



## **Bradford on Avon Community Area Board July 2012**

### **1. Neighbourhood Policing**

#### **Current Priorities:**

Up-to-date details of the current news about Neighbourhood Policing Teams including profiles, priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on the Wiltshire Police Website.

📄 Visit the website at: [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk)

#### **Team News:**

PC Jamie Darvill remains at Bradford-on-Avon at this time as PS Chris Hams is on restricted duties within the Sector.

From 23 July 2012, PCSO Laura Humphreys will be moving to Trowbridge and PCSO Joe Leeds will be joining the Bradford-on-Avon team. Laura has contributed greatly to the Bradford-on-Avon community and will surely be missed.

Joe is an experienced member of the team at Trowbridge. Joe will bring a different dynamic to Bradford-on-Avon to build upon Laura's successes.

**Cllr. Paul Sample** is Member of the Wiltshire Police Authority and has the responsibility for overseeing policing matters in the Community Area.

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

## 2. Performance

**Vehicle crime** remains an issue across the area. The most common offence is theft from cars where sadly the owner has left the vehicle insecure, even if the car is parked on a driveway!

Property stolen and favoured by the thief include Sat Navs, sunglasses, briefcases and cash. All these items are either in full view or in the glovebox.

A number of people have been arrested for thefts, but cars are still being broken into. Residents are urged to lock their cars, to be vigilant and to report (at the time) any suspicious activity.

The local team is aware of those who are committing such crime and will continue to stop them by lawful and proportionate tactics. Additional staff are being deployed, some in plain clothes, to catch those responsible. Theft from motor vehicles will not be tolerated!

**Violence Against the Person (VAP)** is another crime that, unfortunately, is happening mostly within the town area. These are not normally random assaults but are between those who know each other and are sometimes in a relationship. This is a concerning issue for police and one that increases fear and uncertainty amongst the community. The problems are not directly linked to the 'night time economy' but do impact on those who are law abiding and enjoying a night out.

The focus on reducing violent crime will remain. However, it requires a partnership approach between the police and the community, sending a clear message to perpetrators that violence will not be tolerated.

Anyone subject to or a witness to assaults (physical or non-physical) need to report what's happening as this is unacceptable behaviour and will be addressed either by the police or by, and with, other agencies.

**Anti Social Behaviour (ASB)** is reducing (as indicated in the table below). It does however remain as a NPT priority.

The local NPT is working with partners to target with those who make other people lives difficult and open to abuse. This work is continuing.

Previously a 12 month comparison was given, however the force cannot currently rely on ASB data prior to April 2011. The ASB data below has been amended and is now a Year to Date comparison with the previous year (April 12 – May 12 compared to April 11 to May 11).

**Lisette Harvey  
Sector Commander  
5 July 2012**

<b>EA11 Bradford on Avon Town</b>	<b>Crime</b>				<b>Detections*</b>	
	June 2010 - May 2011	June 2011 - May 2012	Volume Change	% Change	June 2010 - May 2011	June 2011 - May 2012
Victim Based Crime	294	400	106	36%	16%	9%
Domestic Burglary	14	13	-1	-7%	14%	15%
Non Domestic Burglary	45	39	-6	-13%	0%	0%
Vehicle Crime	15	56	41	273%	13%	0%
Criminal Damage & Arson	35	23	-12	-34%	26%	22%
Violence Against The Person	23	30	7	30%	113%	53%
ASB Incidents	51	46	-5	-10%		
<b>EA12 Bradford on Avon Rural</b>	<b>Crime</b>				<b>Detections*</b>	
	June 2010 - May 2011	June 2011 - May 2012	Volume Change	% Change	June 2010 - May 2011	June 2011 - May 2012
Victim Based Crime	192	210	18	9%	14%	8%
Domestic Burglary	14	13	-1	-7%	21%	0%
Non Domestic Burglary	45	39	-6	-13%	2%	8%
Vehicle Crime	15	56	41	273%	7%	0%
Criminal Damage & Arson	35	23	-12	-34%	20%	0%
Violence Against The Person	23	30	7	30%	30%	33%
ASB Incidents	26	25	-1	-4%		

\* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution