

## Corsham Community Policing Report Area Board – 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019

Hello and welcome to this Community Policing Team report.

Wiltshire Police has again been graded as 'good' in all three key areas in an annual report. The annual inspection by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS) looks into police effectiveness, efficiency and legitimacy (PEEL). It considers whether forces keep people safe and reduce crime (how effective a force is), whether these activities are sustainable and provide value for money (how efficient a force is), and how forces are ensuring their officers and staff behave fairly, ethically and within the law (the legitimacy of a force). Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon Angus Macpherson welcomed the annual report and has praised officers and staff for the dedication shown every day to the communities they serve. The report findings have been announced just days after official statistics revealed that Wiltshire saw a drop of 3 per cent in the number of overall recorded crimes between January 2018 and December 2018 - compared to the previous 12 months.

Angus said: "This report is yet another endorsement of the service Wiltshire Police provides to our communities across the county and I am extremely proud of what is being achieved. Running, and maintaining, an effective and efficient Force is no mean feat and it is testament to the hard work and dedication I see across the Force each day. This year's inspection was also undertaken during one of, if not the, most demanding and challenging years in the history of the Force. Thankfully, I was able to increase the precept which enabled me to invest more money into our Community Policing Team model. Specifically, it has enabled me to increase the number of Community Co-ordinators across the county who are an integral link between the Force and the public. It is also in spite of the funding imbalance we see from Government which means Wiltshire is one of the poorest funded Forces in the country. I am particularly pleased that the report acknowledges the support available to our most vulnerable people - a key priority for me has been to put victims and witnesses at the heart of everything we do. I am pleased to see this has been recognised, along with the investment the Force is making in tackling emerging criminality – such as cyber-crime. Of course, there is no room for complacency and to maintain these ratings I will ensure the Force continues to drive up standards both externally and internally.

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:

Twitter <a href="https://twitter.com/wiltshirepolice">https://twitter.com/wiltshirepolice</a>
Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/wiltshirepolice/">https://www.facebook.com/wiltshirepolice/</a>
Or sign up to Community Messaging <a href="https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/">https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/</a>

Thank you for your continued support to Wiltshire Police.

## **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.

<u>CONTROL STRATEGY</u> - 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.



## **LOCAL ISSUES/CRIMES**

13/03/2019 12:29 — Police stopped a male on Box Hill who was acting as a pedlar without having obtained a certificate. He was selling household cleaning items door to door and he failed to produce a pedlars licence when required, sections 4 & 17 of the Pedlars Act 1871. He was subsequently reported for the offence and the goods he was in possession with were seized by the Police.

12/03/2019 16:00 An adult male has entered the Northey Arms, Box ordered food and drink to the value of £35, the suspect has then stated he has no money to pay, giving a false contact number and left via the rear restaurant door without making any payment.

12/03/2019 00:01 - 14/03/2019 10:00 Unknown suspect has thrown a brick at a property on the Laggar and caused damaged.

17/03/2019 11:45 - Unknown suspect has stolen a mobile phone from a females bag whilst in Springfield Community Campus. Mobile described as - Iphone 5S, space grey, TVO £150.

14/03/2019 17:30 - Unknown suspect(s) have attempted to gain entry to a garage on Long Close Avenue. They have not gained access to the garage.

15/03/2019 16:00 - 18/03/2019 10:15 Unknown suspect has gained entry to a secure shed on Wadswick Lane and stole a Stihl chainsaw - TVO £150-200.

20/03/2019 11:05 Martin Cain, 54 years old of no fixed abode, entered BUDGENS, in ASHLEY and stole 2 x bottles of wine, he came back into the store and staff could smell alcohol from him so he was confronted but he drove off, he was then stopped and arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, he was charged and is due to attend Swindon Court.

23/03/2019 10:15 Two unknown males have entered the Factory Shop and picked up a hoover and walked out without making payment. PROPERTY - 2 x Vax cordless slim vac.

28/03/2019 15:00 An unknown male suspect enters the Co-op, Martingate centre with a basket and a bag and selects several boxes of mens aftershave, razor blades etc from the shelves and places the items in his bag and inside his jacket. He then leaves the store with no attempt to make a payment. The exact value stolen is not known at this time.

29/03/2019 02:00 - 30/03/2019 03:00 Unknown Suspect has damaged a grey Mercedes Benz that was parked on Elm Hayes, it had the front and rear wipers pulled off and the wing mirrors broken.

27/03/2019 12:15 Two Males, 1 female and two small children have entered the National Trust store in Lacock and stole an unknown quantity of produce.

31/03/2019 09:26 Unknown suspect/s have removed 10 x "NO CYCLING" signs belonging to the local council which were attached to thick posts intermittently dispersed along a public path way through an area of land on Pickwick. These had only recently fixed the signs up on behalf of the council. The thick poles are still in situ and are all damaged as the signs appear to of been jemmied off ripping the screws holding the signs in place out of the wood splitting the wood.

02/04/2019 23:00 0- 3/04/2019 07:30 Unknown person(s) have forced a garage door open on Groundstone Way, access has been gained but nothing has been stolen.

05/04/2019 15:00 - 06/04/2019 07:30 Unknown suspect(s) has smashed the quarter panel drivers side front window of a Vauxhall Vivaro parked on Forresters Green, Colerne to gain access to the vehicle and stole a Bosch drill TVO £150.

05/04/2019 22:00 - 06/04/2019 07:00 Unknown suspects have broken into a white Renault Master MM35 van parked on Forrester Green, Colerne by smashing the side window and have stolen a site radio, 2 re-chargeable batteries and a saw - TVO £400.

05/04/2019 20:00 - Unknown suspect(s) have broken into a white Fiat Scudo parked on Martins Croft, Colerne by smashing the locks on the vehicle, they have then carried out a search and stolen a Hedge trimmer and mini hedge trimmer and chain saw TVO £800 - the cost of repair to the locks is valued at £300-£400.

05/04/2019 17:00 - 06/04/2019 08:00 Unknown suspect(s) have gained entry to a silver Volkswagen transporter van parked on the High Street, Colerne and stole numerous tools and power tools exact value not yet known.

11/04/2019 14:32 Unknown suspect has driven onto farmland in Pickwick and caused damage by joyriding on the land, they have then driven through a closed 5 bar gate to egress the field and have caused damage to the gate.

13/04/2019 19:00 Police received a report that an unknown male had been seen in a garden on Queens Square, Box and as a result two flower pots and a baby's stool have been damaged and some blue rope stolen.

14/04/2019 19:27 A local adult male suspect was arrested after he caused damage to a gate in Academy Drive and then continued to be a nuisance to other residents nearby walking through their gardens and causing further damage.

14/04/2019 21:00 - 15/04/2019 07:08 Unknown persons have gained entry to a barn in Pockeridge and stole a Predator 460 stump grinder.

19/04/2019 10:52 Unknown suspect(s) have gained entry into a home on Cherry Road, Colerne and stole a wallet from the side counter where he had left it, the home was left insecure whilst the owner was in their garden.

25/04/2019 19:00 - 26/04/2019 18:41 Suspect/s have stolen 5 3ft fence panels and a white gate worth several thousand pounds from a location in Lacock.

21/04/2019 12:00 - 01/05/2019 13:30 Unknown suspects have stolen the OIL from the tank at an address is WADSWICK, TVO £495.00

28/04/2019 11:56 Unknown suspect(s) have stolen wrought iron gates from a property in Neston. Cost of stolen property unknown.

29/04/2019 08:00 - 02/05/2019 08:00 U/k person has entered a building on Leafield Industrial Estate and have stolen approx. 4 x 25kg tubs of polyester resin TVO £150.

 $04/05/2019\ 11:00$  -  $04/05/2019\ 11:10$  The rear windscreen of a silver Volkswagen Polo parked on The Laggar has been smashed.

04/05/2019 14:25 - Unknown suspect (s) have walked into the Co-op, Martingate Centre and have selected various items including whisky and vodka by concealed the items down their trousers and have walked out of the store without making any attempt to pay for the items.

04/05/2019 23:56 A 26 year old male from Colerne was stopped in Colerne and officers noticed a stong smell of cannabis coming from their parked vehicle, it was searched and the driver was issued with a Cannabis Street Warning.

05/05/2019 14:00 A black Volkswagen Tigan parked on Priory Street had the windscreen smashed in. It is not known if anything has been stolen from within at this time.

07/05/2019 09:30 Unknown male suspect has damaged a black Volkswagen by scratching the vehicle when parked in Lacock.

<u>Vehicle Crime</u> – 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 have been liaising with neighbouring forces with regard to offences being possibly linked in other areas.

<u>Rogue Traders</u> – By law cold callers must provide a 14 day cooling off period in writing when providing a quote for work to be carried out, if not it is fraud. We have had a few reports whereby no paperwork has been issued when calling to carry out work and concerns are being raised if the prices quoted are too high and not reasonable. We have also been liaising with Trading Standards.

<u>Nottingham Knockers</u> - They are predominantly males from outside of Wiltshire, stating they have recently been released from prison and use homemade identification, they may look to target the elderly/vulnerable and are generally aggressive towards occupants when selling. They should be carrying an ID card and licence.

<u>Fraudulent notes</u> – We continue to receive a small amount of fraudulent £20 and £50 notes in circulation, please check your money and if concerned do speak to your Bank and or Police. Due to similar reports previously whereby counterfeit money have been used locally, we would like to take the opportunity to include information on how to identify a genuine note. There is useful information on the Bank of England website, see: <u>www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknotes</u>.

<u>Anti-social Behaviour (ASB)</u> – Police receive very few reports of ASB, however the Police will continue to monitor/focus on particular areas eg the Campus, Skatepark and parks and will liaise with agencies if necessary.

<u>Community Speed Watch</u> – As part of our weekly Sector Priorities, officers from the Community Policing Teams are tasked to carryout speed checks in various locations and within rural locations.

<u>Warrants</u> – 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.

<u>Other</u> - PCSO Tim Eddy has joined the Community Policing Team and will cover the rural villages, Box, Lacock, Gastard, Colerne and support PCSO Shaun Redmond who will continue to oversee Corsham.

<u>Area Board Reports</u> - The format of future Area Board reports will be changing to ensure that these are consistent across the force.

**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 <a href="mailto:CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk">CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</a>

If you are planning any event and require assistance from the Police to assist, please e-mail <a href="mailto:CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk">CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</a> 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 <a href="http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-events-toolkit.pdf">http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-events-toolkit.pdf</a>, 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 2671 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 cptnorthwiltshire@wiltshire.police.uk

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

Prepared by PC 1552 Hazel Anderson

Community Co-ordinator Corsham and Chippenham

Sector Head Insp 364 Mark Luffman: <u>mark.luffman@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</u>

Deputy Sector Head Ps 1577 Donald Pocock: donald.pocock@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk