

Here is the latest update from the Faringdon Neighbourhood Policing Team.

'You said we did'/ Priorities

Rogue Traders: 'You reported unwanted traders going door to door'. The Faringdon Neighbourhood team supported Trading Standards on a day of action in Faringdon, Wantage and Abingdon speaking to local traders, stopping suspicious commercial vans and educating workers to their obligations under relevant legislation. We currently have one suspect on police bail for fraud offences after targeting the elderly.

Theft from vehicle: 'You reported multiple thefts from vehicles' within Faringdon town. We spent three days patrolling during hours of darkness on bikes and plain clothes to identify offenders and prevent further offences. This is ongoing and we urge everyone to be vigilant and ensure they lock vehicles overnight. The main targets have been vehicles left unlocked and we have also had a small number of theft from vehicles at our beauty spots again. Remove all valuables and leave nothing on show.

Driving offences: 'You reported speeding and incidents of dangerous driving'. PC Gorman, with the support of the team, led three separate operations targeting road safety issues including mobile phones and seat belts. A large number of drivers were reported for failing to wear seatbelts but many were caught speeding and using their phones.

Anti-social behaviour (ASB)

This month, PCSO Kerry Davis established a localised meeting with schools, partner agencies, social and family support workers and the police to address concerns identified at the earliest opportunity linked with crimes, ASB, bullying and vulnerability at home and in the community in relation to our younger generation. This will hopefully improve local information sharing and enable us to find solutions to help protect and support those most in need within our area.

Crime prevention

This month PCSO Maralyn Pack worked hard to gather support and bring on board Tesco, Waitrose, Aldi and other key businesses within Faringdon to our Business Watch Scheme designed to tackle crime and promote crime prevention. Our PCSOs also attended a three day crime prevention course in Abingdon to promote further skills in supporting victims of crime and identifying proactive measures to prevent further offences.

Future events/meetings

We will be represented at The Old Berks Hunt Open Day on Sunday 14th May 2017 by PCSO Alex Hill and PCSO Kerry Davis and PCSO Esme Brown.

Where possible one of the team try to attend the Cake Café every Wednesday at 09:30 am in The Pump House Project, Faringdon.

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. To view information on your neighbourhood team visit the Thames Valley Police website at: www.thamesvalley.police.uk. 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. The Thames Valley Police Twitter account is kept up to date with what we are up to; please follow us @TVPSouthandVale 