



Marlborough Area Police Report June 2017

It has been another challenging time for Police all over the Country. Following on from the traumatic events in Manchester we are sadly all reminded of what devastation can be brought upon any of us at any time. But even in these difficult times what shines through is that the entire policing family and the fabulous public we serve are all able to work together to keep our communities strong and to support each other.

Our thoughts are with all the family and friends of those who have been affected by the tragic loss of lives in Manchester.

We cannot highlight enough the importance of communities coming forward with information on suspicious activity which could be linked to terrorism. **If you see or hear anything that could be terrorist related, act on your instincts and call the police, in confidence, on 0800 789321 or visit www.gov.uk/ACT**

Here in Wiltshire we placed Armed Police Officers in some of our more prominent locations, Salisbury being one of them, to reassure you all that we are here and will continue to do all we can to keep you safe.

Summer Drink Drive campaign

Nearly one in five people who are convicted of drink driving are caught the morning after and do not realise that they can lose their licence if they are over the legal alcohol level. Taking the risk is a big one, you potentially risk peoples' lives and can receive a fine of up to £5000, a minimum 12 month driving ban and a criminal record. Please plan ahead and if you are going to drink then arrange for alternative transport, it is never worth the risk.

Calls to 101

A frequent complaint we receive is that our 101 Call handling for Wiltshire remains below the standards we wish to deliver. There has been a significant shift in the way we manage our demand within the Police Service. The Community Policing Model (CPM) recognises that the Police service is being asked to do more with less and helps to address this fact by resolving the problem at the first point of contact, whilst assessing the Threat, Harm and Risk associated with the contact without necessarily tasking an officer to attend in the first instance.

We are exploring solutions including on-line reporting of crime, a more informative website and on-line chat and hope this different access channels will start to be available late summer 2017. We will not solve this issue overnight but are aware of our failings and are working hard to resolve them in order to deliver the best possible service to those who contact us. Thank you for your continued support to Wiltshire Police.

Community messaging

Through feedback and working with our local communities, we have developed the use of <https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/> and are now sending out daily updates around crimes that matter to you in your area. We have received some very positive feedback and encourage you to speak sign up to Wiltshire Messaging. It is free and a very good way of keeping all our communities connected.

Police priorities: dwelling and non-dwelling burglaries

Nearly 200 targeted patrols have occurred since this niche priority was created on the 26th October 2016 (at the commencement of CPT). Since the last Area Board meeting on 14th March 2017, we have experienced thirty nine burglaries in Marlborough and the surrounding villages, 11 of these were at a caravan site where 11 separate caravans were broken into, twelve were dwelling, seven were non-dwelling (sheds) and nine were commercial burglaries. This an increase on the previous two month period where there were only 17 reported burglaries and as such will remain a priority for the area.

Investigations are ongoing into twenty eight of these thirty nine recent burglaries with oversight being given by the areas Burglary Champion, this has led to several occurrences being linked to others and further enquiries established, in several instances forensic evidence has been recovered from the scene and suspects identified.

Wiltshire Police will be continuing to try and limit the number of offences by pro-active policing and ongoing policing operations in these areas.

Two rural crime operations have been completed in recent months. This involved local estate managers and gamekeepers, as well as our colleagues from Thames Valley Police, there are more planned in the coming weeks and months alongside our Special Constabulary colleagues.

Community intelligence is crucial for us to achieve this aim so please continue to report incidents, information and any concerns.

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