

NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWS



PEWSEY NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAMS NEWSLETTER

February 2010

PRIORITIES

Here is an update of the work we have been doing over the past few weeks to tackle the priorities which were set in January.

Pewsey East NPT

Hare Coursing-East Grafton

The problem of hare coursing has, as predicted, continued to be a problem in and around the Pewsey area. Local police take this crime very seriously and have been target patrolling the hotspot location. The police helicopter assists with the targeting of hare coursers and a few individuals have been apprehended over the past weeks in relation to this issue.

Anti Social Behaviour-Gt.Bedwyn

The anti social behaviour in Great Bedwyn has reduced over the past few weeks, with not nearly as many reports being received by the police. There have been a couple of reports from local residents, and as the weather improves we may risk seeing a rise in anti social behaviour, although the police have been and will continue to patrol the village on a regular basis to tackle any problems which may arise.

Pewsey West NPT

Anti Social Behaviour-'The Links', Pewsey

Since taking on this issue as a priority, police have been patrolling the residential area at identified times and have not received any further reports of mini Moto's causing problems. Local police will continue their patrols in order to keep on top of the problem.

Anti Social Behaviour/Criminal Damage-Church Yard, Church street, Pewsey.

Police have been and still are receiving reports of anti social behaviour in the identified area. The main report is of underage drinking which is resulting in various types of anti social behaviour. Local NPT police will continue their target patrols of the area and deal with any offences robustly. Police will also be working with local shops to try and identify where the alcohol is being sourced.

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PEWSEY CRIME

Listed below are a selection of some of the crimes that have happened in the Pewsey area over the last month. If you have information that could help us solve these crimes (or any others) please let us know by contacting Wiltshire Police on **0845 408 7000** and if you would like to remain anonymous contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. Please note that this is by no means a comprehensive list of all the crimes which have been reported this month.

Pewsey East

THEFT

Unknown offenders have stolen a wind turbine and solar panel from an isolated compound in the Wilton Hill area of Shalbourne.

THEFT

Unknown offenders, using unknown means have stolen a securely locked, parked vehicle from the car park on Farm Lane, Great Bedwyn.

THEFT FROM A VEHICLE

Unknown offenders have entered the yard of Brail Farm, Great Bedwyn, removed a liquid pump canister and used the pump to remove fuel from two lorries which were parked in the yard. At the same location, a gate has been forced open and a recovery truck with a transporter on the back, has been stolen.

BURGLARY

Offenders have kicked in the rear door of the premises and gained entry to two residential dwellings at an isolated spot near Great Bedwyn. An untidy search was made of both properties and items were stolen. At another location in Great Bedwyn an offender was disturbed while attempting to burgle a property and when challenged, he threatened the witness with a chisel.

Pewsey West

THEFT FROM A VEHICLE

Known offender/s have gained access to a locked vehicle parked on Pewsey hill. They have removed a handbag from the boot of the car. The car was unlocked when the owner returned.

BURGLARY

Unknown offender/s have forced entry into a property in North Newton, Pewsey, via the patio doors. It is unknown at present whether anything has been stolen.

BURGLARY

Unknown offender/s have gained entry to the compound of Woodborough Garden center and stolen a trailer and a massey ferguson tractor. An attempt was made to also steal a landrover from the same location.

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BURGLARY CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE

- Where you don't have them fit mortise locks or bolts to all doors and windows
- Close and lock windows/doors when you are not in the room, especially when leaving the house or in the garden.
- Double check that doors and windows are locked at night
- Keep valuable items out of view and reach of windows and doors
- Never leave a spare key in a hiding place like in a plant pot or letterbox – a thief knows all the hiding places.
- Hide financial documents and keys - if someone does break in you don't want them also to steal from your bank account or take your car
- Never leave sheds/garages unlocked, especially when you are gardening
- Lock tools and ladders away so that a thief cannot use them to break in
- Make sure you have good lighting around your property and invest in a burglar alarm
- Stop a thief gaining access to the back of the property where there is less chance of being seen
- Make sure any hedging at the front of your property is not too high to allow a burglar to work away unnoticed
- Mark all valuable items with your postcode and property number also record the serial number of electronic items
- Take coloured photographs of all jewellery including hallmarks
- If you see anyone acting suspiciously take their description and details of any vehicle registration including direction of travel and call the police on 0845 408 7000 or 999 if they are about to break into a property
- Join or set up a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme - for more details contact 0845 408 7000

DISTRACTION BURGLARS AND BOGUS CALLERS CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE

Most people that call at your home will be genuine. But sometimes people turn up unannounced, with the intention of distracting you and tricking their way into your home to steal money and valuables. They are known as 'distraction burglars', 'bogus callers' or 'cold callers'. They specifically target the elderly and vulnerable members of our community.

These types of criminals pose as official people such as council officers, utility company representatives or even the police. Follow the SOS – STAY OUT STRANGER advice for when there is someone at your door:

- Keep your door shut and locked and use a spy hole or window
- Do NOT open the door if you do not recognise or are not expecting a caller
- Avoid keeping large amounts of cash at home

VEHICLE CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE

- ❖ Never keep anything on display in your vehicle; even coats can be a target as they often contain wallets, valuable items, change and cards in the pockets.
- ❖ Park your car as near to your home as possible, preferably in a well lit area, using a driveway or garage if possible. As smashing glass can make a noise, let's make sure someone will hear it.
- ❖ Sat Nav's are a prime target. If you leave suction marks on the window this will give the thief a good indication that you own a device. Never leave it in the car, in the glove compartment; or even in the boot. These are the first places the thief will check. Never leave your exact address as "home" on your Sat Nav, as this could lead to further problems.
- ❖ If you own a van, make sure you remove tools overnight and display an appropriate sign in the rear window making this clear.

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HORSE & FARM WATCH



Hare Coursing

Local police are still receiving reports of persons hare coursing in the Pewsey area. During the month of February, suspect coursers were reported to be seen in the East Grafton and Pewsey Hill areas.

Unwanted interest in Landrovers

There have been three reported incidents where persons have approached owners of Landrovers, asking if they are for sale or willing to sell their vehicle. This has occurred in Shalbourne, Great Bedwyn and also Marlborough road, Pewsey.

Please be mindful of this and make measures to ensure your vehicles are as secure as possible.

Fuel & Oil Thefts

Lately in the Pewsey Vale area, we have been suffering oil thefts from oil tanks on commercial sites as well as private dwellings and also fuel thefts from commercial and agricultural vehicles. Please make measures to ensure that your oil tanks and vehicles are as secure as they can be and report anything suspicious to your local police.

Please be aware of anything suspicious in your local area.

If you have anything to report or have any information on previous incidents, please contact Wiltshire Police on : **0845 408 7000**.

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