



# Andover Rural Safer Neighbourhoods Police Report Abbots Ann, Anna Valley, the Clatfords, Wherwell, Longparish and Barton Stacey April - May 2011



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Welcome to the latest newsletter for beat TA11. Your local officers, PC Richard Jewell 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 or concerns 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.

## Your neighbourhood

We are pleased to report that there has been very little crime in our area over the last two months. There were two non-dwelling burglaries and one theft of building materials reported to police however, so we would ask you to continue to be vigilant and to report any suspicious people or vehicles you see in the area to police immediately.

Now that the weather is starting to warm up, we may see an increase in thefts from sheds and outbuildings. Please be mindful of this and take extra care in securing your outbuildings. Always ensure all tools and gardening equipment have been put away and your sheds have been locked and secured. It may also be worth considering fitting sensor lights and/or a shed alarm to deter offenders.

If you would like further crime prevention advice then please contact your Safer Neighbourhoods officers at Stockbridge police station on 101 or email them at: [andoverrural.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:andoverrural.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)

## Action we have taken in relation to your priorities

**You said:** You were concerned about speeding vehicles in local villages

**We did:** Following repeated concerns for speeding through local villages 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.



An operation with Roads Policing officers also 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!



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

## Justice seen, justice done

Crime levels are low in your area and your local officers are committed to ensuring your area remains a safe place to live, working hard to bring offenders to justice.

Our game keepers and landowners will be pleased to note a continued downturn 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 in the Winchester and Stockbridge police 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.

## 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](http://www.hampshire.police.uk) If there is something concerning you then please come and see us.

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