

Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter: Malvern and Upton

Bringing you updates from your local teams

1 October 2022 to 31 December 2022

In this edition ...

Reflecting on a busy 2022...

- As we approach the end of 2022 I am sure I am not alone in wondering where has the last twelve months gone?!

As a team, we have seen many changes to the officers we have had working with us, but those transitions have been seamless and each have brought experience and enthusiasm to the team and I am hopeful that this has been reflected in your engagement with us and the results you have seen us achieve.

We have been incredibly busy with our day to day business; investigating crime, dealing with anti-social behaviour and engaging with our communities whilst also taking part in local and national operations. To detail our efforts would be nigh on impossible but what follows is a sample of our activity over the past three months.

- Roads Safety

Given the time of year and the weather conditions, road safety has been a key focus for us over the past few months.

We have given time to speed enforcement but have also engaged with local schools to distribute hi-visibility goodies for children who cycle and walk to school.



We have also continued to be as proactive as we can in terms of speed monitoring and enforcement, given how clear this is as a priority to parishes and meets one of our force priorities of 'safer roads' The TruCam device we have been trialling has enabled us to conduct speed enforcement in areas

such as Severn Stoke where it was not previously possible to do so.



- Crime Prevention

With an increase in recorded burglary offences and theft offences relating to builders materials and tools, we focussed on crime prevention advice in retailers, pushing Smart Water marking and increasing visibility patrols in areas of higher crime. This ended in a fantastic arrest of a male who was to be charged with a number of burglary and theft offences and remanded into custody when placed in front of the court.

The roll out of Smart Water kits in the village of Kempsey has continued and on the back of this success, there have been numerous other villages that have now approached West Mercia Police in hope that their village can be included in the new scheme which is fantastic.



- Youth Engagement

We have spent time with Cubs, Scouts and Guides groups, explaining the role of the police, our duties and distributing hi-visibility goodies for children.



It's always great to be involved in engagement with children as that interaction at an early age helps develop their trust in the police.

- Tackling ASB

The darker nights haven't prevented the team from continuing our crackdown on

ASB. Cycle and foot patrols have continued and we continue to issue Community Protection Notices and Criminal Behaviour Orders against repeat offenders.



Further to this, we have taken receipt of the Smart Tag canisters that I had spoken of previously. These will be effective in pursuing criminal prosecutions against those who use dirt bikes and motorised scooters in an anti-social manner.



- Remembrance Services

It was a privilege for the safer neighbourhood officers to represent West Mercia Police at the various services across the area.



We also had an 'Unknown Soldier' on display outside the police station and invited the public to decorate this with poppies. The response to this was great and we were very grateful to year four pupils at Somers Park School who attended and decorated the soldier with poppies they created in school.



- Christmas Parade

To see the excitement and enthusiasm of such a large crowd was absolutely fantastic and as ever, Peeler the Police Dog was more than willing to assist local dignitaries and Santa in turning on the Christmas lights!



- Anti-Violence Bee

The Anti-Violence Bee was on display in Grange Road/Priory Park in November and welcomed over 2000 visitors during its' stay. The use of weapons in crime and our commitment to making communities safe is an important message and the bee proved a powerful visual presence.



Policing priorities for 2023...

- Local Policing Charter Contracts

Since June 2021, local policing teams across West Mercia have used policing priorities set by the parish councils to focus our patrol strategy on what really matters to specific areas.

We have had mixed engagement from the parish councils across the area but where we have had engagement and priorities have been identified and returned to us, there has been a positive response at the policing activity we undertake.

From 1 January 2023, we will really be pushing the parish councils for focussed policing priorities that each team can set time to target and work to address.

Therefore, this is a request for each and every parish council to return priorities to your safer neighbourhood team officer so we can update our tracker and focus our patrol accordingly.

If you have any issues with regards to identifying the priorities or completing the charter contract, please contact your safer neighbourhood team officer.

- Contact With Your SNT

The method and frequency with which you have contact with your safer neighbourhood team is set within the local policing charter contracts you have received and returned.

The frequency set does not mean there cannot be contact with us outside these times, so please feel free to utilise team and officer email addresses, officer telephone numbers, social media channels or come and see us at the station. There are also opportunities for you to join members of the public at the numerous drop in surgery events we hold across the area which are advertised through our social media channels.

A push to parishioners...

- We continue to advertise the benefits of the Neighbourhood Matters system and

you will see that as an organisation, more and more of our engagement will be through Neighbourhood Matters.

This is a free service available to all and it is where West Mercia Police will provide community messages, crime prevention advice and details of community engagements.

You can sign up to receive messages via this link <https://neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk/> and we would be grateful if you could push this message to your respective parishes.



Upcoming events...

- Please look out for the dates advertised on Neighbourhood Matters, Twitter and Facebook.

Season's greetings...

- Finally, let me take the opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and enjoy a prosperous New Year. See you all in 2023!

Keep in contact with your SNT...

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