

Here is the latest Faringdon neighbourhood update from PCSO Alex Hill.

Priorities

Anti-social behaviour (ASB): We received reports of ASB in the Tuckers Park area. We have increased high visibility patrols in the area and will continue to do so. Four of the young people involved in the ASB were recently arrested for burglary and so hopefully we will now see a decrease in these reports. There continues to be incidents of ASB in areas of Shrivenham which the neighbourhood team are working hard to resolve.

Please continue to report ASB by calling us on 101, or 99 if a crime is being committed.

Rural crime: Rural crime continues to be a top priority for Faringdon neighbourhood team. We have continued to work with gamekeepers and land owners suggesting options for target hardening as well as conducting dedicated day and night time operations targeting rural crime.

Crime prevention advice

There has recently been an increase in burglary non-dwelling offences in the Faringdon area. We are working as hard as we can to stop this but there are steps you can take to make your items more secure. Please continue to report any suspicious activity as soon as you can.

This time of year usually brings with it an increase in burglaries to houses and other theft offences. Please could everyone remain vigilant and report anything you feel is suspicious as soon as you can. There are several steps you can take to increase the security of your property at this time of year:-

- Do not leave presents on display either in vehicles or visible through the windows of your property.
- Make sure all doors and windows are locked and secure.
- Maximise surveillance levels i.e. cut back tall trees and bushes to make your property more visible to neighbours.
- Consider installing a CCTV system.
- Use timer switches to make it appear that there is someone in the property if you are out for long periods of time.
- Consider using a property marking system like SmartWater which will make your items less desirable.
- Take down serial numbers of presents and valuable items in your house so that they are identifiable if they are stolen.

What the neighbourhood team have been doing

The team had the privilege of attending the remembrance parade last month. It was fantastic to see so many people in our community come together to show respect.

Future events/meetings

We will be attending the Faringdon Town Nativity on Friday 8th December so pop along and say hello!

We will also be trying to attend the cake café every Wednesday from 9.30am in the Pump House this month. So if you have any concerns or would like to speak to us then please stop by.

And finally we hope you all have a very merry Christmas as well as an enjoyable and safe new year!!!

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 