

Register your property on Immobilise

Of the 125 crimes we have recorded at farms across Wiltshire in November, there were 22 recorded burglaries or thefts in which tools and power tools were taken. There were also 20 thefts of metal. This is a reminder that you can record serial numbers of these items onto national website Immobilise. This database is checked by police forces nationally, against items that we come across when dealing with the sort of people who steal them. Find out more by visiting www.immobilise.com.

Fuel and oil thefts

We have had a few cases of red diesel from farms being stolen and there has been more than a dozen heating oil thefts. These have been 1000l, 2000l and even 5000l, so the vehicle in use is obviously substantial. If anyone has any information in relation to these fuel thefts, then either contact Rural Crime Team or ourselves on the email address provided.

Hare coursing and poaching – please report any suspicious activities

It has been another busy few months in relation to hare coursing and poaching. This is mainly occurring in the Pewsey Vale area and northwards at the moment, and mainly in daylight. Saturday and Sundays each account for a quarter of all reported incidents. Again, as those on text alerts will know, we had seven vehicles stopped with 18 arrests last month. Keep the calls coming in please. We will send nearest available units as our highest response. If it is happening now, call 999 – it is a crime, in progress.

Wiltshire Horsewatch website launched

A new website has been launched for horse owners and equestrian enthusiasts to help tackle equine and rural crime.

Wiltshire Horsewatch www.wiltshirehorsewatch.co.uk is the equine version of Neighbourhood Watch. The scheme's aim is to help improve equine and property security by connecting horse owners and local people, and alerting them to any suspicious reported activity or crimes in progress by means of SMS text message or email alerts.

Wiltshire Horsewatch also offers valuable crime prevention advice and a range of free services including tack marking and saddle stamping.

The Horsewatch scheme is part of a national approach to tackling equine related crime and it was first set up in this area in 2009 by Wiltshire Police's dedicated Rural Crime Team (RCT).

Wiltshire Horsewatch is a non-profit making scheme and membership is completely free. It is open to individual horse owners, large professional/competition and business yards, and all equestrian enthusiasts.

RCT Police Community Support Officer John Bordiss said: "This scheme is about horse owners working in partnership with the police to help prevent and reduce equine and rural crime. As part of the National Horsewatch Alliance, information of criminal/suspicious activity is recorded across the counties allowing a broad distribution of knowledge to be shared and acted upon.

"The theft of a horse and/or property is soul destroying. It's not just the financial loss but ultimately the emotional distress caused. Wiltshire Horsewatch has seen some fantastic results during the past three years and it is superb to see so many new people signing up to the scheme and getting involved."

To sign up to the scheme, visit the website www.wiltshirehorsewatch.co.uk. There is also a Wiltshire Horsewatch Facebook page and Twitter feed to follow.

Tidworth Neighbourhood Policing Team

January - March 2012

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 9th December 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) 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. These have been patrolled regularly and we have taken zero tolerance in these area.

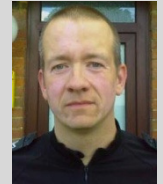
2) The recreation ground, Collingbourne Ducis. Issues around criminal damage, drugs and anti-social behaviour in the area. It is understood that the offenders are not local. They must arrive in cars, so any information about suspect number plates will be very useful. Several vehicles have been found at the location. Occupants have all been given words of advice regarding their behaviour. We have since found the youths have moved on.

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. These patrols have taken place, a number youths have been stop checked and the graffiti problem is a white wash!!

The group decided on the following priorities:

- 1) Anti Social Behaviour outside the shops in Ludgershall particularly between 1700hrs - 1900hrs
- 2) Tackling a series of Burglaries in Tidworth Town. Particularly shed and garage breaks.

Sergeant Mark Freeman



This has been another busy period for the Tidworth neighbourhood Policing team. A number of proactive drug warrants and foot patrol operations have produced some very positive results both from our perspective and the publics. The previous priorities have been completed with some excellent feedback from the community. We now have 2 new priorities, which we will work hard to achieve in conjunction with our partners.



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What's been happening

Recent spate of burglaries

We have had a number of burglaries in the area. Home owners are urged to secure their property. Anyone with information can speak to the NPT in confidence.

Underage drinking

Alcohol was seized from underage drinkers following an operation. We worked with Ministry of Defence (MOD) Police and Garrison staff to target anti-social behaviour and graffiti between 7pm and 11.30pm on 22 October. During the evening a group of eight young people were located in the area of Drummer Lane and a large quantity of alcohol was seized by

officers including lager, cider, whisky and tequila. They will receive a warning letter under the Offence of Persistently Possessing Alcohol in a Public Place (OOPPA) for committing their first offence. OOPPA is a three strike system where those offending for the second time will receive a visit from the team sergeant and on the third incident the offender will be arrested.

Drug arrests

During the past few months, we have executed five drug warrants. All were successful with five people arrested and 20 hits of various different drugs were found.

Stay out Stranger advice

If you do not recognise or are not expecting a caller follow the Stay out Stranger advice.

By following the tips below when there is an unexpected caller at the door, you can reduce your chances of becoming a victim of crime to bogus callers, such as rogue traders and doorstep sellers.

- Do not open the door to anyone you don't know or are not expecting
- If someone comes to your door and you aren't expecting a caller it is important that you check who it is by using a spy-hole or look through a window. Official visitors will always arrange an appointment with you beforehand – if no appointment has been made, don't open the door

- Don't keep large amounts of cash at home, keep purses and wallets out of sight and never keep PIN numbers with credit or debit cards
- Never agree to have work carried out by someone who is just passing, or believe such people when they claim that repairs need to be made. If you think work might need to be done get quotes from three companies and ask friends or neighbours for recommendations
- If you see anything suspicious or think a bogus caller may have called at your door or a neighbour's door, report it to police immediately. In the case of an emergency call 999 or call 101 in a non emergency

Success stories

School burglary and theft

Good news - it would seem that the offenders involved in the theft from Clarendon School have a conscience as some of the property has been returned. Police would urge the offenders to come forward, as enquires will be continuing.

Halloween was a treat rather than any tricks, with no calls or complaints being recorded in the area.

Bonfire night also went with a bang with no reported complaints.

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 February. We will be focusing on:

- Collingbournes
- Everleigh
- Tidcombe
- Fosbury

The results of the consultations will be put forward at our next Neighbourhood Tasking Group Meeting due to be held at the beginning of March.

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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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The Bluez N Zuz Disco went swimmingly well with a large number of youths enjoying the foam we put on for them. The disco is open to any youths in Secondary Education and will continue to run next year. Only £2 entry fee on the second Tuesday of every month!

We held a free bike marking event at Ludgershall Primary School was very successful. Over 50 bikes were marked. Collingbourne School is next on the list, and then hopefully over to Netheravon School.

We provide free marking for your property, please make contact with one of the team if you want to take us up on this.

Finally, I hope you have had a lovely Christmas and we all wish you a Happy New Year, best wishes for 2012.