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Minutes of a meeting of the Chippenham Community Safety Forum held on Tuesday 5 December 2023 at 11.00 am.

Councillors present:

Desna Allen (Chair) Liz Alstrom

Officers present: Mark Smith, Chief Executive

Matt Kirby, Director of Community Services Daryl Jones, Head of Community Development Michael Weeks, Democratic and Civic Officer

21 <u>WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS</u>

The Chair welcomed everyone to the Community Safety Forum.

There were representatives from, but not limited to the following organisations:

Chippenham Town Council Wiltshire Council National Probation Service Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust Wiltshire Police Cadets Chippenham Library Wiltshire Police Doorway

22 **CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Chair's announcements.

23 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from:

PCC Philip Wilkinson
Jaqui Gallimore Chippenham CCTV
Paul Sumners Wiltshire Neighbourhood Watch
Sarah Copus Aster Housing
Wiltshire Crime Stoppers

24 NOTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The notes from the previous meeting were agreed as a correct record.

25 <u>WILTSHIRE POLICE UPDATE</u>

Sgt Jamie Ball gave a verbal update regarding Wiltshire Police.

The matters discussed at the meeting were contained in a recent briefing document and press releases following the Police week of action that is attached for information.

26 COMMUNITY PAYBACK

Jeremy Duggan from the National Probation Service gave an overview of Community Payback.

The Team based in Chippenham, doesn't just cover the local area but also North Somerset and BANES. The team of 4, delivers up to 400 hours of Community Payback per week, although this can be effected by the weather and if those expected turn up. An offender can be given up to 300 hours of Community Payback which needs to be served within a year, with an offender normally serving 7 hours a week. If offenders don't attend they are sent to reappear in court.

Those on Community Payback get involved in many different projects centred around places like community centres, Churches and Sport Clubs. There is a link on the community payback pages to nominate areas that can be worked on.

When engaged on a project, those involved are not allowed to give any personal or offence details to others.

Offenders are interviewed prior to commencing their community payback to ensure they are placed in a suitable placement e.g. a vulnerable adult may service their order in a charity shop or ensuring an offender doesn't serve on a project in an area where they have a prohibitive order.

Community Payback services works over 7 days so an offenders employment isn't effected.

27 WARM ROOMS

Daryl Jones, Head of Community Development verbally updated the forum on this years warm rooms offer.

The final list of places offering a warm room is attached for information.

It was decided that if each place could keep a record of those taking up the offer of a warm room to track demand.

28 PURPLE FLAG UPDATE

Daryl Jones, Head of Community Development verbally updated the forum on Purple Flag.

Earlier this year, the Home Office (HO) announced that PCCs would receive £43m ringfenced funding to trial initiatives to improve public safety across England and Wales. This is the fifth round of funding, and will focus on tackling neighbourhood crime, anti-social behaviour, and violence against women and girls.

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon was asked to coordinate the bidding process by seeking nominations from partners, consulting with the public as appropriate, and assessing nominations for projects against the Home Office's qualifying criteria before finalising a bid in line with the Home Office's financial requirements.

As a result of this process, Chippenham has been allocated £14,400 to extend the CCTV in Chippenham Avon East.

Once the paperwork and legal agreements have been processed installation of 3 additional cameras will be commissioned early 2024; sites of which are currently subject to permissions from Wiltshire Council and Atkins Street Lighting.

29 CCTV INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE

Daryl Jones, Head of Community Development verbally updated the forum on CCTV Infrastructure.

Still need volunteers to man the system. More volunteers would mean more manned coverage.

Options for additional camera coverage can be investigated but is restricted by Wi fi connections although an additional APNR camera will be installed at Bath Road Car Park.

30 ASSISTANCE TO RESIDENTS OVER THE CHRISTMAS / WINTER PERIOD

Café Spero will be offering the following

Tuesday Foodbank 11:30 till 1:00pm Thursday Café 9:00am till 2:00pm

Café is a paid not for profit café but they are happy to provide a warm space and a cup of tea to those in need.

A free Christmas meal will be provided on the 16th of December but places have almost gone.

31 FORUM MEMBERS FEEDBACK

Councillor Ross Henning advised that there will be a Chippenham Area Board meeting on the 11th of December on the theme of Highways. The meeting will start at 11am.

32 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Community Safety Forum will be held on Tuesday 5 March 2024 at 11.00am.

The meeting concluded at 12.01 pm

These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting.

Signed on behalf of Committee as a true record of the meeting.

Chairman:	Date:
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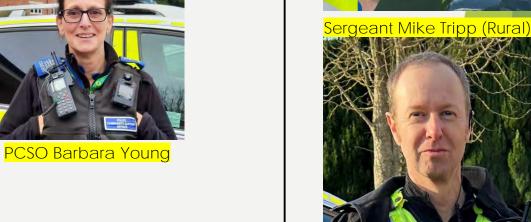






PCSO Laura Maplesden





Inspector Pete Foster

Sergeant Jamie Ball (Town)

*All Police Constables have the responsibility of the Town Centre as well as an additional geographic area of Chippenham



Chippenham Community Engagements

Our Engagement Vision

Community Engagement impacts on everything we do

- We will use a range of techniques and channels to best connect with our communities to obtain their views on policing in the county, and ensure these techniques and channels are visible and accessible
- We will work collaboratively with a variety of partners to engage with communities where it makes sense to do so
- We will actively encourage and enable people to be part of our policing conversations to help shape our approach, response, policy, and delivery
- We will ensure our diverse and under-represented communities have a voice and are represented in conversations
- We will demonstrate where we have listened and where we have changed our service as a result of what our communities are telling us
- We will evaluate the success of our engagement activity and learn lessons to improve future engagement







Community Engagements September - October 2023

Between September and October 2023 the Neighbourhood Policing Team have completed 250 community engagements in Chippenham.

- Attendance at the Purple Flag Breakfast
- In company with Chief Constable Roper, presentation at Community Safety Forum
- 5 School Talks
- 24 visits to Vulnerable Victims
- 4 Misuse of Drugs Act Warrants
- Child Seat Car Checks sessions
- **B**ate Crime Awareness Pop up sessions

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Safer Business Action Week (16th - 20th October)

85 Retail / Local Business premises visited

- o Shops signed up to Business Watch Messaging Scheme
- o Car Parks provided Anti-Social Driving Notices with QR Codes for reporting
- Store Net Radios checked / Additional radios provided and stores encouraged to use them

Speed Checks

- o 24 locations visited
- o 48 Speed Awareness Courses issued
- o 8 Fines issued



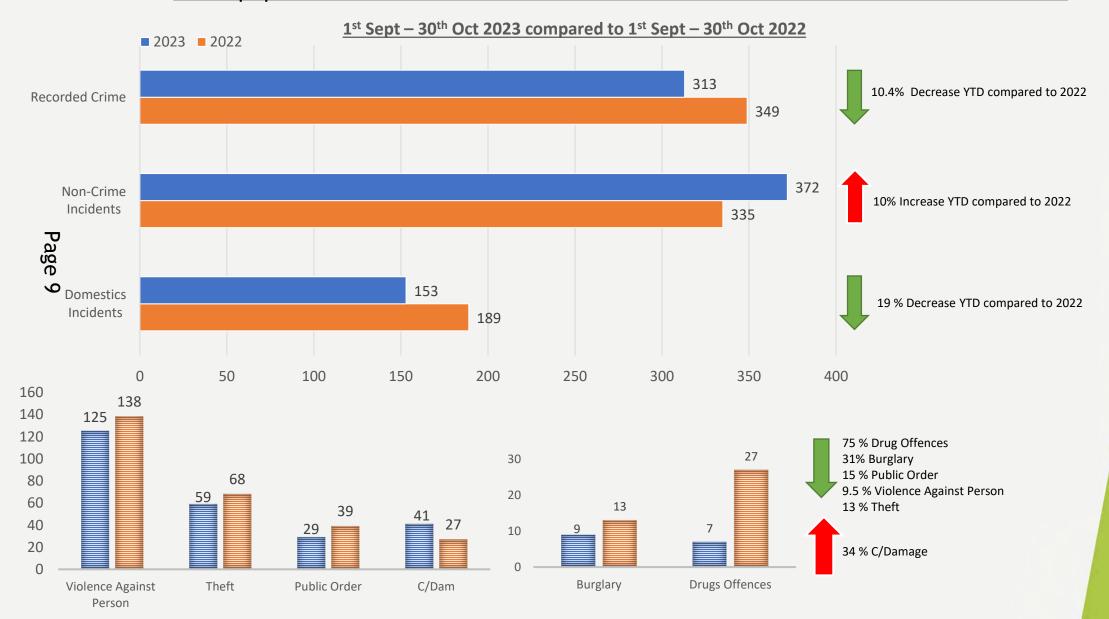




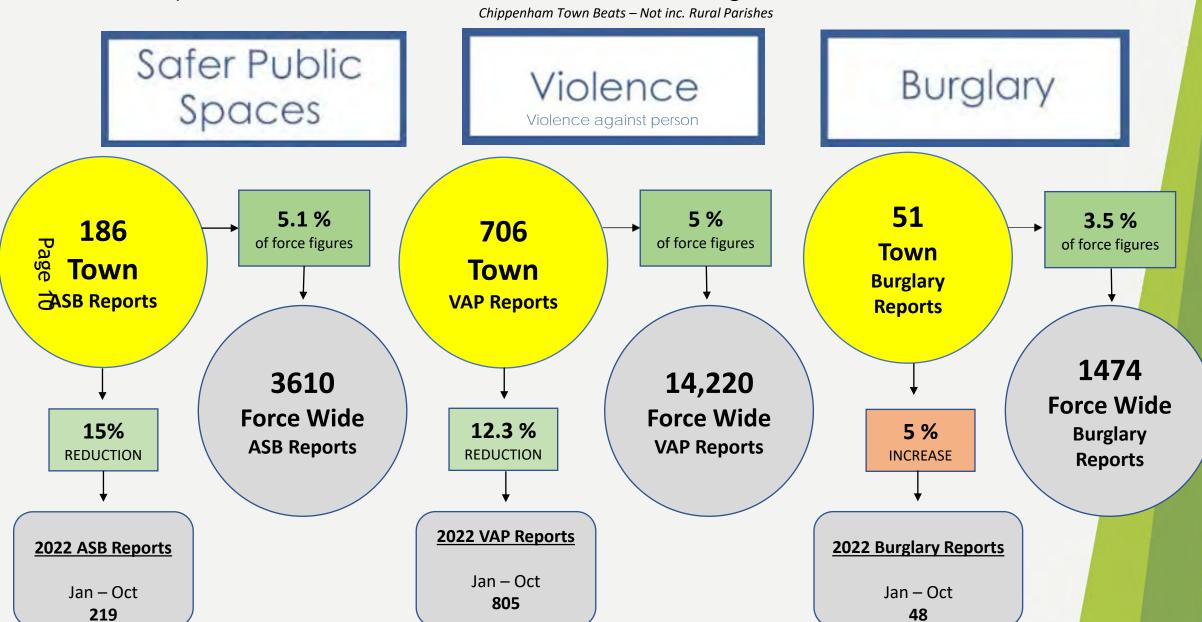


In 2023 a total of 741 engagements have been completed within the Chippenham Town and Rural Neighbourhood Policing areas.

Chippenham Town Crime and Incident Statistics



Operational Priorities - 1st January - 30th October 2023



Get Involved / Get to know



We are inviting you to get to know your Community Policing Team even better. Over the past few months, the communications team and your local officers have been working hard to create new areas on the Force website entitled 'Your Area.'

If you've not discovered them yet, the Your Area pages will give you a considerable amount of information about the area in which you live including who your neighbourhood officers and PCSOs are, how to contact them, crime statistics for your area including the top reported crimes and a crime map showing hot spots. If you are interested to know what the local police priorities are you will find them on the pages along with an up-todate list of meetings and events the team will be attending. You can even find out if there will be speed checks in your area.

Keep up to date with the latest news and alerts in your area by signing up to our Community Messaging service via the QR Code

Alternatively you can register online via www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk



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APPENDIX A

<u>Thursday 30th November (Plain Clothes ASB Operation) / Friday 1st December – (Town Centre Exhibition Vehicle – Engagement Session) (Drink Drive Op also coming this evening)</u>



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A plain clothes policing operation was held at a retail park in Chippenham this week following reports of ongoing anti-social behaviour and shoplifting.

Officers from the Neighbourhood Policing Team conducted the operation at Hathaway Retail Park yesterday evening (30/12).

A 15-year-old boy was arrested on suspicion of theft at Greggs.

Multiple youths were stopped for anti-social behaviour after they were witnessed pushing shopping trolleys into the road in front of vehicles and acting in an intimidating manner.

Sgt Jamie Ball said: "We are aware of an increased number of antisocial behaviour related incidents in Hathaway Retail Park and the local area over the past few weeks, and in the lead up to Christmas we will be continuing to run plain clothes operations like this one to target those causing a nuisance and committing crime in the area.

"It is totally unacceptable behaviour and is causing issues for local businesses and those wishing to shop and enjoy the area.

"Anyone found to be acting in an anti-social manner or committing offences will be dealt with robustly."

If you witness any incidents of concern at any of our local supermarkets, town centres or retail parks over the festive period please call 101 or 999 if a crime is in progress."



To round up our Neighbourhood action week, PCSO Cunningham and PCSO Maplesden are on the high street between 1000hrs - 1200hrs today engaging with the public.

Feel free to pop down and have a chat if you're in the area.



Wednesday 29th November 2023 – (Rural Engagement with 13 villages)



After a successful visit to Yatton Keynell first thing, We're out and about in the rural villages today for some drop in sessions! Please feel free to come and see us to discuss any concerns or queries.

1030 – 1130 Hullavington, The old Hullavington Arms Public

House car park

1200 – 1300 Burton Farm Shop Car Park

1330 – 1430 Kington St Michael, Village shop car park

1500 – 1600 Sutton Benger, Bell Inn Car Park

Hopefully see you soon 👋



WARM SPACES

Providing a warm and friendly welcome to support anyone who needs help through the cost of living crisis.

- Baptist Church, Station Hill Monday, 1000 1200
- Café Spero, Wood Lane Thursday, 0900 - 1100, refreshments £1.50
- Central Methodist Church, Monkton Hill Friday, 1000 - 1130, warm place with tea and coffee, FREE
- Chippenham Community Hub, Borough Parade Wednesday, 1000 - 1200, tea/coffee and biscuits plus board games, FREE Thursday, 1300 - 1500, tea/coffee and biscuits plus board games, FREE
- Kandu Arts SHOP, Emery Gate
 Monday / Tuesday / Wednesday / Thursday / Friday, 1100 1500
 Hot drinks, FREE
- Library, Timber Street
 Monday / Tuesday / Thursday / Friday, 1400 1500
 Activities and hot drinks, FREE
- Methodist Church, Sheldon Road
 Monday, 1000 1200, bit of cake, bit of fun (BOCBOF)
 Saturday, 1100 1400, community lunch, FREE
- St Andrew's Church, Market Place Wednesday 0930 - 1230, tea and coffee, £1





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