Devizes Community Area Board

July 2013



1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Joanne Spencer

Town Centre Team

Beat Manager – PC Chris Mead (18th July)

PCSO – Paula Yarranton

PCSO - Lucy Sainsbury

PCSO – Luke Woodward

PCSO - Kelly Watts

Rural North Team

Beat Manager – PC Emma Reed

PCSO - Gareth Cole

PCSO - Fiona Marno

Rural South Team

Beat Manager – PC Pete Lawson

PCSO – Oliver Nash

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.

1 Visit the website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

3. Police and Crime Commissioner: Mr Angus Macpherson

PCC website: www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk

4. Local Issues

In my last report I informed the meeting of the departure of PC Adam Hall. To fill his vacancy an internal process was undertaken and through this PC Chris Mead was the successful candidate. PC Mead will move from a response team on the 18th July. As part of a response team PC Mead has predominantly worked the Devizes area. This will be a benefit rather than starting from new. I know he is very keen to start and will be an important asset to my team.

CRIME & DETECTIONS (June 2012 – June 2013 compared to previous year)

The comparative figures for the rolling twelve months are positive with only a very small increase in the category of criminal damage and arson.

There are no significant crime series or trends to report on. My team continue to identify how we can further reduce volume crime within the town centre. Shoplifting continues to be reported from a number of key retailers who we want to take responsibility to look after their property and premises as best possible.

We identify those believed to be vulnerable in the community or repeat victims of crime and review how they can be protected or prevented from being victims of crime. If you have concerns for friends, neighbours or others please let us know. It may not be a Police matter but we can refer to the appropriate agencies.

We are also taking the stance of focusing efforts on those who cause us most harm in our community. Named individuals are given a golden standard of service from the Police and partner agencies, not just with the Neighbourhood team but also bringing in resources from other departments.

To help us remain effective and to ensure we are concentrating resources where they are required please continue to report any suspicious activity to Police (descriptions of people and vehicle registration numbers are very useful).

Take reasonable steps to prevent becoming a victim of crime. Lock your property away, record serial numbers on www.immobilise.com take photos of your valuable property for future reference and add additional security measures to your houses and outbuildings. Do not leave valuable property in cars.

	Crime			
EZ Devizes NPT	12 Months to June 2012	12 Months to June 2013	Volume Change	% Change
Victim Based Crime	1391	1343	-48	-3.5%
Domestic Burglary	59	47	-12	-20.3%
Non Domestic Burglary	148	147	-1	-0.7%
Vehicle Crime	138	122	-16	-11.6%
Criminal Damage & Arson	311	334	+23	+7.4%
Violence Against The Person	276	235	-41	-14.9%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	345	285	-60	-17.4%

Detections*			
12 Months	12 Months		
to June	to June		
2012	2013		
15%	21%		
7%	40%		
6%	19%		
7%	2%		
15%	14%		
29%	53%		

Matthew Armstrong
Inspector, Devizes, Melksham and Pewsey

8th July 2013