

**Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board  
Community Safety Forum – Report to Area Board March 2022**

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**Overview**

The Community Safety Forum was set up during the height of the Covid-19 Lockdown to bring together appointed representatives of the Towns and Parishes and the Area Board Members with the local Wiltshire Police Inspector and the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Station Manager (Swindon West & North East Wiltshire – Westlea, RWB & Cricklade).

The group continues to meet virtually on the second Friday of the month.

Police and Fire priorities and issues are discussed, along with any general concerns arising from the parishes.

There will generally also be a main topic of interest with a presentation and speaker.

Notes of the meetings are sent to those present to be shared as they wish within their own parishes/organisations.

**Recent Meetings**

**JAN 2022**

<b>Key Topic</b>	<p><b>Wiltshire Police Contact Management Centre</b> <b>Inspector Doug Downing</b></p> <p>Contact Management Centre includes 999, 101, online crime reporting and Front Desks eg Gablecross 230 staff - high attrition rate as seen to be route into police force (2 leave pcm) Cannot work from home. Lots of training. Demand has increased lately, 32,000 phone calls in December and 2,500 online reports which have to be analysed for threat/harm/risk which takes time and trained staff. About 60% of cases an officer is sent out.</p>
<b>Police update</b>	<p>Inspector Brain back in our sector now. Been focussing on speeding inc Latton</p>
<b>DWFRS</b>	<p>Encourage motorists to defrost windscreen before starting out</p>
<b>Parish/Town issues</b>	<p>Speeding Noisy cars Covid restriction enforcement Thanks to PCSOs for their good work</p>

**FEB 2022**

<b>Key Topic</b>	<p><b>Speeding and Community Speed Watch</b> <b>Cllr John Derryman – Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner</b></p> <p>John has taken on the co-ordination of Community Speed Watch in Wiltshire on a volunteer basis. His initial focus is on setting up a proactive network of area based CSW Team Leaders to work together to sort out issues with the current CSW system, to raise awareness via Social Media campaigns, road safety weeks. There will be quarterly meetings (hopefully face to face), support and training.</p>
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	The idea is to promote CSW as a positive participant in improving road safety by being highly visible. Understands the need to rebuild trust in the processing of data gathered by CSW teams and to rekindle dormant CSWs and set up new ones.
<b>Police update</b>	Cannabis factory shut down in RWB Clamping down on drug dealing Motorists with dirty number plates Tackling speeding
<b>DWFRS</b>	Recruitment Campaign ongoing for Cricklade, with “Have a Go” days being organised, particularly aimed at attracting more women and ethnic minority recruits No fires in January
<b>Parish/Town issues</b>	New project starting in RWB from half term to help young people with issues including drugs. This will be in conjunction with a number of partners including Rise Trust and will be advertised on noticeboards and social media

The March meeting will be held virtually on March 11<sup>th</sup> – the main topic will be SIDs.

Report from Cllr Allison Bucknell.  
March 2022