so they may be executed in line with the Force Control Strategy.

**Other** – Recently Wiltshire Police advertised for members of the community to apply to become a member of the newly formed Independent Advisory Group, one of which would represent the communities within the North Wiltshire Policing area. We were overwhelmed with responses in North Wiltshire with over 40 applicants, compared to only 3 in some other areas of Wiltshire, so the breadth of experience, ages and diversity was very encouraging. We selected a number of applicants based on some of the criteria and look forward to receiving ‘critical friend’ feedback on what affects Wiltshire and policing, as the group develops. We plan to convene our first IAG on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 1830hrs** at Monkton Park Council offices, Chippenham, SN151ER.

This meeting will aim to inform those selected on the terms of reference for the IAG, give them an understanding of what the policing make-up is in North Wiltshire, how we operate and to introduce them to some key members of the Community Policing Team (CPT). This is a great opportunity for some really constructive critical feedback to be given about how we police in Wiltshire and what really matters within your communities.

**Other** - PCSO Will Todd recently moved to cover Corsham, he will be moving to a new role with the 'Bobby Van' and he is thoroughly looking forward to his new role and we hope to have a replacement for him meanwhile PCSO Shaun Redmond will continue to oversee Corsham.

**Police Cadets** who are aged 13-16 years of age can attend local events and assist with community engagement, they are very keen to get involved in future events, please e-mail [CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)

If you are planning any event and require assistance from the Police to assist, please e-mail [CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk) in advance as you may be required to complete an 'Events Form' and there may also be a cost incurred to ensure that you have dedicated officers throughout. If you would like the Cadets to assist with community engagement at events please e-mail the address above, there is no charge for this.

**EVENTS...** Don't forget that a toolkit is available from Wiltshire Council which gives fantastic guidance and advice for organising most types of events, including topics ranging from traffic management to toilets, and gives contact details for which agencies and departments need to be contacted when applying for various licences or road closures. It can be found at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-events-toolkit.pdf>, In essence, all organisers must be responsible for identifying any risks and putting in measures to remove or reduce them.

In addition to the Wiltshire Police website, Chippenham CPT has 2096 followers on Facebook, please join us either on Facebook or Community Messaging.

For a detailed breakdown of the crime in your area visit...

<https://www.police.uk/wiltshire/>

The e-mail address for the Wiltshire North Community Policing Team is

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Please phone 101 (non emergency) or 999 (emergency) to report any incidents or crimes, reports cannot be taken via the above e-mail address.

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