



New Commander

Leicestershire Police would like to introduce Inspector Mark Botte, Charnwood's new NPA Commander to local residents.

Mark took up his new role at the beginning of this month having previously been a Priority and Resource Inspector and replaces Inspector Dwight Barker who has moved to the Local Policing Directorate in a support role.



Mark joined the force 21 years ago and is keen to make positive changes to strengthen Charnwood's policing.

Newsletters

Starting from next month, each beat in Charnwood will now be releasing a newsletter detailing who the local beat team are, the beat's priorities and what we're up to in the area that month. As Charnwood's new Commander, I hope that this will serve to reassure local communities that we are in tune with local issues and respond accordingly. I look forward to next months respective beat newsletters where we can showcase what we have been doing.

Neighbourhood Watch

I feel it's vital that residents feel reassured by local policing, the relationship between the Charnwood Neighbourhood Team and local residents is a main priority of mine to be strengthened and maintained.

I propose to reinvigorate Neighbourhood Watch and restore it to a level where I feel assured we have a productive relationship with those who give up their valuable time to protect the community they live and work in. In due course all Neighbourhood Watch coordinators registered in Charnwood will be invited to discuss my vision in greater detail, I thank them for their patience thus far.

Neighbourhood link

I would like to encourage residents in Charnwood to sign up to Neighbourhood Link, this is a free service and allows us to keep you better informed, further details at www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk/sign-up

VIP 2019 Awards Night

More than 400 volunteers and guests attended the event at the beginning of the month (5 June) to see 20 awards being given out and scores of people applauded for their time and commitment to the force.

The fifth edition of the annual event was held at Leicester's King Power Stadium, recognising the incredible efforts of 800 people who volunteer for Leicestershire Police as special constables, volunteer police cadets and police support volunteers.

The awards night coincided with National Volunteers' week (1 to 7 June) an annual celebration of volunteers across the country that takes pride in highlighting the excellent work they undertake and their contribution to communities.

More than £500 was raised in a raffle for Rainbows Children's Hospice.

Charnwood Police are thrilled to announce our cadets won 'Team of the Year' and I would also like to take this opportunity to publicly thank Robert Van Tienen, who won 'Volunteer of the Year'. All our Charnwood volunteers deserve recognition for the outstanding work they do and commitment they provide to the local community.



Car key wallets

In partnership with Charnwood Borough Council, we have sourced a number of car key wallets which are free to collect (subject to one per person) from reception at Charnwood Council's offices.

There have been reports of prestige German cars having been stolen regionally, we are hoping to provide some local reassurance, these wallets assist in preventing keyless car thieves from being successful.



Special thanks

I would like to highlight the contribution John Hatfield and his team make to keeping people safe in Loughborough town centre by utilising the network of cameras within the area. The team assist Charnwood Police on a daily basis identifying criminality and keeping everyone safe, they have been instrumental in the arrest of numerous individuals who without their help, we would have found difficult to and most likely not been able to locate.