

# Stakeholder update

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

## Inspector's update – 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Welcome to the first Rushcliffe Stakeholder fortnightly update. My name is Craig Berry and I am the Police Inspector responsible for Rushcliffe Borough.

In the coming weeks I will endeavour to bring you information and news that is relevant to Rushcliffe residents and communities. There will be information and advice about crime and antisocial behaviour and updates including good news stories. We will report on Neighbourhood Policing activity, engagement opportunities and also work with our Community Safety Partners including Rushcliffe Borough Council. Please remember to sign up to Facebook, Twitter and Neighbourhood Alert for regular updates.

Firstly, I wanted to let you know that Nottinghamshire Police are currently undertaking a full review of neighbourhood policing in line with College of Policing recommendations. I thought it essential to include you as a valued stakeholder and to offer you an opportunity to get involved shaping the future of neighbourhood policing.

One key strand of neighbourhood policing is community engagement and in the coming Weeks I will be holding a number of Consultation groups to listen to a wide range of opinions. I will keep you updated on developments and welcome your views if you would like to get involved. I am grateful to the group of Elected Members and Community Group Chairs that I met with on 7<sup>th</sup> February for their participation.

To move on to the crime updates, we are actively trying to locate two men for a number of house burglaries in the Radcliffe on Trent area which took place before Christmas. We are working with regional colleagues to locate these individuals and will update you as soon as we can. Vehicle crime continues to be an on-going concern. Most offences take place overnight where criminals will attack cars and steal items from inside. It is a surprise just what people leave inside their cars nowadays and this can be rich pickings for criminals.

Ruddington has suffered a significant number of vehicle crimes in recent weeks and consequently we have had police patrols over night over the last few weekends. We are keeping the Parish Council up-to-date with investigation developments as well as updating our social media platforms.

Our South team executed a premises search warrant looking for drugs in Bingham on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February. This was part of coordinated series of searches linked to a drugs investigation. We are actively seeking information and intelligence around drug-related crime as we understand the impact this type of criminality has on wider communities. Remember you can give information anonymously to Crimestoppers 0800 555111.



**Inspector Craig Berry**

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# Team updates: West Bridgford



**Sergeant  
Sarah Merrall**

During our evening shifts, the West Bridgford Team have been continuing High Visibility Patrols in the Edwalton and West Bridgford town centre areas due to recent reports of anti-social behaviour from congregating youths. In Edwalton, damage has been caused and we are working with Rushcliffe Borough Council, Metropolitan Housing and Notts Fire Service on a multi-agency Problem Solving Plan on E-Cins to address the issues.

Dwelling House burglary is one of our main priorities and our Darker Nights Campaign is continuing in partnership with Rushcliffe Borough Council and Community Volunteers. We aim to minimise the risk of properties becoming a target of burglary & a crime prevention leaflet will be left at any premises that clearly look in darkness & unoccupied when we are out on patrol.

On 29<sup>th</sup> January, the monthly West Bridgford Pub Watch met at the Trent Bridge Inn and we are pleased to report that there were very few incidents in our licenced premises, despite the dates reviewed being over the busy Christmas & New Year Period. This is all credit to the effective running of licenced premises by everyone involved.

On this note, West Bridgford Town centre is part of the Safe Spaces Scheme and the TBI has been identified as a Designated Safe Space and stocked with some kit to assist should anyone need to be taken to a safe space whilst out in our Night Time Economy. Staff at licenced premises have also received training in spotting and dealing with vulnerability.

Bike theft continues to be an issue across the area with Rushcliffe Arena and the Town centre being repeat locations in the past 2 weeks. We encourage cyclists to use a strong 'D Lock' to prevent thefts. The Arena has some of these behind reception that can be borrowed whilst using the facilities. We run regular bike marking & swap-a-lock events with Rushcliffe Borough Council so look for these being advertised in the media.

Via referrals from Action Fraud, we have visited several people recently who are vulnerable of becoming repeat victims of Fraud. This area of crime continues to grow with the perpetrators becoming more creative in ways to defraud people out of thousands of pounds. This can be online, over the phone, via the Post or on the doorstep. If you are concerned about any vulnerable members of the community being a victim of Fraud, please contact Action Fraud or the Police so a safeguarding visit can be completed.

# Team updates: Rushcliffe South



**Sergeant  
Steve Robinson**

The main focus of the past couple of weeks for the South team has been Auto Crime in Ruddington. There have been a significant number of overnight offences in the last month.

The wide range of vehicle makes indicates that these are all insecure vehicles and not some sort of device being used. Crime Prevention advice to secure vehicles and keep no valuables inside has been spread far and wide.

We have CCTV images of a suspect from members of the public and work is on-going with our Digital Investigation Enquiry Unit to enhance these to make a suspect identification possible.

The team has worked nightshifts this weekend and last on an operation employing a combination of uniformed and plain clothes in an effort to catch the suspects. During this time there were no reports crimes in Ruddington but work continue to locate those responsible.

There was a violent crime at Foxglove Crescent, East Leake on 30th January where two men were attacked with a weapon. Police Officers immediately attended the scene and two arrests were made. The investigation is on-going with Detectives but we are satisfied that was a assault where the parties are known to one another and there is no risk to wider East Leake community.

Beat Managers assisted Rushcliffe Borough Council with the removal of a number of un-roadworthy vehicles at Whitelands, Cotgrave that had been blighting the local community for months using Environmental legislation.

The team have been involved in lots of engagements with young people through our Rushcliffe schools. PC Caroline Voce and PCSO Dave Wesson have been to South Nottinghamshire Academy, Flintham, Orston and Carnarvon Primary to give crime prevention inputs ranging from staying safe to sexual exploitation for the teenage audience.

PCSO Wesson has also been involved with our 'Mini Police' scheme at Carnarvon Primary School in Bingham. Our Mini Police scheme is celebrating its first birthday and so there was a visit from our Assistant Chief Constable along with some local media. It is great to see the children involved in fun activities which also help them develop self-awareness around personal safety.

Finally, last week PCSO John Heaps took part in an event at Cropwell Bishop Youth Club where he got to meet and speak to a number of local young people about the issues that affect them.