

## Westbury Forum 21<sup>st</sup> May 2013

Apologies from P. Donnelly

Since last year we have recorded 29,371 fewer crimes across Bristol, we have seen a reduction of 42%; burglary down 41%; robbery down 57%; car crime down 67% and violence down 36%.

Despite excellent reductions in these crimes across Bristol as a whole we are experiencing an increase in these <sup>some extent</sup> ~~same types~~ crimes across Henleaze and Westbury. The important thing to highlight is that in terms of numbers we are not talking about a large number of crimes when compared to other areas such as Horfield and Lockleaze.

### Figures between 1st Feb – 1st May 2013

#### 1) **Burglaries**

Dwelling Burglaries = 6

Shed breaks = 9

No distraction burglaries.

With the recent hot spell and people using their bikes we have seen a rise in high value bikes being targeted. We are targeting victims with appropriate CP advice.

- Bike marking kits.
- Awareness of who is around especially when riding in Leigh Woods and Ashton Court.
- Shed/garage security.

#### 2) **Vehicle Crime**

TOMV = 3

TFMV = 9 (30 offences in same time period in Henleaze!!)

This is an area where we are asking people to assist us by securing their vehicles and removing their belongings from their vehicles or keeping them out of view. We have conducted foot patrols around Henleaze and Westbury and observed handbags/shopping bags/sunglasses and money on view.

CP advice, reporting suspicious activity and providing anti-vehicle theft packs.

#### 3) **Robberies = 0**

**Our focus will remain to support victims of these crimes and to prevent offences occurring by spreading our crime prevention message as widely as possible.**

**13 Beat Surgeries audience of over 220 people with targeted crime prevention advice. If anyone is part of a residents association or NHW and would like us to meet with your group please let us know.**

## **Rogue Trader Week**

On the 22nd April Southmead NPT commenced a week of action targeting Rogue Traders.

450 elderly and vulnerable persons were visited after officers linked up with employees delivering hot meals to their homes.

A presentation on rogue traders was given to postal workers and a DVD shown to banks within Henleaze and Westbury which depicts a vulnerable victim being taken to a bank to withdraw money for the rogue trader and what steps the banks can take to stop the withdrawal taking place.

Local builders and merchants were visited to highlight rogue traders working in the area and to confirm genuine companies.

Road shows were conducted in Westbury, Henleaze and Southmead generating much interest within the community.

## **Op Beacon – drugs squad**

We also conducted a class A warrant in Westbury where 2 residents were arrested on suspicion of PWITS. 25 wraps of class A were retrieved and both are currently on bail.

## **Update – Community Speed Watch**

Change in ownership of CSW – PCSO Claire Fisher has assumed responsibility.

Thanks to our Chock Lane enthusiasts 5 Speed watches have been conducted and they have been very busy!

Chock Lane	01.02.13	1Hr	174.00	38.00	5 (Ovr 24Mph)
Chock Lane	08.02.13	1hr 30	241.00	52.00	34 over 24mph
Chock Lane	01.03.13		257.00	111.00	16.00
Chock Lane	08.03.13		223.00	116.00	26.00
Canford Lane	28.03.13		242.00	3.00	3.00
Chock Lane	05.04.13		148.00	59.00	4.00

In terms of the Canford Lane results this is quite interesting when compared to figures when we first started. The proportion of speeding drivers was significantly higher so hopefully residents are starting to see an improvement.

We will continue to conduct speed watches in the area and would invite any feedback from residents.