



HYTHE & DIBDEN SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS REPORT FEBRUARY-MARCH 2010



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Safer Neighbourhoods team priorities:

1. To tackle youth nuisance outside Waitrose in Hythe village centre.
2. To tackle nuisance outside Fairview Parade.
3. To tackle anti-social behaviour on North Road.

Hi and welcome to the latest newsletter from the Safer Neighbourhoods team for Hythe and Dibden Purlieu.

Team update

We would like to welcome Inspector Paul Langridge (pictured right), who has recently replaced Inspector Kevin Leckey. We were all very sad to say goodbye to Kevin, who has done a great job for the Waterside. We wish him well in his new role as Safer Streets Inspector, based at Lyndhurst. Inspector Langridge is an experienced officer and we are looking forward to working with him.



We would also like to welcome PC Clive Anthony (pictured left) to our team. He has joined us from the targeted patrol team (TPT). Clive is a welcome addition to our team and has already been out regularly patrolling Hythe.

Anti-social behaviour

The Safer Neighbourhoods team has been focusing on tackling youth nuisance outside Waitrose in Hythe. Large groups of youths have been gathering outside the store, generally on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights, and this is intimidating shoppers. The police and council have been working together to come up with a solution to overcome this. Extra patrols have been put in place by both the police and the Accredited Community Safety Officers (ACSOs). Several of the youths involved have had letters sent to their parents and our Safer Streets team have also got involved with dealing with those responsible. We are pleased to report that our efforts seem to have had an effect.

We fully appreciate that young people like to socialise with their friends but we are trying to encourage them to be considerate and not to upset, or cause any kind of distress to, any member of the public. On that note anybody under the age of 18 who is found drinking in the street will have their alcohol seized and their parents will be informed.

Vehicle Crime

Hythe has been subject to a rise in thefts of motor vehicles, and also thefts from motor vehicles in recent months.



The type of vehicles that are being targeted tends to be older cars that have no alarms or central locking – this makes gaining entry quieter and quicker for the offender/s. Please follow these simple steps to help reduce the risk of becoming a victim of this type of crime:

- 1) Always leave your car in a well lit area. For example, under street lights or as close to your house as possible. If you have a garage or driveway then keep your car in it and locked away if possible.
- 2) Do not leave any valuables in your vehicle. Consider leaving your glove box open so that passers by can see there is nothing in there to steal.



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In an emergency, dial 999.





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- Invest in a steering lock. This will deter a lot of opportunist thieves because of the extra time it will take to remove and the extra noise it could cause. **Also, always make sure you have locked your car!**
- Call the police on **999** if you believe someone is taking your car, or trying to take items from it. Provide as much detail about the person/s as possible. i.e. age, height, male or female, colour of clothing, etc. The more information we have the greater the chance of the police being able to track down the people responsible.

If anyone has any information that will assist us with catching the offenders then please contact us or contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Gentle Reminder: Police and Local Authorities target untaxed vehicles. If your vehicle is untaxed and on a road then it could be removed and destroyed.

NHW and No Cold Calling Zones



We are delighted to report that residents in Orchard Way have decided to join the newly formed Neighbourhood Watch scheme in the Peartree Road area of Dibden Purlieu. Residents also asked if they could have help with

detering 'cold callers' from their homes. We contacted Hampshire County Council Trading Standards and on Sunday, March 21, Orchard Way became a 'No Cold Calling' zone (NCCZ).

Residents have been given NCCZ packs, which include three door or window stickers, a trading standards 'Approved Trader Directory,' a 'safe and sound' general safety advice booklet and a few other information leaflets. The stickers can be displayed to show any possible uninvited visitors that each, or most, of the houses in the street are supporters of the scheme and so the chances of them calling at these houses are greatly reduced. If you are interested in setting up an NCCZ in your area then please contact PCSO Ollie Hulse or PCSO Dan Gordon using the details below.

January 20 – March 20 2010	Hythe/ Dibden	Dibden Purlieu/ Netley View
Rowdy and inconsiderate	42	21
Theft	22	9
Dwelling Burglary	0	1
Non Dwelling Burglary	10	4
Damage	19	21
Vehicle crime	13	12
Disputes	45	17
Road policing incidents	22	2
Public order	10	4
Assaults	21	7
Drugs offences	7	3
Robbery	2	0

These beat reports now cover a two month period so please don't be alarmed if the crime statistics in the table look higher than normal.

BEAT SURGERIES

COME AND MEET YOUR LOCAL OFFICERS AT:

THE GROVE IN HYTHE
BETWEEN 12 AND 1PM:

Tuesday, April 20

OR, ST ANDREWS CHURCH,
BEAULIEU ROAD, DIBDEN PURLIEU
BETWEEN 10AM AND 12PM

Thursday, April 22

Thursday, May 20

Thursday, May 6

Thursday, June 3



If any member of our community has information about any offences please call 101 or CRIMESTOPPERS. Any information passed will be held in the strictest confidence.

Thank you, PCSO 14313 Gordon

Contact your Safer Neighbourhoods team by calling **101** or emailing:

new.forest.east.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk



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