

Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter: Evesham and Pershore

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your local teams

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Welcome to your latest newsletter from the Evesham & Pershore Safer Neighbourhood Teams. As always the teams have been busy tackling crime, anti-social behaviour, speeding and policing local events. Here are some of the highlights over the last 3 months.

Our Local Policing Charter Pledge

Just a reminder of our Policing promise to the community in which we work.

“There will be a visible policing presence by using local engagement, social media and new digital channels, there will be further opportunities for dialogue so the public can raise concerns, provide feedback, be involved and help shape policing in their area.

These channels will be used to update communities on the activities to keep them safe, and provide information and crime prevention advice”.

The teams hold drop in surgeries across the community so you can have a face to face discussion with team members, this provides a direct contact with a Police Officer or Police Community Support Officer to highlight concerns, discuss ongoing issues, or to have a friendly chat with your local policing team.



Keep an eye on our Social Media accounts, and parish noticeboards to see when we will be in your area.

Staff Changes

We have a few team changes to update you with.

PC Julianna Barker from Evesham Town/Rural West has been successful in her application to be a Sergeant, she has left the team to start take up her new role. We wish her well, and thank Julianna for her hard work whilst on the team. We will be looking for a new officer to take on the role very soon.

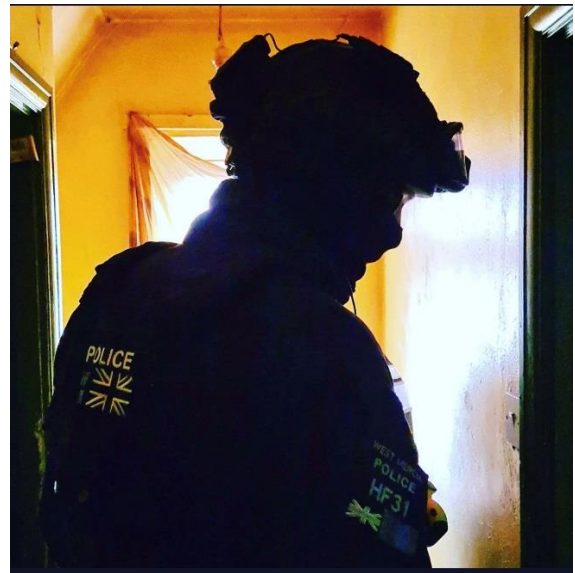
PCSO Karen Kempton has moved from Pershore to work on the Evesham Rural South team, and will assist in the Evesham Town South/Rural West team.

Drugs Warrants



Members from your Evesham and Pershore SNT teams have worked with our dog unit, Task Force (specialist firearms team), and response teams to conduct drugs warrants in Evesham & Pershore.

Having received intelligence from the public allowed us to apply for a drugs warrant from the Magistrates Court, and we are pleased to update the operation was a success. 2 females were arrested from 2 separate addresses for drug related offences, and possession of offensive weapons.



Seized weapons from drug warrant.

These weapons have been removed during the warrant, together with a quantity of cash which is believed to be gained as part of a drug trafficking enterprise. Removing these weapons keeps the public safe, and we will work hard to ensure the offenders are arrested and placed before the Court.



If you suspect someone is dealing drugs or involved in drug crime, you can pass on information via the 'Tell Us About' section of our website: www.westmercia.police.uk or you can phone 101. Always dial 999 if you or your property is at risk or a crime is in progress.

If you aren't comfortable contacting us directly, you can pass on information anonymously to the independent charity, Crime stoppers, by calling 0800 555 111 or by visiting their website: www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Community Engagement

Our Pershore team have been busy policing local events. PCSO Smith attended Whittington School fete at the start of July, another excellent Community engagement with parents and children to talk about the role of the Police and to demonstrate some of the equipment we carry in the vehicles.



Please get in touch with your local SNT team if you are planning events and you would like us to attend.

PC Attwood assisted by PC Parker from one of our response teams attended Evesham wellness event in May, a perfect example of community engagement with our partner agencies, all working hard to improve healthy minds and to offer advice to the public.



Neighbourhood Watch.



Happy Birthday to the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. This has been now been running for 40 years.



Neighbourhood Watch schemes are a proven deterrent to criminals, and together we can make our communities safer and a nicer place to live. Studies show that in an area with an active scheme there is a significant reduction in crime, and the fear of crime.

West Mercia Police can direct you to the schemes operating in your area, these details are available when you visit the website:-

www.ourwatch.org.uk

Here you will see all the information you need, together with the option to sign up to West Merias scheme.



Queens Jubilee Celebrations

Some highlights of the community events and street parties to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee which were held over the extended Bank holiday weekend.



The Community in Broadway pulled out all the stops during the wonderful celebrations.



Pershore residents showing everyone how to hold a street party.



We would like to say a big thank you to all the event organisers, and to everybody who gave up their time to pull these events together, a wonderful community event which we were proud to be part of.



Community speed watch

What is Community Speed Watch?

Community Speed Watch (CSW) schemes are coordinated by the police but managed and run by volunteers in the community. The scheme enables local people to take an active role in road safety and make their community safer.

The aim of CSW is NOT to catch as many speeding drivers as possible. It aims to encourage motorists to drive at a safe and appropriate speed, reduce speed in areas of concern, re-educate drivers about the dangers of speeding and address concerns from local residents about cars speeding through their neighbourhood.

How does CSW work?

At specified safe locations, volunteers monitor the speed of passing vehicles with a hand-held speed detection device. Offending vehicles' details are recorded on a log sheet, the make/model and registration number of the vehicle and the speed recorded by the hand-held device.

Can anyone become a volunteer?

Schemes are open to anyone aged 17 or over. Volunteers will only be accepted onto a scheme once appropriate checks have been carried out. Volunteers must be able to make a regular commitment to carry out activity and must adhere to the scheme's safety rules at all times. Although reasonable adjustments can be made, volunteers should be mindful of the physical nature of the role.

Training will be provided covering areas such as health and safety, legislation and how to use the speed detection equipment. West Mercia Police reserve the right to withdraw permission for an individual to participate in a local scheme.

Which communities can have a scheme?

There are a number of criteria which must be met before a scheme will be established:

- Speeding must have been identified as a community priority
- Active speed enforcement operations must not already be underway in the area by West Mercia Police
- There must be at least six volunteers in each CSW scheme
- Speed checks must be conducted by at least three volunteers
- The area must have a 30 or 40 mph speed restriction

Want to get involved?

For more information on Community Speed Watch and how to become a volunteer:

- Contact your local safer neighbourhood team at www.westmercia.police.uk
- Email: CSW@westmercia.police.uk

Please use our Social Media pages to see your local SNT teams and their respective contact details.

Your local policing teams are also actively involved with the below Social media accounts, please follow them for updates on our work, and local events/news.

@EveshamCops Twitter 

@EveshamSNT Facebook 

@PersshoreCops Twitter 

Email the teams:

Evesham Rural North

eveshamrn.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Evesham Town North and Rural South

eveshamtnrs.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Evesham Town South and Rural West

eveshamtsrw.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Pershore Town

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Pershore Rural

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Neighbourhood Matters

We have seen more residents sign up to the service, thank you. As always we strongly encourage our communities to sign up to neighbourhood matters to enable a close contact with your local policing teams. We are very pleased to see the large numbers who have already signed up, and thank you for the support. We are still keen to sign up more residents so we can reach as many people as we can with important information, local alerts, witness appeals, and updates on our work.

Take a look at the website for further details.

- <https://neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk/>



For the latest crime prevention advice visit:www.westmercia.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/

For crimes in progress call 999. For non emergencies report online:www.westmercia.police.uk/report

