



Amersham, Chalfonts and Missendens Neighbourhood Policing Team

The priorities for your Neighbourhood Policing Team (NHPT) are decided by the Community Forum. This steering group is made up of local residents and representatives from organisations across the area. The forum is not run by the police, although we do attend as representatives. This allows us to speak to a wide cross-section of the community, find out what you most want improved in the area, and consider how we and others can accomplish these aims. The top three priorities are chosen by the forum every three months and are then assumed by your Neighbourhood Policing Team.

Priority 1; Burglary

We did;

Neighbourhood Policing has been involved in a number of cross border operations with other forces targeting criminals whilst they are travelling into our area from predicted locations.

Op Greenbelt 2; was one such operation working with Hertfordshire Police.

- Results; 20 + vehicles were seized for a variety of motoring offences.
- Multiple drivers were reported for the above traffic offences.
- 2 males cautioned for drug possession in the Chalfont area.

Op Chico; was another cross border operation with the Met, Hertfordshire and Thames Valley Police. The operation had 30 Roads Policing vehicles involved and extremely successful resulting in a large reductions in burglaries and taking a large number of uninsured vehicles off of the road.

Analysis suggests that large numbers of burglaries are being committed by people not from our area. There has been a large amount of burglaries now occurring in the afternoon between 1200-1600 hrs as well as a number of cases where groups have been breaking into properties at night.

SMARTWATER; It has now been agreed with C&SBDC that we will be looking to give out Smartwater to future victims of burglaries and we will be looking at a launch to promote this fact shortly.

No Doorstep Selling Zones; NHPT have been working with NHW, Trading Standards and The Community Safety Team in raising the awareness of saying no to doorstep selling and working with Trading Standards and Chiltern & SB DC in creating no door stop selling zones. This will help to prevent would be burglars using the pretence of knocking at addresses pretending to sell goods and also assist in protecting vulnerable people from rogue traders. This week CSBDC

advised that 26 streets had applied for this.

Well done to PC Carson last month who arrested a burglar following a call from a concerned neighbour. I cannot emphasise this enough but please join your local NHW scheme and keep an eye out for your neighbours and if something looks suspicious and you think it is a crime in progress call it in on 999.

Priority 2; Anti-social behaviour

We did;

Frequently ASB is between individuals rather than the whole community. We have 2 ASB officers to review incidents daily resulting in our area having the best figures in dealing with ASB promptly in the Force. We effectively use the ASB Action Group meetings to deal with these type of problems along with our partners. There's been a 43% reduction in such incidents in the Missendens and a 38% reduction in Amersham. Unfortunately there was a 2% increase in the Chalfonts.

Chalfont St Peter; Males were identified as causing issues in Chalfont St Peter. Working with partner agencies led to suspects being identified and to court. Working with our partners resulted in Anti-climb paint has been used to stop youths climbing onto the roof causing distress to the users of the facility. So if you child comes back covered in paint you may want to keep a closer eye on them. There is ongoing work with individuals leading to some positive engagement which we hope will lead to a reduction in problems in this area. Earlier this year two youths who'd been causing issues in the Chalfonts where given substantial custodial sentences.

Chalfont St Giles; Persons involved in causing ASB in Chalfont St Giles were captured on CCTV which included damage to a Scout Hut. Enquiries led to a number of persons being identified and contact made with parents about their children's behaviour that had been causing harassment, alarm or distress. Yellow cards issued for two individuals involved in ASB in CSG, Community Cards school talk with year 6 to address this behaviour.

Amersham & Little Chalfont; We are working with partners in targeting ASB behaviour in Beel Close, Chiltern Heights and White Lion Road with moped riders. Ongoing work is taking place in identifying trouble makers and dealing with them. We have supported application for CCTV by the Parish Council.

Missendens; Following a number of complaints of ASB being caused by people in Gt Missenden Car Parks targeted patrols have led to a reduction of this behaviour in the area. Work is ongoing with the Parish Councils in increasing ANPR cameras in the area which will help to identify offenders.

Priority 3; Drug Dealing

We did;

The Op Stronghold team is leading the response to County Drug Lines and working with NHPT in safeguarding potential victims of CDL. Neighbourhood Teams have been developing intelligence so that warrants and orders can be obtained and executed. The Problem Solving Team have managed to obtain two Closure Orders preventing people from visiting vulnerable person's addresses in Chesham and Burnham and we are gathering evidence for an identified premise in Amersham. A number of warrants have been executed this year where drugs have been seized and confiscated cash submitted for Proceeds of Crime Act orders.

It's been identified that Organised Crime Groups are using youths as a way of distributing drugs. Often youths can be drawn into this world by being offered free drugs and then later being told that they have a debt which they need to pay off, threats of violence, whilst some are drawn in by the allure of being part of a gang. This is a worrying trend and we've had several cases where there have been concerns of youths being used by such groups.

County Drugs Lines Week of Action; A week of action took place this month targeting people at risk and suspects. In Chiltern & SB Chesham & Burnham were targeted by police. Operations resulted in 12 drug finds and 1 person being arrested for drug supply which is currently under investigation. Across TVP; we arrested 79 CDL related suspects' seized £87,652 in cash, executed 18 warrants, seized 126 mobile phones, safeguarded 80 vulnerable people including 16 children, carried out 149 visits to previous victims of cuckooing, carried out 40 educational visits to schools, conducted 20 passive drugs dog operations and educated 11 taxi firms, 24 landlords and 67 hotels

We are currently working with partner forces in trying to halt the supply of drugs into our area. This year already there has been 2 operations working alongside BTP, Herts and The Met in identifying and disrupting drug dealing from London Gangs using the trains to come into our areas.

May to July Priorities

Thank you to all who made their views known via the online survey and at the meeting. The next meeting of the Chiltern Community Forum is **To be confirmed at this time.** The new 'You said we did' (Community priorities) for the next quarter, were set at the Forum Meeting on: 23rd May 2019 in Chesham. These are:

Burglaries: Led by the police and supported by the community.

Drug dealing and use: Led by the police and supported by the community,

Rogue traders: Working with Trading Standards, Community Safety Team and the Community.

Other News

Fraud; Operation Gauntlet has been well received by the public and a big thank you to those who have spread the word of the types of fraud that people are falling for. This includes con artists making out they are calling from internet providers, Banks, the Police or HMRC to name but a few. Did you know that it is believed that eighty percent of fraud is preventable? Amersham and Chiltern are leading the way in Fraud prevention working alongside our partners and you the community. If you receive a call which you think is suspicious 'Pause and Think'.

Missing People; The public's assistance is required in looking out for High Risk Missing Person Roy MORRIS. Roy went missing on the 26th May 2019. We are very concerned about Roy's health and a large media appeal has been going on to make the public aware. A huge effort has been made to try and find Roy by the police, Search and Rescue and friends and family. If you do have any information about his whereabouts please call 101.

Rural Spotters; Thames Valley Police with the support of Thames Valley Horse Watch, National Farmers Union and Crime Stoppers has launched a scheme to use horse riders as "Rural

Spotters” to help the Police as the eyes and ears of the rural community and to help prevent rural crime.

The Rural Crime Report of 2018 estimated that rural crime cost the UK £44.45 million pounds. These types of crimes include, fly tipping, theft of plant machinery, livestock attacks, poaching and hare coursing.

Volunteer riders will be asked to engage with the rural community whilst out on their normal hacking route and assist in rural and equine crime prevention. They will be asked to report any suspicious activity, including fly tipping, off road biking, hare coursing etc. to the rural crime reporting line, run by the NFU in conjunction with Crime Stoppers. The role is voluntary and has no police powers attached.

The role is on a basis of “Help the Police to Help You” and reports of suspicious activity will be phoned in to the NFU Rural Crime Reporting line on a free phone number **0800 7830137**. **This should have a shorter wait rather than 101 and is run by Crime Stoppers and will hopefully lead to more crimes being reported.**

The role is purely voluntary and there will be no payment or expenses paid. This is working “with” the Police not for the Police.

- A short training course must be attended by all candidates.
- All riders must carry their own personal liability insurance.
- Riders must be over 18 years of age
- Riders must have their own horse
- Riders must demonstrate a level of competence on and off road.
- Riders must have their own transport
- Riders must not have a criminal record
- Riders must pass the application process
- Riders must have safe equipment and be well presented.

Riders must put their own safety and that of their horse first, and not take unnecessary risks.

For further details please contact Helen Evans, Thames Valley Police Equine Liaison Volunteer at helen.evans@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

‘Have Your Say’; future events are planned for **Amersham**

27th July 1-2pm; Amersham Library (Saturday) Chiltern Avenue, Amersham with PCSO Shepherd and PCSO Sandford.

23rd August 1-2pm; Costa Coffee Little Chalfont (Friday) PCSO Mike Shepherd and PCSO Sandford.

20th September 1-2pm; Tesco Amersham (Friday) PCSO Mike Shepherd and PCSO Sandford.

Chalfonts

24th July 11am – 12pm; Costa Coffee, Chalfont St Giles with PCSO Tugwell and PC Cumming.
17th August 12-1330pm; Church Lane, Chalfont St Peter with PCSO Shraga and PC Carson.
September; Seer Green location TBC with PCSO Tugwell.

Missendens

15th July 3-4pm; Little Kingshill Junior School PCSO with PCSO Hinkley-Ging and PC Carson.
19th August 11am-12pm; Sainsbury's Local Prestwood High Street with PCSO Lucy Groves and PC Carson.
17th September 2-3pm; Holmer Green Common PCSO with PCSO Hinkley-Ging and PC Carson.

Come and meet your local neighbourhood officers to discuss local issues.

Offenders Brought to Justice

Chalfonts

- Male charged with shining laser pen at vehicle
- Male charged with assault
- Male charged for public order offence

Missendens

- Male charged with assault
- Male charged with shoplifting

Amersham

- Male charged with burglary
- Male charged with drink drive, assault police x 2, public order and criminal damage
- Male charged with shoplifting and assault
- Female charged with assault and ABH
- Male given caution for possession of cannabis

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