

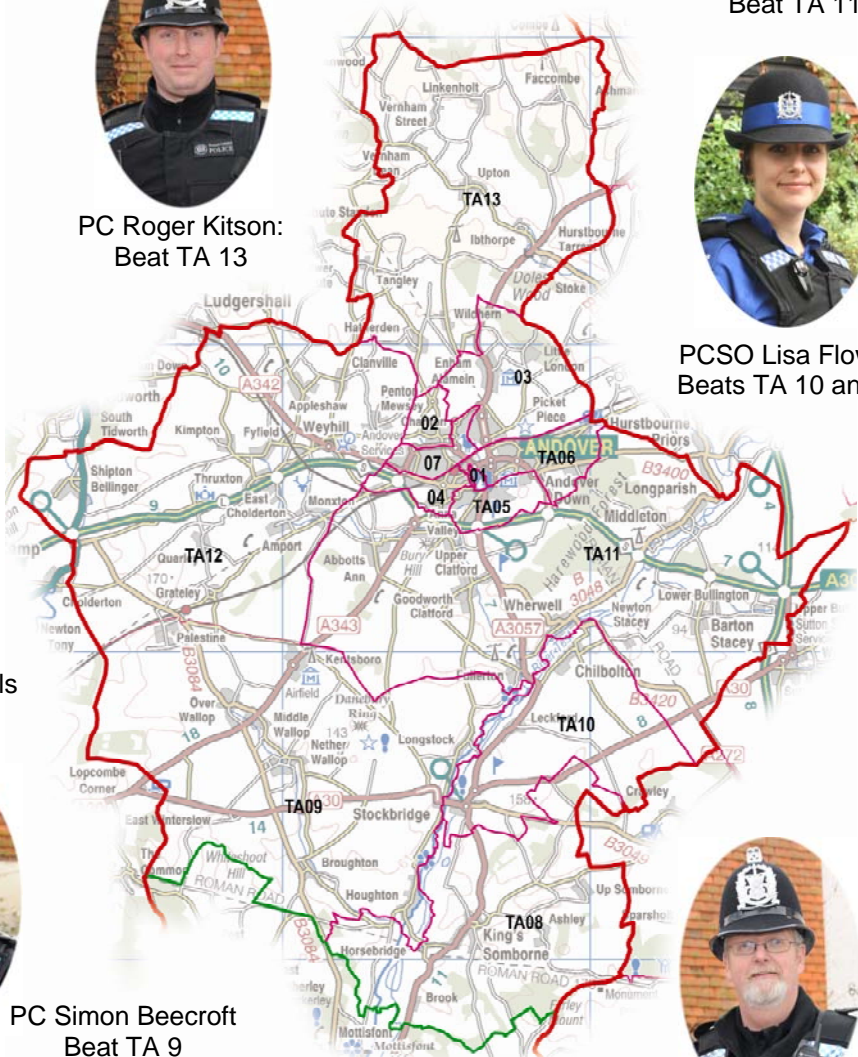


Andover Rural Safer Neighbourhoods Police Report October 2010

Welcome to the latest newsletter from the Andover Rural Safer Neighbourhoods team



Sergeant Glenn Curtis (pictured left) is responsible for the Andover Rural Safer Neighbourhoods team. Your Safer Neighbourhoods officers (pictured below) work hard to ensure your neighbourhoods remain safe places to live, work and visit.



PC Bill Williams
Beat TA 12



PC Roger Kitson:
Beat TA 13



PC Richard Jewell
Beat TA 11



PCSO Lisa Flowers
Beats TA 10 and 11



PCSO Rachel Cassells
Beats TA 12 and 13



PC John Viney
Beat TA 10



PC Simon Beecroft
Beat TA 9



PCSO Mike Alder
Beats TA 8 and 9



PC Martin Benton
Beat TA 8



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Welcome to the Test Valley Rural beat report for October 2010. These reports are produced at the beginning of each month and include updates from each beat officer on what you have told them the issues are in your neighbourhood and how they have been addressing these concerns.

Each beat manager is continuing to hold regular Beat Surgeries and Street Meets in their villages and to regularly attend parish council meetings. The details of October's surgeries and meetings can be found on the last page of this newsletter. If there is something concerning you then please come and see us. Alternatively, you call us on **101** or email us at: andoverrural.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

In some areas these meetings have not been well attended and so we would welcome any feedback about the times and locations they are currently being held at.

Now that we are well into the new school term, many of our officers and PCSOs will be out visiting local schools to speak to children about stranger danger, using the internet safely and other general safety advice. We will also be conducting after school visits at many local schools so that parents also have a chance to meet and speak to local officers about any concerns or issues they might have.

Beat 8 PC Martin Benton

Action taken in relation to your concerns:

You said: You were concerned about thefts from motor vehicles parked at Horsebridge.

We did: We are still conducting regular patrols of the area and handing out signs to motorists to display in their vehicles to say they have not left any valuables inside. Since this was started no further offences have been reported.

You said: You wanted us to target speeding motorists.

We did: We have liaised with our Roads Policing Unit and speed enforcement operations are planned for future months.

We are pleased to report that over the holiday period we received no reports of anti-social behaviour.

There has been one fuel theft in the last month in this area and no doubt there will be more as prices increase and the weather gets colder. Please be vigilant and keep an eye on your neighbours' properties. Report any suspicious behaviour to us immediately. If you would like your oil chemically tagged, free of charge, so that it is traceable then please contact the team at Stockbridge police station.

Crime levels around the Sombornes have remained low. However if you have any concerns please ring 101 or you can see PC Benton or PCSO Alder at one of their beat surgeries.

Beat 9 – PC Simon Beecroft

Action taken in relation to your concerns:

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

We did: We have increased patrols, attended arranged sports events with local children and took part in a 'Clean Up' day in Over Wallop, as part of the community respect and environment week (CREW).

You said: Anti-social behaviour is occurring at St Mary's Church, Broughton.

We did: We have increased patrols in the area and ask that if youths are seen in or around the church then please call **101** at the time to report it.

We are continuing to work hard to bring offenders in the area to justice. During September we arrested three men for assault and one man for theft.

Beat 10 – PC John Viney

Action taken in relation to your concerns:

You said: Some individuals are parking inconsiderately in Stockbridge when they are dropping off and picking up their children from school. While they are waiting for school buses, they are obstructing driveways, leaving their engines running and causing noise nuisance to residents.

We did: Car parking has been monitored by our PCSOs. We also consulted the coach companies who have now agreed to use



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other pick-up points, away from dwellings. The complainants have confirmed that the situation has now improved.

You said: You are concerned about proposed vehicle parking restrictions at Chilbolton Common.

We did: We have attended local meetings in order to discuss possible options. We are currently awaiting a consultation with the Highways Department. However, an ideal solution is yet to be found.

We are continuing to work hard to bring offenders to justice and ensure our area remains a safe place for all to enjoy. A man has been charged with a serious assault, which occurred in the High Street. Another man has been reported for summons for taking a trout from the stream in the High Street.

Beat 11 – PC Richard Jewell

Action taken in relation to your concerns:

You said: Anti-social behaviour in Barton Stacey.

We did: Following some good information supplied by members of the public, a man was arrested in possession of drugs in the Andover area. Complaints about local youths in the villages do seem to have declined considerably.

You said: Poaching is a real concern.

We did: After a quiet summer, reports about poaching are now coming in. We are maintaining a

visible police presence in the areas concerned.

After a recent burglary reported in Abbotts Ann, we have increased our patrols within the village areas and ask that residents remain vigilant, consider the security of their property and report any suspicious behaviour to police immediately.

Following some good team work with our partners, Testway Housing, work has been done to resolve issues between neighbours. One of those involved has been served with an anti-social behaviour injunction.

As the new PCSO for beats 10 and 11, PCSO Lisa Flowers has been visiting local schools and introducing herself. She has also put together a presentation about cyber bullying which she will be delivering. She will also be visiting local businesses to introduce herself.

Beat 12 – PC Bill Williams

Action taken in relation to your concerns:

You said: Poaching continues to be a problem in certain areas and damage to gates and fencing is on the rise.

We did: We have been liaising with FarmWatch members and have instigated the purchase of 'poacher alarms' to be used on various farmland areas. This is an on-going priority.

Please report any suspicious behaviour you witness in the area to police immediately.

You said: Youths have started using farmland and tracks to meet up in Monxton.

We did: We increased our patrols in the area which resulted in a patrol car locating three vehicles on a track.

You said: Youths are congregating at Grateley Railway Station and are causing a disturbance, shouting and swearing.

We did: We increased patrols and requested Andover nightshift officers call at the station on frequent patrols. Several youths have been spoken to and moved on.

Beat 13 – PC Roger Kitson

Action taken in relation to your concerns:

You said: You were concerned about criminal damage and youths congregating at Vernham Dean Pavilion.

We did: Patrols have increased around the area and we have also notified the neighbourhood wardens and asked them to patrol in this area too.

We are pleased to report that crime levels remain low in this area. Poaching reports have reduced but now the crops are being cut, we do anticipate that there could be a rise in this type of crime. In an effort to deter poachers, another operation is planned to go ahead in the next few weeks which will involve not only officers from Stockbridge, but from other stations and police teams as well.

PCSO Rachel Cassells is continuing to work closely with all local schools.



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Crime prevention

Halloween



The time of year when people put on their witches hats and ditch their cars in favour of broomsticks is fast approaching.

In the run up to Halloween we will be working with local shops and advising them not to sell flour or eggs to young people. We will also be increasing patrols to crack down on anti-social behaviour and criminal damage.

We don't want to spoil anyone's fun but we want those of you who plan to dress up and go trick-or-treating to be mindful of the fact that not everyone wants to join in and some people may be intimidated by your presence.

Hampshire Constabulary has produced copies of a poster that residents can place in their windows to tell trick-or-treaters not to call. The poster is available from police stations, or it can be downloaded from our website at www.hampshire.police.uk

If you see a notice in the window of an address asking people not to call, please respect the resident's wishes.

Specialist crime prevention advice

If you would like to speak to someone about crime prevention measures you could take to protect yourself, your home and your property then please contact us and we can put you in touch with our crime prevention officer, Melody Manning.

Parking issues

Police have been made aware that some motorists are parking inconsiderately in the area, particularly in the village of Shipton Bellinger.

Residents and their visitors are advised to park their vehicles without causing an obstruction to pedestrians and others road users and, where possible, off road. Parking on double yellow lines or obstructing the pavement with a parked vehicle is an offence and motorists caught doing this may be issued with a fixed penalty notice.

We have also received some complaints about the way some people are parking outside Stockbridge Primary School. We would urge all parents to be considerate to local residents when they are dropping off or picking up their children from school. Please do not block pavements or private driveways. Please work with us to ensure the safety of pedestrians and other road users.

In other news...

CREW week

PCSO Mike Alder took part in the mini CREW (community respect and environment week) event which took place in Over Wallop on September 23. The clean up event was organised by Test Valley Borough Council Environmental Services and the area around the play park, Evans Close and Pound Road

all had litter and graffiti removed as well as general gardening maintenance.



A gazebo was also set up with lots of information and advice for local people. We are hoping to arrange a similar event again in the future.

On Saturday, October 2 PCSO Mike Alder helped the Horse Watch team at their stand at the Scats Country Stores in Andover for the Pets and Equine Day.



Along with helping the team to security mark tack and horse riding equipment and encouraging people to sign up to the Horse Watch scheme, PCSO Alder ran an information area on fuel tagging, explaining how it works, how it can protect fuel and to gauge local interest in it.

PS Glenn Curtis



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Come and meet your local officers:



Beat 8:

- **Epworth Hall - beat surgery** - Tuesday, October 5, 10.30am - 11.30am
- **Eldon Road - street meet** - Thursday, October 14, 7pm - 8pm
- **Epworth Hall - beat surgery** - Tuesday, October 19, 10.30am - 11.30am
- **Kings Somborne Primary School - after school visit** - Wednesday, October 20, 3pm - 3.30pm
- **Kings Somborne Village Hall - beat surgery** - Saturday, October 23 10am - 11am
- **APM Agriplant - beat surgery** - Thursday, October 28, 10am - 11am

Beat 10:

- **Leckford Shop - beat surgery** - Friday, October 22, 10.30am - 11am
- **Chilbolton - Abbots Mitre - beat surgery** - Friday, October 22, 11.15am - 11.45am
- **Outside Stockbridge police station - beat surgery** - Friday, October 22, 12 noon - 12.30pm

Beat 9:

- **Broughton Village Hall - beat surgery** - Friday, October 8, 6pm - 6.45pm
- **Over Wallop Village Shop - beat surgery** - Friday, October 8, 7pm - 7.45pm
- **Nether Wallop Parish Council meeting** - Monday, October 11, 7.30pm - 8pm
- **Over Wallop Parish Council meeting** - Monday, October 11, 8pm - 8.30pm
- **Lockstock Village Hall - beat surgery** - Wednesday, October 13, 6pm - 6.30pm
- **Houghton Village Hall - beat surgery** - Wednesday, October 13, 6.45pm - 7.15pm
- **Danebury Ring Hill Fort car park** - Sunday, October 17, 1pm - 1.30pm
- **Coffee morning at the Five Bells Pub, Nether Wallop** - Wednesday, October 20, 10.30am - 12 noon.
- **Broughton Primary School - after school visit** - Monday, October 25, 3pm - 3.30pm
- **Wallop Primary School - after school visit** - Tuesday, October 26, 3pm - 3.30pm
- **Test Valley Secondary School - after school visit** - Wednesday, October 27, 3pm - 3.30pm



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Beat 11:

- **Goodworth Clatford – beat surgery** - Monday, October 18, 1pm - 1.30pm
- **Upper Clatford – beat surgery** - Monday, October 18, 1.45pm - 2.15pm
- **Anna Valley Village Shop – beat surgery** - Monday, October 18, 2.30pm - 3pm
- **Abbotts Ann Village Hall – beat surgery** - Monday, October 18, 3.15pm and 3.45pm
- **Barton Stacey's Over 60's club** - Tuesday, October 19, 2.30pm - 3pm
- **Longparish Village Shop - beat surgery** - Monday, October 25, 1pm - 1.30pm
- **Barton Stacey Village Shop - beat surgery** - Monday, October 25, 2pm – 2.30pm
- **Wherwell beat surgery** - Monday, October 25, 3pm – 3.30pm

Beat 12:

- **Grateley station stores** - Friday, October 15, 1pm - 1.30pm
- **The Plough Inn, Grateley** - Friday, October 15, 1.35pm - 2.05pm
- **Lains Business Park** - Friday, October 15, 2.15pm - 2.45pm
- **Shipton Bellinger School - after school visit** - Friday, October 15, 3pm - 3.30pm
- **Elmstead Park, East Cholderton** - Friday, October 15, 3.30pm - 4pm
- **Thrupton Memorial Hall** - Friday, October 15, 4.05pm - 5pm
- **Appleshaw Village Hall** - Wednesday, October 20, 1.30pm - 2pm
- **The Pentons (by the cricket ground)** - Wednesday, October 20, 2.15pm - 2.45pm
- **Weyhill fair ground** - Wednesday, October 20, 2.50pm - 3.30pm
- **Amport/Monxton Village Hall** - Wednesday, October 20, 3.45pm - 4.15pm

Beat 13:

- **Hurstbourne Tarrant British Legion car park** - Thursday, October 14, 6.30pm - 7.15pm
- **Vernham Dean Millennium Hall car park - beat surgery** - Thursday, October 14, 7.30pm - 8.15pm
- **Hatherden Village Hall - beat surgery** - Thursday, October 14, 8.30pm - 9.15pm
- **Hurstbourne Tarrant Parish Council meeting** - Monday, October 18 at 7.30pm
- **Vernham Dean residents meeting** - Tuesday, October 19, 10.30am - 12.30pm
- **Hurstbourne Tarrant School - after school visit** - Wednesday, October 20, 3pm - 4pm
- **Vernham Dean School - after school visit** - Thursday, October 21, 3pm - 4pm
- **Hatherden School - after school visit** - Thursday, October 21, 3pm - 4pm



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