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**Rye
Neighbourhood Specialist Team**

Monthly report for 2008 (AUGUST)

From PS John Berry:

As the summer peak draws to a close, Op Radcott has shown its worth in Camber, ensuring crime, missing children and disruption to local residents has been kept to a minimum this summer. I will be looking to improve on this further next year, so any suggestions from the local community would be most welcome.

As Sussex Police moves forward with its Neighbourhood Policing initiative, we are organising a series of Priority Setting meetings for each ward. These give local residents the opportunity to take part in a process to identify which issues affect them and in turn to direct the local Neighbourhood Specialist Team Activity.

During July and early August, a series of burglary related incidents have occurred in New Winchelsea Road, Rye (from the Kettle of Fish roundabout to The Strand). Two 'sneak-in' style burglaries have been committed whilst the occupiers were engaged in either gardening or DIY. The latest incident on Monday 4th August involves a man calling at the home of an elderly resident in New Winchelsea Road and then engaging him in conversation, possibly in an effort to distract him and steal property. On this occasion nothing was stolen and the man left empty handed. DC Stephenson from the Rother burglary team is investigating these matters and would like the help of the public to help solve some of these offences. If you can assist, please contact DC Stephenson at Bexhill CID.

The Rye area priority setting meetings are as follows, with Eastern Rother awaiting confirmation of its venue:

Rother Levels Ward Tuesday 16th September 7pm Northiam Village Hall

Marsham Ward Wednesday 17th September 7pm Fairlight Village Hall

Brede Valley Ward Friday 19th September 7.30pm Brede Parish
Community Hall

Rye Town Ward (Rye LAT) 24th September 6.30pm Rye Town Hall

Eastern Rother Ward 14th October 7.30 pm Winchelsea Beach
Village Hall

Come along and take part in this process.

From NSO PC Andy Hanson:

OP Radcott in Camber this year has come to a end and the crime figures show a large drop in Crime as a result. I assisted PCSO Miles and Austen at Camber holiday Park during the 999 day, we marked over 70 push bikes on the site that day.

Interviews are currently under way for another PC to join the team, the new PC will be in place very soon, the plan is to give us different Wards each so that we can be seen out and about more with the PCSO,s in your areas. Rye Harbour has asked if we can hold a bike marking day there, dates will be confirmed with a location

From NSO (Schools) PC Taberer

Whilst we are in the end of school term I have been involved in a multi Agency project named Supersleuth. This is a course that has locally been run at Rye College and in partnership with the YDS and Safer Rother Partnership. It involves young people partaking in various activities including Police Riot Training, solving mysteries, investigating crime scenes and many more. This whole course is designed to raise young peoples personal safety awareness and promote good citizenship.

The new school year is now upon us and I will be making appointments with all schools in the Rye and Battle area's to visit all classes and speak on matters involving Personal Safety, citizenship and the law.

From PCSO's Ruth Brunton and Dan Bevan:

RYE TOWN

Rye has been busy again with many visitors to the town and the Thursday Market days have been well attended. The Town residents have seen a increase in officers issuing parking tickets to anyone who parks illegally. Gibbets Marsh car park has seen young people gathering in the area and calls of antisocial behaviour have been reported. Reports of criminal damage have come in for vehicles in the Grove Road Area.

A series of breaks to motor vehicles in the Cadborough Cliff and Mason Road area, hi vis patrols are being carried out, and letters to residents in the area have been dropped, asking people to be vigilant and not leave valuable items in there vehicles when not in use. The open day at the Museum was a great success and Sussex Police attended and did a Bike Cycling Day. Rye

residents and surrounding areas may have seen a BMW convertible in the area which has been seized by Sussex Police from a local Drug Dealer from Hastings. We have been using it for the last week in August at fates in the area. As a result of a reshuffle I (Ruth) no longer cover Rye Harbour I will be working In Rye Town along with PcsO Dan Bevan. Smashed Windows at Thomas Peacocke School, a suspect have been named, and an investigation is taking place into the matter. Some vehicles where damaged in The grove in Rye, one was scratched, and the Mirrors were kicked off another.

Rye New Primary School is complete, It was recently hit by a spate of graffiti on the new building, also the sports centre was attacked, we have CCTV of the offence and the matter is being investigated.

From PCSO Becky Unicombe:

Beckley

Beckley had a quad bike stolen from a garage, which was found in the woods. There was a RTC involving 2 cars, no-one was seriously injured. A vehicle was broken into at Bixley Woods, a laptop and handbag was stolen. Please make sure that all valuables are not on view.

Peasmarsh

Peasmarsh had a property broken into down Kitchenour Lane between 1600hrs 24/08/08 and 0950hrs 25/08/08. Did anyone see any vehicles or people acting suspiciously around this time?

Northiam

Northiam received complaints of a mini moto being driven dangerously, words of warning was given to the driver. There was reports of youths breaking tree branches and throwing stones, youths were spoken to. A wooden pole was thrown through a greenhouse smashing a glass panel..

21 Cannabis plants where found in woodland in Ewhurst Lane.
2 cars were keyed in Spring Hill sometime on 18/08/08 2100hrs – 19/08/08 0730hrs, did anyone see anything? A picnic bench has been dug up from the children's playground and also damaged a seat.
There was a single RTC involving a motorbike. The rider received injuries to himself but they were not life threatening. We have received calls regarding vehicles parking on the corner of Ewhurst Lane. This is a blind bend and I ask that you consider this when parking and also that you are parked within the legal distance (10 metres) of a junction.
A shed was broken into in Main Street and tools taken.

Rye Foreign

Rye Foreign had nothing to report this month.

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Rye
Neighbourhood Specialist Team

Monthly report for 2008 (SEPTEMBER)

From PS John Berry:

I am pleased to be able to announce that as of 6th October PC Paul Fielder will be joining the Rye NST. Paul has spent the past eighteen months working on Rural Rother with the Neighbourhood Patrol Team, so will already be a familiar figure and knows the area. I am sure he will be making an impact upon the area with his move to the NST.

Having completed a number of the initial Priority Setting Panel meetings, I would ask all to complete the surveys for your area and return to the collection points, where blank copies are also available.

With speeding being raised as a local issue, the following may be of interest and indicates how matters are progressed when members of the public report their concerns to Sussex Police. With regards to vehicles, obtaining the registration is very important, and if concerned with driving the Op Crackdown web site is the most appropriate means of notifying us:

A motorcyclist filmed by an unmarked Sussex Police motorcycle travelling in excess of 140mph on the A21 has been sentenced at Crawley Magistrates Court. Michael James Collins, 22 years, of Beckenham, Kent, pleaded guilty to a charge of dangerous driving on Wednesday (September 24th) and was sentenced to a two year suspended prison sentence, disqualified from driving for two years (with the requirement to take an extended test), given 240 hours unpaid work and ordered to pay costs. Mr Collins was arrested following numerous complaints from residents in Hastings and drivers on the A21, who reported a motorcyclist riding dangerously and at excessive speed on a daily basis.

Inspector Marc Clothier, Sussex Road Policing Unit, said: "This type of riding is wholly unacceptable and poses a significant risk to every road user. Sussex Police will deal robustly with this type of flagrant law-breaking to ensure we make the roads of Sussex a safer place for everyone to use.

Since Sussex Police took delivery of a number of unmarked bikes, the number of motorcyclists caught breaking the law on our roads has increased dramatically. Road Policing officers will continue to deploy such vehicles as long as riders continue to behave in an irresponsible manner."

From NSO PC Andy Hanson:

Eastern Rother will be holding their Priority Panel at Winchelsea Beach Community Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 14th October, this meeting is open to the public and is a chance for you to speak to myself and your local PCSO about your main problems in your areas, so far the main topic has been speeding and underage drinking on other Wards.

Rye NST along with Rye Harbour Parish Council are holding a bike marking and crime prevention day, this will be on Saturday 11th October at 2pm in the village hall, please bring your bikes along on the day to be marked, this is a free service and there are also some other cycle related goodies to give away.

Four females were recently stopped causing graffiti to the skate shelter in Johnsons Field, Camber by Rye NST, all four have been interviewed and admitted the damage, the file has been sent of to the Youth Offending Team for them to decide what action is taken against them.

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Rye Town

A much Quieter month for Rye, With the Economy slowing down, and the weather, and people saving for the seasonal celebrations coming up ever quicker, but still we have been kept busy with a number of road incidents, and local issues.

Parking in the town is still getting further complaints from residents and Businesses in the Town, areas of the High Street, Church Square, Ferry Road, Tillingham Avenue and Mason Road, have been patrolled and PCSO's and Police officers have been supporting the traffic warden by issuing £30 Fixed Penalty Tickets for offending vehicles. Reports of youths causing problems in the Eagle road, Market car park and land gate area have been reported, and patrols of these areas are being made. The Gun Gardens has had a number of youths in and around, officers have been paying this area attention after dark Saturday night saw 6 youths being stopped in the area and a number of cans taken from them.

Rye Primary School is complete, and opened on time at the start of September, It was unfortunately hit by a spate of graffiti on the rear of new building, this has all been removed and looks as good as new, the tags were photographed and we have CCTV of the offence and the matter is being investigated, if any body has any information regarding this matter, please do not hesitate in calling us on 0845 60 70 999 or if you prefer you can call crime stoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111

Dan Bevan will be at the following locations if you would to meet me:

Sunday 5th October STRAND RYE Motorbike day

Monday 13th October TOWN HALL Town Council Meeting

Thursday 16th October Rye Market Down Town Diner 10am

Thursday 30th October Safety Day Rye

Operation Quench and Operation Marble which deal with any issues on specific nights with High Visible Police Officers walking the beat in the Town have been a great success keeping all those that wish to come to Rye for a evening out, Safe.

From PCSO Becky Unicombe:

Thank you for attending the Panel Meeting we held on Tuesday 16th September. There are questionnaires that can be picked up and dropped off at the Spar Shop in Northiam & Peasmarsh and the Petrol Garage in Beckley, and the Londis shop in Northiam, which I ask you to fill in for me.