

BRADFORD ON AVON AREA BOARD REPORT - MARCH 2018

Hello and welcome to this month's Community policing report.

This month's report will focus on Independent Advisory Groups (IAGs).

The primary role of an IAG is to act as a 'critical friend' to the Police. IAGs were created to work as genuine partners with the Police to inform improvements in service delivery with a particular focus on diversity and the protected characteristics as covered by the Equality Act 2000.

IAGs do not represent the views of the community as a whole, but of the individual IAG members. IAGs are only one part of the jigsaw of wide community consultation engagement.

What do IAGs do?

As critical friends, IAG members constructively advise and work with the Police as a genuine partner in driving service improvement. Members will challenge conventional thinking and giving an independent perspective on issues through a process of open discussion and feedback.

IAG members are not expected to provide 'specialist advice' on policing issues. Rather, they are designed to provide advice on how policing services may be, or are being perceived by communities. IAG members are not independent scrutinisers, as this function is carried out via existing established mechanisms.

What do members do?

- Give individual perception / advice on policy (including policy development), and practices, which impact on diverse communities.
- Provide a view on how particular police activities are likely to be perceived by communities, for example Stop & Search.
- Give a personal perspective as a person who is connected to a particular community IAG members do not speak on behalf of the community.
- Advise the police on cultural and other issues, specifically relevant to the community involved.
- Give post incident advice in regard to critical incidents, noting how the incident advice may differ in different communities and cultures.

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IAG Meetings

It is recommended that IAGs meet at least 4 times a year.

The IAG Chair and Coordinator will consult members and set meeting agendas.

The agenda can be informed from the information offered in the IAG information pack and will be updated at intervals in time for each meeting by the Strategic Service Improvement Department within Wiltshire Police.

The information pack will contain amongst other things, Hate Crime and Stop and Search activity data. If there is a rise in activity for example, members may wish to understand why and cover this as an agenda item.

A recent IAG recruitment campaign was conducted, and we are due to hold our first meeting in the beginning of April.

OTHER INFORMATION

Wiltshire Police has announced that Chief Constable Mike Veale till be stepping down in his role, and has accepted the role of Chief Constable for Cleveland Police. His last day with Wiltshire Police will be 4th March 2018. Mr. Veale has said "It's been a very difficult decision to make, after serving here in Wiltshire for 13 years and the wider West Country for almost 34 years. However, I feel it is the right time for a new

challenge and it is for that reason that I plan to make this move. I would like to publicly thank my officers and staff for their unwavering support for me during my tenure as Wiltshire Police Chief Constable".



Kier Pritchard will become Temporary Chief Constable. His appointment will be for a period of 12 months. Kier is an experienced senior Police Officer and will provide stability, innovation and build upon excellent foundations. Kier will take up the post of Temporary Chief Constable on Monday 5th March.

Paul Mills, who is currently an Assistant Chief Constable, has been appointed as Temporary Deputy Chief Constable.

Mr. Pritchard said "I'm delighted to be able to announce that Paul Mills will become Temporary Deputy Chief Constable as of Monday 5th March. The appointment of a Deputy provides additional stability to the Senior Leadership Team in the force and will allow us to continue to work closely with the Police and Crime Commissioner in meeting the priorities he has set for the Force within his Police and Crime Plan."





Craig Holden, who is currently a Superintendent, has been appointed as Temporary Assistant Chief Constable, as of Monday 5th March.



If you have any questions about any of the above, please contact PCC Angus Macpherson on: policeandcrimecommissioner@wiltshire.pcc.pnn.gov.uk

CRIME EXCEPTIONS DATA

These figures are based on an evaluation of data, over a two year rolling period. Using this data we can predict what figure is the average that should be reported in a specific month, and what are the higher and lower parameters that we may expect. Figures outside of these parameters are classed as 'Crime Exceptions'.

*** Domestic Abuse figures will also be included in the values as it is on our Control Strategy but here will be no details shared on these cases ***

JANUARY 2018 DATA

EA - Bradford on Avon Area (Town and Villages)

January 2018 showed a total of 50 crimes for the EA Area against the average of 56.3 for this same month over the last 2 years. There are no exceptions within the data. The three largest crime groups accounted for 88% of EA crime as follows;

Violence Against the person showed 14 crimes compared to the average of 15.3 Theft showed 19 crimes compared to the average of 23.3 Criminal Damage showed 11 crimes compared to the average of 10.3

These breakdown to the beat areas as follows;

EA11 (Bradford on Avon Town)

January 2018 showed a total of 32 crimes for the EA11 Area against the average of 35.3 for this same month over the last 2 years. There are no exceptions within the data. The three largest crime groups accounted for 91% of EA11 crime as follows;

> Violence Against the person showed 9 crimes compared to the average of 8.8 Theft showed 14 crimes compared to the average of 15.6 Criminal Damage showed 6 crimes compared to the average of 6.2

EA12 (Wingfield, Westwood, Limpley Stoke, Winsley, Monkton Farleigh, South Wraxall, Holt, Staverton)

January 2018 showed a total of 18 crimes for the EA12 Area against the average of 23 for this same month over the last 2 years. There are no exceptions within the data. The three largest crime groups accounted for 83% of EA12 crime as follows;

> Violence Against the person showed 5 crimes compared to the average of 6.5 Theft showed 5 crimes compared to the average of 4.7 Criminal Damage showed 5 crimes compared to the average of 4.3

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FEBURARY 2018 DATA

EA - Bradford on Avon Area (Town and Villages)

February 2018 showed a total of 62 crimes for the whole EA Area against the average of 56.1 for this same month over the last 2 years. There are no exceptions within the data. The three largest crime groups accounted for 87% of EA crime as follows;

Theft showed 32 crimes compared to the average of 23.7 Violence Against the person showed 12 crimes compared to the average of 14.9 Criminal Damage showed 10 crimes compared to the average of 10

EA11 (Bradford on Avon Town)

February 2018 showed a total of 43 crimes for the EA11 Area against the average of 35.3 for this same month over the last 2 years. There are no exceptions within the data. The three largest crime groups accounted for 88% of EA11 crime as follows;

Theft showed 24 crimes compared to the average of 15.9 Criminal Damage showed 8 crimes compared to the average of 6.2 Violence Against the person showed 6 crimes compared to the average of 8.4

EA12 (Wingfield, Westwood, Limpley Stoke, Winsley, Monkton Farleigh, South Wraxall, Holt, Staverton)

February 2018 showed a total of 19 crimes for the EA12 Area against the average of 20.8 for this same month over the last 2 years. There are no exceptions within the data. The three largest crime groups accounted for 84% of EA12 crime as follows;

Theft showed 8 crimes compared to the average of 7.8 Violence Against the person showed 6 crimes compared to the average of 6.5 Criminal Damage showed 2 crimes compared to the average of 4

OTHER INFORMATION

WEEKLY TASKING MEETING

Inspector Andy FEE chairs a weekly internal "tasking meeting" where emerging community issues and concerns are raised and discussed for the whole West Wiltshire CPT area. From this meeting, priorities and actions are set and a tasking document produced. This involves developing strategies and the targeting of resources (including partner agencies) into tackling the issue or concern.

Currently the focus for the Bradford on Avon Board Area is burglary, particularly Dwelling Burglary. Following several reports of confirmed and attempt burglaries in Bradford Town, and Staverton areas both high visibility and plain clothes patrols have been taking place during night time hours. This has led to a significant result as documented below.

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BURGLARY ARRESTS UPDATE

Officers are investigating a series of burglaries in Trowbridge, Melksham, Bradford on Avon and Westbury areas which have all occurred in the last few weeks. In the majority of the burglary cases, offenders have entered a property via an insecurity (mainly the front door) or able to obtain front door/car keys via access through the letterbox

As a result, 4 males, 3 of them juveniles, were arrested on the 27th February in connection to the investigation. The CTT (Community Tasking Team) took on responsibility for coordinating the investigation. The update so far;

Two teenagers have been charged following a series of arrests relating to car key burglaries in west Wiltshire.

A 17-year-old from Warminster has been charged with aggravated taking a vehicle without consent, driving while disqualified and driving without insurance. He has been bailed and is due to appear at Salisbury Youth Court next month. He was also arrested on suspicion of burglary and has been released on conditional bail pending further enquiries.

A 17-year-old from Trowbridge has been charged with aggravated taking a vehicle without consent. He has been bailed and is due to appear at Salisbury Youth Court next month. He was also arrested on suspicion of burglary and has been released on conditional bail pending further enquiries.

A 16-year-old and 19-year-old, both from Trowbridge, who were arrested on suspicion of burglary, have been released on conditional bail.

To improve the security in and around your home, we are asking residents to remember the following advice:

- Lock your doors and windows every time you leave the house, and make sure you have approved locks or bolts on all doors and windows
- Use a timer to set lights to mimic your usual activity when you are not home.
- If you buy large or valuable items such as a bicycle, ensure any serial numbers are registered with <u>www.immobilise.com</u>
- Ensure keys and handbags are not on display in your premises
- Always report any suspicious activity, note any vehicle registrations, descriptions of persons involved and direction of travel
- Make sure any bolts on garden gates are low enough so that they cannot be opened by reaching over the top of the gate
- Never leave a key in a hiding place like in a plant pot or letterbox a thief knows all the hiding places.

COMMUNITY MESSAGING

We continue to use this service to give up-to-date and timely crime updates and information as well as public appeals for information and security/safety advice.

PLEASE SIGN UP! Community messaging to receive regular emails regarding crime updates, crime prevention advice and public appeals specific for your area. - <u>https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/</u>

<u>EVENTS</u>

For those looking to organize an even within the community, please have a look at the toolkit available from Wiltshire Council, which gives guidance and advice with regards to most types of events, including information about traffic management and which agencies / departments need to be contacted when applying for various licenses / road closures. It can be found at <u>http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-events-toolkit.pdf</u>

> For a detailed breakdown of the crime in your area visit... https://www.police.uk/wiltshire/

CONTACT US

Please use 999 in an emergency or crime in progress. Use 101 for all past or non-urgent crimes/incidents and issues or visit Wiltshire Police's new website at;

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

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