

# Wednesfield Neighbourhood Team



## Your local Neighbourhood Policing Team are...



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### **Burglary (dwelling).**

During January there have been 4 burglaries to houses across Wednesfield South compared to 4 during December. Across Wednesfield North there have been 4 offences compared to 15 during December!

They have occurred in the following locations:

Broad Lane South, Lawrence Ave and Lakefield Rd.

Shardlow Rd, Peacock Ave, Wood End Rd and Barnard Rd.

One offence was a distraction type where the offenders claimed to have “come about the rats in the back garden” but then gained access into the house and stole money.

Another was via an insecure door.

Most of the other offences occurred during the late afternoon or early evening and access was mainly via smashing a rear ground floor window. Sometimes this was to reach in and unlock a door where the key had been left in the lock.

During the last few months, Wednesfield North community has suffered from a significant spike in burglary offences. The neighbourhood team for this area along with numerous other West Midlands Police resources, have been focused on increased patrols in the area. Officers have visited victims of crime and their neighbours, to provide reassurance and crime prevention advice.

I am pleased to report that a male has been arrested and is expected to be charged with a number of these burglaries.

### **Vehicle crime.**

2 vehicles were stolen during January. One from Peacock Ave and the other from Moat House Lane East.

2 vehicles were broken into. One in Wood End Rd where a window was smashed to access the glove box and a sat nav was stolen. The other was in Ridge Lane overnight where two males were arrested after breaking into a parked taxi. The stolen property was recovered.

2 vehicles had their number plates stolen while parked in Alfred Squire Rd car park and the car park of the Spread Eagle PH.

1 vehicle (van) had a wheel stolen while parked in Waddensbrook Lane.

## **Neighbourhood Policing Issues.**

Currently of concern to the community are the following issues:

### **Wednesfield South**

Antisocial behaviour in Tithe Rd and Taylor St, with peak time being after school.

Inconsiderate parking around Perry Hall School.

Antisocial behaviour around Long Knowle Lane shops.

### **Wednesfield North**

Burglary offences.

Speeding in Kitchen Lane and Griffiths Drive.

In view of the above concerns the neighbourhood team will be patrolling the locations mentioned to deter antisocial behaviour and identify any persons causing it.

We will be conducting Speedwatch initiatives over the coming month and we will concentrate on issues around parking at our local schools.

Currently, we are looking for willing members of the community to assist us with conducting Speedwatch. This is a community based project for traffic monitoring for locations where the residents feel speeding is a concern. We provide the training for volunteers, who then go out and assist police officers and PCSOs at relevant locations.

If you are interested in being a volunteer please see the below links to contact us.

## **Other news.**

1 robbery offence occurred in Springhill Rd during early January. The offenders were on a moped and stole the victim's handbag.

2 burglaries to sheds occurred during January, one in Amos Lane and the other in Gurnard Close.

Due to West Midlands Police continuous improvement programme, Wolverhampton Police have undergone a restructure as of 21<sup>st</sup> January. Some movement of staff has occurred within the neighbourhood teams. Sgt Causer, as many of you may already know, is now working as a response supervisor at Wednesfield Police Station. His replacement, Sgt Sixsmith, was successful in her promotion process and has been posted to Birmingham North. We are hoping to have an alternative supervisor allocated to our team very soon but in the interim period I will be fulfilling that role.

At the last PACT (Partners And Communities Together) meetings for Wednesfield North and South Insp Jen Richards attended to explain the recent changes and DS Padmore attended the Ashmore Park meeting to provide a detailed update regarding the burglary issue.

On 30<sup>th</sup> January officers from the neighbourhood team along with proactive officers and force traffic officers conducted an ANPR (automatic number plate recognition) operation on Lichfield Road. As a result of the operation a number of arrests were made, a quantity of drugs recovered and uninsured vehicles seized.

The next PACT meeting for Wednesfield South will be 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm, location to be confirmed.

The next PACT meeting for Wednesfield North will be 12<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm at the Community Centre, Griffiths Drive.

These meetings are open to all and usually last around an hour and a half. They offer an opportunity for members of the community to voice their concerns and meet members of their neighbourhood policing team, along with sometimes representatives from our partner agencies.

We realise not everyone can attend these meeting so we are keen to circulate this newsletter as widely as possible. If you know any friends, family members or neighbours who would like to be included in this mailing list, please forward their email addresses to us via our email accounts which can be found on our neighbourhood website. (Follow below link).

<http://www.west-midlands.police.uk/np/wolverhampton/nh.asp?ID=157>

We can also be contacted on Twitter via the link below:

<https://twitter.com/WednesfieldWMP>

The following link is to the Crime stoppers homepage where you will be able to access useful information for your area:

<http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/in-your-area>

Thanks for reading,

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