I am pleased to be writing this newsletter having taken over from PC DUTHIE as the Neighbourhood Supervisor for Great Brickhill, Wing and Ivinghoe district in July.

Local priorities

The priority set by the last community engagement forum was to Prevent and Reduce Domestic Burglary and other Serious Acquisitive Crime (SAC).

As it stands in the last 12 months we have had just one more residential burglary than last year. Whilst this is not a reduction, it doesn't show any worrying increase. At the end of July we joined forces with Milton Keynes neighbourhood officers and their Stronghold team to deal with cross border offenders for commercial burglaries (Operation Alliance). By swapping intelligence between the teams we successfully located and arrested a male for burglaries in both our neighbourhood teams. This was followed up by excellent work from the MK Stronghold Team to secure several convictions resulting in a custodial sentence for the male.

This operation highlighted the importance of the community reporting all their crimes, suspicious activity and engagement with the Police to lead to this result.

Sadly, we have seen a rise in theft from motor vehicles, namely tools from vans. We have held tool marking events during this period and I would encourage you to get this done, either through your neighbourhood teams or privately to help us identify recovered property. We have been increasing patrols in the rural areas and beauty spot car parks to deter offending, and been encouraging vehicle owners to keep valuables out of their cars or vans.

Operation TORBY is a joint operation we run with Beds Police to disrupt and identify possible cross border offenders for these SAC offences. We shall be running this again this month. Historically, this leads to seizures of vehicles used in crime and arrests of offenders. You will see from the Facebook pages that from increased patrols in the area we have seized such vehicles on our travels.

Have Your Say meetings and events

The next planned Have your say meetings are as follows:-

17/09/18 – Parish Hall, Rottonrow, Great Brickhill between 13:30 – 15:30.

19/09/18 – Coffee Morning, Methodist Church, Newton Road, Stoke Hammond 10:30 -11:30.

Lastly, we are holding an online community forum on 10/09/18 at 19:00 hours. This will give you a chance to speak to me and some of the community team about local concerns. All you need to do is go onto the following link and follow the instructions:-

http://thamesvp.coverpage.coveritlive.com/

Contact us

If you see anything suspicious no matter how small of insignificant it may seem, if you think it's not right or someone looks out of place please call us on 999 if it is a crime in progress or 101 if you have information. You can also email the team at greatbrickhillwingivinghoeNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Thames Valley Alerts

Thames Valley Alerts is the system for receiving crime and policing updates for your area. The state-of-the-art system allows anyone who signs up to choose what updates they receive and how they would like to receive it. A new option includes receiving information via text and more traditional landline and email messages will still be available. You can also filter the updates you receive by specifying the priority level of the messages you receive. To sign up to receive alerts visit www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk

Keep safe

Great Brickhill, Wing and Ivinghoe District Neighbourhood Team