



HYTHE & DIBDEN SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS REPORT AUG/SEPT 2009



Sergeant Kevin Gillespie

Hi, welcome to this month's bulletin from the Hythe Safer Neighbourhoods team.

As the summer months come to and end, things seem to be quietening down and the numbers of rowdy and inconsiderate calls received are starting to fall.

On Saturday, + September 5, I held a 'Street Meet' in Hythe Village Centre outside Waitrose. This was advertised in advance to encourage residents to come forward with any problems or concerns they wished to discuss. Although I handed out questionnaires with regards to 'How You Feel' in your neighbourhood, only a small number were completed and returned. From these it appears that residents feel safe and happy in Hythe which is 'good news'. We frequently host these 'surgeries' across the parish as they help us to understand more about local issues. If you are encountering problems of anti-social behaviour or anything else but have not yet told us, please come along to a surgery and tell us about it or, phone us at Hythe police station on 101.



PC Aubry Henty



PC Garvin Couch

Cycling in the precinct in Hythe is has always been an issue. I have received a couple of letters outlining the concern that some residents have. At present there is no enforceable law to say that someone is not allowed to ride their pedal cycle, however this is being looked into by our local Parish council.



PCSO Dan Gordon

The local Accredited Community Safety Officers (ACSOs) and I will be setting up a couple of afternoon events in relation to cycle awareness. This will be a way of educating residents in relation to cycling in the precinct. It is not just young people that are cycling through the precinct; this is adults and family too! Please be aware that if you are seen riding your bike through the precinct you will be asked to get off your bike. Don't let yourself get embarrassed, just don't ride your bike through he precinct!



PCSO Oliver Hulse

If you have any information about any incident please get in touch with police.

For general enquiries, or to speak to someone about policing in your local area please call 101

For details about beat surgeries or to raise any concerns or questions please email:
new.forest.east.snt@hamshire.pnn.police.uk

BEAT SURGERIES

MEET YOUR LOCAL OFFICERS AT THE GROVE IN HYTHE

Saturday, October 3, 3-4pm
Tuesday, October 13, 12- 1pm
Tuesday, November 10, 12- 1pm



To report anti-social behaviour and neighbourhood issues, call 101.



In an emergency, dial 999.





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During the summer holidays there were several calls to the fire service reporting youths setting fires on the marsh land at Applemore College. Two youths have been interviewed in connection with this. Both youths will be going on a fire intervention course to understand the danger that fire can cause. Thousands of pounds are wasted from people causing arson so think before you start lighting fires. If you or anyone you know is involved this type of offence please make contact with us at Hythe and your details will be kept confidential.

A stolen motor cruiser is about to be reunited with its owner after teamwork by Hampshire Constabulary's Marine Unit, CID and Hampshire Constabulary Project Kraken located it in Spain. The Sarah Jayne, a Fairline 38 Phantom 200 cabin cruiser, was located in Santander on August 26. It was taken from Hythe Marina shortly before noon on August 19.

Marine Unit Sergeant Andy Simpson said: "As a result of circulations to Kraken members and the stolen boats website, police received information which led to the recovery of the Sarah Jayne". Anybody wishing to register for project Kraken can do so via the Hampshire Constabulary website: www.hampshire.police.uk/kraken. Registration is free of charge, and useful information is circulated to members from police working on the Marine Unit. Project Kraken encourages members of the public to be the eyes and ears of the police to report suspicious activity. The stolen boat website is: www.stolenboats.org.uk, that is a joint initiative among police marine units around the country and the marine insurance industry where details of stolen vessels and identifiable marine property are circulated on a public website.

On Sunday, October 18, myself, another PCSO and Trading Standards will be setting up a No Cold Calling Zone in Church Farm Close in Dibden. For those who are unfamiliar with the concept of a 'No Cold Calling Zone' you can contact Trading Standards.

However in a short a cold caller is somebody who calls at your door without an invitation. Research has shown that there is a link between cold calling and doorstep crime such as distraction burglaries and bogus property repairs.

Fortunately these types of crime are not common. However to assist in your protection against such crime, Hampshire Trading Standards and Hampshire Constabulary have put together the initiative of 'No Cold Calling Zones.' **The scheme has three key elements:**

- To deter the cold caller by placing signage at the entrances of the road
- To empower the homeowner to say 'no' to cold callers
- To enforce Trading Standards legislation

If you would like to discuss the possibility of your road becoming a 'no cold calling zone' please do not hesitate to contact Hythe Safer Neighbourhoods Team or Trading Standards for details and advice.

During the early hours of the weekend mornings there seem to be a group or groups of people causing damage and causing a nuisance in Hythe and Dibden. If anybody has information on who is involved in these activities, please contact us at Hythe Police Station.

Hythe Safer Neighbourhoods team are always looking for intelligence from the local community so we can continue to put the criminals among us under pressure. If anyone has knowledge about criminal activity in Hythe, please contact myself or any other officer at Hythe police Station on 101. Any information passed will be treated in confidence and we will deal proactively with all leads we are given.

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