

SOUTH WILTSHIRE COMMUNITY POLICING TEAM – MARCH 2019

Sector Head: Insp Pete Sparrow Sector Deputy: Sgt John Hutchings

A very warm welcome to the fifth edition of the South Wiltshire Community Policing Team Area Board report.

As usual, this report encompasses the entire South Wiltshire CPT within its pages with the idea being that it will give a much greater understanding of the issues facing South Wiltshire as a whole community, rather than in isolation by single area.

My policing team operate on the basis of 'One Team' and as such, resources are moved around on a daily basis according to demand. Whilst each Police Officer and our PCSO's will still retain ownership of a given area in terms of longer term problem solving approaches, the very nature of policing and answering calls for service often dictate that officers are brought together from the wider area to respond to given circumstances. This has always been and will continue to be the case.

Once again and moving forward, I will continue to report on the efforts of our Special Constabulary without whom our job would be very much more difficult and as such we are so incredibly proud of our Special Constabulary Officers.

The time they give, the effort they make, the results they produce, the confidence and support they provide to both colleagues and our communities is nothing short of incredible.

The document is broken down in to 6 parts:

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- 3. Community Engagement How to contact us and where we are due to be.
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Operation Fairline / Fortis Update

I am very much hoping that this will be the last update on this operation. As we quickly approach the anniversary of this incident unfolding, announcements have now been made regarding the current state of the clean-up process for the remaining police controlled site at Christie Miller Road. This will soon see a removal of the policing requirement for the cordon and will be a welcome relief for the teams who have supported the operation through abstractions or overtime.



DS Nick Bailey – Many of you have offered get well wishes for DS Bailey over the last 12 months and we were all really pleased to see his return to work in January. We all wish him well moving forward. Nick made a decision a few weeks ago that he wanted to give back to the Intensive Care Unit at Salisbury District Hospital where he received such fantastic lifesaving care and as such he immediately signed up to run the Salisbury Marathon in August 2019. In just a few short weeks he has raised an amazing £9170 and donations continue to flood in.

If you would like to support him in this, he has set up a Just Giving page for donations to the Stars Appeal which can be reached using the following link:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/nickbailey1772?utm_id=124

Staffing

I am currently responsible for the 10 Community Policing Teams across the southern area. These are based at Salisbury and Amesbury police stations with 5 teams in each covering a 24/7 365 duty pattern.

Each team is made up of Police Officers, Police Community Support Officers, Local Crime Investigators, and uniquely in the south, the Prisoner Transport Team. Central to these officers are my Community Coordinators who are very much the heart of the team and whom many of you will know on first name terms.

In addition to these officers we have some 40 Special Constables who are aligned to the teams. They will try to work predominantly with their aligned team but can slot in anywhere around their availability.

Of course the deployability of these officers will depend on sickness, training, external commitments etc etc. so the actual numbers will vary almost on a day to day basis. Whilst I would love to list them all, I have limited the information to the officers that make up the immediate community team whom have the closest relationships and links with our communities, those being our Community Policing Coordinators and PCSO's. These officers are pivotal in maintaining strong working relationships with the whole community, be it business or public and they all work exceptionally hard at doing just that. I would like to welcome those latest officers joining us and have highlighted a few below. I am sure that you will quickly get to know them and together we can continue to help keep Wiltshire as being one of the safest counties in the country.

During the first week in March we welcome two new local crime investigators to the team and in May we will see the arrival of 5 new police officers to the South. We also have several new PCSO's joining the team who are currently in their tutorship. I welcome their addition to our vibrant and diverse team and look forward to you meeting them on their given areas.

Salisbury

Pc 1792 Al Cromwell - Coordinator Pc 2687 Caroline Ralph - Coordinator PCSO 3951 Val BROWN - City Centre



PCSO 8686 Gareth JAMES - City Centre

PCSO 9465 John Taylor – City Centre

PCSO 3985 Laura KING - Southampton Road and the Friary

PCSO 8704 Kady GREEN - Castle Road and Bishopdown

PCSO 8195 Kim ORZA - Bemerton Heath

PCSO 9001 Matthew MURRAY - Churchfields and St Pauls

PCSO 6025 Simon WARD - Harnham

South Rural

Pc 1157 Matt HOLLAND - Coordinator

PCSO 6227 Matt SMITH - Downton Rural

PCSO 6314 Nicola CLARK - Wilton Town/Rural

PCSO 6150 Jenny MOSS – Laverstock and Old Sarum

PCSO 8076 Simon NASH - Alderbury Rural

Amesbury

Pc 1596 Lucy WILEMAN - Coordinator

PCSO 8098 Pippa BREWER – Durrington, Larkhill, Bulford and Figheldean

PCSO 9031 Luke George - Ludgershall

PCSO 9362 Jonathan Akehurst - Tidworth / Ludgershall

PCSO 3972 Levi MORPHY - Amesbury Town

PCSO 9364 Mark DOUSE – Amesbury Town

PCSO 6623 Amy JONES – Ludgershall

PCSO 6716 Luke HOSKEN – Tidworth

PCSO 3961 Tina ROYLANCE - Amesbury Rural

Contact Us

Contacting Wiltshire Police by phone -101 should be used for non-emergencies such as:

- Reporting a non-urgent crime or incident (unless the crime or incident is in progress, when you should dial 999)
- Contacting local officers
- Making us aware of policing issues in your local area (consider email as below)
- Making an appointment with a police officer
- For any other non-emergency, such as making a complaint

999 should be used for an emergency, when a crime is happening, someone suspected of a crime is nearby, someone is injured, being threatened or in danger.

You can also contact local officers about non-urgent issues via **email – General Community Policing enquiries -** <u>CPTSouthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</u>



For crime updates and local policing news via email, please sign up to our **Community Messaging** scheme at –

www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

You can also follow us on Facebook – search 'Salisbury Police' 'Amesbury Police' or 'Tidworth Police' or On Twitter - @SouthWiltsCPT

Community Engagement

I am once again pleased to report that since my last attendance at all Area Boards where I promised that if you asked, we would endeavour to deliver; this has been achieved yet again. I would encourage your members to continue to engage with our CPT staff either individually or via the e-mail inbox with requests for attendance to specific events.

This is a key area of our work and comes in many forms, from our physical presence on the traditional beat or through PULSE patrols, to our mobile and cycle patrols as well of course as our social media footprint. Our Social Media following in the South is the largest outside of Swindon and is testament to the quality of the information that we are reporting. Very often, ongoing incidents, updates and results will be broadcast on **Facebook** and **Twitter** and if you do not yet follow us in this form, I would urge you to do so.

Wherever possible our teams are engaging with the community at every level and one of these ways is through community consultations, where a member of staff will be made available to speak to our community on any given day and time. These consultations are a great way to meet and greet my staff that are local to you and are a great way for you to raise any issues that you may have directly with an officer or PCSO at that time.

Community Consultations will take place at the following venues and dates:

Waitrose, Churchill Way – Dates to be confirmed via social media and messaging, 1400 x 1600hrs

Salisbury Charter Market – Dates to be confirmed via social media and messaging, 1000 x 1200hrs

Salisbury Library - Dates to be confirmed via social media and messaging.

Downton - Wednesday 13th March Landford Parish Council, 1915hrs Landford Village Hall – Matt Holland / Simon Nash

Dates and times will be advertised through social media and community messaging so please make sure that you follow us to receive them. Further venues across the area are being sought at the moment and if you have any event or venue suggestions please let us know via the CPT e-mail listed above and we will endeavor to be there!



Neighbourhood Tasking Meetings

The next Tidworth/Ludgershall NTG is planned for May 14th at the Garrison Theatre in Tidworth at 1430hrs.

An NTG is in the initial stages of being developed in the Southern Area Board at this time.

Amesbury Rural's next meeting is planned for 20th March 2019.

Amesbury/Durrington/Bulford/Larkhill & Figheldean NTG Thursday 28th March 19.00 at Amesbury Police Station.

Independent Advisory Group (IAG)

This year has seen the development and setting up of the first IAG for the South of the County which sits 4 times a year. This group is made up of members of the public from a diverse background to assist us as an organisation with advice from the ground on certain aspects of our work. This has included consultation on the use of Spit Hoods for example to see how such items of equipment might be viewed by our communities and this source of feedback has proved very useful.

Spit Hoods have now been agreed for use by trained officers and their use will be rolled out over coming months.

This is particularly poignant given that one of my officers was assaulted only last week by being spat at in addition to being kicked.

Our next local IAG meeting is planned for 7th March 2019.

If you would like to be considered for joining this group, there is a formal application process and the numbers are limited but please get in touch.

Particular Issues and Crime Series

Salisbury City.

As previously reported, over the Christmas period, we unfortunately experienced significant disruption to the Christmas Market as a result of the activities of a group of unruly youths who were fighting and causing much ASB around the city. This activity was resource draining and resulted in our having to issue Sect 35 ASB exclusion orders for the city on several occasions over the period. These exclusions were robustly enforced resulting in the arrest of one of the ringleaders for breaching it and another for an assault which occurred during the same period of disruption. Both youths have been charged for their part in the incidents and more youths are being spoken to in relation to the



same. As is typical with such things, the larger group is attracted by a small number of ringleaders and we are working with our partners in diverse ways to target these individuals with a view to breaking the cycle of behaviour.

UPDATE - All identified youths involved in these incidents have now been identified and have either been issued Antisocial Behaviour Contracts or are being managed in other ways in partnership with colleagues from Wiltshire Council.

As a result, issues within the City Centre have been significantly reduced since the height over Christmas / New Year and no further Sect 35 notices have been required during the intervening period.

We have also worked with McDonalds over recent weeks to find ways to reduce the offending behaviour that has been associated with their premises in Winchester Street. This too has seen a significant reduction in incidents being recorded in regards to calls for service. We will continue with this relationship over coming weeks and months to ensure that together we are getting it right.

Salisbury City Centre CCTV has continued to be instrumental in the recording and reporting of crime over the last few weeks and operators in the control centre have been working hard with us to prevent and detect crime with some fantastic results. More volunteers have come forward to assist in this and this will hopefully see increased availability of staff to manage the systems live.

The images and footage available are usually of excellent quality and we will continue to work alongside SCC and Salisbury BID in keeping Salisbury safe.

<u>Dangerous Drug Networks (DDN's)</u> – This will continue to be a regular feature within these reports and I make no apology for that. DDN's continue to infiltrate the south of the county pedalling drugs and preying on our most vulnerable within the community. This is a struggle that unhappily we will continue for some considerable time I fear, with our 'wins' only ever stemming the flow for short periods. Such is the resolve of the drug barons, that they poke and prod our communities for any slight weakness which is quickly and decisively exploited.

We cannot be complacent in our effort and attention to this area of our business, as the tendrils of drug addiction and the destructive behaviour that it breeds are prevalent in every town on our area.

Closure orders continue to be an effective tool to assist in the prevention of crime and safeguarding of the vulnerable within the City Centre.

Recent activity in this area of our business has again seen some fantastic results from excellent policing skills and community led intelligence which is absolutely key to keeping the pressure on such insidious activity.

Any intelligence in this regard is always welcome and can be fed in to the system via speaking to an officer or member of staff, e-mail or through **Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111**.



Harnham

PCSO Simon Ward has been away from the area for a couple of months due to some planned surgery, but will hopefully be returning soon. In his absence his colleagues have been keeping tabs on things and I am happy to report that there are no emerging issues that are giving us cause for concern.

South Rural

- Lead Thefts Downton and nearby villages from houses and buildings.

 Additional patrols to deter and detect thefts of roofing lead. This is a cross border problem and persons of interest are being looked at. Enquiries continue in relation to a suspect vehicle and persons reported on in the previous report. Once again community intelligence is key to the detention of these offences and all information is gratefully received on people and vehicles that prick your interest or seem suspicious in your community. Photographs and good descriptions are always welcome.
- Burglaries to outbuildings (garages/ sheds etc) Targeted patrols in hotspots currently Grimsteads, Redlynch, Landford and Hamptworth to deter/ detect offences. Ongoing investigations and cross border intel sharing to identify offenders.

There have been several incidents over the last few days especially in relation to outbuildings being targeted overnight. Our immediate response to this will vary according to the nature of the report received and whether the offence falls in to a Burglary category of one of Theft and of course whether it is a crime in progress.

We are always looking to provide the best service possible with the available resources at our disposal and whilst in some cases this will be minimal, I do hope that the content of this report will go some way to helping you understand that a phenomenal amount of work goes on within the whole team, both at the front end of immediate response work as well as the slower paced investigations in the background.

RESULT - A good result was recently broadcast regarding the successful prosecution of a catapult wielding offender who randomly targeted a property in Coombe Bissett late last year. Again we will always look at following the evidence and wherever possible we will prosecute persons who are found committing offences when appropriate. Good private CCTV availability was hugely instrumental in securing this prosecution as it made a denial difficult to achieve.

Amesbury and Tidworth

<u>Target Patrols Tidworth/Ludgershall and surrounding areas</u>

Following the Neighbourhood Tasking Meeting held on 5th February continued reassurance patrols were agreed for Tidworth Leisure Centre, Empress Way and Millenium Park due to continued



concerns around anti-social behaviour. Since 22^{nd} February some 22 patrols have been undertaken on the area.

Drugs activity has been highlighted around Wellington Academy and the surrounding areas and we are working with the school and our partners to seek ways to detect and deter this behaviour.

We will continue to undertake these patrols and our communities can expect increased police activity with stop and search powers being used where appropriate.

RESULT - Such activity resulted in the arrest of a driver for drug driving in recent weeks as well as evidence of dealing. The driver has been released under investigation pending forensic results.

Target Patrols Amesbury and surrounding areas

Patrols continue in identified areas around Amesbury. Reassurance foot patrol around Muggleton Road, especially as we approach the anniversary of the Salisbury incident.

New patrol commenced on 3rd March at Clarendon Junior & Infant School. Some issues of asb have been reported.

Community Speedwatch

Amesbury and Salisbury have now combined this priority and actively engage both in company with and independently of CSW teams. Communities have reported back positively with regard to the visible police presence this affords them and this activity will continue across the South.

Current locations for the next 2 weeks are:

Salisbury -Woodfalls - B3080 The Ridge

Landford - Lyndhurst Rd/ New Rd

Amesbury-Porton - near Winterslow Rd jnct Collingbourne Kingston – near Cuckoo Pen Close Stapleford

Special Constabulary Update

Our SPC's continue to provide fantastic support to the local policing teams across the county and in particular the South.



January and February 2019 has seen an incredible 1353 hours provided by our specials teams and as I type this this evening, some 8 officers are gathering at Bournehill for some targeted activity in the South of the County. They will be looking at driving offences and patrolling the rural areas with a view to stopping suspicious vehicles. This could not have happened tonight, without their dedication to our community and this is indicative of every duty hour they provide.

Items of Note

Planning is well under way for significant events occurring in Salisbury and the South over coming months which will keep the CPT very busy!

Anniversary of the Novichock attack will bring with it some significant media attention which again will be aired on the international stage. Hopefully once this is behind us we look to move forward as a community and get out from under the shadow that it has cast over the south during that time.

Forthcoming events such as Spring Equinox, the commencement of Salisbury Races, Antiques Roadshow, OVO Cycle Race and National Armed Forces Day / Weekend are just some of the events that the CPT will be involved with in a larger or smaller degree and we are looking forward to the opportunities these will provide to showcase the beautiful South of the County and the hard working and dedicated Community Policing Team that serves to Keep South Wiltshire Safe.

Our Community Tasking Team, (who are officers drawn from the South CPT and CID who look at series or high profile jobs on behalf of the wider team), have had some excellent results produced from dedication and dogged determination in their investigation of offences and offenders.

They often work in plain clothes and support the work of their colleagues in uniform.

Whilst I cannot be specific, their activity has resulted over recent weeks in the re-imprisonment of an absconder from prison who has been on the run for 6 years! This was a case that started in the South and the evidence took the team to London where during the course of the investigation the outstanding offender was discovered and arrested.

On another case; working in partnership with neighboring forces, the National Crime Agency and Interpol, a burglary series has been detected with forensic evidence linking suspects to offences across the country.

They are regularly and consistently instrumental in the detection of crimes related to the DDN networks across the south as well as other series including shoplifting and bilkings.

Operation Artemis

This is the ongoing rural crime operation overseen by the Rural Crime Team for the county. They will arrange for specific patrols during he course of the year in cooperation with and supported by the farming community with a view to tackling, deterring and detecting overnight rural crimes.



Further operations are being planned for coming months.

The Ministry of Defence Policing Team

A recent development due to growing demand across the Salisbury Plain Training Area (SPTA) has been the re-introduction of the MDP contingent who are based out of West Down Camp.

For those of you who use the SPTA regularly for leisure will no doubt notice an increased policing presence off road and this is likely to be the officers patrolling from that team.

We very much welcome their renewed presence and are committed to working in partnership to provide a good level of service to users of this facility both military and civilian.

To that end a joint operation was launched on February 10th which saw officers from MDP, South CPT, and some of our Specialist Roads Policing Special Constables coming together for some education and enforcement activity on the day.

As a result of the operation which only actually lasted for 4 hours on the ground, 1 person was dealt with for Driving Whilst Disqualified, 1 vehicle was seized for No Insurance, 3 vehicles found to have defects were issued with Defect Rectification Notices and 2 persons were issued with Fixed Penalty Notices for Driving Elsewhere Other Than a Road, 2 people were issued with Sect 59 ASB Warnings and several people were given verbal warnings or advice on other minor road traffic matters.

These fantastic results over a short period of time on a busy Sunday are a snapshot of the issues being regularly reported around poor driver behaviour of those using the area for leisure which is upsetting for military operations and lawful, respectful users of this military land.

The social media coverage of this post reached some 50,000 people with the majority of comments being in favour of the positive activity and the reasons behind it.

Our message has always been that the rules of the road apply both on and off the plain and drivers who are legal and considerate are welcome to enjoy this area and the challenges it offers to off road enthusiasts. Unlawful respectful users however will be targeted and dealt with appropriately using the many sanctions available to the policing teams.







MDP, CPT, RPU, Officers gather at Tidworth Police Station. Vehicle seized being driven with no insurance.



Movember Emergency Services Winners Trophy



Cadets Assisting at an indoor picnic at City hall







Light hearted snowball fight that reached 50,000 Facebook users!

Officers attending the scene of an crashed car – Devizes Rd.

Pete Sparrow
Inspector South Wiltshire
John Hutchings
Acting Inspector South Wiltshire