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New Commander

It has been a busy time at Charnwood , working in partnership with Charnwood Borough Council, the team have been addressing local issues in and around the Charnwood area .

We continue to see substantial sentences being handed out to people involved in Operation Lionheart which is having a positive impact locally.

Sgt Matt Foulger has moved to response policing and I'm please to wel-

come Sgt 2052 Michael Young who will take over on Beats 59/60 ,with Sgt 1865 Chris Wharton taking over on beat 61 .

I also welcome PC 4614 Rakhi Mistry to Charnwood who will be joining Sgt Young on beat 59 , all three officers bring a wealth of policing experience .



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 This will be the primary method of distributing beat newsletters . I'm looking to reach 10,000 residents in Charnwood signed up so updated news gets shared widely.

Neighbourhood Watch

Neighbourhood Watch has been a project Sgt Chris Wharton is working on , he has been liaising with partners at Charnwood Borough Council , existing Neighbourhood Watch coordinators and colleagues around the force area to produce an effective proposal for Charnwood and understand what currently exists . We will be looking to arrange a meeting with coordinators in September to work together to reinvigorate Neighbourhood Watch , a project that isn't just led by Charnwood Police but by a collaboration of interested parties . I put a real value on Neighbourhood Watch , the help of the local community is vital to help us effectively deliver neighbourhood policing , this is the reason why Sgt Chris Wharton has been tasked with leading on this project locally.

Newsletters

All Charnwood beats now provide a monthly newsletter to cover local issues relevant to individual beats , they also highlight where staff will be to meet residents and listen to local concerns . I am encouraging staff to distribute these newsletters around Charnwood and not to rely solely on social media . Please feel free to comment upon the newsletters you receive , I hope that together we can build a useful document people find informative .

Emerging Threats

Vehicle crime is still occurring around the Charnwood area , this is a national trend with high powered vehicles being targeted often by remote means .

Can I please remind you that car key wallets are still available at Charnwood Borough Council , these are free and may assist to deter such offences . I have targeted this crime over the past 2 months locally , we have seen local youths arrested in respect of these and related offences , they are now on bail and we are continuing to run pro active operations to ensure we maintain a high profile presence .



Some have commented that officers have not been seen , I can assure local residents that the times these offences occur are typically late at night , into the early hours , we are out there and we have been having some fantastic result . Please follow us on Twitter or sign up to Neighbourhood Link where we tend to publish results as we get them .

I would encourage everyone to be vigilant , if it doesn't look or feel right it probably isn't so report it. There are some closed social media groups operating around Charnwood , we do not monitor these real time so rather than use such groups please contact the police if something is happening there and then .

Cycle theft in Loughborough is at an all time low , please help us by ensuring cycles in the town centre are effectively locked and secure when unattended and any suspicious activity around bike racks is reported without delay.

Rural Crime

In my first newsletter, I said Sgt Rod Smart will be leading on trying to push rural crime issues in Charnwood , this is very much the case and I have been encouraged by messages I have had via Neighbourhood Link from farmers and residents in rural Charwood.

We are looking to identify residents and businesses in rural locations and seek to provide reassurance and effective crime prevention patrols I hope in my next newsletter to release details of an operation I am planning which if successful will a positive step to rural crime policing.

