

Wednesfield Neighbourhood Team



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Dear All,

As I sit here penning my latest Newsletter, I am pleased to say that the sun is shining and the air is a little warmer. I hope I am not speaking too soon, but I am really looking forward to the lighter mornings and nights!

As usual, plenty has been happening over the past two months, least to say the arrival of another team member. PCSO Steve COSFORD has joined the team, having transferred from Birmingham East policing area. Steve is an experienced officer and another welcomed addition to the team. Since his arrival, he has been getting out and about on his bike and meeting the community, especially in the local shops, schools and community centres. If you see him, please say hello!



PCSO Steve COSFORD

Summary of crimes.

Year to date (April 2013-Mar 2014), the amount of offences recorded in Wednesfield North and South is still showing a slight increase in number against the previous record breaking year, though encouragingly, during January Wednesfield South recorded a small reduction in numbers.

Burglary dwelling offences continue to buck the trend with large reductions right across the Wednesfield area. Great news!

Over the past two months vehicle crime is also showing a slight increase in number against February and March 2013. Though the numbers are still very low, the trend is largely due to some unusual attacks on vehicles where parts of the body work have been removed and taken! Most of the offences have been committed during night time hours, on both private driveways and public car parks. If you are forced to leave your vehicles on public car parks overnight, please consider parking your vehicle in well-lit areas, viewable to passing members of the public.

If you have been offered any 'cut-price' car body parts under unusual circumstances, or if you have any other information, please contact the team using the details in the contact us section at the end of the Newsletter.

As reported in the last edition, shed and garage burglaries reduced considerably during the winter months. As the weather improves, and we start to tend to our gardens and enjoy bike rides, please remember to secure valuable equipment after use. Don't give the opportunist criminal a chance!

Neighbourhood News

The team have continued to focus patrols around local schools at the start and end of the school day, in particular inconsiderate parking, which has a negative effect to local residents and child safety.

After several weeks of offering friendly advice, the team will follow up with a period of enforcement over the coming months. We are more than aware that in modern times we are often forced to use cars as it is not always practical to walk long distances to school. However, please consider parking the car some distance away from the school and walking the final few hundred metres. If everyone did the same, it would help to massively decrease the risk to young children.

PC Bethan PYE and PCSO Ant COOKE recently attended a 'Primary Futures Day' organised by Oakmeadow Primary School.

The aim for the day, was to widen the horizons and aspirations of primary age children with regards to their own futures and foster the love of reading and numeracy to inspire young children to dream of exciting jobs and aim high for the future.

Professionals from many different fields of work attended to talk to the children. Bethan and Ant spoke about their career path and how important education was in achieving it. The children were given information about a broad range of careers in the West Midlands police and were given the opportunity to try on items of uniform. A very productive day for both the children and the officers.



PC Bethan PYE and PCSO Ant COOK talking to children at Oakmeadow Primary School

Policing is challenging and rewarding. As a police constable, you'll get to learn new skills, meet new people and set out on a career path that could see you specialise as a firearms officer, dog handler, traffic cop, detective or the trusted, familiar face of West Midlands Police in the community.



PC Tariq MAHMOOD (Wednesfield Neighbourhood Team) will be in local shop's etc over the next few weeks with information regarding recruitment. If you see him out and about please ask him some questions.

PACT Meetings

Wednesfield North held their last meeting on the 11th February 2014.

The meeting was well attended in particular by local residents and shop owners from the bottom shops, Griffiths Drive, Ashmore Park.

The main bone of contention was the Anti-social behaviour caused by some of the groups of youths congregating around the shops after school and during the evening hours. The meeting was reminded that the majority of the groups were well behaved, but that a few let the rest down.

The North PACT priorities were agreed as:-

1. ASB – Top and bottom shops, Griffiths Drive.

The next North Pact meeting is 8th April 2014. 7pm at the Community Centre, Griffiths Drive, Ashmore Park.

Wednesfield South held their last meeting on 4th February 2014.

Attendee's reported an improvement around drug dealing outside the Castle public house. However it was felt further focus in police patrols were required, to stop the problem from escalating again.

The South PACT priorities were kept the same and agreed as:-

1. ASB in Castlebridge Gardens
2. Drug use and dealing in and around the Castle public House
3. ASB in and around the Moat House estate.

Next South Pact meeting is 1st April 2014. 7pm Wednesfield High School.

If you can get along to either of the next two meetings please do so. It will help me to mould the priorities for the future months.

And finally.....

With the probable cuts to Youth services over the forthcoming months, the team have been looking at opportunities to organise facilities for youths during the summer.

In particular we have been looking to promote the KICKS project at Wednesfield High School. KICKS is jointly funded by WMP and Wolves Community Trust which is the official charity of WWFC.

Using the power of football and appeal of professional football clubs brands to engage young people who may otherwise be difficult to reach, the scheme is designed to:

- engage young people both male and female (aged 12-18yrs) in a range of constructive activities
- increase the playing, coaching and officiating opportunities for participants
- encourage volunteering within projects and throughout the target neighborhood's
- break down barriers between the police and young people
- reduce crime and anti-social behavior in targeted neighborhood's

During the February half term, we organised a football session for local youths. Advertising was kept low key as the session was designed as a taster session. That said, we had over thirty participants, which made the session a great success. We are hoping to run weekly evening sessions during the summer months, to provide free facilities for young people. Watch this space!

Regards

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