



Andover Rural Safer Neighbourhoods Team Police Beat Report November 2010

All change at Stockbridge



Hello, I am Sergeant Glenn Curtis from the Andover Rural Safer Neighbourhoods team. This month's beat report has a slightly different format as there are some important changes taking place at Stockbridge police station which I need to update you on. Some of these changes may have a significant impact on many of our Neighbourhood Watch schemes and Parish Councils.

Beat manager changes

From November 1, three of our rural police constables will be swapping the beat areas they cover. The changes are as follows:



PC Martin Benton will move from beat 8 to replace PC Roger Kitson on beat 13 and so will now be the beat officer for Hurstborne Tarrant, Vernham Dean, Facombe, Linkenholt and Tangle.

PC Bill Williams will move from beat 12 to replace PC Martin Benton on beat 8 and so will now be the beat officer for the Sombornes, Ashley and Bossington.



PC Roger Kitson will move from beat 13 to replace PC Bill Williams on beat 12. He will cover Shipton Bellinger, Thruxton, Amport, Grately, Kimpton, Fyfield, Penton Grafton, Penton Mewsey, Monxton

Martin, Bill and Roger have been working hard over the past two weeks to make sure that the handover runs smoothly and where possible many members of these communities have already been made aware. If you or your organisations have not been updated then I am sure that in due course they will contact you and also arrange to attend some of the many meetings that are held throughout the year. If you have a particular meeting you would like them to attend then please contact them individually to arrange this.

I know many of you have built up a good rapport with these officers and they all have a wealth of experience in rural policing to bring to their respective new beat areas.

The remaining three officers from the rural team will continue to work on their current beats and there are no plans to change these at the moment. Again, if you would like one of these officers to attend a planned meeting in your area then please contact them directly.

PC Simon Beecroft - beat 9 covering Broughton, Houghton, Longstock and the Wallops.

PC John Viney - beat 10 covering Stockbridge, Leckford and Chilbolton.

PC Richard Jewell - beat 11 covering Goodworth Clatford, Upper Clatford, Wherwell, Abbots Ann and Longparish.

PCSO changes

Many of you will have met the three rural police community support officers (PCSOs) who are based at Stockbridge and work alongside the six rural police officers. Each PCSO has been allocated two beat areas and they attend many of the local meetings and work closely with the primary schools in their areas.



PCSO Michael Alder is leaving us this month to begin the new challenge of working in Eastleigh town centre and we wish him well at his new station. Michael is replaced by PCSO Natalie Lock who joins the rural team on Monday, November 22. Natalie will spend her first five weeks working alongside Rachel Cassells and will have responsibility for beats 8 and 9, alongside PC Bill Williams and PC Simon Beecroft.

PCSO Rachel Cassells continues to cover beats 12 and 13 and PCSO Lisa Flowers covers beats 10 and 11.



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Beat report changes

In August this year we changed the format of our beat reports/newsletters and began sending them out on a monthly basis instead of weekly. These have included details from across all six beats with photographs and a diary of upcoming community engagements and public meetings.

We received positive feedback from many of you regarding the new layout but others felt it was too long and only wanted information relevant to their own areas. With this in mind we will now bring these reports into line with other Safer Neighbourhood teams across the county.

The beat report will be published every other month and will be prepared by each beat manager and PCSO, ensuring it is specific to their area only. It will still include crime prevention advice, photographs, community engagement details and updates about action taken by your own beat managers and PCSOs. However, it will only be two pages long and it will be specific to beat areas, so in effect there will now be six separate beat reports produced.

The first beat reports in the new format will be published in December and then every other month thereafter.

If you would like any more details about any of the changes detailed above please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Safer Neighbourhoods team on the details below.

Crime prevention advice

The darker evenings and mornings are now upon us and so once again I would ask you all to review the security of your own homes, outbuildings, vehicles and property.

Many criminals are opportunists looking for an easy target so please take responsibility for your property and ensure you **don't** become the easy target.

Ensure you lock all windows and doors when you go out and consider installing timer switches, which will turn lights on automatically at set times, and give the impression that someone is at home. Ensure that any early Christmas presents you buy are kept out of sight and not visible to passers-by.

Our crime prevention officer, Melody Manning can provide you with further specialist crime prevention advice completely free of charge. Please speak to your local beat officer or PCSO who can either make an appointment for you or pass your details on to her.

Remember, the first edition of the new look, bi-monthly beat reports for the rural Test Valley will be published in December so please look out for it! If you would like to sign up to our mailing list so that you start receiving these via email every other month then please send your details to: andoverrural.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

Thank you,
PS Glenn Curtis

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