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Neighbourhood News

Larkfield Ward, Lower Wye Neighbourhood Policing Team

June/July 2010

Your Neighbourhood Officers



PC Peter Lewis



PCSO Julian Phillips



PCSO Geraint Reynolds

You can contact us in many ways....



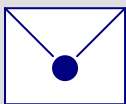
Emergency: 999
Non Emergency: 101
Direct Line: 01633 642068

NB: As we are usually out on patrol you may be required to leave a message if you call our direct line. We will respond to this within 24 hours.



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Moor Street
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You can also:

- > **pop in to the station**
- > **stop for a chat when you see us out and about on patrol**

Making a PACT

We have recently been out and about speaking to local residents about the crime and anti-social behaviour issues that are affecting them.....

WE ASKED....

“What is the main issue that you would like Police and Partners to tackle in your neighbourhood?”

YOU SAID....

- 1 Parking at St Mary’s Roman Catholic School**
- 2 Speeding vehicles**

WE DID....

Parking at St Mary’s Roman Catholic School

We have met with the headmaster of St Mary’s School he is aware that parking does cause a problem from time to time. New measures have been put into place at the school with an early start breakfast club and a late after school club. This will now stagger parents dropping their children off and collecting them at these times of the day. In addition to this they are also awaiting planning permission for a new school bus stop and entrance/exit onto Bulwark road. This again will ease problems on Old Bulwark Road/The Gwentlands. We have also issued a flyer to all the parents about the parking in the area. And we have undertaken patrols to monitor the area and given advice.

Meet your Neighbourhood Officers

We are always out and about in the area but if you would like to discuss any local issues you can find us at.....

**Chepstow Hotel
PACT MEETING
Sunday 6th June
2pm**

**Monday 28th June
Pembroke School Parents
Evening
3.30pm**

**Wednesday 14th July
C2 Bus Route
2.15pm**

WE DID CONT....

Speeding

Over the last month officers have been in your area carrying out speed checks with a handheld speed gun. We are trying to gauge the actual speed of the vehicles in the area. On Tuesday 13/04/10 between 15.15 and 16.30 Speed checks were carried out on Mathern Road and Fairview. In this time 80 vehicles passed through the speed trap. 10 of these vehicle were doing over 30mph but still under the prosecution level. Each owner of these vehicles were sent a warning letter about their speed and vehicle details were taken. In addition to this our camera safety department has also been in the area and told us that Mathern Road is a live Amber site. This means that it should receive on average 2-4 visits per month by the speed camera van. Previously this site was a 'Red Zone' however due to decreased speeding, the level has been dropped.

Good News!

Within the last 6 months there has been a very low offending rate in this area. The last covert speed data showed that the average speed was 31.56mph.

Crime update for Lower Wye

Here is a brief summary of what's happening in your area

More in depth information can be found at www.maps.police.uk

Number of incidents	Feb	April	March	Average
2008-09	4	7	9	6.7
2009-10	4	3	8	5

The average number of crimes in this area has decreased from 6 to 5 (25%) (compared to the same three month period last year)

We are pleased to report that crime in the Lower Wye area has decreased compared to this time last year. As you can see, crime levels in Lower Wye are low and we aim to keep your area safe and crime free.

Give it, Take It Away event



Transition Chepstow which is a Community Group encouraging recycling are holding a Give it – Take it Away event on the 16th May 2010 at Severn Bridge Social Club Starting at 9am and finishing at 4pm.

This event is supported by Keep Wales Tidy and also Monmouthshire County Council Tidy Towns. The event started back last year and because of the good success it is being held again. People are asked to bring their unwanted items for others to take away which no money exchanged. Please come along and bring your unwanted items. We will also be there holding a Police surgery, come and see us to discuss any problems you are having.

Clamp down on Anti-Social Behaviour

Bad behaviour will not be tolerated

Over the next 6 months officers from Chepstow Neighbourhood Police Team will be undertaking a zero tolerance operation aimed at youth disorder in your ward area.

We will be looking at anti-social behaviour driving and also youth disorder. We will also be looking at the recent problem we been having with the off road bike/quads in the area. We are asking for your help with this. Please report any incidents in your area immediately by calling 101 or 999 in an emergency.

Anti-social Behaviour: The Facts



Gwent Police is committed to making the area a safe place to live and work. This means making you feel safe too.

Anti-social behaviour can have a huge effect on the quality of life of those living and working in the area and we are determined to tackle the small minority of people who act in this way.

So what can Gwent Police do?

By working with our partners, such as the local Council, Community Safety Partnership and local Housing Authorities, to name but a few, we can undertake a programme of activities aimed at tackling anti-social behaviour. This includes:

- Dispersal orders to ensure that those congregating are moved on
- Fines or 'fixed penalties'
- Warning letters
- Sessions to improve parenting skills
- Noise abatement notices, to reduce noise pollution
- Injunctions
- Anti-social behaviour orders (ASBO's) and Acceptable Behaviour Contracts (ABC's)
- Enforcing tenancy agreements and carrying out evictions
- Seizing vehicles
- Arresting those responsible, possibly resulting in a jail sentence

So what is anti-social behaviour?

Anti-social behaviour can be virtually any activity that you find intimidating or threatening. It can include:

- Groups of people hanging around streets and causing a nuisance
- Inappropriate use of cars or motorbikes, such as constant revving of engines, loud stereos or noisy exhausts
- Vandalism and graffiti
- Drug dealing or taking
- Fly-tipping rubbish
- Underage drinking and drinking in the street

Protecting and Reassuring



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MOTORCYCLE THEFTS IN MONMOUTHSHIRE – OWNERS WARNED TO BE VIGILANT



Monmouthshire police officers are urging motorcycle owners to be vigilant after a number of thefts of bikes during March, April and May.

In total, 8 bikes have been stolen from the Abergavenny, Monmouth and Caldicot area. The main types of motorbike stolen have been either Suzuki or Honda.

Sergeant Terry Lowman said, “We are encouraging motorcycle owners to review the security of their bikes and be more vigilant. Thieves will always look for opportunities where security is lax, don’t make things easy for them.”

Officers are offering the following advice to bike owners;



- When leaving your bike for some time, try to lock it to something secure. At home, you can fit a special attachment to lock your bike.
- Always try and lock your bike away in a secure garage or away from sight.
- Fit a bike alarm.
- Use a motorbike cover
- Have the motorbike marked with its vehicle identification number (VIN)
- When purchasing security devices, make sure that all devices are either Thatcham or Sold Secure approved as these are meet the highest standards.
- Don’t leave helmets of other possessions with your bike.
- When driving home, be aware of any vehicles that may be following you.
- When cleaning and maintaining your bike, do this away from view if possible – don’t advertise your bike to thieves.

“We are currently investigating the burglaries, and if anyone has any information, then please contact Gwent Police by phoning 101. You can also contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.”