

# Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Melksham Community Area Board 040412



## 1. Neighbourhood Policing

**Team Sgt:** PS Dave Hobman (currently Acting Sector Head)

### **Town Centre Team**

Beat Manager – PC Fulbrook-Smith (currently Acting NPT Sgt)

PCSO – Debbie Huntley

PCSO – Helen Wilson

PCSO – Christopher Pugh

### **Rural North Team**

Beat Manager – PC Barry Dalton

PCSO – Janet Gould

PCSO - Maggie Ledbury

### **Rural South Team**

Beat Manager – PC Emily Thomas

PCSO Rose Baldock

## 2. NPTs - Current Priorities & Consultation Opportunities:

Up-to-date details about Neighbourhood Policing Teams including team membership, current priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on our Wiltshire Police Website.

□ Visit the new and improved website at: [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk)

## 3. Police Authority Representative: Mr Angus Macpherson

Please contact via Wiltshire Police Authority Tel. 01380 734022 or

<http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp>

## 4. Performance and Other Local Issues

An area of concern at this time is the significant increase in the thefts from motor vehicles. Offenders seem to target those vehicles where valuables are left on show within the vehicle and those that are left insecure.

While this appears to be a trend of crime throughout our County it is affecting far too many people in our area and there are ways **we** can reduce the likelihood of becoming victims of these offences.

- It is vital that vehicle owners remove valuables from their cars and vans when not in use and particularly when leaving them overnight. Don't just hide valuables – take them indoors.
- Make sure the vehicle is secure and preferably parked in a well lit area, overlooked by homes or road users. Thieves will always look for the easy target.

- Report suspicious activity near your homes and around your vehicles
- Encourage others to take on this advice.

Wiltshire Police are dedicating additional resources to tackling these issues but your attention and action will be the key to reducing further offences.

**CRIME & DETECTIONS (February 2011-January 2012 compared to previous year)**

<b>Melksham</b>	<b>Crime</b>				<b>Detections</b>	
	February 2010 - January 2011	February 2011 - January 2012	Volume Change	% Change	February 2010 - January 2011	February 2011 - January 2011
Violence Against the Person	251	240	-11	-4%	55%	50%
Dwelling Burglary	52	35	-17	-33%	19%	11%
Criminal Damage	236	228	-8	-3%	23%	21%
Non Dwelling Burglary	87	93	6	7%	10%	2%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	68	83	15	22%	0%	1%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	25	23	-2	-8%	12%	22%
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>1168</b>	<b>1187</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>25%</b>
<b>Total ASB</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>1011</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>4%</b>		

Wiltshire Police are compared against a group of 8 most similar forces. Wiltshire Police have performed better than peers for All Crime and for Violent Crime in the previous 12 month period (Jan 2011 - Dec 2011)

\*Total Crime comprises all Crime Groupings listed above and also includes Theft and Handling, Fraud and Forgery, Robbery and Sexual Offences

\*\* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution

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