



# TOTTON SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS TEAM ELING, HOUNSDOWN AND RUSHINGTON BEAT REPORT JULY - AUGUST 2010



As the Sergeant of the Totton Safer Neighbourhoods team, I would like to welcome you to the latest bi-monthly newsletter for Eling, Hounslow and Rushington. Local officers, PC Chris Jordan and PCSO Amy Kitson are working hard in your neighbourhood to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour and to improve the quality of life for all residents. Please keep us informed about any problems you may be experiencing in your community – you can call, email or stop and speak to the officers or PCSOs you see on patrol.

**Thank you, PS Ian Smith.**



PC Jordan and PCSO Kitson

Hello, we are PC Chris Jordan and PCSO Amy Kitson, the local officers for Eling, Hounslow and Rushington. We produce these beat reports every two months in order to keep you informed about any crime or anti-social behaviour that has been happening in your area, to tell you what your Safer

Neighbourhoods team are doing

about it and to offer you any relevant crime prevention advice. If you would like to sign up to our mailing list so that you receive these newsletters via email, then please email your name, address and email address to [totton.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:totton.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)

## Burglaries

As mentioned in the last beat report, the area was suffering a number of burglaries. However, we are pleased to report that two people have been arrested in connection with these incidents.

The number of burglaries has now dropped considerably and since July there have only been three reports - one dwelling and two non-dwelling burglaries. We would ask that you continue to be vigilant and ensure that your sheds and outbuildings are locked and secure and that all windows and doors are locked and valuables left out of sight when you leave your property unattended.

## Damage

We received a number of reports of cars being covered in eggs, flour and red sauce over a period of a few weeks. We also had reports of people being hit with the same things, which of course caused a lot of distress to those involved and also a lot of work to clean this up.

## Community priorities for Eling, Hounslow and Rushington include:

1. To address rowdy and inconsiderate behaviour through robust use of fixed penalty notices, legislation for the dispersal of intimidating groups and confiscation of alcohol on the street.
2. Through high visibility PCSO and police officer patrols on pedal cycles, to challenge and deal firmly with anti-social behaviour on the street, in particular swearing, spitting, littering and dog fouling.
3. To promote responsible citizenship among our young people by engaging with them on the street as well as in schools, clubs and groups on a regular basis.
4. To work in partnership with other agencies (social services, housing agencies, trading standards, highways, etc) to ensure that issues affecting the quality of life in residential areas are dealt with promptly and effectively.

As a result of enquiries and some excellent information from members of the public, those responsible were identified and arrested. Two men have been dealt with by way of fixed penalty notices for disorder. There have been no further offences of this kind reported to us. This is a great example of the community working together with local police to investigate and address this problem.

## Underage drinking

We are pleased to report that since the school holidays commenced, there has not been a significant amount of juvenile nuisance problems reported to us in relation to underage drinking. We are however receiving a number of



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reports about groups of young people roaming around the area and causing noise nuisance.

The whole of Hampshire Constabulary have embarked upon a summer anti-social behaviour (ASB) campaign, which will run until the end of the school holidays, with all areas of the Force uniting to address problems with ASB.

**IF IT BOTHERS YOU, IT BOTHERS US** so please let us know about any issues or concerns in your neighbourhood. If you see or hear this sort of behaviour going on then please use the **101** number and report it to us as soon as possible. If you are a parent or a guardian then please ensure that you are aware of what your children are getting up to during the day and evenings and please speak to them about the impact their behaviour can have on others in the community, particularly the elderly. We want everyone to enjoy a safe and fun summer holiday period, without affecting the quality of life for other residents, so let's work together to achieve this.

## Cycle thefts



Just prior to the schools breaking up for the summer holidays we had a number of cycle thefts reported, with some stolen from Hounsdown School cycle shed. This matter was investigated and a man was arrested and is awaiting a court appearance.

Cycles are a desirable item to thieves, so please ensure you keep yours locked when leaving it unattended. A number have also been removed from driveways. While patrolling the beat we are surprised by the number of cycles that have been left in plain sight by the side of houses or on driveways. If we can see it then so can the thieves so please be careful.

## Community engagement

Work continues with the Garage youth club. Officers have been visiting the youth club and getting involved with the young people there. We have been challenged to take part in all sorts of activities which has been great fun and very rewarding. The work being done by Clare Richardson and her team at the youth club is well worthy of praise and is a great asset to the area.

We would like to thank all residents who have been calling us and reporting suspicious vehicles and individuals. This information really helps us with our investigations and is often very valuable so we would urge you all to continue to report anything you see which you feel is out of the ordinary or which you are not sure about. You can call us or email us (details below) or report anonymously to CrimeStoppers on **0800 555 111** if you prefer. Your information is very important to us.

Please remember to check the Hampshire Police website and follow the links to your local team for details of upcoming street meets, or you can contact us directly on the details listed below.

Don't forget, Cop Swap cards are available to be collected from neighbourhood team members or by calling at the police station. We have had a great response from the local children and wherever we patrol we are always asked for our cards. If you haven't heard of these before, they are collectable cards similar to Top Trumps cards, and each contains the officer's photo, contact details, 'just for fun' vital statistics and their 'top tip.' There are around 250 to collect in total and it's proving to be a great way for the younger children to engage with the local police teams.

Thank you  
PC 1795 Chris Jordan and PCSO 14776 Amy Kitson

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