

Useful information

New non emergency number for Wiltshire Police

Communities across Wiltshire are now able to dial 101, a new national non-emergency telephone number for the police service.

The previous non emergency number 0845 408 7000 will be phased out. 101 is now available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Although 999 is a well recognised number to report emergencies, the 2010 British Crime Survey found that only half of the public knew which number to call if they wanted to speak to their local police about policing, non-urgent crime and anti-social behaviour.

Calls to 101 cost 15p per call, irrespective of how long that call may last. This applies to landlines and mobile phones.

People with hearing or speech impairments are able to use the non emergency textphone number 18001 101.

When someone calls 101, they hear a recorded message announcing that they are being connected to their local police force. The system can determine the caller's location and connect them to the relevant police force. If a caller is on a boundary between two or more forces, the recorded message gives them a choice of which force to be connected to. The message also gives the caller the option to select an alternative police force if the incident they are calling about took place in another force area.

Graffiti

Tidworth Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) worked with Ministry of Defence Police and staff from the garrison on Saturday 17 September to carry out a plain clothes foot patrol operation that targeted the growing number of graffiti attacks. The 'hotspot' areas were patrolled and stop checks were carried out. Police are particularly interested in anyone with information regarding the tag 'STAG' that has now been seen in eight different locations in Tidworth. Graffiti may be seen as a form of art but it causes damage to property and can upset residents. CCTV footage of a male youth spraying 'STAG' has been obtained by police. If anyone has information regarding this tag police would like to hear from them.

Community Speed Watch (CSW) S.A.F.E Day Wiltshire Saturday 10 September

At least:

*24 groups took part

*46 hours of checks carried out on Saturday 10 September

*14 Fixed penalty notices given to speeders at CSW sites

*Several words of advice given to motorists

Thank you to all who were able to come out for this event, your commitment and team working made the day a success. It was great to see areas pulling together to share the device on the day so that different locations could be monitored on the day. Motorists went past groups in the north, mid and south of Wiltshire so we had a good coverage on the day. This event generated a lot of media interest and hopefully lots of motorists heard our road safety message. Thanks to everyone involved.

* Final figures will be published once all the sheets have been entered into one of our systems.

WILTSHIRE POLICE

Tidworth Neighbourhood Policing Team

October - December 2011

Quarterly newsletter



Your neighbourhood priorities

Welcome to the Tidworth Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) newsletter. As some of you will be aware, we are now working as one Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) covering both Tidworth and Ludgershall and Rural.

We held our latest Neighbourhood Tasking Group (NTG) meeting on 8 September 2011 with representatives from several different agencies, including the local council and Sarsen Housing, to discuss the next three priorities.

Update on last quarter's priorities

- 1) Speeding along Pennings Road and Ludgershall Road. In company with our traffic units, several vehicles have been reported for the offence and given tickets for speeding.
- 2) Anti-social behaviour at Millennium Park, Netheravon. During the period of this being a priority, we did not receive any reports regarding this issue and did not find any problems when patrolling.
- 3) Misuse of mini motos and off road bikes. Action to tackle this was included in our organised operations.

The group decided on the following priorities:

- 1) Anti-social behaviour in Ludgershall, specifically behind the youth club and Eleanor Court Garages and of course we will continue to monitor the Recreation Ground, Dewey's Lane.
- 2) The recreation ground, Collingbourne Ducis. Issues around criminal damage, drugs and anti-social behaviour in the area. It is understood that the offenders are not local. They must arrive in cars, so any information about suspect number plates will be very useful.
- 3) Graffiti in and around Tidworth town. We aim to identify the offender for the obscene graffiti that is appearing in parts of our town. Tidworth officers will be conducting a mixture of sporadic and targeted foot patrols during the day and night to tackle this issue. The officers will be patrolling either in full uniform or plain clothed to catch our offender. Tidworth officers currently have an enquiry they are working on to identify the responsible offender.

Sergeant Mark Freeman



This has been a busy period for the NPT at Tidworth, with proactive operations ongoing to deal with hare coursing as well as thefts and burglaries. Both of these have been positive both from our perspective as well as the public's. We now have 3 new priorities which we will be working towards achieving and we continue to look forward to working with our partners to deal with the local issues as identified by you.



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See page 2 for details of meetings/consultations

What's been happening

On Friday 12 August and Friday 2 September 2011 Tidworth police ran a joint partnership operation to tackle hare coursing on Salisbury Plain. Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Philippa Royston organised a team of 20 volunteers from Wiltshire Police, Hampshire Police, Royal Military Police and 10 local farmers. The evenings ran smoothly, from briefing through to the early hours of the morning when we felt we had successfully stopped any hare coursing occurring in the local area. We responded immediately to all reports of hare coursing and other anti-social behaviour, we dealt robustly and efficiently which prevented offenses occurring. We have several more planned for the near future and we are hoping that if we keep on top of this offensive behaviour, we will

keep our rural area safe.

Hare coursing and poaching.

The crops are down, and these people are back. The worst affected areas are Everleigh/Tidworth, and A303 west of Amesbury. Please report this activity to police. It is dealt with as one of our highest priorities. We will send nearest available units as our highest response. If it is happening now, call 999 – it is a crime, in progress.

Tidworth Fair was here for its third time this year. Again, we are happy to announce that during their week-long visit, we did not receive any reports of anti-social behaviour surrounding the fair. Joint patrols with other agencies helped to keep reports to a minimum.

Crime prevention advice

Vehicle break-ins

Several reports have been made regarding vehicles being broken into when left at sides of roads and on Salisbury Plain (normally when people are out dog walking). Please ensure you leave all valuable belongings at home. Remember, **covering items with a coat doesn't fool anyone!**

Other vehicle security advice includes:

- Don't be tempted to leave anything in your vehicle including laptops, sat navs or shopping. A thief only needs seconds to break in.
- If you use electronic devices which have sucker

mounted brackets that attach to the windscreen, wipe away the sucker marks. Thieves look for these marks hoping the devices are inside.

- Register your property for free on www.immobilise.com. It will make the process of reuniting you with your property easier, should it be stolen.

Car lights

Now we are loosing our day light hours, please take a few minutes to check all your vehicle lights are all working. It is an offence for you to be driving with a light out and can cause issues if not dealt with immediately.

Success story

Tidworth has recently suffered a spate of burglaries from homes, sheds and garages.

Property such as bicycles, satellite navigation systems, GPS devices, computers, tools, generators, phones, cameras, MP3 players and other items have been stolen. As a result of an intelligence led operation, three warrants were carried out in Tidworth on Friday 15 July.

Officers recovered approximately 90 items of suspected stolen property which includes a large proportion of the goods mentioned above.

During the operation three local men aged 16, 17 and 21 years were arrested on suspicion of burglary and were subsequently released on police bail pending further enquiries.

Consultations

Tidworth Town Beat team will be holding consultations either at the station or at other locations within the community. We will endeavour to answer all your questions and concerns.

The next set of consultations for the Ludgershall and Rural team will be taking place towards the end of November. We will be focusing on:

- East Ludgershall
- Andover Road
- Wood Park
- Deweys Lane and Short St

These results will be put forward at our next Neighbourhood Tasking Group Meeting due to be held at the beginning of December.

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NPT map



The aim of Neighbourhood Policing is to have a dedicated policing team in your local community. We are here to work **with you** to tackle local concerns raised **by you**. We work with residents and local agencies to improve your quality of life.

To contact Wiltshire Police or to report a crime or an incident call 101. Only call **999** in an emergency when a crime is in progress.

If you want to give information anonymously about a crime call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

For all other non crime matters contact Wiltshire Council on 0300 456 0100.



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Drugs Warrant in Ludgershall.

Some of you may be aware that we carried out a successful drugs warrant in Ludgershall recently. A large quantity of drugs were seized and a male has been arrested. Enquiries are ongoing at this time.

We now have Police Issued bikes. You may see us on patrol on our bikes. Please stop us for a chat, offer us a drink etc! We will be most grateful!