

Neighbourhood Policing

February 2015 newsletter

Faringdon Neighbourhood Team Newsletter

Here is the latest Faringdon neighbourhood update from PS Shane Harrison, PC Robert Maris, PC Chris Linzey, PC Trevor Gorman, PC Debs Cannon, PC Bob Searle, PCSO Kerry Davis, PCSO Maralyn Pack, PCSO Myra Harvey, PCSO Andy Gunn and PCSO Alex Hill.

Local priorities

Unfortunately Faringdon has been subject to a burglary. On Saturday 24 January, between 4:15pm and 9:00pm, a home in Marlborough Close was entered and jewelry, computer tablets and an Xbox console with games were stolen. If you have any information, or have been offered for sale any items matching the above, please contact us on 101 and quote Occurrence Number 43150022164.

We continue to see a decline in offences of hare coursing and poaching in our area. This is down to the continued vigilance of members of our communities calling in suspected incidents. Please continue to help. Very close to our area this month, two men have been charged with daytime trespass in pursuit of game. They were using catapults and were not using dogs.

Although last year we saw no snow in our area, it is around this time that temperatures dip. Snow has been forecast and if it comes it can quickly become a hazard for the more vulnerable members of our community. We do have a snow list, but please look out for your elderly neighbour.

Anti-social behaviour (ASB)

Anti-social behaviour will not be tolerated in our community, whether from young or older residents. Please be aware that behaviour you feel is not a problem; can cause distress to others. For example throwing snowballs at houses, vehicles or people you don't know is not fun for the targets and can be upsetting. Every year during snowy weather we are inundated with calls from people being targeted by young people. Please ensure your children are aware of the issues recklessly thrown snowballs can have.

We have received two reports of horse-trap racing, near Hinton Waldist and Southmoor along the A420 early Saturday or Sunday mornings. This practice can be very dangerous for road users. If you see anything that causes you concern, please report it to us on the emergency number 999.

Offenders brought to justice

After the arrest and charge of three men in May, for theft and handling stolen goods in Shrivenham. Philip O'Driscoll from Swindon and John Paul Hunter from Bicester appeared at Wiltshire Magistrates Court on the 21 January where they entered guilty pleas. The matter has been adjourned until February when they will be sentenced. A third man is currently on bail for the same offences and will enter a plea on that date.

Have Your Say meetings

Have Your Say meetings are an ideal opportunity for local residents to speak to their local police officers and PCSOs about any local issues, no appointment is necessary just turn up and speak to your local officers. Upcoming Have Your Say meetings are:-

- Saturday, 14 February, midday – 1pm at Uffington Stores, Broad Street, Uffington.
- Saturday, 21 February, midday – 1pm at Southmoor Food and Wine, 3-4 Cherrytree Close, Southmoor .

Further meetings will be publicised locally and on the force website at www.thamesvalley.police.uk.

Crime mapping

The Home Office national crime mapping website gives the public access to street-level crime information as well as information on their Neighbourhood Policing Teams, Neighbourhood Priorities and Events - details of Have Your Say and other neighbourhood activities. Log on to www.police.uk, type in your local postcode or neighbourhood name and then click on 'Find out more'.

Thames Valley Alert

Receive free local crime alerts and crime prevention advice by registering at www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk today. This allows anyone who signs up to choose what updates they receive and how they would like to receive it. A new option includes receiving information via text but more traditional landline and email messages are still available. You can also filter the updates you receive by specifying the priority level of the messages you receive.

Contact us

If you want any advice or would like to contact the neighbourhood team you can call us on the police non-emergency number 101 or if it is an emergency then dial 999. You can also contact us via email:

FaringdonNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk. Please note this email address cannot be used to contact Thames Valley Police to report crimes or for any urgent matters. If you have information about crime or anti-social behaviour in your area but you do not want to speak to the police, please call the Crimestoppers charity on 0800 555111. To view information on your neighbourhood team visit the Thames Valley Police website at: www.thamesvalley.police.uk.

