



Andover Rural Safer Neighbourhoods Police Report Stockbridge, Leckford and Chilbolton April - May 2011



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Welcome to the latest newsletter for beat TA10, Stockbridge, Leckford and Chilbolton. Your local officers, PC John Viney and PCSO Lisa Flowers, are working hard to tackle any crime and anti-social behaviour in the area and to improve the quality of life for all residents. Please keep us informed about any local issues in your neighbourhood – you can call, email, come to a beat surgery or stop and speak to the officers you see out on patrol. Also, if you would like one of our officers to attend a meeting or function in your village then please contact them directly.

Action we have taken in relation to your priorities

You said: You were concerned about dangerous driving

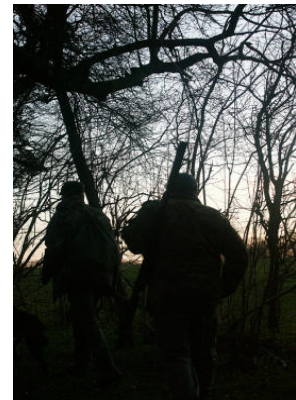
We did: An operation with Roads Policing officers saw a number of drivers prosecuted for using mobile phones whilst driving and failing to wear seat belts. It is worth mentioning that the fine for failing to wear a seat belt stands at £60!

Following repeated concerns for speeding through local villagers officers at Stockbridge have now all been trained in the use of speed enforcement equipment. Over the next few weeks and months we will be targeting particular areas with a view to enforcing limits and educating drivers.

If there are any issues or local concerns which you feel should be included in our local policing priorities then please contact the team on the details provided at the end of this newsletter.

Justice Seen, Justice Done

Our game keepers and landowners will be pleased to note a continued down turn in the number of reported trespassing/poaching offences. That said there have been reports. In early March, four men were summoned to court for coursing near Barton Stacey.



Earlier in January a series of incidents were reported across the Winchester and Stockbridge areas. Two men have now been arrested and the incidents are still under investigation.

Two local men were arrested and cautioned for stealing building materials from the old airfield site near Monxton.



To report anti-social behaviour and neighbourhood issues, call 101.



In an emergency, dial 999.





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Crime prevention

We are still receiving reports about thefts of oil and diesel in the rural areas. Please be aware of the following precautions and do not hesitate to contact us if you need any further advice.

Heating Oil thefts – 10 prevention tips

1. Flow control switches should be turned off and the electricity supply isolated when the tank is not in use.
2. Use good quality locks. Closed shackle padlocks offer most resistance to most burglar tools, i.e. the bolt cropper!
3. Consider security lights, these can have a very positive effect and make any property a more difficult target for thieves.
4. Defense planting – Planting prickly plants around a tank will deter thieves, and if not then the smallest trace of blood or shred of ripped clothing could help identify the offender.
5. A metal grill or cage with a lockable access point can further improve security.
6. CCTV – This is a valuable means of crime prevention and detection although it can be costly.
7. Ensure that the tank is kept out of sight, if possible, and if you are unable to do this then camouflage it as best as you can.
8. Conceal exterior pipe work.
9. Keep front gates to your property shut and any side gates locked.
10. Check your tank regularly and report anything suspicious to your Safer Neighbourhood team at Stockbridge police station as soon as possible.

Please continue to report any suspicious sightings to your local neighbourhood officers

Shop watch

We are hoping to make an updated 'Shop Watch' contact list for all the businesses in Stockbridge High Street. This is a great way to pass on information to neighbouring businesses and we feel that this is a very helpful system to have. For further information please contact us.

Come and meet us



We continue to hold regular beat surgeries and street meets in the villages and regularly attend parish council meetings and visit local schools. The details of future surgeries and meetings can be found on our local

webpage at www.hampshire.police.uk If there is something concerning you then please come and see us.

Thank you,

**PC John Viney and PCSO Lisa Flowers
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