

Chippenham Community Policing Report Community Area Board – 19th 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/

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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.

<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.



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LOCAL ISSUES/CRIMES

Burglaries - Chippenham remains a very safe place to live, I am pleased to report that due to the pro-active work carried out the number of reports have reduced significantly. There has a been a couple of reports of burglaries in rural villages whereby properties are insecure during early evening allowing easy access and as a result jewellery, TV, cash and a handbag was stolen from the various homes. We would like to take the opportunity to remind home owners to lock their doors in particular if they are upstairs on in their rear garden, by taking this preventative measure could prevent them from becoming a victim.

A 47 year old male from Audley Road was arrested and charged with entering One Stop Shop, Market Place, he reached behind the counter and stole a plastic bag containing £300 in cash. He appeared in Court on 7th March 2018. He was remanded on conditional bail until 14/03/2018 at 09:30 hours at Swindon Magistrates.

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

<u>Theft</u> – We have had a few reports of purses being stolen from handbags whilst shoppers have been in Chippenham town centre. Police would like to remind members of the public to close their bags at all times ensuring that their purse or wallet is not easily accessible, when not being used and not to leave their bags unattended in shopping trolleys when selecting their shopping.

<u>Warrants</u> – We continue to develop intelligence by adopting a joint multiagency approach to assist with the preparation of further warrants in the future, so they may be executed in line with the Force Control Strategy.

Drugs – A 21 year old male from Chippenham was stopped and searched and subsequently arrested on suspicion of Possession of a controlled drug with the intent to supply. He was later released from Custody under investigation.

A number of Cannabis Street Warnings have been issued by officers as a result of Section 23 Misuse of Drugs Act stop searches.

Rough Sleepers/Street Drinkers - Chippenham CPT focused on rough sleepers and in particular encouraged them during the cold weather to engage with agencies and to facilitate alternative sleeping arrangements. We continue to have close contact with the Outreach Worker, Probation, Housing Options and Unity House. The Police Community Co-ordinator and PCSOs recently attended training at Monkton Park where Housing Options at Wiltshire Council delivered guidance/training on the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 to various agencies.

<u>ASB – Toilet, Bath Road car park</u> - A meeting was held on 12th January with various agencies, Police carried out routine checks of the location when time permits to disrupt any activity other than the purpose it should serve! The use of the mobile CCTV van proved valuable and it was left in situ within the car park to act as another deterrent which I believe has proved successful.

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<u>ASB</u> –This has been discussed at our weekly Sector Priorities meetings and officers have been carrying out targeted 'pulse patrols' in a number of locations due to reports of ASB in these locations namely; Emery Gate car park, Olympiad, the Old Wiltshire College building, Monkton Park. Pulse patrols have been introduced to offer reassurance to the community and to deliver a clear message that ASB will not be tolerated. Home visits along with letters to parents are being introduced. A multi-agency meeting took place to discuss a way forward regarding large groups congregating outside the Olympiad. Youth Club is held at the Olympiad every Friday evening and other options have been explored for example the use of the Café etc. There is a multi-agency meeting due to take place on the 15th March to discuss a number of issues highlighted within the Emery Gate car park to improve the current situation for those who use the facility.

<u>Pubwatch</u> - Officers continue to be encouraged to carryout Licensed Premises checks. 'Pubwatch' continue to hold meetings which is excellent news and PCSO Barbara Young attends as our single point of contact for the Licensed Premises and the Police.

<u>Other</u> – 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 <u>Tuesday 27th</u> <u>March 2018 at 1830hrs</u> 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.

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 <u>CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</u>

If you are planning any event and require assistance from the Police to assist, please e-mail <u>CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</u> 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.

The Force now has a dedicated cybercrime Facebook page. If there are any local businesses who would value having this information do please e-mail <u>CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</u>.

In addition to the Wiltshire Police website, Chippenham CPT has 5320 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 <u>cptnorthwiltshire@wiltshire.police.uk</u>

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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