



Hello and welcome to the Community Policing Team Report for MARLBOROUGH and PEWSEY.

**MARLBOROUGH AND PEWSEY POLICE OFFICERS:**

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- PS Tracey Holloway – Deputy Sergeant Wiltshire East
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**MARLBOROUGH AND PEWSEY POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICERS:**



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## New touchdown point at Pewsey Vale Community Campus

As part of the latest phase of the my Estate Strategy 2017-2021, on 6 January 2020 Pewsey police station... will close and officers and staff will start using The Vale Community Campus in Pewsey as a touchdown point.

Touchdown points are public and visible areas where officers and staff can work and interact with the public, with welfare provision (some including interview facilities). The Vale Community Campus is just three minutes from the old Pewsey Police Station and is centrally located. It will provide officers and staff with access to toilet and kitchen facilities as well as access to rest areas, and a meeting space for carrying out work and interacting with the public.

Inspector Peter Foster, of the Wiltshire East Community Policing Team, said: "Thanks to a major investment in mobile technology by the Police and Crime Commissioner our officers no longer need to return to a police station to do paper work. They can now do that, and more, whilst out and about in our communities.

"Our officers and staff are briefed at Devizes Police Station at the start of their shifts, and this will remain the case but having access to a public facility in the heart of our community means that our officers and staff can drop in for a refreshment break whilst on their patrols and still be available to engage with members of the public.

"If a member of the public wants to contact Wiltshire Police they should continue to call 101, or 999 in an emergency.

"But if they are using the campus and happen to see one of our officers or staff then they can, of course, raise any issues or concerns with them."

In drawing up my estates strategy, I asked the Chief Constable what his operational policing needs were. Pewsey Police Station, on Market Place, was regarded as no longer meeting the operational needs of the Force.

Mr Macpherson said: "When making changes to our police estate to ensure it is fit for purpose and meets operational policing needs, it is important that we also retain a presence in our communities. I have always been very clear that I will not shut a police station until a suitable alternative has been arranged. This ensures a continuity in the service we provide to the public whilst also moving with the times.

I am seeking to reduce the cost of the Wiltshire Police estate by 20 per cent by 2021. Every pound we save on running our estate is a pound I will not have to save from policing.

"Whilst I understand there might be a perception that the closure of a police building means that local people will have less access to police officers and PCSOs, the reality is very different.

"Visible officers out in the community and with the ability to respond quickly when needed is what keeps people safe, not buildings.

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"Using co-located facilities with our partners in the local authority is not a new concept, we have done so for a number of years now. Our officers and staff using the community campus facilities as a touchdown point will help to ensure that they remain visible and accessible within their communities."

Once Wiltshire Police officers and staff are using the Community Campus, the building on Market Place will be closed and secured ahead of disposal of the site.



## Report any suspicious activity



Report any suspicious activity in your neighborhood.

- Anything or anyone acting suspicious
- Any unusual vehicles- vehicle description, registration numbers ...and direction of travel are vital pieces of information
- Unknown or unexpected doorstep traders- description and dates are vital pieces of information

If you see something suspicious, please call Wiltshire Police on 101, or in an emergency dial 999

## Burglary advice

Wiltshire Police  
**HOME SECURITY**



**Don't be caught out by burglars!**



Remember the following advice to improve the security in and around your home:

-  Lock your doors and windows every time you leave the house, even when just in the garden. And make sure you have approved locks or bolts to all doors and windows.
- Never leave a spare key in a hiding place like in a plant pot or letter box - a thief knows all the hiding places.
- Keep all keys, purses and wallets out of sight and away from the letterbox.

Make sure any bolts are low enough so they cannot be opened by reaching over the top of the gate.

-  Trim back any plants and hedges at the front of your property to no higher than one meter to remove hiding places.

Always report any suspicious activity, note any vehicle registrations, descriptions of persons involved and direction of travel.

- Register all serial numbers from electrical items, tools and garden equipment with Immobilise.com the free national property register. Mark items without serial numbers with an artificial DNA property marker such as Smartwater or SelectaDNA.
- Take photographs of all jewellery including hallmarks and keep them safe. Also consider using an artificial DNA property marker on jewellery or other valuable items.

Do not open the door to anyone you don't know or are not expecting. Always check by using a spy-hole or look through a window. Don't trust an ID card.

-  Consider installing a burglar alarm, and only use a company that is registered or certified with the NSI or the SSIAB.

Use a timer to set lights to mimic your usual activity when you are not at home.

-  Do not keep large amounts of cash at home - it is much safer in a bank or building society.

Make sure that you have up to date contents insurance.

If you have any information about offenders or see something suspicious, please call Wiltshire Police on 101, or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. In an EMERGENCY dial 999.

## **Mud on the roads ; Advice for farmers using public highways**

We are receiving many reports from drivers about dangerous conditions being created by mud being deposited on the roads.

This is not an uncommon problem at this time of year given the weather conditions and the agricultural community working hard in the fields. Unfortunately, the farmers and contractors may well be bringing significant amounts of soil from the fields and onto the road network whilst going about their normal business.

Farmers and contractors are legally obliged to ensure if their vehicles leave mud or any other deposits on the road, they clean it up.

There is also a legal requirement for them to place out signs compliant with the traffic signs regulation 2016 to warn motorists of the conditions of the road. If they don't they could be liable for a number of offences under the Highways act 1988.

It is vital for farmers and contractors to know their responsibilities when it comes to leaving mud and other deposits on the road, and particularly the consequences of not conforming with the law.

Cleaning mud off agricultural vehicles prior to going on to a public highway should be done whenever possible to help keep the roads safe. Although cleaning mud off agricultural machinery is inconvenient it may not be a defence in law.



## **PRIORITIES IN YOUR AREA:**

### **Retail Theft (Marlborough)**

Due to an increase in retail thefts we have decided this will now be a priority for our East Sector officers.

Officers will be planning operations and carrying out pulse patrols during peak shopping times.

#### **ADVICE:**

High Visibility Patrols are being conducted.

If you witness an incident, please report this to the store.

### **Anti-Social Behaviour –Pewsey (Vale Road, Olympian Road)**

It is essential that we tackle anti-social behaviour (ASB) within our community. ASB is defined as, *“Acting in a manner that caused or was likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress to one or more persons not of the same household.”*

Officers are remaining to conduct daily patrols of these areas at all times of day & night.

#### **ADVICE:**

Please report any behaviour as defined above to 101.

### **Rural Crime (Pewsey & Marlborough) – Hare-coursing, Beauty Spot Thefts, Church Patrols**

It is imperative that we maintain a high visible presence within our rural county.

Albeit the weather is now turning, we are still aiming to regularly patrol our Beauty Spots and rural sites including churches.

Due to their rural nature and number of visitors, they do unfortunately become a target of crime.

These patrols are now including farm land by the permission of the land owners

#### **ADVICE:**

It is important for members of the public not to leave any valuables within their vehicles. It is also important for members of the Public to report any suspicious activity to us.

### **Vehicle Crime (Marlborough & Pewsey)– Community Speed Watch**

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Keeping our roads safe is extremely important within our area as we have several A Roads that pass through DEVIZES. We will be receiving fortnightly updates from our Community Speed Watch Teams with specific areas to target.

### **ADVICE:**

It is important that we work with the general public to identify unsafe road users within our county.

We hope to show how hard we will be working to target the Roads through our Social Media updates.

### **Burglary (Marlborough & Pewsey)**

We have seen an increase in reports of both domestic and commercial burglaries within the East Sector.

Due to this patrols are being carried out at all times of day & night by officers.

### **ADVICE:**

The East sector is a large and very rural sector and we therefore encourage you to report any suspicious behaviour in your area.

## **CRIME UPDATES:**

### **Alton Barnes**

On the 16<sup>th</sup> November unknown suspect(s) have broken the glass at the rear of the vehicle in order to steal various items from the Vehicle.

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> November Unknown suspect(s) have smashed the rear window of the victims vehicle by unknown means and stolen various items.

### **Easton Royal**

On the 29<sup>th</sup> November unknown suspects have forced entry into a building and stolen a number of items.

## Martinsell Hill

On the 10<sup>th</sup> November an unknown suspect has gained entry to the victims vehicle by smashing the window. The Suspect has then proceeded to steal various items from the Vehicle.

## Pewsey

On the 4<sup>th</sup> November 3 unknown suspects have entered a store 1 male has filled bags with alcohol - they have then all left the store without making a payment.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> November an unknown male has pulled into the petrol station and filled up his vehicle with petrol. He then got into his vehicle and drives away without making a payment.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> November victims mountain bike was stolen from outside the front of his property by an unknown suspect.

On the 21<sup>st</sup> November an Unknown male has entered a store and has filled bags with alcohol they have then all left the store without making a payment.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> November an unknown suspect has stolen some items from the victims rear garden.

On the 24<sup>th</sup> November an unknown suspect as gained entry to the victims home and stolen a valuable item from a secure location.

## Upavon

On the 8<sup>th</sup> November Unknown suspect(s) have broken into a out building by unknown means and stolen an off road motorbike.

## Wooton Rivers

On the 10<sup>th</sup> November Unknown suspects have forced entry to the out building attached to the property, by known means and stolen various items from inside.

## WORK IN THE COMMUNITY:

PCSO Paul Whiteside attended for the Medieval Christmas Market on the 30<sup>th</sup> November at St Johns Baptist Church in Pewsey. The event appeared to be great Success.





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PCSO Whiteside and Mills were at Bouverie Hall Country Market on the 26<sup>th</sup> November . Giving advice about crime prevention and discussing benefits of the Bobby van.



PCSO Jonathan Mills has been assisting members of the Community Speedwatch team on the 25<sup>th</sup> November at Easton Royal. Happy to report that out of 64 vehicles, everyone was adhering to the 30mph limit



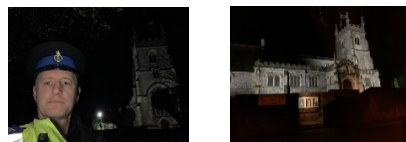
PCSO Paul Whiteside dropped into the Pewsey Bowls Club on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November where there was a coffee morning in being held in aid of Parkinson. The volunteers were doing a great job and the event appeared to be a great success.



PCSO Jonathan Mills on patrol at Pewsey Vale Secondary and Primary schools on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November.



PCSO Paul Whiteside was on foot Patrol in Pewsey on the 20<sup>th</sup> November patrolling the churches, parks and other areas around Pewsey.



PCSO Mills and other member of Team 2 were conducting beauty patrols on the 20<sup>th</sup> November.



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PCSO Paul Whiteside was at The Pewsey Library on the 19<sup>th</sup> of November running a Police community drop in surgery. To discuss concerns with crime and crime prevention in Pewsey and the surrounding areas.



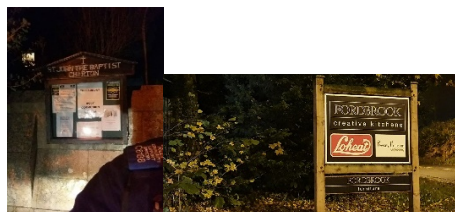
PCSO's Braithwaite and Mills popped into The White Hart, Burbage. All seemed to be enjoying the warmth from the wood burner .



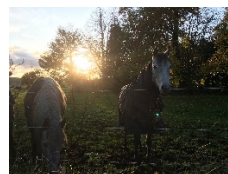
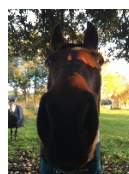
On the 14<sup>th</sup> November the team supported by our PCSO's, Specials, Rural crime team and Specialist ops conducted a pro-active op supporting our local communities to tackle offences like hare coursing. These are not victimless crimes and we will continue to pursue and prosecute those responsible. Thanks to the local Farmers who supported the event.



PCSO Mills has been conducting late evening patrols between 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> November around business parks and churches.



PCSO Johnson conducted rural patrols today from Mildenhall, Marlborough .. all the way through to Wilsford Pewsey on the 7<sup>th</sup> November.



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Rural Patrols on the 5<sup>th</sup> November by team 2 who dropped in to the Old Potato yard at Lydeway before patrolling Upavon and Pewsey Hill area.



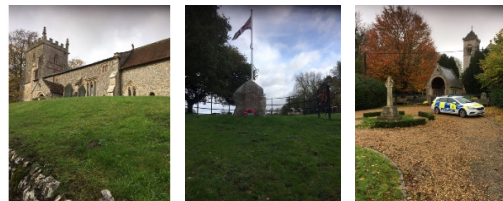
PCSO Paul Whiteside while on Patrol on the 2nd November . Managed to drop in to see the Light Party that was at Johns Baptist Church. The Children were having a great time playing games and pretending to be pirates.



Patrols of Shalbourne, Buttermere and East Grafton on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November this afternoon. He even dropped into see staff at the local Post Office.



Foot patrol conducted today in Milton Lilbourne as part of Operation Apollo on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November, to try and prevent crime linked to listed buildings and heritage sites around the county. Several residents spoken to regarding advice around security measures that can be implemented to deter criminals from targeting areas and sites specifically in rural locations. Police also visited the Church of St Nicholas at East Grafton on their patrols.



PCSO Mills joined the Rugby fans enjoying themselves this morning at the Moonrakers. Great atmosphere.



PARISH COUNCIL REPORT FOR:

PCSO Paul Whiteside dropped in to the opening of the new café Snoopers Bazaar No3 Market Place on the 1<sup>st</sup> November while on patrol. I met the owners Natalie and Terry who were enjoying the busy night. I also had time to speak to some of the customers of the café and they were really enjoying their new meeting place.



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