Neighbourhood Policing October 2020 newsletter

Abingdon Team Newsletter

Priorities

Anti-social behaviour (ASB)

PCSOs Ali Blood & Susie Morley have spent time carrying out after school patrols in Bury Street to tackle anti-social behaviour, lots of school children have been engaged with as well as members of the public. Cyclists have been stopped and spoken to about cycling on the pavements and in one case a £50.00 Fixed Penalty Notice was issued to a male who had been warned previously.

A reminder that the clocks go back at the end of the month, meaning it is going to be darker in the mornings and the early evenings. If you are a cyclist, please make sure you have bike lights that are working, as some of our more rural villages, such as Sunningwell, do not have street lighting.

Burglary

We have received several reports of shed, garage and outhouse breaks over the last few weeks with bicycles and tools being stolen. If you would like any crime prevention advice, including a home security assessment, please contact the team by emailing AbingdonNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Alternatively, you can download our free Home Security Guide by visiting https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/police-forces/thames-valley-police/areas/advice/home-security-guide/

Current crime trends

Drug dealing and suspicious behaviour

PCSO Rich Osborn has received reports of suspicious behaviour and/or possible drug use in the car park off Spay Road in Shippon. The team are regularly patrolling the area to disrupt the behaviour and catch the offenders.

We have received a report of drug dealing in the street in Villeboys Close in Abingdon. Please call in on 999 if you suspect that you are witnessing active drug dealing.

We have also received reports of suspicious activity in Galley Field, Abingdon. PCSO's Selene Moquet and Adi Wright have recently seized a large quantity of cannabis that had been left in a bush in this area. Please call in on 999 or 101 if you have concerns about unusual or suspicious behaviour in this area.

Incidents outside schools in Abingdon

A number of the Police Community Support Officers have been out conducting patrols around local schools during the latter part of September. This was in light of several reports of a suspicious vehicle being seen. We spent time out on the bikes and also mobile patrols across the town.

The vehicle in question has subsequently been identified and the owner spoken to. We are always grateful to the local community in reporting suspicious incidents to us.

On the 30th of September, PCSO's Selene Moquet and Maddie Highmoor completed high visibility reassurance patrols in the surrounding areas of John Mason and Fitzharry's following the reports.

Parking

Recently, the team received reports of parking issues in Cothill. Cars were being parked from near the school up to the junction with Church Lane. This was making it difficult for local residents to access their driveways and also made the road single track. If you are in the area visiting or taking exercise, please be considerate of other road users and residents' properties.

PCSO Selene Moquet has received reports of a white Honda parking dangerously on the junction of Boxhill Road and Oxford Road. The registered owner was spoken to and immediately moved their vehicle to a safer spot.

What the team have been doing

At the beginning of September, we received numerous reports following the arrival of a traveller encampment at Mill Road, Abingdon. The reports were primarily made in relation to incidents of damage and ASB. A Section 61 Notice was served, which directed the group to leave the site. Once the group had left, the neighbourhood team worked with the council and landowners to ensure preventative measures were put in place, to stop access being gained in the future and that the land was left clean and tidy.

PCSOs Ali Blood, Susie Morley & Maddie Highmoor have been continuing with their foot and cycle patrols of parks and open spaces in light of further COVID 19 restrictions, so far we have only had to engage with several groups of young people where the numbers were breaching the regulations. Advice was given on these occasions and the groups dispersed. Alongside this we have been carrying out licensing checks on restaurants, takeaways & pubs to offer advice and support with the new closing times

On the 30th of September, PCSO's Selene Moquet and Rich Osborn were called to a report of a child left out in the rain. The welfare of the child was checked and they were all in order and tucked up in bed.

PCSO Maddie Highmoor and PC Josh Beech attended Abingdon Lock, in response to a report of a female in the river. Upon arrival, paramedics were on scene and were able to stabilise the female, before transporting her to hospital, where she recovered. PCSO Maddie Highmoor and PC Josh Beech assisted their ICR colleagues in successfully completing enquiries to find the female's next of kin.

PCSO Ali Blood and PCSO Maddie Highmoor attended a report of a male, who was seen to be unsteady on his feet by a member of public, along Peep-O-Day Lane in Abingdon. With help from the member of public, the PCSOs located the male. After the male was spoken with, he was taken home by two members of the Didcot Neighbourhood Policing Team and spoken with further.

Have Your Say meetings

Due to the current social restrictions in place, face to face 'Have Your Say' meetings are currently not being held until it is safe to do so again. Please use the details below to contact the team about any concerns you have.

Please get in touch/follow us using the following:

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