

# Devizes Community Area Board

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## 1. Neighbourhood Policing Team

Sergeant: TPS 1800 Lou Morley

Town Centre: PC 2448 James Twyford  
PC 1386 Nicola Cross  
PCSO 6015 Paula Yarranton  
PCSO 6169 Kelly Watts  
PCSO 6188 Melissa Camilleri  
PCSO 3983 Sue Ellway  
PCSO 3965 Sam Burnside

Rural: PC 2252 Jo Newbery  
PCSO 6005 Fiona Marno  
PCSO 3971 Ellen Carter

## 2. Local Issues and crime:

During August and September 2016 PC Twyford and SPC/I Guy Sanders arranged targeted patrols concentrating on the issues of anti social driving and inconsiderate driving within the Devizes area. These targeted patrols have been highly successful and have resulted in Sec 59 Notices being served, the issue of Fixed Penalty Notices and vehicles being taken off the road.

Section 59 of the Police Reform Act 2002 provide uniformed police officers powers to deal with persons using mechanically propelled vehicles in an anti social manner, either on or off road. The officer must have reasonable grounds for believing that a mechanically propelled vehicle is being, or has been, used on any occasion in a manner which:  
contravenes section 3 or section 34 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 (careless and inconsiderate driving and prohibition of off road driving) AND is causing, or is likely to cause, alarm, distress or annoyance to members of the public. The police can seize the vehicle however a warning has to be issued first. It would appear these warnings alone have had a positive impact on the reduction of the anti social behaviour.

### 3. Wiltshire Police Control strategy

Below is the Wiltshire Police Control Strategy, this is used to highlight our policing priorities. As you can see these are areas of high risk which we need to concentrate on to protect the public.



### Cybercrime

#### What is cyber crime?

Cyber crime means digital crime (any crime that involves a computer and a network). The computer may have been used to;

- Commit the crime.
- Be the target of the crime.
- Facilitate the crime.

Offences can range from harassment, to fraud to sexual offences and it is important that we learn how to keep ourselves and others safe as a large amount of these crimes can be prevented.

[www.getsafeonline.org](http://www.getsafeonline.org) is a website that offers advice on how to use the web safely. The site provides information that can assist with things such as transferring money to being aware of Copy Cat websites.

Keeping children safe forms part of our force strategy, teaching them how to stay safe on line is a preventative measure to reduce the risk of potential exposure to the dangers of the internet. The Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre have created a website that aims to inform children in different age groups how to keep safe. It is also a useful tool to assist parents to communicate with their children. The site is [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk) and it has been endorsed by the national Crime Agency and Childline.

### Domestic Abuse

NPT play an important part in the investigation of Domestic Abuse. The team work closely with our Domestic Abuse Investigation Team (DAIT) based in Melksham and assist them with the safeguarding of victims. The NPT do this by working closely with external agencies such as

Housing and Family Services to ensure that any relevant information is shared enabling all of the agencies involved to support each individual according to their needs.

Domestic abuse can occur anywhere and may not be as overt as physical assaults that result in injury. There is new legislation that covers controlling or coercive behaviour so if you have concerns that domestic abuse is occurring then please report them.

The Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme (DVDS), also known as Clare's Law, is used to help anyone who is worried they, or someone they know, may be at risk of domestic abuse. If an individual believes their partner was abusive in a previous relationship, or is concerned that someone they know is with an abusive partner, the disclosure scheme explains how they can apply for information about the partner's history.

Application forms to access information via Clares Law can be found by visiting [WWW.Wiltshire.pnn.police](http://WWW.Wiltshire.pnn.police)

### **High Risk Victims**

The NPT are identifying and working with high risk victims on a daily bases. Victims can be deemed high risk for many reasons and examples of these are people with learning difficulties, domestic abuse victims, people with mental health conditions and the elderly. The NPT have formed close working relationships with other agencies to identify members of the community who may be at risk and are working together to reduce this risk.

### **High Risk Offenders**

The NPT have been working closely with our new dedicated Intelligence officers in order to identify our persistent and dangerous offenders. By working closely together they have been able to identify and prioritise problems areas that need close attention and positive action. This one team approach has been successful as everyone involved have the same objectives. If you have any information that can assist Wiltshire Police, you can report it to us directly using 101 or through Crimestoppers anonymously by telephone on 0800555111 or online at [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

## **4. Other issues**

PS Vince Logue has left NPT to take up a new role at police headquarters and his replacement is TPS Lou Morley who joined us on the 15 August 2016. Unfortunately PC Jon Bedbrook has left the police force to start a new career however we have been joined by a new member of the team PC Nicky Cross.

As of the 17 October 2016 Wiltshire Police will be implementing a new style of policing that will be rolled out over various towns within Wiltshire, including Devizes. The basic principle of the new way of working is that there will be a "One Team Approach". These are new and exciting times that will see Devizes police station becoming a hub of activity. The NPT team will be merging with the Response Teams and there will now be 24/7 cover from Devizes Borough. The new teams will now be known as Community Policing Teams (CPT). If you would like to discuss the implementation of CPT or have any questions regarding this new way of working then please contact TPS Lou MORLEY via e-mail [louise.morley@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:louise.morley@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk) or phone 101 Ex 77431800

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