



Andover Rural Safer Neighbourhoods Police Report Broughton and the Wallops February - March 2011



Sgt Helen Truman



PC Simon Beecroft



PCSO Natalie Lock

Welcome to the latest beat newsletter for beat TA09, Broughton and the Wallops. Your local officers, PC Simon Beecroft and PCSO Natalie Lock, are working hard to tackle any crime and anti-social behaviour in the area and to improve the quality of life for all residents. Please keep them informed about any local issues or concerns in your neighbourhood – you can call, email, come to a beat surgery or stop and speak to the officers you see out on patrol. Also, if you would like one of our officers to attend a meeting or function in your village then please contact them directly.

Changes to the team

We are pleased to welcome Sergeant Helen Truman (pictured above) to the rural team, who will be providing short term cover while Sergeant Curtis is working elsewhere within the Constabulary.

PS Truman said: "I am really enjoying getting to know the very extensive and varied area that we are responsible for. I am very impressed with Farmwatch and the Neighbourhood Watch members that I have had contact with so far and it is pleasing to find that everybody is so keen to help. I hope that I am able to attend more of your forthcoming meetings in order to meet more of you.

"My background is very much frontline policing and in my fifteen years service I have been lucky to serve in several frontline areas within the force, as well as working for the Assistant Chief Constable to deliver Neighbourhood Policing at a strategic level. I started my career with West Midlands Police and so I believe I can bring a real mix of urban, rural and strategic policing experience to this role."

PS Truman can be contacted at Stockbridge police station by calling **101**.

Action we have taken in relation to your priorities

You said: Anti-social behaviour is occurring in Over Wallop, particularly in the Evans Close Play area.

We did: We have increased patrols and spoken to several local youths, advising them about their behaviour and the possible consequences. We are pleased to report that there have been no calls reporting anti-social behaviour in the last month.

You said: Anti-social behaviour is occurring in Broughton, together with inconsiderate parking.

We did: We have increased patrols in the area and ask that if you witness or are affected by anti-social behaviour you call 101 at the time to report it. Also, please report vehicles if they are parked in such a way that they are causing an obstruction.

If there are any issues or local concerns which you feel should be included in our local policing priorities then please contact the team on the details provided at the end of this newsletter.



To report anti-social behaviour and neighbourhood issues, call 101.



In an emergency, dial 999.





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Can you help?

Police are appealing for witnesses and information after a car was damaged while it was parked in Dixons Lane overnight on January 19. We would also like to hear from anyone who has any information about the theft of heating oil from a tank at the Social Club overnight on January 30. Did you see anything suspicious on those nights?

If you have any information relating to these incidents please contact us or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Crime prevention

We have seen an increase in thefts to outbuildings and garages across the rural areas over the last month. While the numbers are not high, we would urge you all to remain vigilant and to ensure your outbuildings are kept locked and secure at all times. Your local officers are working hard to gather intelligence and information in order to target those responsible. We have carried out several 'high visibility' operations, stopping and searching several vehicles and their occupants. These operations will continue over the coming months.

We recommend you consider the following crime prevention tips which could help to protect your sheds and garages:

- Lock your shed/garage after use and ensure it is fitted with a good strong lock, padlock, door hinges or other security device, such as a Garage Defender. Closed shackle padlocks are the best and should be used in conjunction with a hasp and staple which are fitted correctly, using bolts and a backing plate, not just wood screws.
- Consider fitting an alarm to your shed or garage – most DIY stores stock battery operated alarms suitable for this purpose.
- Do not store large quantities of valuables in your shed/garage and make sure items kept

- inside the garage or shed are secure – large items can be padlocked together.
- Consider installing security lighting around the outside of your property

Remember: Please report any suspicious persons or vehicles you see, day or night, to police immediately.

Justice seen, justice done

Crime levels are low in your area and your local officers are committed to ensuring your area remains a safe place to live, working hard to bring offenders to justice.

In recent weeks, two men have been arrested on suspicion of assault.

Come and meet us



We continue to hold regular beat surgeries and street meets in the villages and regularly attend parish council meetings and visit local schools. The details of future surgeries and meetings can be found on our local

webpage at www.hampshire.police.uk If there is something concerning you then please come and see us.

Thank you,

**PC Simon Beecroft and PCSO Natalie Lock
TA09 Safer Neighbourhoods officers**

**Contact any member of your
Safer Neighbourhoods
team by dialling 101 or emailing
them at:**

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