

Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Corsham Community Area Board July 2015



1. Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT).

Sector head- A/Inspector Ben Huggins

Sgt: A/PS John Brixey

Town Centre Team

Beat Manager – PC Hazel Anderson

PCSO – Shaun Redmond

Rural Team

Beat Manager – PC Mandie Ball

PCSO – Nicole Yates

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.

Visit the new and improved website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

3. Performance and Other Local Issues:

Drugs – An adult male was issued with a Caution for being in possession of Cannabis.

An adult male was arrested on suspicion of Possession of a Class B drug with the Intent to Supply, he is currently on bail.

Corsham NPT was accompanied by a member of staff from MOTIV8, they carried out patrols of the area in particular the Skatepark, Corsham to engage with youths in relation to drug misuse.

Burglary – Unknown suspect entered the living area within the Jaipur Indian Restaurant, wallets were stolen and the bankcards have been used.

Unknown male suspect has been seen with a hammer, breaking through a door, entering premises and then coming out of premises with a bag full of items under his arm at a property on Corsham Road, Lacock, enquiries are ongoing.

Unknown males attended victims address in Box to advise that his tiles were loose and that they needed £500 to hire scaffolding also offered to take to cashpoint to get more money, no work was carried out.

Non-Dwelling burglaries – Unknown suspects forced the security door at Ashley Camp they have then stolen 2 grinders and a diamond blades, chain saw and a drill and a camera and possible other property.

Unknown suspects have gained entry to a workshop in Box by removing the lock from the metal door by unknown means. Once inside suspect(s) have removed an Orange STIHL 18inch chainsaw from within two £560.

Entry was gained to an insecure shed in Box and items stolen within.

Unknown suspect/s have gained entry to a workshop in Lacock. They have then removed a Stehl chainsaw and stehl strimmer TVO £450.

Entry was forced to the office and two sheds at the new build on PICKWICK (next to the old dairy), items were stolen within.

Criminal Damage – A number of vehicles were damaged overnight in Lacock, an adult male has been arrested and is currently on bail, enquiries are ongoing.

A local youth was issued with two Community Resolutions for causing criminal damage to vehicles, he has repaid for the repairs and wrote letters of apology to those concerned.

Two vehicles have been damaged on Potley Lane, Corsham.

A youth has been issued with a Community Resolution for causing damage to another students bag, he has agreed to pay for a new bag and apologised in person.

Theft - Unknown suspects removed both number plates from a vehicle whilst parked up overnight in Kingsdown.

A lady reported his purse stolen and she believes this took place whilst visiting Lacock.

A local male has been identified as responsible for a number of thefts of food and alcohol from various stores in Corsham, the investigation continues.

Unknown person(s) have stolen a drive shaft from a car in Bences Lane.

Texaco garage reported a theft of Champagne, also two separate thefts of fuel, enquiries are ongoing.

Unknown suspect filled their vehicle with unleaded fuel at the Ashley Garage, Box then left making no attempt to make payment.

Two unknown males have stolen a quantity of alcohol from the Co-op in Box.

Two unknown males have stolen a couple of Kercher vaccums from the Whitehall Garden Centre. Another male has stolen capture window vac's, the investigation is ongoing.

A local youth has been identified for shoplifting, due to being under the age of criminal responsibility, Police attended his home and he has returned to the shop, paid for the stolen goods and apologised to staff.

Theft - A vehicle was stolen whilst parked on Pickwick, enquiries are ongoing.

A charity box was stolen from the Library within Lackham college, the investigation is ongoing.

Assault – An adult female was arrested and charged for making threats with a knife to ambulance staff.

An adult male was arrested and charged with affray and criminal damage to property, he was found to be in possession of a large kitchen knife.

An adult female assaulted another female and as a result she sustained injuries, the suspect was issued with a Community Resolution.

A local male was subject to an unprovoked assault, the investigation is ongoing.

Anti-Social Behaviour – Police received a number of complaints of ASB in the town centre, CCTV was viewed, the youths responsible were wearing school uniform and were identified, Corsham NPT liaised with the school and they sent letters to their parents, we have not received any further reports.

Information – Corsham NPT attended the St Bart's Fete and the Armed Forces Day event in town. We have assisted with Junior Good Citizen for Year 6 students, a Careers Fair at Corsham School to encourage students that the Police Service is an excellent career choice! We held another Bluez n' Zuz Disco for Year 7-11 students organised by Corsham NPT, those who attended had a great time.

Community Engagement – In addition to the Wiltshire Police website, Corsham NPT also regularly update a Facebook Page at [facebook.com/CorshamPolice](https://www.facebook.com/CorshamPolice). This has been effective in putting out local crime warnings (in addition to usual methods such as Neighbourhood Watch), appeals for witnesses or information and for putting out good-news stories. We also use the site to tell the community about upcoming consultations. So far over 860 people have joined the page to receive updates posted by the NPT – if you are on Facebook please join us.

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