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Taplow, Burnham and The Farnhams

Neighbourhood Team

Your neighbourhood team consists of Sergeant 7302 Gabriel PC 6131Dan Terry PCSO 9791 Angela O'Connell PCSO 9580 Tucker

Neighbourhood Priorities

The priorities for your Neighbourhood Policing Team (NHPT) will be decided by the Policing Issues Panel; comprised of local volunteers, and representatives from Community Boards across the South Buckinghamshire policing area. The Police do not run the panel, although we do attend as representatives. This allows us to speak to a wide cross-section of the community, find out what most needs improvement in the area, and considering how we and others can accomplish these aims. The top three priorities are chosen by the forum every three months and are then assumed by your Neighbourhood Policing Team. If you wish to learn more please use the following hyperlink: Chiltern & South Bucks Policing Issues Forum - Community and Neighbourhood Police stronger together (csb-forum.org)

You Said - Speeding is a concern

We Did:

During November our Roads Policing officers have spent 20.25 hours conducting speed enforcement at various locations. This resulted in them identifying 564 offences across South Buckinghamshire LPA. Our fixed cameras have identified a further 89 offenders.

Neighbourhood Officers have been out conducting speed checks at the locations shown below during October, however no speed enforcement was carried out by the Neighbourhood team due to other commitments and poor weather conditions during November and December.

October

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| Location | Number of Vehicles passed Check Site | Number of vehicles over speed limit | Highest Speed Recorded |
| Lent Rise Road, Burnham | 69 | 2 | 44 MPH |
| Hill Farm Road, | 16 | 1 | 34 MPH |









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| Lake End Road, | 64 | 2 | 40MPH | |
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| Dorney | | | | |

In addition, we have our Community Speed Watch scheme. If you are a member of your community who feels strongly about speeding, this could be a great opportunity to assist in preventing it. You would be volunteering your time to monitor speeds in areas highlighted as a concern by fellow residents. This is an advisory scheme which looks to warn speeders about the risks they present and the possible consequences of their behaviour on the road. This has been significantly effective, with a 96% success rate in preventing re-offending. If you are interested in helping out, then please contact PC Lee Turnham, Community Speedwatch Co-ordinator lee.turnham@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Between July and September, our Farnham Common Community Speedwatch volunteers have carried out 17 sessions on the Collingswood Road and Farnham Lane locations. Through their efforts, they identified 12 vehicles exceeding the speed limit.

You Said - Burglary is a concern

We Did:

Your local Neighbourhood team ensures that victims of burglaries are visited in order to check their welfare and address their safety concerns. We also see it as a matter of importance that neighbours of the victim are promptly made aware that a burglary has taken place in their area. Following on from a burglary, we aim to give victims and their neighbours expert crime prevention advice, as part of our efforts to be proactive on reducing burglary offences. We have also worked with our local Neighbourhood Watch teams to put in place free crime reduction surveys. These are carried out by well-trained and highly knowledgeable Crime Reduction Advisors from the local Neighbourhood Watch. They aim to offer a thorough independent assessment of your home security and how you can improve it. They will also be able to introduce you to the range of home security products available, the advisors do not utilise any "pressure selling" methods, rather focus on finding the right solutions so you have the tools and knowhow to create a more secure home.

Offending levels for Burglary have risen between October and December, with three in Taplow, 16 in Burnham and 4 in Farnhams. We have also seen an increase in shed break ins across the area.

With the darker evenings upon us we always expect to see an increase in burglaries due to the patterns our crime data demonstrates. Although we will diligently continue in our efforts to prevent and reduce burglaries, we highly encourage you also continue to take the necessary steps to assist in protecting yourselves, your homes and your neighbours.

Operation Grotto was South Buckinghamshire LPA's crime initiative to focus on the habitual rise in burglaries and ran until the New Year. Police conducted an increased number of overt patrols, with a focus on identified high-risk areas for residential burglary. Homeowners were left with our crime prevention letter written by neighbourhood police









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inspector James Ellis. If you would like a copy of this, you can download it at: https://www.csb-forum.org/operation-grotto-the-most-important-partner-we-can-work-with-is-you/

Are you a member of the Neighbourhood watch? If not, we greatly recommend you join. The NHW aims to make you be and feel safer within your community, as a member you can also benefit from discounts on security devices and receive newsletters with crime prevention advice. Their campaign, 'WIDEN', has the main objective of encouraging citizens to be diligent in protecting their homes, this is something every member of the community should consider.

Windows: Lock your windows.

Interior: Put your interior lights on a timer. Doors: Double or deadlock your doors.

Exterior: Put your exterior lights on a sensor. Neighbours: Keep an eye out for your neighbours.

You Said - Shoplifting was a concern

We Did:

We have seen an increase in shoplifting in the Burnham area, we have been working with shop staff to help reduce the opportunity for crime. One prolific shoplifter has already been arrested and we are carrying out enquiries around a second male.

Other News

We have a new PCSO joining us in January, Emily will be out and about introducing herself to the neighbourhood in due course.

In December, our police cadets were in Burnham high street distributing Christmas crime reduction advice to local residents as well as escorting Santa and the parade down the high street.

Offenders Brought To Justice

A 50 year old male was arrested and charged for possession of an offensive weapon and assault in taplow

Two males have been arrested and charged with drug offences and abstraction of electricity in Dorney after a cannabis factory was identified

Three males were arrested and received a caution for assault on police and criminal damage in Taplow









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A 31 year old male was arrested and charged for assault in Burnham

Have Your Say Events

We have now started our Have Your Say events again so please keep an eye on our social media where we will advertise where we will be. For account details, see below.

Additionally, we've sought to establish customary locations where we can be found, when not tasked with something else; allowing for us to catch up on more administrative matters. These positions provide a place where residents might see us in passing, and feel welcome to stop and have a chat:

Taplow/Hitcham – The Parish Car Park, off Rectory Road.
Farnham Royal and Common – Car Park next to Broadway Autocentres.
Burnham – The Summers Road Car Park, Summers Road.
Dorney – The Dorney Lake Car Park off Court Lane

Contact Us:

Call 101 (Non-Emergency Contact Number)
Call 999 in an emergency only

Thames Valley Police Webform: https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/report-a-crime

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at: www.thamesvalley.police.uk or speak with one of your Neighbourhood Team. www.thamesvalley.police.uk





