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Iver/Stoke Poges/George Green

Neighbourhood Team

Your neighbourhood team consists of Sergeant 5731 Dan RYDER PC 7118 Dan BROWN PCSO 6801 Roy FISHER PCSO 9853 Eloise WARING

Neighbourhood Priorities

The priorities for your Neighbourhood Policing Team (NHPT) will be decided by the Policing Issues Panel; comprised of representatives from Community Boards from the whole of South Buckinghamshire. 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 and other agencies 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. If you wish to learn more please use the following hyperlink: Chiltern & South Bucks Policing Issues Forum – Community and Neighbourhood Police stronger together (csb-forum.org)

Priority - Burglary

We have seen a further reduction in burglaries from 9 in the last quarter of 2022, to 4 so far this quarter, which is a decrease of -55%.

From year (April 2022) to date we have seen 27 Burglaries compared to April 2021 to March 2022 where we saw 36. This shows further reduction in Burglaries of -22%

To continue to combat this we have been carrying out proactive operations which specifically targets rural and cross border areas of the LPA with proactive patrols during peak offending times. This has helped us to detect crime and apprehend cross border offenders who use arterial routes to enter our policing area and to protect residents living within South Buckinghamshire.

Whilst we target our patrols to intercept the offenders, the Neighbourhood team have recognised over the previous few months that residents have adopted the behaviour of reporting suspicious activity on community social media groups, before phoning the Police. Passing information to the wider community may have value, but shouldn't be preferred to notifying the police.

To tackle the issue of Burglary, should you witness persons acting suspiciously and you strongly suspect that they are breaking into properties or committing vehicle crime, please phone us immediately on 999. Try to identify any vehicles they may be using and









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registration plates and numbers/descriptions of offenders. This will allow us to increase our chances of intercepting them, and securing best evidence.

Please remember these tips to reduce the risk of becoming a victim of burglary.

- Cut back your shrubs and hedges to aid visibility
- Set timer switches to turn your lights on when away
- Avoid leaving valuables in plain view e.g. laptops and tablets
- Set any house alarms
- Lock side gates to prevent access to the rear of your property
- Keep any tools and ladders stored safely away in a locked garage
- Don't advertise that you are away and that your home is empty, by 'checking in' or posting your holiday snaps on social media
- Resist uploading any holiday pictures to social media until you have returned home
- Don't leave windows open at the front of your property when you are in the garden

Take a look at Thames Valley Police Website for further crime prevention advice or contact your local Neighbourhood Team. Also, The Policing Issues Forum also still holds a recording of the online Burglary Prevention event which our Neighbourhood Inspector, James Ellis hosted, in December: Recording: Thames Valley Police Burglary Event 1st Dec – Chiltern & South Bucks Policing Issues Forum (csb-forum.org)

We continue to deliver crime prevention packs in the area's that have been subject to recent Burglaries and continue to hold our Have Your Say events where we can advise on more prevention techniques, to protect yourselves and your homes. We publish our dates and locations on our social media platforms, Facebook and Twitter.

Priority – Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

We have not identified any particularly concerning levels of anti-social behaviour this quarter, given the time of year this is not unusual.

We continue to direct our patrols towards the recreation grounds in Iver, Iver Heath and Stoke Poges as these areas seem to be attracting undesirable elements. You can help us by reporting issues to us on web forms, or via 101. We may not be able to solve isolated reports, however the "big data" helps us better establish offending patterns; tailoring our response, accordingly.

Anti-Social behaviour has a wide definition, and also includes incidents which occur far more close to Home: much of our current workload within the Anti-Social Behaviour category stems from neighbour disputes, which include noise disturbances, minor disputes in day-to-day behaviour, cannabis smells, inconsiderate parking, boundary/Civil disputes, hate crimes and allegations of harassment.

Predominantly, these victims feel that they are personally targeted, due to living in close









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proximity to the alleged offenders. Each case is assessed as part of our risk management processes, and as the principal law enforcement agency, our primary role is to address Criminal offences. However, more prominent and concerning cases can also be referred to Buckinghamshire Council's Anti-Social Behaviour Action Group, for greater partnership intervention; working with agencies such as Housing, Environmental Health and mediation charities. With the help of partners, some of these incidents can be resolved relatively quickly and efficiently. Yet, with relevant parties often emotionally invested in their dispute, over a protracted length of time, neighbourly disputes sometimes become entrenched; requiring longer-term problem-solving management: a common multi-agency response is to set rules to future behaviours; allowing for better clarity on matters of blame. Transgressors can then be held to account for their actions, and face adverse consequences, as a result.

Priority - Speeding

This quarter our roads policing mobile speed vans spent 47.58 hours and identified 31 offences across South Bucks and the fixed cameras have identified 59 offenders

The Neighbourhood team attended the following locations to carry out speed enforcement:

- Church Lane, Wexham-198 vehicles passed, no vehicles exceeded the speed limit
- Swallow street, Iver- 48 vehicles passed, 1 vehicle was recorded over the speed limit at 48 mph.
- Pinewood Road, Iver Heath- 152 vehicles passed, 1 vehicle recorded over the speed limit at 54 mph
- Bellshill Road, Stoke Poges- 95 vehicles passed, no vehicles recorded over the speed limit

Other News

In January, we welcomed PC 7118 Dan Brown to the Team. Since the departure of PC McBroom in June, the team has been waiting patiently for the replacement Neighbourhood officer. Dan has previous experience working in Neighbourhood Policing as a PCSO and has plenty of experience as a PC from the local Response team. He is keen to get to know the Ivers and Wexham communities, and assist in tackling issues and proactively targeting their priorities.

The Neighbourhood Policing teams continue to supplement our colleagues on the local Response teams, who at times require support to meet the multitude of calls for service. Whilst resourcing within Neighbourhood Policing is challenging, good news is on the horizon: The coming quarter will see both the appointment of our new Chief Constable, Jason Hogg, and the roll-out of the new Crimefighters initiative, from the Police & Crime Commissioner, Matthew Barber. Both have expressed their commitment and investment









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in Neighbourhood Policing, and they have inspiring plans for the future of our teams.

In January, Sgt Ryder whilst on patrol, identified a vehicle that he believed to be on cloned plates, on stopping the vehicle the driver was identified as being wanted for numerous offences, it was also established that he was driving with no licence or insurance. He therefore had these offences added to the charge sheet and the vehicle was seized.

In January, Officers identified a vehicle involved in violent catalytic converter thefts travelling through the area. After a lengthy pursuit, officers disabled the vehicle safely and the 4 offenders made an attempt to escape on foot. All 4 males were located and arrested.

In February, PCSO Fisher sighted a suspicious vehicle, on completing checks, it was identified that the vehicle was stolen. Calling in Roads Policing to assist, the vehicle was located and recovered, eing walked after the offenders made good their escape. Enquiries are ongoing.

Following a number of concerned reports of dangerous dogs being walked out of control around our local Parks and an incident of a dog attacking a male, PC BROWN managed to gather the evidence required to issue the owners with a conditional caution. Enquiries are still ongoing to manage this ongoing complaints.

Offenders Brought to Justice

A male has received a community resolution for drug offences

A female has received a community resolution for assault ABH

A male has received a community resolution for harassment

A male has received a caution for stalking

A male has received a conditional caution for owner being in in charge of a dog dangerously out of control

A male has been charged with a public order offence

A male was charged with Assault

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A male was charged with handling stolen Goods

Have Your Say Events

We continue our Have Your Say events at varying locations and times when we are operationally able to and continue to proactively attend events to provide the opportunity for the community to come and meet and speak with us about rising concerns and what we can do to assist.

We continue to advertise these events on our social media pages so please continue to monitor and share our events and work that we publish. This will help to keep our communities informed of the work we do and deter criminals

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Call 999 in an emergency only

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