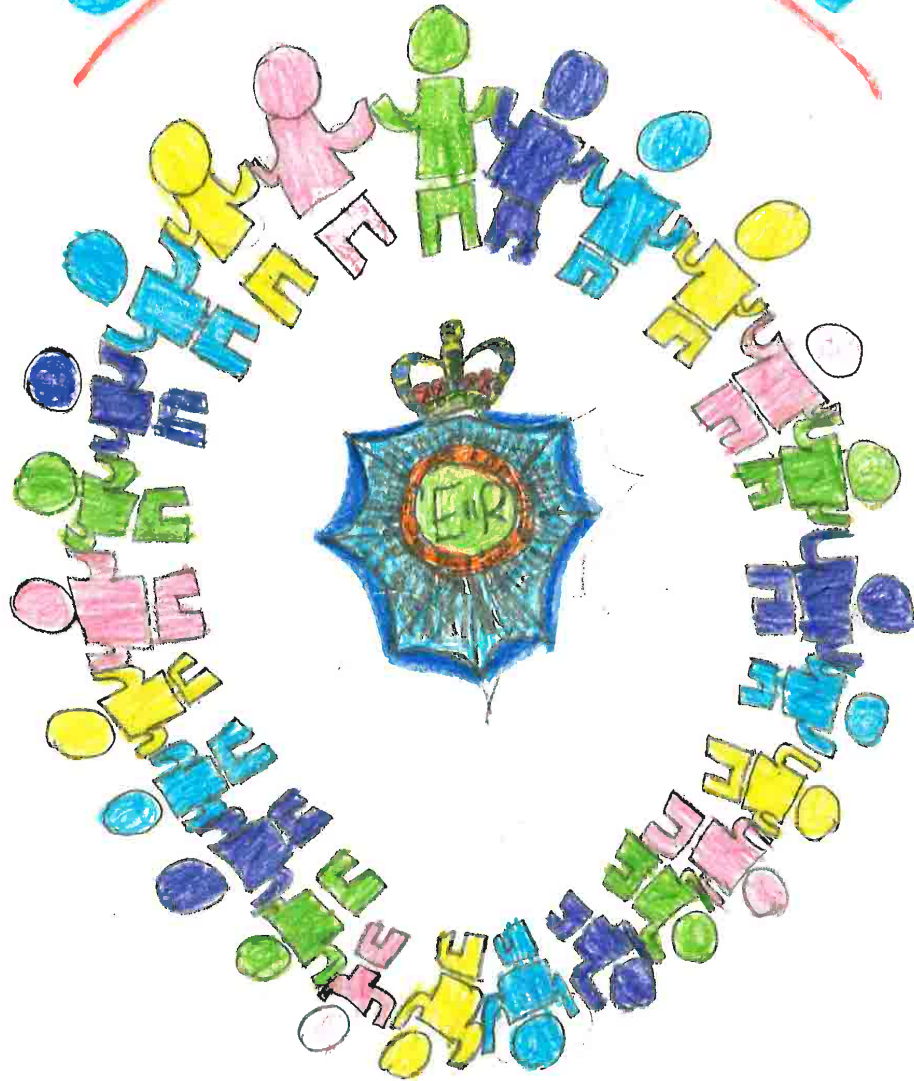


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INTRODUCTION

What a year 2020 has been. When I wrote my end-of-year column for Constables County last year how could we have predicted the year that was ahead of us. The word unprecedented has been used more this year than in any other, but it truly sums up the situation we find ourselves in.

Now nearly a year on, we have become accustomed to our strange new lifestyle in this Covid-impacted world. Life is very different but on the whole people have appreciated the need to be cautious and I think that has definitely helped us keep the infection rate relatively low in Suffolk.

Policing in the county has continued regardless of the pandemic and I know you will all join me in thanking the Constabulary for the commitment and dedication they show on a daily basis. Despite the additional challenges, policing continues to thrive and innovate, even in the most adverse circumstances.

For me, in my role as your Police and Crime Commissioner, I have missed the opportunity to get out and about across the county to meet with Suffolk residents and businesses to discuss their policing issues. In previous years we have had an extensive programme of public engagement events right across the county from Haverhill to Oulton Broad, Brandon to Felixstowe. This year

our engagement programme has been hugely curtailed and we have had to find new ways to hear what you think about the policing service you receive, raise any concerns you may have and tell us what's working well.

As the saying goes, 'necessity is the mother of invention', so we have learnt to do things differently. Instead of face-to-face meetings we now carry out most of our engagement via video-conferencing. It's not ideal but thankfully the technology is available in most of our homes to successfully 'meet up' in this new way. In the past few weeks I have taken part in a meeting with parish and town council, an MP's community meeting in the east of the county with Peter Aldous and met with business organisations such as the Chamber of Commerce and the Countryside & Landowners Association. The Chief and I also recently held a web-chat to hear your views and we've also been grilled on the Radio Suffolk 'hot seat' where listeners are encouraged to call in with comments. My website has also played an important role in providing the public with a link to my office.

I do appreciate that this has been a time of dreadful heartbreak for many. Too many lives have been lost through this horrendous pandemic and this will be very difficult time for many as we approach Christmas. As we leave



this 'annus horribilis' I do hope we can look to 2021 with a renewed optimism that things will get better.

Christmas will not be the same this year but we need to make the most of what we have and not put ourselves and our loved ones at risk by flouting the restrictions. Let's take a Team Suffolk approach and look after each other.

**Police and Crime Commissioner
Tim Passmore**

We are currently in unprecedented and challenging times. As a Constabulary we acknowledge that most people are trying their best to adapt and follow the rules for everyone's safety. I would like to thank you for that, and am confident that you will keep doing the right thing as these new measures are taking effect. Suffolk Police will continue to engage with people proportionately, fairly, and using the well-established 4E's process (Engage, Explain, Encourage, Enforce) to support the new regulations. However, a minority of the public will still choose to put lives at risk by their behaviour. Not following the regulations and measures put in place to limit the spread of the virus is unacceptable, and my staff will not waste time with endless encouragement for those who knowingly or deliberately break the rules. People recklessly ignoring the rules should expect to receive a fixed penalty notice. Over and above our normal responsibilities, the service had to adapt to the realities of Covid 19 since March, and we will continue to assess the situation and respond accordingly. Whilst demand levels remain high we are well prepared to respond to any crime or other issues that arise.

I continue to be overwhelmed by the many emails, cards and letters of support I receive thanking the Constabulary for

their work during these strange times. Words of kindness are a great comfort to all of us during this second phase of restrictions and as we start to look towards Christmas it's the values that we have here in Suffolk of support, understanding and inspiration that mirror those we think of at Christmas that will help us get through this testing time.

Remembrance Day services across the county had a very different look this year due to the current climate, with scaled back services and wreath laying. As a Constabulary we always look forward to being part of honouring the fallen, and DCC Rachel Kearton was pleased to be invited to the Ipswich service, whilst T/Chief Superintendent Simon Mills represented us at the Bury service. At Police Headquarters colleagues laid wreaths at a much smaller parade. I know other smaller services were held, and many were live streamed so we could all join in from the comfort of our own homes, or observation the minutes silence from our front door step.

Last week the Police & Crime Commissioner and I hosted an on-line web chat with members of the public. It's been unfortunate that we have not been able to hold our usual public meetings, I really enjoy and value those and it's important for me to hear from your thoughts and observations



on how we are keeping you safe. The on-line forum was therefore particularly important this year and we will plan to do another early in the new year. We had many interesting questions and observations, and I would like to thank all those who participated, and can assure you that all issues raised have now been followed up.

**Chief Constable
Steve Jupp**



LOWESTOFT, BECCLES & BUNGAY

PC Amy Yeldham, Community Engagement Officer

As December throws itself upon us, we see more Christmas decorations in houses in our community, which I can certainly say has brightened up our foot patrol in and around Lowestoft, Beccles and Bungay and surrounding areas. Whilst out in our area I have conducted speed enforcement at multiple locations including Lowestoft, Ringsfield, Beccles, Bungay and Shadingfield. In some locations I have issued traffic offence reports to drivers travelling over the speed limit, while foot patrols and speed enforcement will continue into the new year in our community.

East Suffolk CID officers led a complex investigation in 2019 into a number of vehicle thefts across the east of England and it resulted in six men being arrested and charged with conspiring with one another to steal motor vehicles. Miroslav Pesko of Greenbay Road in Charlton, was found guilty of the conspiracy after his trial at Norwich Crown Court, which concluded Thursday 5 November and had lasted almost three weeks. The first trial earlier this year was suspended after being part heard due to Covid-19 restrictions.

If you would like to read the full story you can access it [here](#) on our website.

Our Sentinel team have had a successful arresting 23 people mostly for drug supply offences. The team seized £55,000 of drugs (heroin, cocaine and cannabis), over £21,000 of counterfeit tobacco & cigarettes and £6000 in cash. They have also recovered knives and other offensive weapons during stop searches.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team have been working hard and recently identified a potential 'crack house' and possible dealer in north Lowestoft and within a couple of days the SNT had the premises closed down. After serving a section 8 Misuse of Drugs Act warning notices to the occupants, it was clear that the flat held significant health risks. Working with environmental health an inspection was made and an immediate prohibition order was placed on the property meaning the 'crack house' was closed down and all occupants removed. The SNT also

worked with the landlord to encourage upgrading the property's security to prevent drug users having easy access to the property in order to use drugs.

Our Kestrel Team have been deployed to the east during October and November, tackling rural areas and providing a policing presence to tackle ASB, particularly focussing on Beccles supermarkets, the common and the skatepark. Officers have conducted eight S23 Misuse of Drugs Act searches with three positive results during their time in Beccles.

The Kestrel team will continue to disrupt any person who wish to raise community tensions by committing criminal offences. During a recent visit to Lowestoft, officers conducted eight stop searches with two positive results and an arrest of a wanted male in one shift!

In summary, since their formation, the team have conducted 81 stop searches with 16 positive results, issued seven cannabis warning, made 13 arrests, submitted 292 intelligence reports and conducted in excess of 214 hours foot patrol across the county.



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Inspector
Nick Aitken

Inspector Nick Aitken is responsible for the two Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Lowestoft, Beccles and Bungay locality.



HALESWORTH DISTRICT

PC Simon Green, Community Engagement Officer

This financial year saw the Suffolk PCC raise the police element of the council tax precept in order to fund two pro-active teams. During the summer, the Kestrel team were set up (image below). This is a new countywide team based in our part of Suffolk at the police office at Eye. They are dedicated to tackling criminal threats and challenges that emerge in a particular local area. The team will provide a key aspect to the force's capability to address high-volume crimes, drug crime and associated anti-social behaviour. Where necessary, it will also assist and support in targeting local policing priorities and deal with the policing issues and concerns which matter most to local communities.

Most recently, a second team was established called the Serious Crime Disruption Team (SCDT) to cover the east and west of the county and will complement the existing team that predominantly covers the wider Ipswich area to address drug supply and serious violence.



The Kestrel Team have been active in our towns, conducting foot patrol and targeting ASB. Before the second lockdown, the team found a public house still open at 11.30pm with lights on and the sound of people inside. They found a total of ten people at the bar, drinking and clearly in breach of Covid Regs. The team have made ASB arrests and have obviously made an impression on one particular group who have named themselves after the team! Another highlight was when they hosted ITV Anglia as their reporter covered the policing of the Covid regulations.

As the local Community Engagement Officer, I have been on foot patrol during the evenings with my Lowestoft counterpart, PC Yeldham. We're dividing our time between towns in the Lowestoft & Halesworth localities and have so far been to Beccles, Bungay, Debenham & Southwold. We shall be calling at every town and large village in the Halesworth locality and keeping an eye on areas you've told us attract ASB and criminality.

Colleagues from the Halesworth Safer Neighbourhood Team made an early start on the 8th of November, laying wreaths at many of the war memorials in our area for Remembrance Day. We started at 7am to make sure we could cover the large area our locality represents (377square Kms). We wanted to ensure that anybody wishing to attend their local memorial could do so amongst as few people as possible, complying with the requirements under Covid Regs. & lock-down. Normally, we would be part of the many groups & individuals laying wreaths & paying their respects. This year was an individual affair, with Officers & PCSOs by themselves or with just one other colleague. Let's hope this will be one of the first events to return to 'normal' in 2021.

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Inspector
Mark Jackson

Inspector Mark Jackson is responsible for the three Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Halesworth locality.



BURY ST EDMUNDS

PC Jon Gerrish, Community Engagement Officer

Welcome readers! The Bury St Edmunds SNT continue to target issues that cause harm in our communities. Whilst our priorities currently focus on the anti-social behaviour created by street drinkers, and county lines drug dealing, we have also renewed our efforts around the thefts of pedal cycles in and around the town centre.



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Inspector
Matt Paisley

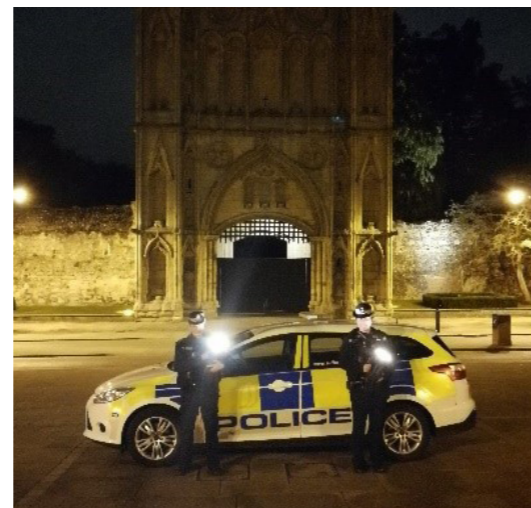
Inspector Matt Paisley is responsible for the Safer Neighbourhood Team in the Bury St Edmunds locality.

with a disproportionate number being found on those individuals involved in the buying and selling of illegal drugs.



Away from Sceptre, there has been some positive results recently with a stolen phone enquiry which ended up on an international level. PC Martinez-Burroughs on the SNT successfully investigated a theft of a phone that had originated from outside of the UK. Her tenacity in digging deeper revealed further offences, with three devices now being returned to their owners – one in Canada and two in Germany.

Finally, officers were encouraged to show support in September for Police National Memorial Day by shining lights into the sky. Sergeant Naomi Lofthouse and PC Danielle Aukett duly obliged, picking the perfect spot in front of the Abbey Gate to pay their respects.



Numbers of bike thefts have steadily increased over recent months, so the team have deployed into the town both in a uniform and non-uniform capacity to provide a visible deterrent and an opportunity to detect/disrupt offences. A number of bike-marking events have been held, and we have built and acted upon intelligence (some of which has been received by yourselves so thank you), made arrests and recovered a number of bikes. As a result, we now have a collection of bikes in storage, some of which are of high value, that we have been unable to reunite with their owners. If you have been the victim of a theft but have not reported it, do get in touch with the team as we may just have your property in our care!

From 16 November, we worked with other forces in the latest Operation Sceptre knife crime week of action. Our attention during the week was concentrated on education and enforcement as well as protecting the vulnerable. Teams across Bury were proactive in using their stop and search powers, with a real focus on 'cuckooed' premises and county lines drug dealing. A number of weapons were recovered through voluntary surrender via knife bins, and legal seizures through searches and arrests. What the week again demonstrated was that the carrying of knives in our communities is very low, but



MILDENHALL

PC Helen Self, Community Engagement Officer

We've been busy during October conducting catalytic converter marking at Manchetts in Newmarket. We marked about 11 vehicles during the three hours we were there. Thanks to Manchetts for allowing us to use their garage and support from a member of staff on the day.

At the beginning of the month SNT officers took to the streets on foot in the Mildenhall and Red Lodge areas offering crime prevention advice following recent thefts from motor vehicles. Nearly 700 vehicles were checked to see if people had left items of value on display and advice was offered. Response officers carried out a stop check near Mildenhall and detained a male for drugs offences and cash was seized. The investigation is still on going.



Response officers conducted an operation in Newmarket where they stop searched a male and found a large amount of drugs and cash on him. The male was arrested on suspicion of possession of drugs with intent to supply. PC Helen Self attended Mildenhall College Academy and assisted Andy Sheldrick with checking bikes belonging to students getting the bikes 'winter ready'. This involved making sure their brakes were working, they had working lights, and wore reflective jackets and a helmet.

Sgt Pete Maxfield and PC Helen Self have been visiting Mildenhall College Academy at the end of the school day in recent weeks offering a reassurance presence to students and staff when leaving the academy. They have enjoyed getting to know the students and staff.

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Inspector
Mark Shipton

Inspector Mark Shipton is responsible for the three Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Mildenhall, Newmarket and Brandon locality.



PC Self has also been in Mildenhall, Newmarket and Brandon Markets in the last few months speaking to people about crime prevention and offering advice and support to people reporting crime. Lastly, we were knitted a tea cosy with the Union Jack flag containing 'thin blue line' through the middle by the lovely Lina Busuttill. On the same day we were given doughnuts from a very generous member of the public. They made a lovely combination and we enjoyed a cup of tea and doughnut after a busy day.



WEST



SUDBURY

PC Darren Marshall, Community Engagement Officer

As we enter December and come out of another period of lockdown, we will look to re-instantiate our face to face engagement in line with the current Covid regulations.

For a short three-week window in October, we were able to welcome back our cohort of Volunteer Police Cadets to the station. During their Saturday afternoon sessions, they've discussed and learnt further about hate crime and the varying, ugly ways that this occasionally manifests in communities up and down the land. This was a designed tie-in with the national Hate Crime Awareness Week. Our young volunteers pledged that they would not just stand by should they witness physical or verbal abuse targeted at anyone owing to their ethnicity, religious beliefs, sexual orientation or sexual identity but also pledged to reassure the victim or victims that they were not alone!



Additionally, before lockdown, our wonderful cadets supported me at a trio of events. On the days leading up to Halloween, they joined me in delivering 'Please don't call on this household' posters to residents in Sudbury and our surrounding. On Halloween night itself, three cadets gave up their evening to accompany me on my patrols. Whilst we didn't have any sweets to give out this year, we thought we'd try something a little different whilst still respecting social distancing measures. Any small family groups we found that were following locally arranged trails were tasked to scare my three cadets aboard my marked police car. All groups we met succeeded and for their efforts we gave them a variety of police stickers and I don't recall us getting a single call complaining of unwanted or nuisance trick or treaters.

Sudbury officer, PC Ed Thompson tackled the issue of vehicle orientated anti-social behaviour in Sudbury and Great Cornard. Ed co-ordinated a couple of evenings of action, sourcing additional staff from other areas including a number of roads policing colleagues from Bury St Edmunds. The aim was to educate younger local and visiting motorists that poor driving and excessive noise from their vehicles was upsetting local residents and would not be tolerated. On one evening, PC Thompson and company had cause to issue 15 Traffic Offence Reports and by far the biggest number went to drivers whose vehicles were emitting excessive noise from exhaust systems. Two further motorists were issued with Sect.59 Warnings for anti-social use of their vehicles and another car was seized and taken away for having no insurance. These evenings of action, we hope, go some way to appease the handful of local residents become adversely affected by this kind of ASB.

During the past fortnight, your local SNT officers and I have been performing Covid centric patrols with the vast majority of shopkeepers and their staff have been treated with respect by patrons. Remember, any shop, school or other communal public venue has the right to enquire of, and challenge any incidents of non-mask wearing compliance. These key-workers do not make the rules but they are expected to upkeep them to a degree, so if you are challenged, please treat the situation in a calm and respectful manner. Please do not take the encounter into a heightened situation, as it will cause upset to everyone as we enter this season of goodwill. Thank you.

Stay safe and Season's Greetings from all at Sudbury Police Station.



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Inspector Kevin Horton

Inspector Kevin Horton is responsible for the two Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Sudbury and Haverhill locality.



HAVERRHILL

PC Cheryl Claydon, Community Engagement Officer

I start this edition with a thank you to all the members of the public that completed our survey. This revealed that just over 85% of residents feel 'quite' or 'very safe' whilst out and about in their community which is fantastic to hear but we aspire to improve on this. Amongst the 665 survey participants, preferred methods of engagement with police are firstly email, secondly social media and thirdly speaking directly to officers on patrol. Also worthy of note from the findings are the recommendations as to what police should be focussing on locally and the top five were drug dealing and associated criminality, burglary, vehicle Crime, road safety and finally public engagement events. These statistics have been influential to our local inspector and his future intentions for operations and days of action are planned.

From the community engagements I am still getting questions about why we travel from Bury and think the station in Haverhill is closed. The police Station front desk closed a few years ago but officers still work 24/7 from Haverhill Police Station. The station is not open to the public.

Thanks also to those who attended our community engagement events that we have hosted at Hundon, Ousden, St Nicholas Hospice café, Great Bradley, Whepstead, St Marys church café Haverhill and East Town Park Haverhill to raise concerns about drugs, speeding and street drinkers in the town centre. We've also conducted speed checks in Haverhill, Cavendish, Great Bradley, Clare, Ousden, Stoke by Clare, Whepstead, Wickambrook and Withersfield.



We've had many positive results and arrests recently. Among the highlights an incident on 8 October when we had reports of hare

coursing and a vehicle was located in Great Wratting by joint working of the Safer Neighbourhood Team, the Neighbourhood Response Team, the helicopter and the Sentinel team. Four people were arrested, four dogs seized and one vehicle seized and this investigation is ongoing.



On 9 October a male was stop and checked on the High Street in Haverhill. He was then detained for a strip search at Haverhill police station. An amount of suspected Class A along with two mobile phones and £120 in cash was located on him. The investigation is ongoing.

We also recently heard of many vehicles over a period of a few days in the town had items stolen from them. A witness saw two males trying car doors along Alderton Road in Haverhill in late October. Officers attended and arrested two males. These investigations are ongoing.

Our face to face sessions with the Emergency Service Cadets started back on 04th November 2020 just for one week only and then we will be doing virtual sessions until we can get back together. If you would like information on the cadets please email cadetsinfo@suffolk.pnn.police.uk



WEST

SOUTH

SOUTH
Area Commander
Superintendent
Kerry Cutler



STOWMARKET

PC Stefan Henriksen, Community Engagement Officer

We now have a new Inspector covering the Stowmarket locality. Although we are sorry to lose Insp Wakeling to a project based at headquarters, I am very pleased to introduce Inspector Neil McKay...

I am very pleased to be appointed to my new role as Stowmarket Locality Inspector. I wish my predecessor, Inspector Shawn Wakeling, the very best in his future career path. For me, I am returning to my second home. Stowmarket and Mid-Suffolk is the area I worked as a newly appointed Sergeant 16 years ago. I have many fond memories of both the area and the local community. It is an area to be proud of, it is a safe place to enjoy and benefits from strong community ties with local policing.

I have already experienced first hand, that the Stowmarket policing team are highly committed to their work and I am delighted to lead them. I would like to finish by thanking you, the local community for your support and compliance with Covid regulations. I fully understand the challenges that we are all facing, your support enhances our capacity to respond to both Covid and non-Covid demand. My priority is to continue to deliver important and vital services through this pandemic to those who really need us.

I look forward to meeting you in the future as things return to something like the 'normal' we are so accustomed to.

Neil

Things were a little different this Halloween, but we still had a lot of fun, when we visited our Halloween poster winners, Lola-Mae aged five, Theo Mixer age five, Phoebe Warren aged nine, and Freya aged eight. These were fantastic posters, very creative and they were well deserving winners.

Although engagement has been a bit limited due to the ongoing pandemic, we have been responding to our communities concerns and have been out and about, frequently patrolling anti-social behaviour hotspots, and carrying out speed enforcement checks in those villages that have voiced concerns. We have also been out on foot, patrolling our towns and villages, providing some valuable

reassurance and visibility.

I'm really pleased to say that (unless things change again), with our usual help from Stowmarket Town Council we will be starting our regular 'street meets' on the corner of Crowe Street and Wilkes Way in Stowmarket. The next ones before Christmas will be Saturday 5 and 12 December from 9am to 1pm. On 12 December, we will have with us, a special guest, 'Stowie the Elf' who will be helping us out for the day in the build up to Christmas. We will also be doing 'pop up' street meets in villages around the area, so we hope to see a lot of our community in the lead up to Christmas.



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Inspector
Neil McKay

Inspector Neil McKay is responsible for the Safer Neighbourhood Team in the Stowmarket locality.



IPSWICH CENTRAL

PC Dom Woodmansee, Community Engagement Officer

The second lockdown in November meant the majority of our arranged engagements had to be cancelled, and unfortunately during Operation Sceptre week, our anti knife crime campaign, an event at Sir Bobby Robson school was sadly missed along with our usual 'street meets'. We collected over 1800 knives including samurai swords, hunting knives and zombie knives.

During half term we were able to visit Jimmy's Farm for advice on crime prevention and staying safe for youngsters, St Joseph's had a day of learning about the work of crime scene investigation where students were presented with a kidnapping scenario involving their principal. The students had to examine the scene, seize evidence and use their initiative to work out lines of enquiry to try and locate the offender and victim. We met the new year 6 pupils at St Matthew's school and Clifford Road school for their PHSE lessons in term time, where we talked about the role of the police, the careers available and how to stay safe as well as the do's and don'ts during Halloween and fireworks night.

The Central SNT teams have continued to disrupt drug dealers and welfare check on vulnerable people who have been cuckooed by drug dealers. Most recently an address in Smart Street has seen a lot of activity relating to drug dealing and homeless people moving in the flat. Working with partners agencies, the rightful occupants have been relocated to a safe place and the property secured. Remembrance Sunday was a quieter affair with a much smaller crowd in Christchurch Park this year. The crowd observed good social distancing and DCC Rachel Kearton was invited to attend to lay a wreath on behalf of the constabulary.



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Inspector
Vicky McParland

Inspector Vicky McParland is responsible for the Safer Neighbourhood Team in the Ipswich Central locality.

The town centre has a reduced footfall due to the shops closing and the roads are quieter, carrying less traffic, so people are feeling safer cycling to work. As result, there seems to be more people commuting by bike and on some unusual bikes too, like the gentleman pictured on his penny farthing.



Unfortunately, this means bike thefts around the town continue to be a problem with the increase in cyclists. We hope to resume doing some bike security marking events soon, which we will advertise on the Ipswich police social media accounts in due course.

The flip side of the quiet roads is that some motorists are exploiting the empty roads to increase their speed. We find this in particular in the Anglesea Road and Henley Road area where some of the roads are only 20mph limits and we have had several complaints of excessive speed. By us raising awareness of the speed limits it has allowed us to be productive in the area.



SOUTH



IPSWICH WEST

PC Mike Small, Community Engagement Officer

It has been another busy period for the Ipswich West Safer Neighbourhood Team. Our priorities continue to be focussing on safeguarding and protecting vulnerable people in our community. I have talked previously about our partner agency approach to identifying potential 'cuckooed' addresses where the vulnerable have been exploited by drug dealers. Over the last two months we have recorded 40 visits to potential locations where this is taking place. Through these welfare visits and engagement with housing providers we continue to disrupt drug supply activity in our area. As always, please report any suspicious activity of this nature to us via our website or anonymously to 'Crimestoppers'.

Elsewhere, our Link officers have recently been working with teams from Ipswich Borough Council to clear an area of land near Cornflower Close where drug related activity was taking place. Overgrown bushes and undergrowth have been cleared from the area, improving the quality of the space so that it can be safely used by the local community for dog walking and recreation.

From an engagement perspective our officers and PCSOs continue to patrol our neighbourhoods talking to local residents about their concerns and responding to reports of anti-social behaviour. We will continue with these patrols and I will be again publicising locations that we will be visiting so that you can speak to us in person.

During December Disability History Month takes place. I have recently been speaking with members of the Suffolk Guide Dog Forum who provided me with an overview of how their life has been affected during the current pandemic and the new challenges this has created for their members. This recorded conversation will be a valuable learning tool internally for our officers and staff on how we should engage with people with disabilities.



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Inspector
Kirsty Graefe

Inspector Kirsty Graefe is responsible for the two Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Ipswich West and Hadleigh locality.



HADLEIGH

PC Sarah George, Community Engagement Officer

Our main priorities in the Hadleigh sector are focussing on anti-social behaviour and reducing rural crime. During the latest Covid restrictions, we have been patrolling with Suffolk County Council's Public Health Team in the Hadleigh area. We have visited schools and shopping centres providing advice and support regarding the latest restrictions and guidance. We will continue do this over the coming weeks and will be publishing times and locations where we will be available. Follow us on social media to receive these updates. Remember, as we enter the winter months we will continue to play our part in helping to support and protect communities and will continue to police with common sense and sensitivity.



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From a crime perspective, rural and vehicle crime continues to be a focus for us over the Southern area. We have recently made four arrests of suspects connected to commercial burglaries and the theft of catalytic converters. Our enquiries continue and I would urge anyone who witnesses suspicious activity around commercial property and vehicles to report this to us, provided it is safe to do so.

On the same theme, we have recently produced a vehicle crime prevention video with our Design Out Crime officers. In this short but informative film we discuss how you can make your vehicle as safe as possible to avoid becoming a victim of this crime. When we are patrolling, we regularly see vehicles where property such as cash and laptops are left on full view. Please secure your vehicle and take all of your valuable possessions with you when you leave the vehicle to avoid falling prey to opportunistic thieves who will be looking for any opportunity to steal your possessions. This could be either at public locations or when you are at home. This video is available to view on our local Facebook page. For general crime reduction advice, a reminder to visit our 'First Principle' pages on our website. You can source information, tips and guidance on all types of crime reduction from general home security to staying safe and avoiding cyber related crime while using the internet.

SOUTH



FELIXSTOWE & WOODBRIDGE

PC Rachael Partridge, Community Engagement Officer

Community Policing in Felixstowe and Woodbridge continues with high visibility patrols in priority areas and the use of social media and Police Connect to promote crime prevention and policing messages.

During Hate Crime Awareness Week I was invited to speak on community radio where I explained how to report hate crime to police or via Crimestoppers. I also promoted Norfolk and Suffolk Victim Care who offer support to victims and witnesses of crime.

In October 2020 I advertised two street 'walkabouts' in Felixstowe and Woodbridge where I was able to speak to local shoppers at a distance. I was invited to attend Felixstowe hospital where I post-coded a number of cycles belonging to staff who signed up to the free property register 'immobilise'. I have been visiting supermarkets, small shops and off licences to highlight crime prevention in the lead up to Christmas.

I have linked in with local Connected Communities co-ordinators who offer free support and confidential advice to individuals aged over 65 in Suffolk.

In relation to anti-social behaviour I have assisted the Woodbridge SNT with park patrols in order to reduce and prevent the impact of ASB on the community. In Felixstowe the Neighbourhood Policing Team have been carrying out speed checks in the town to reduce the risk of serious harm to road users and the impact that noise is having on the community. I recently visited Rendlesham Community Speed Watch volunteers to assist them in calibrating their speed device.

In November 2020 the Felixstowe SNT assisted Roads Policing in a multi-agency day of action at Garrison Lane car park where a number of drivers were stopped and vehicles checked with a positive outcome in detecting offences and reducing crime.

I visited Grange Primary School in Felixstowe where the youngest members of the school enjoyed seeing the blue lights on the police car. I have also been able to speak at a distance to students at Felixstowe School at

the end of the school day. PCSO Ellie Miles Kesgrave laid a wreath in remembrance in Kesgrave.

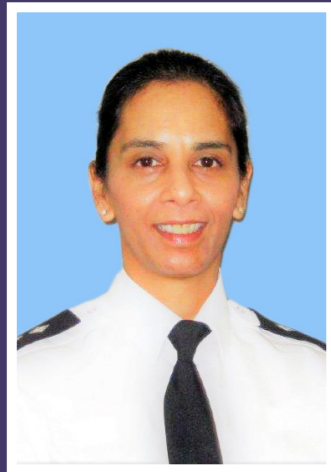
Felixstowe SNT received "Parish Praise" from Trimley Parish Council for service and support to the community during COVID19 which was received by myself with thanks.



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Inspector Soraya Francis is responsible for the three Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Ipswich East, Felixstowe and Woodbridge locality.



IPSWICH EAST

Vacant Post, Community Engagement Officer

In the east of Ipswich, the Safer Neighbourhood Team have been continuing to tackle County Lines drug dealing. We've conducted high visibility patrols and stop searches to detect and prevent crime and reduce the risk to those who are vulnerable to their addresses being cuckooed by drug dealers. Remember, if you suspect drug dealing is taking place in your area where you live please get in touch. You don't have to be certain, just concerned.

There has been an increase in the theft from motor vehicles in the areas of Ravenswood and Gainsborough - we have arrested a suspect who was found in possession of stolen property. On Saturday 15 November 2020 police officers checked 542 vehicles and visited the owners of those vehicles which were found insecure. Police have also promoted Ring doorbells as a helpful burglary prevention device as well as issuing First Principle crime prevention advice on social media platforms. The First Principle suite is available on the Suffolk police website with a wide variety of crime prevention advice and tips on many issues and themes.

There has also been an increase in thefts from shops in Nacton and across the town. We have arrested an individual for a spate of thefts from the Co-op stores and he is currently on remand.

Another great result thanks to some traditional police work following a number of cycle thefts from high schools. PCSO Gemma Read conducted investigations and identified some suspects who were located and arrested for handling stolen goods. The cycles that were recovered were returned to their owners who were extremely grateful.

Our routine community engagement work has continued in local schools, whilst being Covid safe, with the school liaison team kicking off with anti-bullying week with 'odd sock' day. The national campaign was organised by the Anti Bullying Alliance and is designed to encourage children to express themselves and their individuality without fear.



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