



HOLBURY & FAWLEY PARISH NEWSLETTER

August 16 –August 29 2008

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS

Welcome to the latest Fawley parish beat update from Hythe Safer Neighbourhoods team.

The main issues in the last two weeks have been the continued targeting of non-dwelling premises in the Fawley area. Two beach huts were targeted but no entry was gained, one shed in Fawley was attacked and two mini motorbikes stolen (these were later recovered intact following police enquires) as well as the continued targeting of businesses and local amenities for scrap metal.

In Holbury it has been quiet. There have been three reports of racist graffiti being put on the walls of houses and road surfaces. PC Garvin Couch is investigating this matter which is totally unacceptable. If anyone has any information please contact Garvin at Hythe police station so that the matter can be pursued.

The team have been actively targeting inconsiderate drivers who are putting themselves and others at risk by the manner of their driving. This has resulted in a number of vehicles being seized in the Holbury and Fawley areas in the last fortnight. At the moment Gangwarily sports centre is a priority area and is actively being patrolled by police. Anyone who is found driving recklessly and inconsiderately in the car park risks having their vehicle seized and will be prosecuted for offences.

Currently the cost of recovery is £115 plus £12 per day for storage at a compound in Wiltshire. This cost must be covered by the driver not the tax payer and is in addition to any prosecution. One young man who had been racing about the car park learnt this to his cost when he showed off to his friends by racing at speed through the car park. His vehicle was seized at his

expense and inconvenience resulting in his losing a day's wages having to retrieve his vehicle rather than go to work.

Luckily Fawley has been very quiet recently with hardly any antisocial behaviour found while out patrolling. That doesn't mean that officers are not patrolling the area on foot and cycle or vehicle though, we have spent a lot of time in the parish patrolling and dealing with lower level issues which the community have advised us concerned them. This includes littering, obstructive parking and untaxed vehicles.

The team have also been actively trying to engage all parts of the community to offer better access to the police and to support individuals and groups.

PCSO Bev Hayes has, in conjunction with the environment agency, arranged for a young anglers fishing day to be held at the lake at Gangwarily. This is aimed at school age children and will be from 10am – 4pm on Saturday, September 13. Fishing equipment will be provided on the day and there will be 30 minute slots for individual tuition which need to be booked with Debbie Elliot the Fawley youth worker in advance. Debbie can be contacted through the parish council at Gangwarily.

While on the subject of youth intervention, the whole Safer Neighbourhoods Team would like to thank the lads of Fawley Terrier football team previously known as Heather Road United who kindly stepped in to fill spaces in our 5 a side team called 'The Rozzers' at the Hythe Parish Fun day while officers were on other duties.

Unfortunately for the Terriers they lost to a better team (the police!) in the semi finals and we eventually went on to

August 16 - August 29	Holbury Area	Fawley & B'field Area
Rowdy and inconsiderate	14	9
Theft	1	8
Dwelling Burglary	0	1
Non Dwelling Burglary	0	7
Damage	3	4
Vehicle crime	2	3
Disputes	4	2
Road policing incidents	2	3
Public order	0	3
Assaults	2	3
Drugs offences	1	0
Robbery	0	0
Other	0	0

If you have any information about any incident please get in touch with police.

For general enquiries, or to speak to someone about policing in your local area please call 0845 045 45 45

For details about beat surgeries or to raise any concerns or questions please email:
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triumph in the final match winning the tournament, though this was more experience and luck than fitness!!!

The police community office at Gangwarily is now open. The dates when PCSOs Bev and Andy will be available are as follows:

September 17 – 5-7pm
September 26 – 10am-12pm
October 15 - 5-7pm
October 24 – 10am-12pm
November 12 – 5-7pm
November 25 – 10am-12pm
December 5 – 10am-12pm

One of the issues which has been raised by members of the community that have already used the beat office is cycling on the pavement. There have been a number of incidents where individuals have been cycling on the path instead of the road. In one case an elderly lady on a mobility scooter was hit by a cyclist on the pavement. This resulted in damage to the scooter and the cyclist ending up in the road and being lucky not to be hit by a vehicle. The cyclist sustained only minor injuries.

Cycling on the pavement is an offence which carries a £30 fixed penalty ticket.

We would ask all cyclists to ride within the law and considerately. Rather than receive a fine it would be better to spend the money on lights for their cycles. There are still too many individuals who risk their safety by riding in darkness without lights or reflective jackets.

Bev is very concerned that there are a large number of young people who are currently using cycles with no or inadequate brakes on the road. If your children do have cycles please check them out and ensure that they are road worthy. There are several good cycle repair shops in the Hythe

and Blackfield areas.

For their safety and your piece of mind it is vital that all cycles on a road are safe to use. The cost of service and repair will be a lot less than that of a prosecution or police officer attending your house to inform you your child has been involved in an accident.

Fawley officers have also assisted in the Hythe parish recently when a large group of youths started to act antisocially in the Dibden Purlieu area. The youths were being abusive, drinking alcohol underage and wandering the streets after 11pm. They failed to respond to warning to behave and go home. The result was that four youths were dealt with by means of an official reprimand or final warning and one youth received an £80 fixed penalty notice for disorderly behaviour.

It is important to remember that police will target such incidents and groups robustly to ensure the quality of life of the community is not affected and to prevent more serious public order or violent incidents occurring.

As always anyone who has information which will assist the police in prosecuting criminals is urged to contact us confidentially so we can act on what you know to improve our community.

I am particularly interested in who you believe is currently dealing drugs in our area. I would like to hear from anyone who has information as to who the individuals are who are targeting businesses, schools and medical centres for metal which they later sell on for scrap.

Please do contact me or another police officer so we can actively target

criminals by stop searching them, targeting their vehicles and obtaining warrants to search their houses.

By helping us catch these criminals not only will we be solving crime but also reducing the cost to the community of replacing stolen metal. Each time the metal has to be replaced it means that there is less money to spend on the services which matter.

If you would like to remain Anonymous you can call Crimestoppers without leaving your details.



or contact us at Hythe Safer Neighbourhoods on **0845 045 45 45** or by e-mail on:

newforest.east.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

Non emergency matters relating to nuisance behaviour can be reported on **101** however if you the matter involves crime in progress or risk of injury please ring 999.

Thank you

Adrian

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