



Totton town Safer Neighbourhoods News

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Our local pledge and 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. To address rowdy and inconsiderate behaviour through robust use of fixed penalty notices, dispersing intimidating groups and confiscating alcohol.
2. To work in partnership with other agencies, housing and local authorities, to ensure that issues affecting the quality of life, particularly in residential areas, are dealt with by seeking long term solutions.
3. To promote responsible citizenship among our young people by engaging with them on the street.

Criminal Damage

Reports have increased throughout November and December with five incidents, compared to three in the previous two months. The majority of these involve individuals causing damage to the local shops with unknown objects. It is important that if you see suspicious behaviour or criminal damage you contact the police. The team are carrying out extra patrols around our hot spot areas, which includes the town centre.

Rowdy and inconsiderate behaviour

Reports of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) is continuing to decrease through the winter months. The majority of reports relate to youths drinking alcohol in the street, shouting, swearing and even throwing oranges at passing vehicles. If you see any of this

behaviour going on then please call us. If seen the youths will have the alcohol confiscated and will be escorted home to their parents. If you are a parent or guardian, please ensure you are aware of what your children are doing, and where they are, and that they know what impact any ASB can have on local residents. We've identified hot spot areas and carry out regular patrols to deter this behaviour

Thefts from vehicles

We are happy to say that in the last two months we have had no reported thefts from vehicles, thanks to hard work by local officers

and vigilance of vehicle owners who are locking their vehicles and ensuring nothing is left inside. We are continuing patrols to identify vulnerable vehicles, and we inform the owner it is either left unlocked or has items on display. Keep up the good work and always keep cars and vans locked and empty of valuable items – even on your own driveway.

Theft of pedal cycles

Reducing cycle thefts in the town centre is a priority for us. There has been a large increase in theft of pedal cycles through November and December with 12 reports received so far. The majority of those stolen thefts are of cycles left insecure. We are dealing with a number of youths identified as possibly being involved in the thefts, and you can support us by always locking your bike with a D-lock and reporting anything suspicious to us.

Beat surgeries: We are at ASDA in Totton on the following dates:

- Wednesday, January 11, from 10am
 - Friday, February 17 from 11am
- We are also at Stoneham Housing in Rumbridge Court on the following dates:
- Thursday, January 26 from 11am
 - Wednesday, February 29 from 10am

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