

## Information sent on behalf of Thames Valley Police

### Neighbourhood policing newsletter

Here is your latest neighbourhood policing update from PCSO Rich Osborn.

#### Back to school

With the children going back to school, I would like to take the opportunity to remind parents about parking outside the schools during the school runs. I know parking can be tight and some parents have more than one school drop-off and/or have to get off to work by a certain time. Please park considerately and think about the dangers to pedestrians especially young children. Please do not block pavements and drive ways and think about pushchairs and wheelchair users.

#### Burglaries

We have thankfully seen a decrease in domestic burglaries reported to us which is good and the Op Monitor (dedicated burglary team) are still working hard to catch offenders. If you want to report any activity that is suspicious this can be done via 101 or if you see a crime progress call 999. We have seen non-dwelling burglaries go up slightly (sheds and garages). You can make it harder for people to get in by using a good lock and hasp, keeping the building in a good state of repair and a shed alarm can be brought on line or from a hardware shop for as little as £15

#### Contacting us and reporting crimes online

Did you know that you can now get in touch with us online as well as by calling 101? Please visit [www.thamesvalley.police.uk](http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk) where you can:

- Provide more information or request an update on a crime report
- Tell us if you recognise a face or description from one of our witness appeals
- Contact an officer or department directly, for example our Fixed Penalty Support Unit. This also helps you reach an officer or PCSO who may be working unsociable hours.

You can also use our new online reporting form on our Website to report any type of crime, traffic collisions involving an injury, a missing person and anti-social behaviour. If you click on the REPORT link it opens up a form which takes you through all the questions that you would be asked if you called 101 and is picked up by our dedicated team in the Contact Centre.

#### Knife surrender bin at Abingdon Police Station

Operation Sceptre is a campaign to raise awareness of knife crime that is running from the 18th – 25th September. Thames Valley Police will be visiting some of the schools in the area to talk to the children about the dangers of knives. We are placing a surrender bin at the front counter at Abingdon police station during this week where you can safely dispose of any unwanted knives.

#### Contact us

If you want any advice or would like to contact the neighbourhood team you can call us on the police non-emergency number 101 or if it is an emergency then dial 999. You can also contact us via email

[AbingdonOuterNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:AbingdonOuterNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk). Please note this email address cannot be used to contact Thames Valley Police to report crimes or for any urgent matters. To view information on your neighbourhood team visit the Thames Valley Police website at: [www.thamesvalley.police.uk](http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk). Receive free local crime alerts and crime prevention advice by registering at [www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk](http://www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk) today. This allows anyone who signs up to choose what updates they receive and how they would like to receive it.

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