



## Community Policing Report Chippenham - January 2018

Hello and welcome to this Community Policing Team report. Chippenham Police wish you all a Happy New Year!

On the 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017, Wiltshire Police launched its new web site and I would encourage you all to take a look. Whilst the report below gives a summary of Key Impact Crimes in your area such as Burglaries, the interactive element will allow you to see the statistics of the reports for your area and your local Police contacts. The website address remains unchanged and the interactive map can be found by following the below link.

**<http://www.wiltshire.police.uk/article/832/Your-Area>**

I would like to raise the profile of **The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust**, Home Security and Stay Safe Online Schemes. The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust is an independent charity who work closely with Wiltshire Police to provide an invaluable home security service. The Trust has been operating this scheme for the past 20 years helping to secure homes for the elderly, vulnerable & disadvantaged throughout Wiltshire.

Responding to the changing needs of the community the Trust has launched a new scheme to offer advice on keeping safe whilst online. Through raising awareness about computer fraud and what to do if you have concerns about your online safety the Trust aims to help reduce the risk of this type of crime. If you are aged over 60 or 18+ registered disabled & have concerns about your Online Safety you can request a home visit or arrange a group talk.



To enquire about a Home Security check for your home **Call: 01380 861155**  
Or **Email: bobbyvan@wiltshire.police.uk**

For all enquiries regarding the Stay Safe Online Scheme **Call: 01380 861191**  
Or **Email: bvonlinefsafety@wiltshire.police.uk**

Or complete the online form by visiting [www.wiltshirebobbyvan.org.uk](http://www.wiltshirebobbyvan.org.uk)

[feedback@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:feedback@wiltshire.police.uk)

**Wildlife Officers** - During November 2017, twenty Community Policing Team officers attended a Wildlife crime course run by the Rural Crime Partnership at Lackham college. The expectation is that they will act as an extension of the Rural crime officer by supporting initiatives and operations within the Community Policing Teams relating to the following areas of rural crime:

- Agricultural crime
- Heritage crime
- Wildlife crime
- Environmental crime

Future training and inputs are planned to assist with their knowledge and capability as the Rural crime portfolio moves forward.

We hope you find these updates useful, for the latest news, crime prevention advice and appeals please follow us on:

Twitter <https://twitter.com/wiltshirepolice>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/wiltshirepolice/>

Or sign up to Community Messaging <https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/>

Thank you for your continued support to Wiltshire Police.

### **COMMUNITY MESSAGING**



We are constantly reviewing our visibility and how we can develop this and work with our communities.

We cannot physically be everywhere all of the time and we want to ensure consistent information with our communities and to be able to provide the information that matters to you when you need it. There has been some good feedback from our new way of working using Community Messaging so please sign up and use it. <https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/>

Our CPT priorities can be accessed online, also persistent offenders and ongoing issues affecting the Community in line with our Force Control Strategy. Priority Offenders are established at a weekly Sector meeting, as a result priorities and taskings are raised as a way to effectively manage live intelligence and priorities that are developing in the northern hub.

**CONTROL STRATEGY** - Below is our control strategy for your reference. This focuses on where how we conduct our operational Policing based on the Police & Crime Plan. We will continue to align our resources with the threat/harm/risks presented in line with the control strategy.

- Domestic abuse, Cyber Crime, Organised criminality, County lines and the criminally exploited, Dangerous and persistent offenders, Child sexual exploitation and abuse, Modern Slavery and human exploitation.

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### LOCAL ISSUES/CRIMES

**Burglaries** - Chippenham remains a very safe place to live even though we have had a number of dwelling burglaries in particular in Cepen Park North and South also on the Pewsham estate and in rural villages. Our Community Tasking Team carried out high visibility patrols and covert patrols supported by the Community Policing Teams, Crime Prevention leaflets and advice were hand delivered by the local Police Community Support Officers, also assistance was provided from a local Councillor and the Residents Association with the delivering of the leaflets to the affected estates, this was appreciated and a fine example of working with our local community to help tackle a local problem. I am pleased to report that since this pro-active work has been carried out, the number of reports have ceased.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind members of the public to keep their properties secure and valuables safe, leave lights on if you are going to be out during the hours of darkness. Do keep serial numbers of high value goods and or photos of the items in particular jewellery. Often stolen items are more easily identifiable if they are uniquely marked. Do be vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the Police at the time of happening to ensure that they can attend.

**Vehicle Crime** – There has been a number of reports of thefts from motor vehicles in particular from vans containing tools/equipment. The Community Tasking Team along with the Community Policing Teams carried out pro-active patrols of those areas targeted and the number of reports has reduced significantly. Crime Prevention advice was circulated using social media.

**Theft** – There has been a number of thefts from shops. Alcohol, gifts sets and mobile phones are the items targeted mainly. Officers carried out high visibility foot patrols of the shops reassuring the community and to prevent further offences.

The festive period is traditionally the busiest time of the year for shopping unfortunately, there are those who exploit the festive period for the wrong reason and there has been a couple of purse thefts reported to us. Police highlighted this using social media and gave advice to shoppers to close their bags at all times ensuring that their purse or wallet was not easily accessible when not being used and not to leave their bags unattended in shopping trolleys when selecting their shopping.

**Other** - A 19 year old male was arrested and charged and appeared at Swindon Magistrates Court where he pleaded “guilty” to the following charges: Arrest by a constable for breaking/likely to break bail conditions, Burglary dwelling and theft - no violence, Aggravated vehicle taking and vehicle damage under £5000, Use a motor vehicle on a road/public place without third party insurance. He is on bail with conditions.

A local male who is a prolific shoplifter was sentenced to 16 weeks in Prison.

**Warrants** – We continue to develop intelligence to assist with the preparation of further warrants in the future, so they may be executed in line with the Force Control Strategy.

**Drugs** - Police stopped a grey Vauxhall Zafira on Malmesbury Road, a Section 23 Misuse of Drugs Act search of the vehicle was carried out and a quantity of suspected class A drugs were found and the driver subsequently arrested and was later released from custody under investigation.

Two local males were stopped and searched on Dallas Road, they were both arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply, Cannabis, and Class A drugs, their black Honda CBF125 was seized for having no insurance. They were later released from custody under investigation.

A number of Cannabis Street Warnings have been issued by officers as a result of Section 23 Misuse of Drugs Act stop searches.

**Drink Drive Campaign** – The Community Policing Team have been pro-active during the month of December as part of the Drink Drive Campaign. Thirty-five motorists in Wiltshire have been arrested since 1 December as part of Wiltshire Police's Christmas anti drink-drive campaign.

More than 1,700 roadside tests have been carried out with 31 drivers arrested for providing a positive test and four failing to provide a sample.

Chippenham Officers have issued tickets for speeding, defective tyres and seized a number of vehicles with no insurance. More importantly we provided community reassurance and raised awareness about the dangers of getting behind a wheel when not fit to do so.

Below are links to articles/features should you wish to view them:

- Gazette and Herald - [http://www.gazetteandherald.co.uk/news/15780038.Police\\_enforce\\_drink\\_and\\_drug\\_driving\\_campaign/](http://www.gazetteandherald.co.uk/news/15780038.Police_enforce_drink_and_drug_driving_campaign/)
- BBC Wiltshire - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p05nz9vm#play> (feature can be found between 1:05:21 – 1:10:00)
- ITV West Country – Feature appeared on the 6 o'clock news.

**Pubwatch** - Officers have been encouraged to continue with Licensed Premises Checks in Chippenham and rural locations in particular to focus on this over the festive period. ‘Pubwatch’ has been successfully re-launched in the town and PCSO Barbara Young who has many years of experience working within Chippenham, will be the single point of contact for the Licensed Premises and the Police.

The deployment of the mobile CCTV van has proved valuable in particular during night time economy and officers are encouraged to use this resource.

**Rough Sleepers/Street Drinkers** - Chippenham CPT focused on rough sleepers as an ongoing sector priority to continue to approach rough sleepers, to engage and tackle their drinking/drug issues. There are only a handful of people actually sleeping rough in the town. Previously we have had a group of approximately 12-15 adults who meet in various locations where alcohol/drugs may be used, most recently St Andrews churchyard. This was impacting on the residents nearby, the local shops and those who use the church. This was a Sector Priority and pulse patrols were introduced throughout the shifts, officers engaged with individuals at this location. Officers used DPPO powers to confiscate alcohol (Designated Public Place Order), identified any substantive offences and moved them on from the area. Prevention and longer term strategies with partner agencies were discussed eg. Turning Point, we adopted a joint problem solving approach and we have not received any further complaints since. We continue to have close contact with the Outreach Worker, Probation, Housing Options and Unity House. The DPPO has now been replaced with a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO).

**ASB – Toilet, Bath Road car park** - Chippenham Town Council have had a number of reports where the toilet in Bath Road car park has had damage caused to it, blood and bodily fluids evident, discarded needles left in situ. They have contacted Wiltshire Council and requested that the canopy overlooking this location is demolished as this is potentially an aggravating factor. A meeting is due to take place on 12<sup>th</sup> January with various agencies, meanwhile the Police will carry out checks of the location when time permits to disrupt any activity other than the purpose it should serve!

**ASB** - Officers have been carrying out targeted patrols in the locations listed below due to a number of reports of ASB in these locations. Our Youth Offending Team (YOT) encouraged officers to inform YOT of youths coming to our attention even though they have not entered the Criminal Justice system so they may assist with early intervention if necessary.

JOHN COLES PARK, OLYMPIAD LEISURE CENTRE, EMERY GATE UNDERGROUND CAR PARK,  
CHIPPENHAM SPORTS GROUND, SCOUT HUT, WESTMEAD LANE.

Officers and Police Cadets attended the Christmas Lights switch on as below.



**Police Cadets** who are aged 13-16 years of age can attend local events and assist with community engagement, they are very keen to get involved in future events, please e-mail [CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)

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If you are planning any event and require assistance from the Police to assist, please e-mail [CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk) in advance as you may be required to complete an 'Events Form' and there may also be a cost incurred to ensure that you have dedicated officers throughout. If you would like the Cadets to assist with community engagement at events please e-mail the address above, there is no charge for this.

**EVENTS...** Don't forget that a toolkit is available from Wiltshire Council which gives fantastic guidance and advice for organising most types of events, including topics ranging from traffic management to toilets, and gives contact details for which agencies and departments need to be contacted when applying for various licences or road closures. It can be found at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-events-toolkit.pdf>, In essence, all organisers must be responsible for identifying any risks and putting in measures to remove or reduce them.

The Force now has a dedicated cybercrime Facebook page. If there are any local businesses who would value having this information do please e-mail [CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk).

In addition to the Wiltshire Police website, Chippenham CPT has 5240 followers on Facebook, please join us either on Facebook or Community Messaging.

For a detailed breakdown of the crime in your area visit...

<http://www.wiltshire.police.uk/article/832/Your-Area>

The e-mail address for the Wiltshire North Community Policing Team is [cptnorthwiltshire@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:cptnorthwiltshire@wiltshire.police.uk)

Please phone 101 (non emergency) or 999 (emergency) to report any incidents or crimes, reports cannot be taken via the above e-mail address.

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