

# Stakeholder update

*Fortnightly update to stakeholders,  
provided by the Rushcliffe Neighbourhood policing team*

Welcome to the latest edition of the Rushcliffe Stakeholder Update. My name is Craig Berry and I am the officer responsible for the policing of Rushcliffe Borough.

The end of the school year has arrived again albeit the last four months has been far from normal for our young people. Tradition has it that the school leavers want to let their hair down and celebrate and we tend to see gatherings of teenagers on our parks and with that some silly and some anti-social behaviour.

Residents that border our green spaces have had a difficult time in recent months with a noticeable increase in anti-social behaviour, drinking and even some drug use on the parks late at night. Please be mindful of this and be considerate of those around you. The Rushcliffe Neighbourhood policing Team are fully aware of the problem locations and will patrol and challenge rowdy and inconsiderate behaviour and you will be held to account.

In terms of reported crime there are no significant patterns to speak of in the last month. Through the Local Policing Priority Setting Meeting (LPPSM), at which all the Borough Councillors are represented, we decided to make the Northern Cluster area north of Bingham a priority for overnight police patrols due to a small number of shed, garage and community building burglaries in and around East Bridgford, Car Colston and Screveton villages. We will work with local Parishes to let them know what we are doing and to seek local support for crime prevention.

Bingham and Trent Wards have also experienced a slight increase in the crime recently, but that is when compared to the low levels of crime in the previous two week period. West Bridgford has seen a reduction in crime in the same period and the whole of Rushcliffe has seen ASB reports reduce significantly around the Covid-regulations in recent weeks. There are probably many reasons for this including the sense that we are getting back to some sort of normality.

The Tricky Trees (Nottingham Forest) managed to conclude their season a few games short of what all of us were expecting but that gives local policing the opportunity to look at other issues and to get ourselves ready for football policing next season in the Championship.

Finally, I would like to introduce you to two new officers on attachment to the Rushcliffe Beat team. PCs Kamran Aziz and Man Shing Wong. It is great to have new officers with new ideas come to our team to develop their policing skills.



**Inspector Craig Berry**

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# Team updates: West Bridgford



**Sergeant  
Sarah Merrall**

It has been lovely to see the shops and bars across West Bridgford area re-open. The team were on patrol the weekend of the 4<sup>th</sup> July and were pleased to see the evening pass peacefully with no crime or disorder in the licenced premises.

We have been continuing to carry out regular ASB patrols in many areas of West Bridgford, such as The Bridgford Park, Sharphill woods, Holme Pierrepont, Boundary Road Park, Gresham Park, The Hook, West park Compton Acres etc.

Following concerns of youths congregating to enjoy the warm weather and the water at **Holme Pierrepont**, we held a multi-agency meeting to raise awareness of water safety and deter youths from engaging in Anti-Social behaviour at this location. Youths have been jumping off the high banks & the pontoons at the Lock which could lead to injury or damage. The water may look inviting but there may be strong currents and it may be difficult to get out on the steep banks. Holme Pierrepont NWSC are looking to install some better warning signs and we hope to hold a water safety event with Fire & Rescue Service.

**Sharphill Woods**, a designated Local Nature Reserve, is another area causing complaints of noise, litter and fires being lit by youths frequenting this location into the early hours. This is having an impact on those who live locally and enjoy this location as well as having an impact on the wildlife. We are working with other agencies to discourage youths from gathering at this location and ask those who go to the woods to be considerate and responsible in their use of this area. We request any people who notice Fires still burning to contact the Fire Service on 999 rather than putting it out themselves.

On 12<sup>th</sup> July, officers teamed up with RBC Environmental Health to tackle rough fly-tipping across Rushcliffe. We targeted sites in the Gotham and East Leake areas on this occasion following an increase in waste being left at these locations in verges and laybys. Anyone with details of vehicles seen to dump waste can call this info in to either Rushcliffe Borough Council, Police or Crimestoppers.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> July we ran a roads crime operation in the Compton Acres and Gamston areas using ANPR technology and speed checks. The team focused on Melton Gardens, Rugby Road, Landmere Lane and Loughborough Road. The operation utilised an ANPR camera and speed gun. Drivers exceeding the speed limit were issued words of advice; however those found well in excess were prosecuted. The ANPR camera was used to monitor vehicles showing no insurance. Fifteen drivers received warnings and advice and four are to prosecuted for speeding offences.

# Police Constable Degree Apprentices on NPT



**PCs 2622  
Kamran Aziz &  
3064 Man Shing  
Wong**

## PC 3064 Wong

One of the key reasons I wanted to join the police is because I want to support my local communities and working in a police force is my childhood dream. It is thrilling to realise my childhood dream has come true to become a police officer and working with my local communities and build a positive change.

Before I joined the police, I studied a business course at the University of Northampton after school and worked part-time with the university. This enabled me to get to know people with different background and understand the diversity of people live in the same neighbourhood.

I recently started my attachment with the Neighbourhood Policing Team at West Bridgford. I am excited to see a different aspect of policing compared to my previous position as a response officer in West Bridgford. Policing is so unique because not a day is the same and learning new things every single day is a key part of my job. There is so much to learn in this job and part of my PCDA programme allows me to work with different policing departments and utilise the skills. I am looking forward to engaging further with the local communities while I am with the Neighbourhood Policing Team and focus on some neighbourhood concerns.

## PC 2622 Aziz

Growing up, I was in what you could consider a 'family of cops', with 6 members of my family already in the Police force. Therefore I guess it was a given that at some point I would end up in uniform as well.

Upon applying for the role, my initial application was for the regular route, however, I was contacted by Nottinghamshire Police HR department who informed me of the opportunity to join via the new PCDA recruitment. Once I heard that I would get the opportunity to obtain a degree whilst being able to work as a Police Officer, the opportunity was simply too good to pass.

I am now beginning my 6 month period of attachments, a fantastic opportunity where I get to work with Neighbourhoods, Prisoner Handling Team, CID and Public Protection. My first attachment is with the Bridgford Neighbourhoods Team. I am looking forward to having the time and the opportunity to partake in some community engagement and to work on resolving long term problems.

Overall, my first 18 months as a Police Officer has been a wonderful experience, getting to learn the practical side of the job as well as learning the theoretical side at university. Moving forwards, I believe being a part of the PCDA course gives me a great opportunity for development in my career as a Police Officer.