



Woodley and Whitenap Safer Neighbourhood News

January-February 2012

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Your Safer Neighbourhoods Team

The Romsey SNT is made up of a sergeant, police constables, police community support officers and special constables. We work with partner agencies, local residents and businesses to tackle the issues that most affect your quality of life.



Sgt Christine Plascott



PC Pete Stansfield



PCSO Louise Allen



PCSO Mike Manns

What we have done to address community concerns:

At the beginning of December there was a crash involving a car and motorbike. The car had turned right (prohibited right turn) out of Mountbatten, and collided with a motorcyclist. Fortunately the man riding the bike wasn't badly injured.

After this incident the school requested that we observed drivers leaving the school campus and making illegal right turns out on to Luzborough Lane. We carried out an operation at the end of the school day and are pleased to say we did not have to deal with any offences; drivers were abiding by road signage and direction.

We would like to take this opportunity to mention that all drivers should abide by prohibited signs – these are there for your safety as well as the safety of other road users and pedestrians. If we do witness any illegal manoeuvres, then the driver will be dealt with for the offence.

Justice seen, justice done

A prolific offender who had recently been released from prison, has been returned back to prison after failing to keep to his probation conditions. He will now continue to serve the remainder of his sentence, until December 2012.

Priority areas

There are two local areas that have recently been identified as priorities for us. These are:

Waverly Close – we are dealing with ongoing reports of criminal damage incidents and nuisance vehicles

Woodley Close – we are also dealing with reports of underage drinking and anti-social behaviour in this area

We are continuing to regularly patrol these streets and the areas around them, and will deal with anyone found to be behaving inappropriately.

Crime prevention advice

Theft from vehicles remains an ongoing priority for us at Romsey.

In most cases, the offenders use a “smash and grab” technique, where a window is broken allowing them to reach inside the vehicle.

There are some simple things you can do to help reduce these incidents. Please don't ever leave anything valuable in your car, and certainly not on display – this acts as temptation and it only takes a moment to grab your handbag or sat nav. Also, if you see anyone acting suspiciously around vehicles, call the police and report it to us.

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Cop Shop project

Police Community Support Officers currently visit one of our local secondary schools as part of a project called 'Cop Shop'. Here pupils are invited to come and speak to the PCSOs with any issues or problems that they may have, to get practical advice and information. As well as this, local police officers also go to the school with PCSOs on occasion, to deliver educational input sessions on a variety of subjects such as drug awareness, or for the older pupils, sex offences and sexual safety. We have been looking to broaden this work and make it more official.

None of the above will change, but a new initiative will take the lead and all three projects will be under one 'umbrella', and the new part of the initiative is a surgery. The Pastoral Care team at one of the schools often tell us about problems they experience with some pupils – this may be behavioural problems, borderline criminality or other general concerns. None of these issues quite meet the threshold for arrests or any other kind of police action, however it is felt that a preventative input could be delivered through formal appointments with the pupils (and possibly with a parent), police and Pastoral Care, and any other outside agencies. During the appointments the pupils will be advised about the potential implications of their behaviour and advised to reconsider their actions.

This idea has been warmly received by our local police Inspector and Mountbatten Secondary School, where the project will be trialled initially.



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Crime trends

You will be pleased to know that crime and anti-social behaviour has dropped in your area. Between December 1 and January 6, 2012, there have been six reports of criminal damage, which have mainly concerned cars that have been damaged as a result of mindless vandalism. We have not arrested anyone in connection with these incidents, and we'd like to remind residents to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity.

There have been three reports of anti-social behaviour in and around the areas of Woodley and Cupernham. This is a significant drop from the number of reports we have had in the last few months, and we're working to continue these positive results. If there is nuisance where you live, please report it as soon as possible to 101, the police non-emergency number.

Come and meet us!

We hold a beat surgery on the first Sunday of every month at Woodley Village Hall, on School Lane. Pop in and say hello if you are free.

Crime Reports

A new online crime mapping system has been launched where users can see what crimes have been reported in their area. The site also gives details of events, beat surgeries and what work local officers have been doing. Visit www.CrimeReports.com



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