Daventry & Rural Neighbourhood Teams

Annual Report March 2023

The Daventry Neighbourhood Policing team cover a large geographical area with different demands for the rural areas and within the main town. We have an experienced and committed team on NPT, we have seen some staff movement within the area over the last 12 months. We have welcomed Sgt Greg Harrison, PC's Chris Bates and Lee Stevens to the Brixworth office and PC Harris Woodward to Daventry town. Collectively they bring with them a wealth of community Policing experience, they have been busy right from the start in getting to know their local communities and tackle issues in their respective areas.

Our Locally identified priorities are reviewed quarterly and are now an embedded feature of our daily business. We are seeing some consistent themes in the issues identified, road safety, rural crime and acquisitive crime have individually featured in every LIP period over the last 12 months, as such we have focused our activity towards tackling these issues. We have utilised Police off road motorcycles to tackle illegal off road motorcycling at Harlestone Firs and Brampton Valley Way. If you would like to contribute to the LIPs by taking the survey please follow this link: https://www.northamptonshireneighbourhoodalert.co.uk/LocallyIdentifiedPriorities

We continue to work closely with West Northants Council to address the ongoing issue of 'street racers' meeting at Moulton and DIRFT. We are in the process of applying for a County wide injunction to prevent such meetings taking place and hope that this will be in place soon. We have also carried out warrants under the misuse of drugs and prosecuted those that control drug dealing in the area.

The beat buses are now a regular feature for us and the villages on our area, we promote these dates on our social media and these events are a great way to speak with your local Officers about any issues that may be arising. Look out for dates (and much more) on Twitter Daventry Neighbourhood Team (@DaventryPolice)/ Twitter or Facebook www.facebook.com/daventrysouthnorthantspolice/

We recommend that people residing and working within our communities sign up to **Neighbourhood Alert**. This is an email messaging system that all Schools, Parish Councils, Neighbourhood Watch and community members can join. In registering your email address you will receive up-to-date information regarding crimes, policing activity, crime prevention advice and much more. This system is a two-way process and offers you a chance to respond to information provided as appropriate. If the majority of the community sign up then we can create a virtual network of additional eyes and ears, watching out for suspicious activity, looking out for vulnerable friends, family and neighbours and receiving information about local events and activities that can help alleviate fear of crime and promote a safe and secure lifestyle. You can join the Neighbourhood Alert Messaging System by following this link: www.northamptonshireneighbourhoodalert.co.uk

We are currently seeing that a lot of our time is dedicated towards dealing with online crimes, perpetrated by children on either social media, or other such platforms. The vast majority of these involve children of school age.

We have carried out numerous online safety talks at Schools but despite this, children continue to frequently share intimate images with their fellow students. It appears that many school children continue to be unaware that the sending of indecent or malicious communications on social media or other platforms such as Instagram, WhatsApp, Snap Chat (and many others) can be classed as criminal offences. We encourage parents to take an active overview of the chat groups that their children join and to monitor their on-line activity.

We work closely with our Rural Crime Team and you can follow their work via Twitter: @hutch472 &@NorPolRural.

Should you wish to discuss any particular issue that is of concern to you or meet a member of your Neighbourhood Policing Team then please contact either team via:
NT-SouthNorthantsdaventry@northants.pnn.police.uk

PLEASE DO NOT REPORT CRIMES VIA THIS EMAIL ADDRESS

Reporting an issue or crime to the Police can be made in a number of ways. This includes ringing 101 or online. Northants Police's new website offers a reporting system for:

- A road traffic incident
- Missing person – no immediate harm
- Terrorist activity
- Fingerprints appointments – this could be asked for when travelling abroad
- Hate Crime/ Incident

So that your report can be managed as quickly as possible, it's important to consider the following information and have it ready to provide:

- the date and time the crime happened
- the location, such as address or road name along with the town or village
- a description of any people involved
- the details of any witnesses or suspects
- if you think there's any other evidence such as forensic evidence or mobile phone footage
- if there is clear CCTV footage of the offence being committed

The above reporting tool can be reached via: https://www.northants.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/

USEFUL LINKS

Northamptonshire Police Website: http://www.northants.police.uk/
Check if a vehicle is taxed or untaxed and report if necessary: https://www.gov.uk/check-vehicle-tax Matters related to driving: http://think.direct.gov.uk/
This link will provide you with useful information to help protect yourself from scams: https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/scams/check-if-something-might-be-a-scam/
Trading Standards – Advice and help for consumers: West Northants Trading Standards
Contact Crime Stoppers: https://crimestoppers-uk.org/
Fearless - a site where young people can access non-judgmental information and advice about crime: https://www.fearless.org/
Northamptonshire Neighbourhood Watch: www.ourwatch.org.uk
Report to West Northants Council - Fly tipping, dog fouling, Litter, noise pollution and other issues: West Northants Council
Advice on boundary disputes with neighbours: https://www.ricsfirms.com/residential/legal-issues/boundaries/rics-consumer-guide-boundary-disputes/

Thank you from Daventry & Rural Neighbourhood Policing Teams