

## HERE IS THE LATEST WING NORTH NEIGHBOURHOOD UPDATE

### CRIMES OF NOTE: 01/09/11 – 30/09/11

The Wing North area has shown a decrease in crime levels on last year which is fantastic news. In September 2011 there were 19 recorded crimes compared to 34 in September 2010. For the period April – August 2011 we are seeing an overall reduction in crime of almost 5% compared to the same period last year. There have been decreases in vehicle damage but these have been tempered slightly with increases in recorded assaults offences of arson. The arson offences are of particular concern to us and we will be focusing on these in the coming months should they continue.

#### **Aston Abbotts**

Theft from vehicle – catalytic converter

Distraction burglary – keys

Theft of tools/Attempted burglary – same locations at different dates

#### **Cublington**

Burglary other than a dwelling

#### **Drayton Parslow**

Nil

#### **Great Brickhill**

Attempted burglary

Cultivation of cannabis plants – woodland location

Burglary

Theft from vehicle

#### **Hardwick**

Nil

#### **Soulbury**

Theft from vehicle - Chelmscote

#### **Stewkley**

Criminal damage – gate

Burglary other than a dwelling

Fraud – computer scam

#### **Stoke Hammond**

Nil

#### **Weedon**

Nil

#### **Wing**

Criminal damage to vehicle

Theft from vehicle – hub caps

Arson – stolen vehicle

Burglary in a dwelling x 2

Criminal damage to dwelling – window

### FLY-TIPPING

Over the last month there have been 4 fly-tips in Wing, initial enquiries suggest that these offences may have been committed by local people/businesses and all 4 are being investigated by Aylesbury Vale District Council. Fly-tipping is an offence and carries large fines. AVDC employ a litter enforcement officer whose job is to

investigate cases of fly tipping and littering. The officer works closely with other councils in the area, the Police and the Environment Agency.

It's an offence to dump anything by the roadside, this often includes:

- old furniture
- garden waste
- business waste, such as old tyres or building rubble

When there is evidence, they will prosecute. AVDC have had a number of successful prosecutions and the offenders have received substantial fines which in one instance included a suspended jail sentence.

CCTV cameras are often used at fly tipping hotspots to help identifying those responsible. You can also help tackle this. If you spot anyone dumping rubbish, please make a note of their vehicle details, especially the number plate, and report it. If you have a mobile phone with a camera, why not take a photo as evidence? You can email your photos to [litter@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk](mailto:litter@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk)

You can report the details online by following the link below or call 0845 330 1856 (lines open 24 hours, every day).

### **ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR:**

During the period covering the 01 September to 30 September we only received one report of anti-social behaviour in the Wing North area – this was relating to a neighbour problem in Soulbury.

With Halloween approaching lets hope that events pass without any disruption, damage and anti-social behaviour. Over the past few years our villages have not had the level of bad behaviour that has previously been seen here and in many other locations. The message we try and pass across is for parents to tell their children that if they are going out 'trick or treating' please only call at houses that have demonstrated their involvement in Halloween (pumpkin on display etc) and make sure that your children are not alone and are aware of keeping safe and playing considerately.

### **ROAD SAFETY ISSUES**

19/09/11 – Speed checks on Aston Abbotts Road Weedon. Four fixed penalty notices issued with the highest speed being 41mph.

19/09/11 – Speed Checks Main Road Drayton Parslow. Four fixed penalty notices issued. The highest speed being 47mph. A number of vehicles were also stopped at lower speeds and the drivers cautioned.

### **OFFENDERS BROUGHT TO JUSTICE:**

01/09/11 – The owner of a dog was reported for allowing the animal to be dangerously out of control, when it bit a woman on her face causing a deep wound at the Bucks Show. The owner has been reported for the offence and will be subsequently summonsed to court. 2 males have been charged with offences of theft relating to the Wing North area in the past month and a 33 years old male has been charged with an offence of harassment.

### **CRIME PRIORITIES:**

The crime priorities are burglary dwelling and non dwelling. We saw three dwelling burglaries in September. Two in Wing and one in Great Brickhill and another attempt burglary at Stockgrove. We have also had three burglary non dwellings at Weedon, Cublington and Stewkley. We also had an attempt in Weedon. We are conducting Operation Attali for the next three months in an effort to detect and prevent these types of crimes and also local officers are carrying out patrols in the relevant areas on a more frequent basis. On attending any burglaries we are exploring every available opportunity to trace suspects via forensic examination, CCTV, witness accounts and any available intelligence that may be relative.

### **HAVE YOUR SAY MEETINGS:**

17 October at 13.00m – 15.00 **Great Brickhill** Parish Hall  
19 October at 10.30 – 11.30 **Stoke Hammond** Methodist Church  
20 October at 10.30 – 12.00 **Aston Abbots** Coffee morning in Parish hall  
28 October at 09.00 – 11.00 **Drayton Parslow** Green Acres Hall  
03 November at 10.30 – 12.00 **Stewkley Coffee** Stop in Pavillion  
04 November at 10.30 – 12.00 **Weedon** 'The Café' Old School Rooms  
23 November at 10.30 – 11.30 **Stoke Hammond** Methodist Church  
25 November at 09.00 – 11.00 **Drayton Parslow** Green Acres Hall  
26 November at 10.00 – 12.00 **Stewkley** Christmas Bazaar in Methodist Hall  
12 December at 13.00 – 15.00 **Great Brickhill** Parish hall

The **Have Your Say** meetings are usually held during established coffee mornings that we have kindly been invited to attend, giving people the opportunity to raise any concerns with us or to receive crime prevention advice etc.

### **POLICE ATTENDANCE – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES:**

Wednesday, 16 November 2011 Weedon – Old School Rooms

Wednesday, 7 December 2011 Aston Abbots – Parish Hall

These meetings are ideal opportunities for local residents to speak to their local Parish Councils during the allotted times and on the dates above speak to their Neighbourhood Policing Team representative. Further meetings will be publicised locally and on the force website at [www.thamesvalley.police.uk](http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk).

You can now send non-emergency messages to us using the online form that is available on the Thames Valley Police website. A number of people have already sent their concerns using this method. For you to do that please follow the link:

<http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/yournh-tvp-pol-area-n256-hys>

Please allow some time for us to get back to you as we do check our mail box only at certain times of the day.

## HELP AND ASSISTANCE FOR OUR RURAL COMMUNITY:

We have recently had a meeting with Adult Social Care, one of our partner agencies, about a new initiative called the in touch scheme. The Adult Social Care team have identified some of our more senior community members who may benefit from a periodical visit from one of our team members. For us it is an opportunity to meet more members of our community and the benefit is that we can feed back any concerns to the adult social care team and we can also offer advice and guidance around crime prevention and other matters to our community members. This is a voluntary arrangement and we will only be visiting people who wish to see us. We hope that this will be a positive example of how we can work with our partners to the benefit of the community.

**The Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution (RABI)** is a grant-making charity that supports members of the farming community facing need, hardship or distress.

We were founded in 1860 and have an unbroken history of providing long-term care and emergency help. The help is provided for retired farmers, farm workers and working farmers and their families who find themselves in financial difficulties. RABI provides care and support for farmers, farm workers, farm managers and their dependents. Many of those we support are retired people who are struggling to get by on low incomes. We also help people of any age in times of crisis and those who are disabled ranging from young children to people over 100 years old.

This is achieved in three ways:

Welfare and Wellbeing - RABI's professionally qualified welfare team are fully trained in all the complexities of the state benefits system.

Working sensitively and in complete confidence, our welfare officers help people to help themselves, by claiming pension credits and other state entitlements.

Continuous Care - Grants and Awards are made every six weeks by RABI's dedicated grants committee, although urgent cases can be 'fast-tracked'. RABI beneficiaries can receive:

- Quarterly and seasonal grants
- TV licence fees (under 75s) and telephone rental costs
- Hampers or flowers for Christmas and birthdays
- Holidays.

Special Situations - Money is given to provide for particular needs:

- Replacement televisions, washing machines, fridges and other white goods
- Beds and other essential household items
- Electrically powered mobility vehicles.

If you are not sure if you qualify for our help, just call our confidential helpline on 01865 727888 and we can tell you. If you prefer, you can email us on [grants@rabi.org.uk](mailto:grants@rabi.org.uk) or write to the Head of Welfare, RABI, Shaw House, 27 West



Way, Oxford, OX2 0QH. We also accept third party referrals so if you know of someone in need of assistance, please contact us. Our services are completely free and strictly confidential so please do get in touch if you need our help.

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:**

### **What happens when a collision occurs on a road or public place?**

To comply with the law, the drivers must stop and the drivers must exchange names, addresses, registration numbers and vehicle owner details. Information about the insurance must also be given if someone has been injured. If details are not exchanged, you must report the collision to police within 24 hours at a police station.

Do police attend every collision?

The police will not routinely go to collisions which do not involve injury. We will only attend non-injury collisions where there is a clear, specified purpose for doing so. If police do not attend, there will be no further details recorded about your incident and no investigation. Please contact your insurers to progress a claim.

The role of the police at a collision

- Protecting the scene from further collisions.
- Making sure that the injured are treated promptly.
- Making sure that traffic is free-flowing.
- Arranging the recovery of vehicles where appropriate.
- Investigating the collision to find out what caused it, and whether any offences have been committed.

What happens when police attend a collision?

How much the police get involved depends on the nature and seriousness of the collision. The police may attend to give immediate assistance, to help the free flow of traffic and to coordinate other services such as breakdown assistance.

If police attend the scene, it does not guarantee that a report will be made. Collision reports are made by police when:

- a driver does not stop, or does not exchange details or
- if someone is injured in the collision or
- where criminal proceedings may be taken against one or more of the drivers.

**INFO:** We have a very useful information leaflet 'Road Collisions' that can be used as an aid memoir in the unfortunate event of being involved in a collision with your vehicle – if you would like one please email us and we will be happy to drop one off.

**SCAMS - What can I do if I think I am being scammed?**

If you receive emails or letters about a scam, don't reply – even to say no. Once scammers get a reply, they will send more unwanted messages.

If you are cold-called by a scammer, hang up. Don't give out any personal details like your address or 'confirm' details like your bank account number.

If you answer the door to a salesperson, ask to see their ID. Check the company name, eg online, and then call the company to check the person works there.

If you have lost money to a scam, report it to the police and Action Fraud, the national fraud reporting centre - 0300 123 2040.

If you think you've been tricked into calling a premium-rate number, complain to PhonepayPlus. It has the power to fine companies and stop them offering premium-rate numbers.

There are things you can do to reduce the number of unwanted offers you receive.

Step one: register your phone number and address with the mail and phone preference services (see links below). This means genuine companies will not contact you by mail or phone unless you have dealt with them before, eg because you bought something from them.

Step two: ask organisations you've dealt with before to remove your address or phone number from their databases.

Step three: reply to unwanted text messages with the word 'stop'. If this doesn't stop the messages, speak to your mobile network provider about blocking the number from contacting your phone.

Step four: install anti-spam software on your computer and a firewall to stop spam messages.

- [Stop unwanted post by registering with the Mailing Preference Service \(MPS\)](#)  
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- [Stop unwanted telephone calls by contacting the Telephone Preference Service](#)  
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