

The Wing NHPT have in the last few months lost PC Catherine HAWKES to another department, but gained PC Leanne BURNS-BRIGHT to the team. We wish them both good luck in their new roles.

During this quarter we continued our focus on the three main priorities set for our neighbourhood:-

- 1) Prevent and reduce dwelling burglaries
- 2) Target drug use and dealing
- 3) Reduce rural crime.

In September and October we saw a rise in theft from motor vehicles around the beauty spot car parks. We have been collating lots of evidence and now identified suspects. Arrest attempts have been ongoing and we hope to have them brought before the courts soon. This spate of crimes highlighted again the importance of not leaving valuables in your cars. It was disappointing to see many of the attacked cars being broken into next to our "DON'T LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR CAR" signs. Let's not make it easy for these people.

One of our PCSO's carried out extensive enquiries into theft from motor vehicles in Watermead too during this time. His work helped identify a suspect who was later arrested, charged and remanded by another team for these crimes.

Our neighbourhood has historically been targeted by hare and deer coursers. We have over the last few years made many dog and vehicle seizures and made arrests. Obtaining the evidence to charge these types of crimes is difficult, but we are pleased to update you that this month we have had two suspects summonsed to court for such offences. We have rehomed the three dogs they were using too. If you see any suspicious activity of this nature please call 999 as any conviction relies heavily on witnesses to the actual dogs chasing hares or deer. Explain to the controller that it is a rural crime in progress. The cost of damage to crops and fences reaches thousands each year, let alone the cruelty to the animals involved.

We have not had any spike in dwelling burglaries as it stands. Now that the nights are drawing in, we have been out delivering leaflets to homes in darkness that look unoccupied. Please ensure that you keep a light on and make your home look less inviting to any would be burglars. The trend in our neighbourhood has generally been to steal high powered cars off the drive, either by breaking into the home for keys or amplifying the signal from keys near the front or back doors to a house. Keep your keys away from these areas and store in a metal tin to minimise this risk.

**Contact us** If you see anything suspicious no matter how small or insignificant it may seem, if you think it's not right or someone looks out of place please call us on 999 if it is a crime in progress or 101 if you have information. You can also email the team at [greatbrickhillwingivinghoeNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:greatbrickhillwingivinghoeNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk)

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Keep safe

Wing and Ivinghoe District Neighbourhood Team