

Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter: Evesham and Pershore

Issue 1 - Bringing you updates from your local teams

July to September 2021

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A welcome from SNT...

- Firstly, let me start by welcoming each of the Parish Councils to the Safer Neighbourhood (SNT) newsletter.
- Each Parish Council has been sent details of their local team members and their contact details and provided with the Local Policing Charter contracts in which we asked you to return your contact details and your priorities. Thank you to those who returned theirs as it has allowed us to plan our patrol and operations to target what matters to your community.

As stated in the contract, you will receive the newsletter every three months and it will be our chance to engage with you to highlight how we have acted on the priorities you set, the successes that we have had and raise awareness of any other pertinent matters.

The Local Policing Charter...

- To start this newsletter, it would be beneficial to explain to you all some changes that have occurred within West Mercia Police and how this will impact on each SNT's engagement with Parish Councils.

The Local Policing Charter outlines a commitment to improving the delivery and service that the community expect and deserve. It looks to cover six key areas for improved service delivery: visibility & accessibility, responding to communities, prevention, vulnerability, relationships and partnerships.

The Charter contracts will be sent out every three months so there is a chance to reconfirm or alter the policing priorities you have raised for you community.

Neighbourhood Matters...

- With the Local Policing Charter, we have started to utilise a new platform to focus our engagement with the community.

We have had an incredible response to members of the public signing up to this but we would appreciate your help in pushing this through your parishioners. We will be updating it with crime related incidents we are dealing with, crime prevention advice, success stories and details of engagement events we will be holding. The platform allows you to receive emails and SMS updates as soon as we deliver them and engage with us in response in a more personal way.

If you haven't already, please sign up at <https://neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk/>



A busy time brings success...

- For those who returned their Charter Contracts, we have tabled the priorities you listed and taken action on these. Speeding vehicles and anti-social behaviour featured highly among those contracts returned.

We have conducted a number of speed enforcement operations across the policing area and increased high-visibility patrols in areas of anti-social behaviour.

Moving forward, there will be further speed enforcement campaigns where the SNT will be working with Safer Roads Partnership.

- One point we want to emphasise through the communities is that our engagement with them and the information they provide is integral to our day to day roles.

In the past few weeks we have received information from members of the public regarding suspicious behaviour and this has led to extremely positive results.

The Evesham Town team targeted patrols in a specific area which led directly to the stop/search and arrest of a male who was found to be dealing class A drugs and in possession of weapons.



The Pershore Rural team and Evesham Rural North team received information of suspicious activity which led directly to them working together and the deployment of officers as a result of the information led to the recovery and seizure of stolen vehicles and a John Deere Gator from the Cleeve Prior area.



Community safety focus...

- Use of E-Scooters - Although they are available to buy they are currently illegal to use on public roads, pavements, cycle lanes, pedestrian-only areas or any other public places. E-scooters are currently classed as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEVs) by the Government and fall under the same laws and regulations that apply to all motor vehicles in terms of requiring insurance, tax, MOT, licence and registration. There is no mechanism in

place at the moment to obtain any of these for e-scooters so as this requirement can't be met their use in public areas is illegal.

Anyone found using them in public areas risks having the e-scooter seized by the police.

More information can be found at www.gov.uk/e-scooter

- **Burglary Crime** - As the nights start to draw in, we are noticing there has been an increase in burglary crime being reported (both dwelling and non-dwelling).

Specific patrols to target this highly-impactive crime are ongoing and Evesham and Pershore SNT will be conducting specific operations to target areas of high crime and those suspected as being involved.

It is important to consider security of your property as proper security measures are a real deterrent to criminals. Good quality locks, security lights, CCTV cameras and smart-water marking kits are all considered good measures.

As part of the SNT engagement events, we will be providing crime prevention advice and offering smart water kits for.

Engagement events will be advertised through Neighbourhood Matters so please look out for the dates and share.

Incidents of note...

- There have been a number of burglaries that have targeted empty properties. These have been throughout the Evesham and Pershore area so again, please consider security measures.
- There have been a number of thefts from rural locations; predominantly farms. Quad bikes and Gators appear to be being targeted.

Upcoming events...

- There are a number of upcoming drop-in surgeries that will be held in Pershore library during September. The dates will be publicised on Neighbourhood Matters and our Twitter and Facebook accounts.
- The mobile police engagement van will be holding events throughout the Evesham and Pershore area where our focus will be on crime prevention and security advice. Again, dates and exact locations will be publicised on Neighbourhood Matters and our Twitter and Facebook accounts.

Keep in contact with your SNT...

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- Twitter: @EveshamCops and @PershoreCops
- Facebook: 'Evesham SNT' and 'Pershore Cops'
- **For crimes in progress call 999.**
- For non-emergencies report online:
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