



CALMORE SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS 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 Calmore. Local officers, PC Tristan Pugh and PCSO Scott Walker 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 of any problems you may be having 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.

Come and meet your local officers

Your local officers:



The Totton Safer Neighbourhoods team holds regular beat surgeries at Asda. The next ones will be held on:

- Monday, September 6, 2-3pm
- Friday, October 1, 8.30-9.30am

We usually have plenty of advice booklets and crime prevention information. Or you can ask for our 'Cop Swap' cards. These are like Top Trumps cards, for those of you who remember them, and are something your children can collect. Each of the local officers carries them and can supply you with one if you want one. Each card contains the officer's photo, their contact details, their 'top tip' and their favourite role.



We are looking to direct our activities to reflect what local residents and businesses need. To do this we need you to tell us what is causing you concern in our community. **If it bothers you...it bothers us!** Please come along to a beat surgery and speak to us in person about any issues or concerns in your neighbourhood or contact us using the details at the end of this report.

Community priorities for Calmore include:

1. Reducing criminal damage occurring at Loperwood Farm
2. Targeting anti-social behaviour at Cheam Way recreation grounds

Dwelling burglaries

We are pleased to report that we have seen a decrease in the number of dwelling burglaries in this area over the last two months, with only two in total. In one of these incidents no property was stolen and in the other some small electrical equipment was stolen. Both incidents took place on the week commencing July 19.

There were four non-dwelling burglaries in the last two months. Two of these were breaks to outbuildings at private premises, where tools were stolen, and the other two were breaks to commercial premises on the industrial estate. Continual patrols by local police community support officers and vigilant residents have no doubt had an effect over recent months in reducing the opportunities available to any potential thieves in our area. Please keep up the good work and continue to be vigilant. Avoid leaving windows open and unlocked and leaving valuables out on display. Also ensure any outbuildings are locked and secure at all times. Don't make your property an easy target.



PC Tristan Pugh



PCSO Scott Walker



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Criminal damage

There have been some incidents of damage to cars over the past two months. There have been at least two incidents where someone has put screws under the wheels of peoples' cars in order to cause damage. If this has happened to you, or you have seen any suspicious behaviour around vehicles, then please report it to us.

Many residents have installed their own CCTV systems, which can produce excellent evidence for the police should an incident occur in your neighbourhood. When viewing footage local officers can often identify suspects if a good image of their face can be seen.

The play park at Calmore recreation grounds was deliberately damaged by a group of youths recently. Investigations are ongoing.

Loperwood Farm

Over the last few months youths have been causing substantial damage to the premises. PC Pugh and PCSO Williams attended the address on August 5 and arrested two youths in relation to these incidents. One of them has received a juvenile reprimand while the other has been given a final warning for his activities.

Anti-social behaviour



Our summer anti-social behaviour (ASB) campaign is well underway. There has been an increase in nuisance drinking and behaviour at Cheam Way recreation grounds and so we have listed addressing this as a neighbourhood priority for the team and will be targeting our

patrols and taking direct action to reduce the problem. Please continue to report any ASB you may be experiencing in your neighbourhood to us so that we can work with our partner agencies and take measures to address it.

Thefts from motor vehicles



Thefts from motor vehicles continue to be a problem in the area. Thieves have been using blunt force to smash windows to get to any valuables left on

display. Please remember to **ALWAYS** remove all valuables, including tools, from your vehicles before leaving them unattended.

If you see any suspicious behaviour or have information about those responsible for this type of crime please contact us.

Dangerous dogs

During these past few weeks there have been several reports relating to dogs attacking residents' pets, be those cats or other dogs, throughout Totton. It is an offence for a dog to be 'dangerously out of control in a public place.' However, these incidents are often settled between the owners of the animals, with the owner of the offending dog often paying compensation for any damages or vets bills directly or via the small claims court process.

In Calmore there was an attack by a Dalmatian on a small Jack Russell dog. Both owners were spoken to by PC Pugh and arrangements were made to settle costs incurred.

There have also been a number of attacks on pets by a white Staffordshire Bull Terrier and a brown mottle coated Staffordshire Bull terrier. Cats have been killed and dogs have been maimed around the area of Calmore Park and Birchglade. Officers are aware of where these dogs reside and are continuing to investigate. If your animal has been attacked by these dogs then please contact us at Totton police station by calling **101** and help us with our enquiries.

Thank you.

You can speak to an officer from Totton Safer Neighbourhoods team by calling **101** or emailing: totton.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk



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