

We note that the residents have noticed a decrease in the PCSO presence in the village over the last few months. We would just like to make it known that there was a reason for this. Jessica had a foot injury, requiring an operation and was on restricted duties from April 2018 to the beginning of December 2018. We lost Lauren the previous PCSO at the start of September and Dean did not join Chorleywood until late December as was being trained. PCSO's from other areas worked hard and were helping out as much as they could in Chorleywood over this period of time. Now both Jessica and Dean are on full duties and they will be out in the Village a lot more, so if you see them do stop them and express any concerns you may have.

Role of PCSO

The PCSO role has changed over the years. Now PCSOs are attending a lot more jobs, from burglaries, concerns for welfare, Nottingham knockers, suspicious incidents, neighbour disputes, Anti Social Behaviour (ASB), shoplifting and many more. We investigate crimes, go into the schools and carry out talks for the pupils around personal safety, School summer fairs, we carry out safer streets, get people signed up to OWL and hold crime prevention events. We conduct burglary patrols as well as ASB patrols.

What we have done

During the summer we carried out school talks in all the local primary schools around road safety and person safety.

Talks to the Elderly on their personal safety.

Held property marking and plate safe events outside the Parish Council and Christ Church.

Bike marking event at St Clement Danes.

We attend the local events; late night shopping and we will be attending the Village Day.

Talks at St Clement Danes around drugs, malicious communication and sending of indecent images.

Speeding Operations on Green Street, due to regular complaints of speeding.

We have been monitoring the parking situation on Common Gate Road and leaving notices where appropriate.

Traffic Operations on Chorleywood Road.

We regularly patrol the village and the valley road area.

We also plan to carry out the Mini Police scheme for year 5 students. Whereby we go into the primary schools over 8 weeks (a lesson a week). This gives the children the opportunity to dress up as Police Officers and learn about community safety in a fun way.

We will continue to do all of this and more.

Local Issues

We have fortunately seen a decrease in Anti-social behaviour but will continue to monitor this.

Motor vehicle crime remains a problem. We advise you to secure your vehicles and do not leave any belongings in the vehicle, whether on show or hidden.

Burglary is another issue across the county whereby cash and jewellery, especially gold is targeted. We ask you to be vigilant, give your houses the lived in the look, for example, leave a light on or invest in some timer switches and keep your jewellery in a safe. Your Safer Neighbourhood team and intervention teams and plain clothed officers are actively working in these areas to deter and catch offenders.

If you have any information in relation to crimes, drugs/drug dealing and you would rather stay anonymous, you can use

www.crimestoppers-uk.org



If you need to report a crime, something you believe the police should know or would like to speak to a police officer/PCSO, either call 101 or visit www.herts.police.uk where you can report online or via web chat. If it is an emergency call 999.

OWL – Online messaging service, receive emails about crimes in the area, crime prevention advice and events we will be holding.

www.owl.co.uk

