



WARMINSTER RURAL (ER12) BEAT REPORT – MAY 2019

Hello and welcome to this month's Community policing report.

Crime stats - latest quarterly figures

Wiltshire has seen a drop of 3 per cent in the number of overall recorded crimes in the county, according to crime statistics out today (25/04).

Between January 2018 and December 2018, Wiltshire Police recorded 42,483 crimes overall – a decrease compared to the previous 12 months.

Burglaries and vehicle crime dropped by 25 per cent and 26 per cent respectively, while thefts from a person dropped by 15 per cent and thefts, in general, went down by 10 per cent.

Angus Macpherson, Wiltshire and Swindon's Police and Crime Commissioner, welcomed the latest figures and said they showed Wiltshire was continuing to 'punch well above its weight' for a small, rural force and was working hard to deliver the best service possible within the funding awarded.

He said: "Overall, Wiltshire is a safe county and I am pleased to see these latest figures really highlight the hard work that is being done by the Force to continually maintain this aspiration for our communities.

"We are a small, rural force that is striving to punch above its weight in delivering first-class policing and these figures show that we are continuing to deliver.

"Our improved recording practices, which Wiltshire Police has been focusing on 18 months ahead of most other forces, has helped with the accuracy of these figures.

"It is heartening to see that burglary and vehicle crime have dropped considerably and this is a result of me challenging the Chief Constable and his team on the improvement on burglary and vehicle crime numbers.

"This type of scrutiny is essential to ensure Wiltshire Police continues to deliver for the communities it serves."

Despite the overall drop, recorded robbery saw an increase of 79 incidents in 2018 compared to 2017 figures (that's a 31 per cent increase), alongside a 25 per cent increase in stalking and harassment.

Angus added: "The increase in any crime, especially robbery, stalking and harassment, is concerning to me, however I am pleased to see the Force is robustly responding to the concerns that I, and the wider community, have about these crimes.

"As a county, the average number of robberies is low compared to other areas of the country and even small increases push the percentages up.

“I remain committed to ensuring that victims will be heard and have the confidence to report crime to Wiltshire Police and receive support from their very first call - and throughout the criminal justice process - when they do.

“My pledge is to continue to fund a number of victim support services across the county to ensure that this continues to be the case.”

Assistant Chief Constable Craig Holden also welcomed the figures.

He said: “The reduction in the overall crime figures is really positive news; however we are not complacent and remain focused when it comes to tackling all crimes and offenders.

“It is concerning to see a rise in robbery as I know this is an offence that can increase the fear of crime to communities. As a small force with a large rural footprint, robbery offences are generally low.

"This means that when there is a small increase in numbers of recorded crimes, the percentage increase can be high, as seen in the statistics. It's worth noting that these robbery figures returned to normal after just two spikes in February and June 2018.

"We have robust methods of scrutiny and compliance to ensure we have accurate recording of crime, including robbery and we believe that this high level of recording accuracy has contributed to the figures for Wiltshire.

The introduction of the Community Tasking Teams has been a positive step in targeting priority offenders. They have had a significant impact in reducing burglaries and the same teams are applying a similar focus to robberies, which I believe will support a reduction over the next few months."

CHANGES TO THE WEST WILTSHIRE COMMUNITY POLICING TEAM (CPT)

I am pleased to confirm Inspector Andy Fee has returned to lead the team once more, following a period of secondment, to Public Protection Department

Following Inspector James Williams' recent promotion, we will be welcoming Police Sergeant Dan Green to the West Wiltshire Community Policing Team as Deputy Sector Sergeant.

Pc Helen Daveridge has been successful in becoming a Community Coordinator and will be taking over the Westbury, Warminster, Tisbury and Mere area.

Pc Lee Pelling will be moving areas, and will be the Community Coordinator for the Melksham area

PCSO James Briant will join ET11 – Trowbridge Town Centre

PCSO Oliver Gilmour will join ET14 – Drynham and College

PCSO Leigh Holcombe will join ED11 – Melksham Town Centre

PCSO Josh Fish will join EG11 – Westbury Town

CRIME EXCEPTIONS DATA

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These figures are based on an evaluation of data, over a two year rolling period. Using this data we can predict what figure is the average that should be reported in a specific month, and what are the higher and lower parameters that we may expect. Figures outside of these parameters are classed as 'Crime Exceptions'.

***** Domestic Abuse figures will also be included in the values as it is on our Control Strategy but here will be no details shared on these cases *****

Warminster Town and Villages combined (Area Board)

Warminster Area board includes 2 Beat Areas, 1 for the Town, (ER11) and one for Rural and Villages (ER12). The data is as Follows;

MARCH 2019 DATA

March 2019 showed a total of 134 crimes for the whole Warminster Area Board region against the average of 119.1 for this same month over the last 2 years. This is within the parameters we would reasonably expect. There are no exceptions within the data.

ER12 (Warminster Rural and Villages Beat)

March 2019 showed a total of 33 crimes for the ER12 area against the average of 39.3 for this same month over the last 2 years. There are no exceptions within the data

The 5 largest crime groups accounted for 85% of this recorded crime as follows;

Violence Against the person showed 7 crimes compared to the average of 9.0

Theft showed 5 crimes compared to the average of 9

Criminal damage showed 6 crimes compared to the average of 5.8

Burglary showed 6 crimes compared to the average of 6.5

Vehicle Crime showed 4 crimes compared to the average of 5.3

APRIL 2019 DATA

ER12 (Warminster Rural and Villages Beat)

April 2019 showed a total of 34 crimes for the ER12 area against the average of 38.9 for this same month over the last 2 years. There are no exceptions within the data

The 5 largest crime groups accounted for 88% of this recorded crime as follows;

Theft showed 12 crimes compared to the average of 9.4

Violence Against the person showed 12 crimes compared to the average of 9.4

Criminal damage showed 5 crimes compared to the average of 5.8

Drugs showed 3 crimes compared to the average of 0.9

Vehicle Crime showed 2 crimes compared to the average of 5

Crimes and Updates of note

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Please see the regular Community Messaging email updates for community impactful crimes in your area.

For a detailed breakdown of the crime in your area visit...

<https://www.police.uk/wiltshire/>

54190031160	Crime – Vehicle offences	30/03/2019 18:48	CLEY HILL, WARMINSTER (ER12) Between 1200-1330 hours an offender has attempt to gain entry to a camper van causing damage to the side door.
54190031237	Crime - Burglary Business	31/03/2019 02:32	HILLSIDE, CODFORD, WARMINSTER (ER12) Overnight on the 30 th March offenders have gained entry to a premises by smashing a window. Tools have been stolen from within.
54190031310	Crime - Theft	31/03/2019 13:28	EVERETT CLOSE, SUTTON VENY, WARMINSTER (ER12) Overnight on the 30 th March offenders have stolen a mobility scooter which was left secured outside a property. The scooter was later located and recovered with damage to the front nearside wheel.
54190028858	Crime – Criminal Damage	24/03/2019 09:40	SUTTON END, CROCKERTON, WARMINSTER (ER12) Overnight on the 23 rd March an offender has smashed the rear windscreen of a parked and unattended vehicle with a brick.
54190028085	Crime - Drug Offence	22/03/2019 01:16	A36, WARMINSTER, (ER12) At 2340 hours officers out on patrol stop checked a Vauxhall Vectra to conduct checks. A stop and search was carried out and a male occupant was found to be in possession of Class B, Cannabis and subsequently arrested for this and suspicion of driving while unfit through drink or drugs. Marcus HUMM, of High Street, Dilton Marsh was later released and charged with Possession of a Class B drug and fail to provide a specimen of Blood. He will appear at Salisbury Mags on 12 th April 2019.
54190027536	Crime – Vehicle offences	20/03/2019 09:59	CROCKERTON, WARMINSTER (ER12) At around 0955 hours 2 male offenders have tried to gain entry to securely parked and unattended vehicle but made off when disturbed. Nothing believed stolen.
54190026772	Crime - Burglary Business	18/03/2019 15:00	FROME ROAD, MAIDEN BRADLEY, (ER12) At around 2000 hours 2 male offenders have damaged the security light on a fence by pulling it apart and throwing it down onto the ground. They have been sighted looking around the grounds and at the vehicles. Property has been stolen from a secure workshop, padlock has been ripped off. Property stolen: 2 x chainsaws.

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54190026933	Crime - Drug Offence	18/03/2019 21:44	CHURCH STREET, MAIDEN BRADLEY (ER12) Police from A and S Force area were following a car from Bristol towards Warminster. The vehicle was stop checked and the two male occupants were arrested on suspicion of possession of class A drugs with intent to supply. A male in his 30's from Warminster, and a male in his 30's from Salisbury were later released RUI (Under Police Investigation)
54190025128	Crime – Criminal Damage	13/03/2019 16:53	UPTON SCUDAMORE, (ER12) At around 1650 – 1750 hours offenders have driven a dark green 4X4 vehicle across a field with 2 lurcher dogs, possible hare coursing. Damage to crops was caused.
54190026517	Crime – Vehicle offences	17/03/2019 21:05	JUNCTION WITH DUKES LANE EAST C41 TO BRADLEY LANE, MAIDEN BRADLEY, (ER12) An offender has taken a Honda 420 quad bike that was left unattended outside a property.
54190026615	Crime - Theft	18/03/2019 10:05	BISHOPSTROW ROAD, SUTTON VENY, (ER12) An offender has stolen jewelry from the bedroom of a residential property by unknown means. Property - Blue and Silver necklace; Celtic Silver Chain; 2 thin silver chains; 3 brooches; 2 silver bracelets; silver watch; scarf ring; large silver heart pendant and a silver and pearl brooch with a little chain.
54190024796	Crime - Burglary Business	13/03/2019 07:36	POUND BARTON, SUTTON VENY, (ER12) Overnight on the 12 th March a suspect has broken into an office situated at the rear of a premises, breaking the laminated window in the process and taken the lockable tin of petty cash containing approx. £200.
54190023158	Crime - Burglary Community	08/03/2019 08:05	POUND BARTON, SUTTON VENY (ER12) Overnight on the 7 th March suspect(s) have gained entry to a premises through alarmed rear door by smashing the glass doors. Suspect(s) conducted a messy search but nothing has been stolen.
54190021110	Crime- Criminal Damage	02/03/2019 12:21	BRADLEY ROAD, CROCKERTON (ER12) Between 1100-1200 hours a suspect has slashed the tyre on a parked and unattended vehicle at a private location.
54190021131	Crime - Burglary Business	02/03/2019 10:11	LYES GREEN, CORSLEY (ER12) Overnight on the 1 st March a suspect has gained entry to a property by smashing two small panes of glass. Money and boxes of bottles of wine were stolen from within.

54190021576	Crime – Vehicle offences	04/03/2019 09:37	KING ALFREDS CLOSE, KINGSTON DEVERILL (ER12) Between 1415 – 1630 hours on the 3 rd March a suspect has smashed the window of a vehicle while it was parked unattended. A small sports bag which was left on the rear seat was stolen.
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LOCAL PCSO – OTHER INFORMATION

COMMUNITY POLICING PRIORITIES WITHIN YOUR AREA

WEEKLY TASKING MEETING

Inspector Andy FEE chairs a weekly internal “tasking meeting” where emerging community issues and concerns are raised and discussed for the whole West Wiltshire CPT area. From this meeting, priorities and actions are set and a tasking document produced. This involves developing strategies and the targeting of resources (including partner agencies) into tackling the issue or concern.

The priorities for West Wiltshire are:

RURAL CRIME – Following on from the successful OP ARTEMIS rural patrols, we are now targeting pro-active patrols around wider rural crime matters including burglary, vehicle interference and theft. This is to increase our visibility in rural and farming communities and to offer reassurance to residents and the local public.

Following reports to Westbury Town Council, the local CPT are looking into complaints of speeding and misuse of the Bus Lane in Slagg Lane/The Ham. We are encouraging the local residents to report to us the specific dates and times when this is believed to be occurring so that we can conduct more targeted and visible patrols in the area. We would encourage any residents that have parking issues to report this to the Wiltshire Council for their consideration.

Burglary Patrols – On the 6th March thieves broke into the Tisbury Sports and Social Club, targeting alcohol and cash. This was possibly linked to a similar burglary that happened to the Village hall in Shrewton and the Social Club in Mere two days later, on the 8th March. Enquiries into these burglaries are currently ongoing, however as a result we conducted targeted evening and night time patrols of these rural locations.

COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH (CSW)

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Every 2 weeks, 4 Community Speedwatch Schemes across West Wiltshire are selected by Leanne Homewood for CPT support (additional targeting, enforcement and patrols) to supplement the CSW team planned sessions. These are included in our weekly tasking document for action and update. All the results from the supplementary speed checks conducted are fed back to the relevant Town and Parish Councils in their individual Police Reports. The current Speedwatch Schemes being supported are as follows;

The current locations selected for supplementary speed checks are:

LOCATION	ACTION REQUIRED
Edington - near to Greater Lane	30mph zone
Hindon - Outside 2 High Street	30mph section
Lowbourne, Melksham	30mph section
Southwick - Near to puffin crossing	30 mph

EVENTS

For those looking to organize an even within the community, please have a look at the toolkit available from Wiltshire Council, which gives guidance and advice with regards to most types of events, including information about traffic management and which agencies / departments need to be contacted when applying for various licenses / road closures.

It can be found at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-events-toolkit.pdf>.

Please email out Operations Planning team with details;

opsplanning@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

COMMUNITY MESSAGING

PLEASE SIGN UP! Community messaging to receive regular emails regarding crime updates, crime prevention advice and public appeals specific for your area. - <https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/>

CONTACT US

Please use 999 in an emergency or crime in progress. Use 101 for all past or non-urgent crimes/incidents and issues or visit the Wiltshire Police website at;

<https://www.wiltshire.police.uk/>

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