

# Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper

## Calne Community Area Board

### 15th October 2013



## 1. Neighbourhood Policing Team

**Sgt:** Simon Wright

### Town Centre Team

Beat Manager – PC Hans MONAHAN  
Beat Manager – PC Alan BLAKE  
PCSO Nicole YATES  
PCSO Mark COOK  
PCSO Shelley Gray  
PCSO Andrew WILLOX

## 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 the Wiltshire Police Website.

Calne NPT Consultation Surgeries take place every Wednesday between 1400-1445hrs. They take place at the Community Hub, High Street, Calne.

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

## Performance and Other Local Issues:

I am writing this report at the end of a long and busy summer for Calne NPT. We have had to deal with the usual increases in reports of ASB which always tend to come with the nicer weather. On Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August Calne NPT organised a small operation within the town to target those involved in ASB. There were 8 officers on in the town with PCSO's and Special Constables joining in to help. We also brought in the passive drugs dog to assist. Throughout the night numerous groups were stopped and spoken with, and the dog was passed through them. This resulted in several stop searches, and one 17 year old male ended up receiving a youth caution for possessing Cannabis. Officers were able to engage with the groups at an early stage in the evening and as a result the number of logs reporting problems remained at zero.

Remaining on the subject of the passive drugs dog; on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September Calne NPT took the passive drugs dog into Springfield School to meet the pupils. This is not the first time we have done this, and the School are very supportive of these visits. There were several positive indications (which means someone is either in possession of drugs, or has been in contact with drugs within, say, the last 24hrs) As a result searches were carried out, no pupils were found to be in possession of any drugs. Needless to say this has sent a

strong message to the pupils at the beginning of a new year, and there will be further random visits throughout the coming months. It would be my hope that we can extend this type of operation to the John Bentley School in the future.

I have made mention several times in recent reports of the Shed Breaks, and Garage Burglaries that were blighting the town for so long, so I feel it is only right to bring it to a conclusion by informing you that the main suspect for the numerous offences in the town has recently received a prison sentence for one offence, and he also remains on Crown Court Bail pending sentencing for a second offence. This has been a long and drawn out process, and has involved many hours of work from both Calne NPT, and numerous other departments within Wiltshire Police. All that work now feels like it has been worthwhile, and as a result Calne will no doubt be a better and safer place to live.

On 27<sup>th</sup> August there was a Robbery at the Murco Petrol Station, Oxford Road. Two male youths entered the garage with a knife and demanded money and cigarettes before making off. I am pleased to say that some excellent Police work led to one male being arrested a short time after the offence took place, and a second male being arrested within 24hrs of the offence. Both males are currently on Police bail whilst extensive work is carried out to gather evidence before a decision will be made about what happens to them. Crimes of this nature are rare in the Town, and Calne NPT takes such incidents very seriously. The two suspects have had their bail conditions robustly Policed to ensure they are sticking to their conditions. I am confident that there is little likelihood of other similar incidents in the town.

There has been a break from the Blues and Zuz disco's over the Summer Holidays, but they will resume this month with the first disco taking place on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

Lastly I am sad to report that PC Hans Monahan will be leaving Calne NPT and taking early retirement at the end of October 2013. Hans has been an excellent NPT officer, and has served the Town for many years now. He will be greatly missed on the NPT, but I am sure you would all want to join me in wishing him all the best for the future. Hans' position will be filled, and I am currently in the process of trying to arrange a replacement. I will update with the result in my next report.

As ever, if you wish to contact me I am always willing to talk and I can be contacted on the below phone number. Equally, I can be contacted via the e-mail address below.

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EN Calne NPT	Crime				Detections*	
	12 Months to September	12 Months to September	Volume Change	% Change	12 Months to September	12 Months to September
Victim Based Crime	893	772	-121	● -13.5%	21%	17%
Domestic Burglary	49	39	-10	● -20.4%	18%	15%
Non Domestic Burglary	147	115	-32	● -21.8%	5%	2%
Vehicle Crime	92	67	-25	● -27.2%	7%	7%
Criminal Damage & Arson	168	156	-12	● -7.1%	12%	8%
Violence Against The Person	160	150	-10	● -6.3%	39%	37%
ASB Incidents (YTD)	405	407	+2	● +0.5%		
<p>Wiltshire Police are compared against a group of 8 most similar forces. Wiltshire Police have performed in line with peers and better than average for Victim Based Crime and significantly better than peers for Domestic Burglary in the previous 12 month period (April 2012 - March 2013).</p> <p>* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolutions</p>						