



Beaconsfield

Neighbourhood Team

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Neighbourhood Priorities

The priorities for your Neighbourhood Policing Team (NHPT) will be decided by the Policing Issues Panel; comprised of local volunteers, and representatives from Community Boards from across South Buckinghamshire policing area. 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 most needs improvement in the area, and considering 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. If you wish to learn more please use the following hyperlink: [Chiltern & South Bucks Policing Issues Forum – Community and Neighbourhood Police stronger together \(csb-forum.org\)](https://www.csb-forum.org)

You Said – Burglary is a concern

We Did:

In the seasonal period running up to Christmas time, we expected to see a rise in residential burglaries. This is primarily due to a combination of increased hours of darkness and the increased prospect of people having more valuables in their homes due to the purchase and storage of Christmas presents. These factors makes this period of the year a lucrative time for burglars to offend.

Operation Grotto was the South Buckinghamshire LPA's crime initiative to focus on the habitual rise in burglaries and ran until the New Year. Police conducted an increased number of overt patrols, with a focus on identified high-risk areas for residential burglary. Homeowners were left with our crime prevention letter neighbourhood police inspector James Ellis. If you would like a copy of this, you can download it at: <https://www.csb-forum.org/operation-grotto-the-most-important-partner-we-can-work-with-is-you/>

Burglary is a national issue, with Organised Crime Groups targeting properties across the UK. One group are targeting large houses that are often secluded or backed by wide open land. Entry is frequently made via the first floor with garden furniture or ladders being used to access these windows



Offending levels for Burglary have risen slightly this quarter with 6 in October, 1 in November and 3 in December.

The Priority Crime Team advised that 25 persons have been charged/summonsed or cautioned this year for burglaries. The team worked with the MET which resulted in one OCG having 7 people charged with over 60 offences, 19 of those in the TVP area.

Working with surrounding forces, we have been concentrating Neighbourhood policing and Roads policing resources on the M25 corridors to target burglars coming into our areas. In October a 4 day operation led to 68 arrests (7 in TVP), 26 weapons being seized (1 in TVP), 66 instances with drugs being seized (4 in TVP), 51 vehicles being seized (8 in TVP).

It is important that you continue to look out for yourself and your neighbours. Are you a member of the Neighbourhood watch? If not, we greatly recommend you join. The NHW aims to make you be, and feel safer, within your community. As a member you can benefit from discounts on security devices and receive newsletters with expert crime prevention advice. Find out more at www.ourwatch.org

You Said – Drugs are a concern

We Did:

County Lines is an example of the wider damage drugs can do to our communities. It is the term used to describe gangs and organised criminal networks involved in exporting illegal drugs into one or more importing areas within the UK, they do this by using dedicated mobile phone lines or other forms of “Deal lines”. County lines massively contributes to drug problems, economic crime and gun and knife crime – meaning in extreme cases this organised crime can lead to murder. In addition, there is a trickle down effect on the users of the county lines, as they will regularly resort to theft and other illegal activity to pay for the drugs, as well as experience mental health issues and paranoia due to the intimidation and pressure from the gang members they buy or deal from.

County lines are known to be involved in modern day slavery, and regularly exploit children and vulnerable adults into moving and storing the drugs and money. They will utilise coercion, intimidation, violence (including sexual violence) and weapons to control people. This is likely to lead to youths carrying weapons for protection. This is a great concern for teachers and parents. We will provide additional support to parents and youths who find themselves involved in CDL.



During the last quarter we utilised our area resources to combat County Drug Lines.

Work carried out on the LPA included;

3 warrants being executed

12 arrests

Seizure of 400 wraps of crack cocaine

193 wraps of Heroin seized

90 grams of cocaine seized

11 kilos of cannabis seized

16 weapons seized

£13,000 in cash seized

We also conducted variety of community engagement activities. Partnership activity included; patrols, park sweeps, crime prevention events, youth engagement work (including the valuable asset of our police cadet programme) contextual safeguarding activities and assessments, and local authority joint working. We also conducted train station operations which include the use of police dogs and specialist units. In addition we work with The Children's Society, and work to raise awareness around the criminal exploitation of children through promotion of the #Lookcloser campaign, you can find more information surrounding this on the children's society website.

Other Drugs News

There was a change in law regarding Nitrous oxide, as of 8th November 2023, this became a controlled class C drug. Nitrous oxide is used for pain relief in medical settings and has a wide variety of legitimate uses across many industries. The Government recognises that such users are not misusing it for its psychoactive effect. For this reason, an exemption focuses on proper use and distribution. In practical terms, that means those who import or possess nitrous oxide because they plan to inhale it or distribute it for its psychoactive effect will be committing offences. In addition, if businesses or individuals are producing or supplying this with the initial intention for legitimate usage, yet still turn a blind eye to people using it for improper purposes, this will also be an offence. Legitimate businesses, users and organisations will not.

Anyone with information about drug crime can contact Thames Valley Police online or via 101. In an emergency always call 999. You can also contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or [crimestoppers-uk.org](https://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

[You Said – Speeding is a concern](#)

We Did:

Our Road Safety vans and fixed cameras provide enforcement and a visual deterrent across the area. Their aim is to help support you to reduce the speed of traffic, making the roads safer for all road users and reducing the risk of injury, collisions and casualties in your district.



Figures from the Road Safety Mobile and Speed Enforcement Team show the following:
Oct; 950 tickets from mobile enforcement & 73 tickets from fixed cameras.
Nov; 564 tickets from mobile enforcement & 89 tickets from fixed cameras.

Neighbourhood Officers were unable to carry out any speeding checks due to other commitments and poor weather conditions during this quarter.

In addition, we have our Community Speed Watch scheme. If you are a member of your community who feels strongly about speeding, this could be a great opportunity to assist in preventing it. You would be volunteering your time to monitor speeds in areas highlighted as a concern by fellow residents. This is an advisory scheme which looks to warn speeders about the risks they present and the possible consequences of their behaviour on the road. This has been significantly effective, with a 96% success rate in preventing re-offending. If you are interested in helping out, then please contact PC Lee Turnham, Community Speedwatch Co-ordinator
lee.turnham@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Other News

Fraud - No Blame No Shame

The phrase 'fall for a scam' is often used, but you don't hear 'fall for a burglary'. This kind of language is akin to victim blaming. We need to change the language we use when talking to and about scam victims, to remove the building stigmas and shame that may make individuals hesitant to speak up and report scam incidents to the police.

SCAM Prevention - Text message to Ofcom

Received a suspected scam text message? Forward to Ofcom on 7726 (SPAM on older style key pads) and play your part in stopping the scammers.

Rural Crime

For an update on rural crime please see the Autumn –Winter newsletter. Visit www.csb-forum.org.

Offenders Brought to Justice

A male has received a community resolution for drug offences

Three males received a penalty notice for shoplifting

A male was arrested and received a caution for theft

A male has been arrested and charged for assault



A female has received a community resolution for possession of an offensive weapon

A male has received a community resolution for fraud.

Have Your Say Events

We have now started our Have Your Say events again so please keep an eye on our social media where we will advertise the locations we will be for this. For account details, see below.

Additionally, we've sought to establish customary locations where we can be found providing we are not preoccupied with something else, allowing for us to catch up on more administrative matters. These positions provide a place where residents might see us in passing, and feel welcome to stop and have a chat.

Holtspur – Mayflower Parade

Beaconsfield New Town – The Town Hall, Penn Road.

Beaconsfield Old Town – Car Park near to Savilles

Contact Us:

Call 101 (Non-Emergency Contact Number)

Call 999 in an emergency only

Thames Valley Police Webform: <https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/report-a-crime>

For email dialogue with the Beaconsfield Neighbourhood team:

BeaconsfieldNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

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