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# Iver/Stoke Poges/George Green

## **Neighbourhood Team**

Your neighbourhood team consists of Sergeant P7302 Gabriel 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 that is 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: <u>Chiltern & South Bucks Policing Issues Forum – Community and Neighbourhood Police stronger together (csb-forum.org)</u>

## You Said – Speeding is a concern

## We Did:

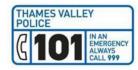
Our Road Safety vans and fixed cameras provide enforcement and a visual deterrent across the area. Their aim is to help support you to reduce the speed of traffic, making the roads safer for all road users and reducing the risk of injury, collisions and casualties in your district.

Figures from the Road Safety Mobile and Speed Enforcement Team show the following:

Dec; 181 tickets from mobile enforcement & 63 tickets from fixed cameras. Jan; 184 tickets from mobile enforcement & 0 tickets from fixed cameras. Feb; 239 tickets from mobile enforcement & 89 tickets from fixed cameras.

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











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You Said – Burglary is a concern

## We Did:

This quarter we have had six burglaries in Iver, three in Stoke Poges and one in Wexham.

We have initiated a number of operations to combat burglary this year, operation grotto was our winter burglary campaign. We now have operation Guyet to continue to tackle burglary into the summer months, this operation focuses on a pattern of cross border offending. South Buckinghamshire continues to suffer from offences that see offenders utilise methods that attempt to counter forensic opportunities. We have seen a rapid rise and continuing series of first floor entry offences where cash and jewellery are stolen from the home, a number of forces are suffering from this issue. Despite the low detection rate we have seen some successes in terms of convictions this year which have led to several persons receiving varying terms of imprisonment.

Homeowners if you would like to see this year's crime prevention letter, you can download it at: <u>https://www.csb-forum.org/operation-grotto-the-most-important-partner-we-can-work-with-is-you/</u>

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 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 <u>www.ourwatch.org</u>

## You Said – Drugs are a concern

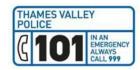
People may believe that smoking or taking drugs is a victimless crime - think again. As per the findings of a recent police pilot scheme, 150 individuals were arrested for domestic violence and were then drug tested while in custody, 85% of them were found to be under the influence of some sort of drug.

### Other News

The NH teams have been visiting local farms as part of a rural crime week. This was to raise awareness around rural crime and encouraging land owners to sign up to our land watch WhatsApp group. If you are interested please contact the NH team and we will assist with this.

In addition we have also been visiting care homes and care agencies over the last couple of weeks raising awareness around modern day slavery.











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#### 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 fraud victims, to remove the building stigmas and shame that may make individuals hesitant to speak up and report scam incidents to the police.

#### **Deepfake Scams**

As technology excels forward, the Fraudsters are looking at different ways of utilising A.I. to part you with your hard earned cash. Common themes include, videos of celebrities promoting how they have made successful investments. "Which?" Magazine provide e-mail alerts warnings of scams which you can sign up to free. How to spot and avoid AI scams - Which?

#### **SCAM Prevention - Text message to Ofcom**

Received a suspected scam text message? Normally a strange number saying "Mum Dad I have lost my phone please change my number". Additional texts may come over the next week and then the text asking for help with an urgent bill. 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 Winter/Spring newsletter. Visit www.csb-forum.org.

## **Offenders Brought To Justice**

A male has been arrested and charged for public order offences

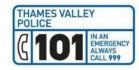
Two males have been arrested and charged for theft from vehicle

### **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 where we will be.

We have worked to identify areas for us to be present and visible. We want the areas to be key points in each community where people are able to see us safely and feel able to approach us. Times will vary throughout month and locations due to our commitments often times being unpredictable and also to prevent large gatherings, we will not be disclosing times and dates. However we wish to make the community aware of these locations. If you do see a Police vehicle or officer at these locations, we are there for you











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to speak to us, please come and say hello and help us identify any concerns you have or any information you may feel will assist us.

### Contact Us:

Call 101 (Non-Emergency Contact Number) Call 999 in an emergency only

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

### Follow us

**We've moved**: with the amalgamation of Chiltern & South Bucks with Wycombe police area, we now have new social media accounts:

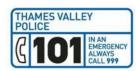
Twitter @TVP- southbucks - <u>https://twitter.com/@tvp\_southbucks</u>

Facebook TVP South Buckinghamshire TVP South Buckinghamshire - Home | Facebook

Sign up to Thames Valley Alerts to receive crime and policing updates directly from your local Neighbourhood Team as well as more crime and policing issues. Sign up to the service online

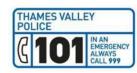
at: <u>www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk</u> or speak with one of your Neighbourhood Team. <u>www.thamesvalley.police.uk</u>

















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