

People may think of Neighbourhood Watch (NW) as a few people 'twitching' at the net curtains, but today's NW, as well as continuing to 'twitch' brilliantly, is involved in a lot more.



Over the last three years NW has worked hard to ensure that more residents see the benefit of working with them to help deter quality of life issues and other crime in their neighbourhoods, and today, more and more residents are becoming involved and use information from NW to ensure their homes and vehicles are more secure.

For more information on joining NW please speak to your local SNT.

Did you know you could volunteer with Hampshire Constabulary?

We are recruiting police support volunteers to work alongside local police teams and make a difference to their community.

Our volunteers provide mainly administrative support to enable the team to focus on community priorities and visible policing.

You could be carrying out tasks as varied as organising community meetings, making sure photos of the team are up to date or carrying out research into community issues and crime trends. To find out more visit www.hampshire.police.uk

We want to hear from you about your thoughts and experiences with Hampshire Constabulary.

You can write about anything we need to know. This could be a recent good or bad experience, dealings with staff, or a story you have recently heard.

Your comments will be used to improve our services so that they meet the needs of local communities.

To have your say or for more information visit

www.hampshire.police.uk



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Your Safer Neighbourhoods Newsletter

Issue 2

DURLEY AND CURDRIDGE

Safer Neighbourhoods team

Pictured: Sgt Dorian Chapman

Not pictured: PC Paul Symonds and PCSO Paul Martin



Our local pledge - your current neighbourhood priorities.

We are committed to working with you and our partners to identify local concerns which help us to determine the priorities for your neighbourhood.

1. Incidents of burglary in Durley and Curdridge
2. Speeding and dangerous driving, including along Durley Street and along Botley Road
3. Littering at Durley recreation ground



YOUR VOICE
COUNTS

You can get involved in setting these priorities by attending a community meeting or briefing, sending us an email or simply by speaking to us when you see us out and about in your neighbourhood.

How to contact your local Safer Neighbourhoods team

Call 101 and ask to speak to a member of your Safer Neighbourhoods team. If nobody is available, leave a message and we will get back to you.

You can also send us an email

meon.valley.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

If you would like to receive a copy of this newsletter in another language please call 101 and ask for the Corporate Communications Unit.





Here is some information about the priorities that were previously determined for your neighbourhood and information about what action has been taken about these:

You said: Tackle burglary.

We did: We have conducted regular high visibility police patrols around villages.

Email addresses continue to be collected and added to our crime alert email list from all residents and businesses throughout Durley & Curdrige. If an incident is reported that we need people to be aware of quickly, we send out an email, so that local residents and businesses can take steps to prevent themselves being victims of similar crimes. We ask that any suspicious vehicles or persons are reported to us immediately.

Regular high visibility patrols are conducted in Bottings Industrial Estate. Email addresses have been collected for most businesses on site.

We are working with Bottings to increase reports of suspicious vehicles and persons at the time they are seen.

No Cold Calling Zones are currently being set up in Hole Lane & Gordon Road, Curdrige, to deter cold callers from this area and increase confidence amongst local residents in how to deal with suspicious callers at their houses. Many companies who use cold calling as part of their advertising are now working with Trading Standards and have agreed not to call in a No Cold Calling Zone.

You said: Tackle speeding and dangerous driving.

We did: Work continues to be done in Durley and Curdrige with the Speed Enforcement Camera and the Speed Repeater Sign.

In Durley, we are currently working on Durley Brook Road and Durley Street to reduce speeding.

In Curdrige we are targeting the B3035 Botley Road between Station Hill and Church Lane.

Also, work on speed reduction is due to start shortly on Botley Road between Botley Mill & Sherecroft Farm, Curdrige.

You said: Tackle littering.

We did: Durley Parish Council have spoken with Winchester City Council who are arranging for more frequent litter picks in the village.

JUSTICE SEEN JUSTICE DONE

The following is information about what has been done to bring offenders to justice in your area recently:

Four people were arrested and charged in relation to a series of house burglaries in Hampshire including those in Chapel Lane and Lockhams Road, Curdridge, at the end of 2009 / the beginning of 2010. Two men were arrested for theft of catalytic converters from around the local area.

Your Safer Neighbourhood Team is committed to reducing crime and making this community a safer and more secure place to live and work.

PCs and PCSOs conduct regular daily patrols in the area, establishing and maintaining good relationships with local residents, and the partner agencies who work alongside the police in safeguarding the community's interests.

This high visibility policing deters criminals, and prevents activity such as anti-social behaviour, which can otherwise be a blight on a community if allowed to take place. Each and every criminal incident is investigated thoroughly by police, and we always seek to secure a charge and conviction.

ASBOs (anti-social behaviour orders) and ABCs (acceptable behaviour contracts) are used whenever possible on those people who continue to trouble the residents of the area with criminal and anti-social activity.

Additionally, we are here to provide support to those unfortunate enough to become victims of crime, and we give crime prevention advice to help stop residents becoming victims in the first place.

The result of this commitment has seen crime fall across the entire policing area in which your community resides by over eight percent in the past year.

In more detail: Assaults have fallen by over two percent. Criminal damage has fallen by over 17 percent. Serious violent crime has fallen by over 13 percent. Serious acquisitive crime (burglaries, robberies etc.) have fallen by over six percent. We will continue to work with partner agencies and with you, the residents of our area, to make sure that these falls in crime continue through the rest of 2010 and onwards.

Meet your Safer Neighbourhoods team

Beat Surgeries: Durley Beat Surgery held at Durley Primary School 2pm – 4pm on the second Wednesday of every month.

Curdridge Beat Surgery held at Cudridge Primary School 2pm – 4pm on the first Wednesday of every month.

Your Safer Neighbourhoods team is based at

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