

MAY 2015

Safer Neighbourhoods are a commitment by Dorset Police to improving the quality of life within our communities by working together with partners to target the issues identified by you - local people - as those that matter most.

There are a number of opportunities that your Safer Neighbourhood Team will provide, on an ongoing basis, for you to voice your concerns. Get in touch with your team today to find out how you can raise your issues.

This is your chance to influence the service that we, the police, and our partners, provide. Your opinions are important to us and this process works best with your help, ideas and support.

Your local Safer Neighbourhood Team







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Current priorities - You are telling us that the following issues are a priority in your area:

- 1. Increasing our engagement with hard to reach rural communities with the purpose of detecting and disrupting rural crime; initially focusing on Gamekeepers and illegal poaching.
- 2. Tackling speeding in the rural environment; focusing on Community Speed Watch, Police Enforcement and **Education.**

How to contact your team Email: blandfordruralsnt@dorset.pnn.police.uk Telephone: 101

If a crime is in progress or life in danger dial 999 Follow us on Twitter: @BlandfordSNT Find us on Facebook: North Dorset Safer Neighbourhood Team Go to: www.dorset.police.uk

For general enquiries please call Dorset Police on 101.

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HOME WATCH WEEK – SHEDUCATION EVENT

Back by popular demand... Owing to the success of the Sheducation unit at Homebase just before the Christmas period, we are going to be using National Home Watch Week to bring the shed back to Homebase at the end of June. Local Officers will be on hand for the majority of the day on Wednesday 24th June in Homebase car park. They'll be showing the various methods of crime prevention, home security and discussing any policing issues you may be having. Exact times will be advertised nearer the time but we would love to see as many people as possible there. Don't worry if you miss it though; we will also be bringing it to the Rural Home Watch meeting at Okeford Fitzpaine on Thursday 25th June at 10.30am.

DISTRACTION BURGLARY AWARENESS

Dorset Police are urging members of the public to be vigilant against bogus callers. Dorset Police are advising that you make sure the people you care about and your

elderly neighbours are not vulnerable to bogus callers or distraction burglars. Victims of bogus callers or distraction burglaries are usually elderly and live by themselves. Dorset Police is issuing advice to help reduce anyone's chances of becoming a victim of a distraction burglary or bogus callers.

- Ensure that good locks and a door chain are fitted on the doors
- Make sure that no large amounts of money are in the home and maintain the house and garden so it does not attract attention
- Have regular contact with your neighbours and family members
- Encourage everyone to adhere to the following advice when a caller is at their door

The offenders will often work in pairs with one person acting as the distraction while the other enters the home although this is not always the case.

When answering the door, consider the following:

LOCKED - Is the back door locked?

STOP – Am I expecting anyone?

CHAIN – Put the chain on BEFORE opening the door.

CHECK – Ask for the caller's identification. Shut the door leaving the caller on the doorstep and phone the number in the phone book NOT the one on the card they give you, as this could be an accomplice around the corner – especially if it is a mobile number. A genuine caller will be happy to wait while you do this.

We urge people not to store large amounts of money and valuables in one area and to keep a close eye on family members and vulnerable people in your community.

Do not buy, sell or sign up to any work on the doorstep no matter how urgent they say the work is. If you are suspicious of the caller's intentions, tell them to go away and call a family member or neighbour and inform the police on 101. If they won't leave, then call 999.

You should also consider joining <u>Local Watch</u> Schemes. Details for this can be found on the Dorset Police website."

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH STATS

Number of Active Teams this	Total number of Sessions / Hours	Total number of vehicles passing
month (1 per Village)	completed	
6	39 (38.75 hours)	16780

Crime Stats:

Date	Village	Incident	Location
3 rd April	Milborne St Andrew	Possession - Cannabis	Fox View
7 th April	Winterborne Kingston	Burglary Dwelling – Camera and jewellery stolen Broad Close	
8 th April	Milborne St Andrew	Criminal Damage – Vehicle - Keyed St Andrew's View	
8 th April	Anderson	Theft – Heating Oil Anderson	
10 th April	Child Okeford	Criminal Damage – Vehicle – Window smashed The Cross	
10 th April	Charlton Marshall	Burglary Non Dwelling – Tools stolen Charlton Mead	
13 th April	Pimperne	Burglary – Sheds etc. – Nothing taken Hyde Farm	
13 th April	Spetisbury	Theft - Cash Spetisbury	
15 th April	Pimperne	Criminal Damage – Vehicle – Window smashed Nr C13	
15 th April	Child Okeford	Theft From Motor Vehicle – Nothing taken Hod Hill	
15 th April	Shillingstone	Burglary Dwelling – DISTRACTION – Cash stolen Coombe Road	
16 th April	Shillingstone	Theft – Plastic toy ride on bike Gunn Lane	
17 th April	Shroton	Burglary – Sheds etc. – Fishing tackle stolen Shroton	
18 th April	Shroton	Burglary – Sheds etc. – Nothing taken Frog Lane	
18 th April	Winterborne Zelston	Theft – Boat stolen - *RECOVERED* Winterborne Zelston	
20 th April	Shroton	Burglary – Sheds etc. – Garden equipment stolen The Cross	
20 th April	Pimperne	Burglary Dwelling – DISTRACTION – Nothing stolen Church Road	
20 th April	Milborne St Andrew	Theft – Heras fencing stolen Milborne St Andrew	
20 th April	Winterborne Kingston	Criminal Damage – Vehicle – Road rage North Street	
30 th April	Child Okeford	Theft From Motor Vehicle – Tools stolen	Ridgeway Lane

ANYONE WISHING TO GET ADVICE ON CRIME PREVENTION CAN NOW FOLLOW THIS LINK TO DORSET POLICE <u>'CRIME PREVENTION PORTAL'</u>... <u>http://www.dorset.police.uk/default.aspx?page=5981</u> OR CONTACT THEIR LOCAL SNT ON 101 AND ARRANGE FOR A HOME SECURITY SURVEY – FREE OF CHARGE.

STOLEN BOAT – RECOVERED

A boat stolen from an address in the Winterborne Zelston area was located and seized after some excellent work by Officers from both Dorset and Wiltshire Police. A well-known road in the Salisbury area was being routinely patrolled by Officers when a boat was located on the drive of a particular address. Looking out of place, the Officer suspected an offence may have been committed and after researching, found the boat to be that which was stolen from the Dorset address. The boat was seized and will be returned to the delighted owner as soon as possible.



HOMEWATCH MEETING REMINDER

Please find below the dates for the 2015 Rural Home Watch meetings: June 25th, Aug 20th, Oct 22nd, Dec 17th



All the meetings will be held at 10:30am at Okeford Fitzpaine Sports pavilion. It is available to <u>ALL</u> members of Home Watch.

DATE	MEETING	LOCATION
The FIRST Thursday of every month: (odd months - Jan, Mar, May, July, September, November)	Surgery	 Pimperne Post Office, 10.30 – 11.00am Home Farm, Tarrant Gunville, 11.30 – 12.00 noon Iwerne Minster Post Office, 12.30 – 1.00pm Stourpaine, The White Horse, 1.30 – 2.00pm Okeford Fitzpaine Post Office, 2.30 – 3.00pm
The FIRST Thursday of every month: (even months - Feb, April, June, August, October, December)	Surgery	 Milton Abbas Post Office, 10.30 – 11.00am Milborne St Andrew Londis, 11.30 – 12.00 noon Winterborne Kingston, The Greyhound, 12.30 – 1.00pm Charlton Marshall, The Charlton Inn, 1.30 – 2.00pm Winterborne Stickland, The Crown, 2.30 – 3.00pm

Local Officers will also be attending:

3 Okefords Steam Rally – 16th May Milborne St Andrew – Primary School – May Fair – 16th May Homebase, Blandford St Mary – 24th June Milton Abbas Street Fair on Saturday - 25th July Steam Fair – 2nd – 6th September