



**Trowbridge Area Board
September 2014
Neighbourhood Policing**

ET Trowbridge NPT	Crime				Detections*	
	12 Months to August 2013	12 Months to August 2014	Volume Change	% Change	12 Months to August 2013	12 Months to August 2014
Victim Based Crime	2465	2449	-16	-0.6%	28%	24%
Domestic Burglary	132	114	-18	-13.6%	6%	15%
Non Domestic Burglary	212	167	-45	-21.2%	4%	3%
Vehicle Crime	227	166	-61	-26.9%	11%	13%
Criminal Damage & Arson	474	452	-22	-4.6%	18%	15%
Violence Against The Person	573	649	+76	+13.3%	42%	33%
ASB Incidents	2092	1691	-401	-19.2%		

Current NPT Priorities:

My priorities for Trowbridge NPT are simple. I will provide a visible team within the community and respond to the needs of that community.

In order to provide this I will ensure officers patrol more on foot and bicycles, and less in cars.

Team News:

Your NPT remains unchanged since your last meeting, and much good work has continued, of particular note is;

- Following Intelligence from the community a warrant was executed at an address in the town centre and a large amount of drugs were located and the occupant was arrested for possession with intent to supply.

- 2 persons arrested for graffiti and enquiries are continuing to ensure that all offences that they are responsible for are fully investigated and detected, and restorative justice tactics are implemented if suitable.
- Male charged after a particularly serious assault took place in the town centre in July.
- Following a premises search after arrest a cannabis cultivation business was located within Trowbridge Town Centre.

Your NPT teams remain unchanged;

Trowbridge Town (ET11)

PC Alison Davies, PC Jamie Darvill, PCSO Jo Matthews & PCSO Ben Brown

Adcroft & Paxcroft (ET12)

PC Amy Hardman, PCSO Nina Marsh & PCSO Jason Greenland

Trowbridge Park (ET13)

PC Charlotte Chilton, PCSO Matt Till & PCSO Laura Humphreys

Drynham & Grove and Lambrok (ET14 & ET15)

PC Helen Daveridge, PCSO Vicky Huntley & PCSO James Bates

Trowbridge Rural (ET16)

PC Mark Hough & PCSO Maria Badder

Overview

By the time of the Area Board, the Tour of Britain will have whisked its way through Trowbridge.

I would like to pass on my sincere thanks for all of the hard work that has taken place to bring this prestigious event to our town, and I hope that an enjoyable and safe day was had by all.

As shown at the start of this report the performance data for a 12 month period up to and including the 1st Sept is extremely positive with **less crime** than the previous 12 month period.

We are nearing the end of the summer period where historically ASB has risen, but as you can see we have over 400 less incidents reported than the previous 12 month period. I feel this is as a result of vigilant community spirit, fantastic partnership work and a more visible policing presence in our town.

At the last area board I reported to you that Burglaries in private homes had risen by 10.2%. I am now delighted to say that through targeted visible patrols, closer work with investigative and intelligence gathering teams and, I am sure, a portion of fortune, this has now completely reversed, and is now over 13% less than the previous 12 month period.

The community play a huge part in tackling burglaries, and the below constant messages still ring true as we start to gather momentum towards the Christmas period, so please spread the word to;

- Report to police, or via Crime stoppers, any information you have or any concerns or suspicions about anyone involved in criminality
- Secure your property
- Mark your property
- Record details of identifiable property and/or take photos of you belongings.

The website www.immobilise.com can be used to record these details and may even prevent offenders taking the item in the first place.

Violence against the person over the year has risen slightly, however Violent Crime resulting in injury has actually reduced over the year, and this is as a direct result of the ongoing presence in the town centre with Op Exit, and also the highly effective work taking place with Drink Banning Orders and visible policing within the community.

And finally.....

When I have spoken to many of you , I have always stated that I believe NPT should deliver to the community, and adapt our priorities to match the needs of those we police with consent.

To be able to capture the largest numbers of opinions possible I have hijacked a small part of Wiltshire Councils 'Perception Survey' that is being delivered by Tom Ward, as it seemed too good an opportunity to miss!

I am confident that by including a handful of police/crime related questions, I will get a much better largescale understanding of what the people of Trowbridge want from their NPT.

Please ensure you sell this to your community, as the more uptake we get, the more accurate the results.

**Chris Chammings
Sector Commander**