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What's happening in your area MAY 2010

Rye

Operation Rye Ride Safe steps up a gear

Over the last few weeks local officers have been out and about in the Rye area implementing the 'stop and advise' stage of operation Rye Ride Safe, working alongside officers from the Vehicle and Operator Services Agency (VOSA)

To date half a dozen motorists have been issued with endorsable-Fixed Penalty Notices (e-FPNs = £60 fine and three penalty points) for travelling at excess speed. A further twenty one motorists have received non-endorsable FPNs (£60 fine, no penalty points) for driving without seat belts. Several motorcyclists have received Vehicle Defect Rectification Notices (VDRS) for having illegal number plates and exhausts. The notices that they received require them to get the defects rectified and certified at an MOT testing centre within fourteen days of the notice being issued. A further half dozen motorists have been requested to produce their licence, insurance and MOT at their local police station. Three more vehicles were issued with prohibition notices by VOSA, meaning that their vehicles could not be driven until certain defects had been rectified.

This operation reaches the 'enforcement' stage from June onwards.

Arrest made as the investigation into Rye graffiti continues

On Saturday 15th May 2010 a local male was arrested for the recent spate of graffiti in Rye. The male in question has since been released on Police bail pending further enquiries and is due to return his bail in July 2010.

Policing priorities

1. Anti-social behaviour / criminal damage

- April 2008 – 2009 140 reported crimes
- April 2009 – 2010 99 reported crimes
- Reduction of 29% (41 fewer victims of crime)

2. The fear of burglary

- April 2008 – 2009 13 reported crimes
- April 2009 – 2010 10 reported crimes
- Reduction of 23% (3 fewer victims of crime)

3. The fear of violent crime

- April 2008 – 2009 47 reported crimes
- April 2009 – 2010 30 reported crimes
- Reduction of 36% (17 fewer victims of crime)

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW)

As you can see above, crime in Rye has decreased dramatically over the last twelve months. Despite what some might say, Rye is not a 'soft touch' for criminals. However Rye is not without its problems and has recently suffered from crimes such as criminal damage by graffiti, thefts from vehicles and antisocial behaviour. In order to deal with these crimes effectively the Police need information, help and the support of the local community. Please support us by starting or joining NHW. The main aims of NHW are,

- To prevent crime
- To assist the Police in detecting crime
- To reduce the fear of crime
- To improve Police – community liaison

With your help I am confident that we can realise these aims.

If anyone would like any further information about the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme or is interested in becoming a co-ordinator please contact me by e-mail to paul.a.fielder@sussex.pnn.police.uk or by phone 07787 685690.

Please note that this will not require a big commitment and in the near future members are likely to benefit from discounts on their home insurance as well as with local businesses that support the Rother NHW privilege card scheme.

As always free crime prevention advice is available from Rye Police Station. If you have any information you wish to pass to Sussex Police please do so via our non-emergency number 0845 60 70 999, via crime stoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit www.sussex.police.uk for up to date information on your area.

Rye Priority Setting Panel

The next Priority Setting Panel where the policing priorities for Rye are determined and discussed is on Friday 23rd July 2010 from 18:30 – 20:30 at the Community Centre on Conduit Hill, Rye.

Marsham Ward

May has been another relatively quiet month for Marsham Ward.

Pett

There have been no reported crimes in Pett this month.

Sharon and I have been approached by the sports association regarding damage to facilities on the recreation ground. We will be paying particular attention to this area over the coming months. It is important that any crime is reported to the police promptly if we are to take effective action.

If you need to contact Sussex Police in an emergency dial 999. (If life is threatened, If people are injured, If offenders are nearby, If immediate action is required)

If you wish to report an incident or crime which has not recently occurred and it does not require an emergency response please call 0845 60 70 999 or e-mail contactcentre@sussex.pnn.police.uk Alternatively you may wish to report information anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111

Guestling & Three Oaks

Another quiet month for Guestling and Three Oaks saw only two crimes reported to Sussex police.

Both reports relate to incidents in Friars Hill. One refers to a vehicle that had its windscreen smashed and wing mirrors stolen and the other report relates to the theft of a lawn mower from an insecure shed.

Fairlight

May has been equally quiet for Fairlight.

A lawn mower was stolen from a garage in Warren Road in the early part of the month and a rotary washing line was stolen from a property in Gorsethorn Way towards the end of the month.

There has been an increase in reports of thefts from outbuildings in neighbouring wards, where tools and gardening equipment has been stolen. Please make sure that your outbuildings are secure.

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Marsham Priority Setting Panel

The next Priority Setting Panel where the policing priorities for Marsham Ward are determined and discussed is on Monday 28th June 2010 from 15:00 at Pett Village Hall.

Find out here about Local Priorities in your area, and what is being done about them.

RYE WARD

The priorities listed below were agreed at the Rye Priority Setting Panel Meeting which took place on Tuesday 20th April 2010.

Priority One

What you said: Criminal damage / anti-social behaviour

What we did: Operation Marble - This operation sees extra Policing resources in Rye on Friday and Saturday nights when anti-social behaviour can increase. Local officers conduct regular licensing checks at local public houses and walk the 'red route' around the town maximising their visibility and effectiveness.

What happened: There have been significant reductions in reports of criminal damage.

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Priority Two

What you said: Becoming a victim of burglary

What we did: Operation Marble (as above)

Operation Collusion & Operation Solar - This operation has recently been supported by Rye NPT and is a multi-agency venture involving Sussex Police, Kent Police, UK Immigration and the Department of Work and Pensions. Using the latest Policing technology this operation seeks to disrupt travelling criminals.

Operation Danegate - Every evening/night this operation sees officers deployed in a proactive capacity to disrupt and catch criminals.

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) - Rye now has seventeen NHW co-ordinators.

What happened: Rye continues to have a very low burglary rate.

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- April 2009 – 2010 10 reported crimes
- Reduction of 23% (3 fewer victims of crime)

Priority Three

What you said: Violence

What we did: Operation Marble (as above)

What happened: Rye continues to have very low levels of public place violent crime.

- April 2008 – 2009 47 reported crimes
- April 2009 – 2010 30 reported crimes
- Reduction of 36% (17 fewer victims of crime)

MARSHAM WARD

The priorities listed below were agreed at the Marsham Priority Setting Panel (PSP) meeting on the 27th February 2009. These priorities were reviewed at the PSP on the 5th March 2010.

Priority One

What you said: Becoming a victim of burglary

What we did: This is very much a perceived fear of crime.

Operation Collusion (as above)

Operation Danegate (as above)

What happened: The burglary rate of Marsham Ward remains very low.

Priority Two

What you said: Speeding Traffic

What we did: Operation Rye Ride Safe has been launched by Rye NPT and is currently working in conjunction with several other operations run by the Sussex Police Roads Policing Unit. To date half a dozen motorists have been issued with endorsable-Fixed Penalty Notices (e-FPNs = £60 fine and three penalty points) for travelling at excess speed. A further twenty one motorists have received non-endorsable FPNs (£60 fine, no penalty points) for driving without seat belts. Several motorcyclists have received Vehicle Defect Rectification Notices (VDRS) for having illegal number plates and exhausts. The notices that they received require them to get the defects rectified and certified at an MOT testing centre within fourteen days of the notice being issued. A further half dozen motorists have been requested to produce their licence, insurance and MOT at their local police station. Three more vehicles were issued with prohibition notices by VOSA, meaning that their vehicles could not be driven until certain defects had been rectified. This operation reaches the 'enforcement' stage from June onwards.

All of the villages in Marsham Ward now have Speed Indication Device (SID) sites as well as enforceable speed sites.

What happened: Speeding remains a priority and we are continuing with our efforts. Positive feedback is being received from the community.

Priority Three

What you said: Anti-social behaviour / Vandalism

What we did: Sussex Police do not receive many reports of criminal damage/vandalism from Marsham Ward.

What happened: Reports of criminal damage remain very low.