



Chesham Neighbourhood Policing Team

The Chesham Neighbourhood Policing Team consists of Sergeant Roy Evans, PC's Jack McGregor, Matthew Styles, PCSO's Les Roche, Lee Bryan and Imanol Walsh Dingle

The priorities for your Neighbourhood Policing Team (NHPT) are decided at the Policing Issues Forum. The forum panel comprise of representatives from Community Boards from the whole of Chiltern & South Bucks. The Police do not run the panel, 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 can accomplish these aims with the help of the community and partner agencies.

You said: SAC offences are concerning

We did: Burglary is always a concern with the public. Although usually investigated by detectives, the neighbourhood teams will attend reported burglaries in order to conduct the initial enquires, attempt to identify those responsible and to provide reassurance.

Your local team have continued with high visibility presence in the Chesham area, in order to prevent offences. We continue to hold regular crime prevention meetings, attend events and provide education to homeowners regarding their home security.

Since 1st April 2022, there has been 8 reported residential burglary offences, which is a 56% decrease compared to the same period in 2021. 2 of these reports suggest evidence to the contrary that a crime took place. Community and business burglary shows a 17% decrease. Unfortunately, vehicle crime shows an increase of 29%. where many incidents are theft of number plates. Chesham is showing a slight increase in robbery offences however, some incidents are third party reports with no victim.

We continue to conduct ANPR operations within the Chilterns in order to identify and deprive criminals using vehicles to enter the South Buckinghamshire area. We continue to run these operations supported by Roads Policing and the rural crime tasking team

You said: Anti-Social Behaviour is a concern

We did: Anti-social behaviour is a wide category and can be one or numerous issues combined. The Chesham team continue to deal with allegations of noise disturbances, arguments, cannabis smells, inconsiderate parking, boundary disputes, hate crimes, littering, criminal damage to property, public order and allegations of continued harassment.



The neighbourhood team spend a large amount of time dealing with Anti-Social incidents. With the help of partners, some of these incidents can be resolved quickly and efficiently, however some can take time with long-term problem solving management.

We have been receiving an increase amount of complaints regarding noisy vehicles in Chesham. Legislation requires exhausts and silencers to be maintained and in good working order. Enforcement would be conducted under the Road Traffic Act 1988 with drivers facing a fixed penalty notice for having an altered exhaust causing excessive noise. The issue seems to be a national problem not confined to any particular area.

Having looked at long-term solutions, an interesting article on the Government website shows that noise cameras could be a solution in the future: [Click here for the article](#)

You said: Speeding is a concern

We did: The neighbourhood team have been out periodically conducting speed enforcement in Chesham. However, this has not been as often as previous months due to demand in other areas of neighbourhood policing.

Data to inform enforcement is drawn from a variety of sources, including Mobile Vehicle Activated Signs (MVAS) deployed by councils and Community Speed watch community groups. These serve to identify the weight of traffic, the ratio of those at excessive speed, the severity of excess speed, and the times when this occurs.

St Marys Way is always a concern where complaints suggest that it is common for motorist to speed. I very pleased with the latest results showing that **0.2%** of vehicles were speeding on St Marys Way. Lye Green Road, Park Road and Hiving Hill were also measured by MVAS. Hivings hill has an average of 29.5mphs but unfortunately, a high 18% of speeders were recorded between 0600hrs and 0700hrs.

On 23 May, I attended a meeting in Chesham Town Hall where residents highlighted speeding concerns on another road in Chesham. Understandably, residents were unhappy that this road holds restrictions for enforcement due to on-road parking, the curvatures and inclines along parts of this road and the fact that drivers would be required to stop in a dangerous position. Due to the reasons highlighted, some roads inhibits safe operating parameters for enforcement. During that meeting, councillors explained that road-calming measures have been discussed.

To deal with speeding effectively requires a multi-agency approach ultimately to change people's perception and habits and to make it as unacceptable as say drink driving. Unfortunately, it is common for some motorists to feel the need to flash oncoming motorists of check areas, distorting the figures and goes to show that speed enforcement with hand held devices will not solve the problem alone.

**Fraud and cyber crime:**

Fraud is now the most common crime and can have a life changing impact on victims of this type of crime even shortening the lifespan in a significant number of cases with the elderly. Surprisingly figures showed the most likely age group to be scammed are those aged between 20 - 39 years. Your local PCSO's will contact all victims of fraud and offer suitable advice and support.

The facts below are taken from the Action Fraud website which shows a National picture.

Fraud Crime

Top three fraud types - Volume

1. Cheque, Plastic Card & Bank Account – 336,707 reports
 2. Online Shopping and Auctions Fraud – 103,254 reports
 3. Application Fraud (excluding mortgages) 91,593 reports
- 2.35bn reported losses

Top three fraud types - Loss

1. Other Financial Investment- £318m
2. Cheque, Plastic Card and Online Bank Accounts – £184m
3. Share Sales or Boiler Room Fraud - £171m

The highest harm threats for 2021/22 are Courier, Romance, Payment Diversion, Investment, Computer Software Service and frauds linked to Card and Online Bank Accounts.

80% of reported fraud is cyber enabled. Money mules persistently feature across most fraud types. Social media and encrypted messaging services as an enabler is increasing throughout all aspects of fraud. Cloned investment companies are a threat to investment fraud. Search engine optimisation is used by fraudsters to target victims.

High Risk Victims

Volume - 20 - 39 years

Loss - 50 - 69 years

Cybercrime:

Top three cybercrime types - Volume

1. Hacking Social Media & Email – 13,948 reports
2. Computer Virus\ Malware\ Spyware – 7,794 reports
3. Hacking Personal – 5,587 reports

Top three cybercrime types - Loss

1. Hacking - Extortion - £3.5m
2. Hacking - Social Media & Email - £2.6m
3. Computer Virus\ Malware\ Spyware - £1.7m

The most impactful malware is RANSOMWARE. Over 5.5m phishing reports made to



Suspicious Email Reporting Service. TV LICENSING was the most reported phishing hook.

Key Enablers: Phishing E-mails, Weak & Same passwords

Victim Indicators; 60% Female 40% male, most common age group 20-39 years.
Figures NFIB cyber-crime assessment 2020/21

Other News

The next priorities.

The next policing issues meeting will take place on 12th July at 1830hrs where the next priorities for your neighbourhood will be discussed. You can attend in person or online. Further details can be found at <https://www.csb-forum.org>

Social media:

As always, we ask our readers to consider subscribing to our Thames Valley Alerts, Facebook and Twitter accounts.

www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk 'TV Alerts' allow the subscriber to filter the subject matter which is of relevance to them, and only requires an email address to begin receiving local policing information.

Our Twitter feed and Facebook page will show you what the policing team are doing, will provide crime prevention information, witness appeals and "Good Result" stories. With the merger of Chiltern / South Bucks and High Wycombe, our social media pages have changed. The new pages are supplied at the bottom of this update.

To report crime online. You can do so via: <https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/ro/report/>

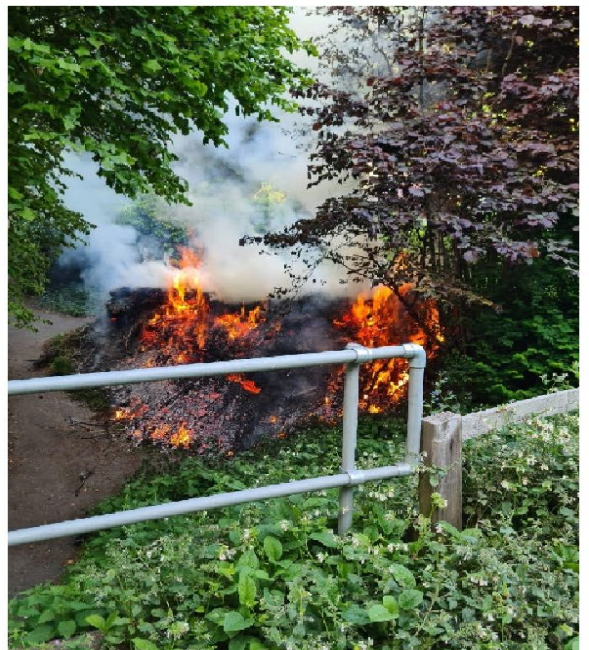
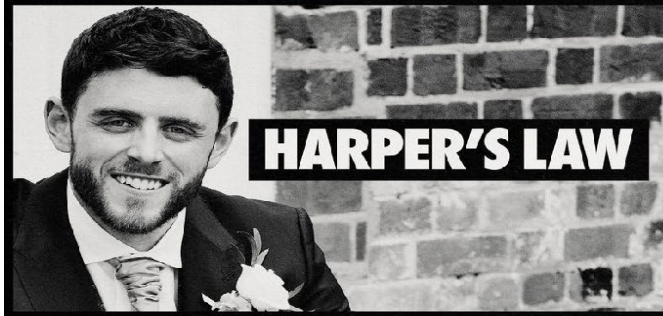
The new station

As most of our readers will know, the Chesham Neighbourhood Team have moved from our old premises on Broad Street to our new office based at Chesham library. The team remains in Chesham and we continue to police Chesham. Although the office is not open to the public for security and sensitivity reasons, appointments can be made by contacting us. Regular Have Your Say events will be held at the library.



A small snapshot of positive outcomes from 1st April to 30th June 2022

- A 38 year old was charged with assault
- A 69 year old was charged with assault
- A 27 year old was charged with assault
- A 39 year old was given a conditional caution for criminal damage
- A 36 year old was charged with sending malicious communications
- A 23 year old was charged with possession of a bladed article and racially aggravated public order offences.
- A 49 year old was cautioned for sending malicious communications
- A 47 year old was given a conditional cautioned for sending malicious communications
- A 74 year old was given a community resolution for harassment
- A 24 year old was given a community resolution for public order offences
- A 23 year old was cautioned for public order offences
- A 36 year old has been postal charged for dangerous driving
- A youth was given a youth community resolution for cannabis possession
- A 27 year old was given a community resolution for cannabis possession
- 3 x Youths were given community resolutions for public order offences
- A 29 year old was given a community resolution for having a dog out of control
- A 54 year old was given a community resolution for having a dog out of control
- A youth was given a community resolution for criminal damage
- A 41 year old was given a community resolution for public order offences
- A 51 year old was charged with sexual offences and breaching a protection order
- A 35 year old was given a community resolution for public order offences
- A 23 year old was given a community resolution for cannabis possession
- A 42 year old was charged with stalking offences
- A 29 year old was charged with shoplifting





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to make our community safer



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Neighbourhood Watch:



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Community Speed Watch:



<https://communityspeedwatch.org>

