



## **Police report**

Malmesbury Community Area Board November 2009

Malmesbury Town

### **Anti-Social Behaviour Station Yard Car Park**

This continues to be the most policed area of Malmesbury and in addition to this, local officers and the Road Policing Unit have carried out operations in the vicinity over recent months. The multi-agency work involving our key partners is progressing and improvements to the engineering of the site by Wiltshire Council are being considered along with other long-term improvements to the overall management of the area. Site meetings have taken place involving both the Wiltshire Council and Wiltshire Police. A further meeting is planned to take place on the 10<sup>th</sup> November 2009. It must be pointed out that we have seen a reduction in calls to the area regarding anti-social behaviour.

### **Anti-Social Behaviour in and around town centre**

I am pleased to announce that following the Malmesbury and Villages Area Partnership Community Safety Forum (NVCAP), we have as a group closed this priority. We have seen a great reduction in ASB within the town centre. This has been achieved by local police officers being in the right place, at the right time and for the right reasons. We can only achieve this with good community intelligence; therefore this success must be shared by both the community and the police.

### **Rural Villages**

Following recent consultation with members of the community, it has been highlighted that the villages surrounding Malmesbury town would like to see an increased police presence. For this reason the Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team has produced a patrol strategy that will ensure an increased visibility in the rural area. There is no doubt that an increased police presence does have the effect of reducing crime and ASB, therefore whenever possible, members of the NPT will work opposite shift patterns to ensure maximum coverage.

### **Ashton Keynes and Minety**

Excess speed has been identified as an issue on both the B4040 and the Spine Road at Ashton Keynes. A new Community Beat Manager (PC Simon Akers) took up post on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2009. He has spent the last nine years on the Roads Policing Unit and has a great passion for road safety. He is also fully trained with regard to all speed enforcement equipment; therefore his skills make him the ideal CBM to deal with this issue.



### **Community Speed Watch**

The process of how we undertake Community Speed Watch has now changed. The new process requires Parish Councils to highlight areas for CSW to the Community Area Board, the C.A.B. in partnership with Wiltshire Police will then decide on which parish takes priority. Wiltshire Police have now appointed a CSW liaison officer who is based at Police Headquarters in Devizes, this persons role includes both consulting with the Parish Councils, providing relevant training and finally the collation of speed returns. I am confident that this new approach will result in a far more professional service to the various parishes around Wiltshire.

### **Abstraction Rates of Community Beat Manager**

Over the past month, the CBM's for the Malmesbury area have been abstracted from the dedicated beat area for 27% of their duty time. This exceeds the target of 20%, these abstractions relate to the officers attending priority incidents within the town and surrounding villages. Therefore although abstracted from their dedicated beat area, they were not abstracted from the Community Area. To ensure we do not exceed this figure in the future, I have redeployed PC Phil Elliott from the Wootton Bassett Patrol Team to cover Malmesbury. Phil used to be the CBM for Ashton Keynes and Minety and is very much enjoying his new role.

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