

Here is the latest update from the Henley Neighbourhood Policing team.

Henley Sector comprises of Henley Town and the parishes of Goring, Woodcote, Goring Heath, South Stoke, Whitchurch-on-Thames, Nettlebed, Swyncombe, Pishill with Stonor, Bix & Assendon, Stoke Row, Highmoor, Checkendon, Rotherfield Greys, Sonning Common, Rotherfield Peppard, Kidmore End, Mapledurham, Harpsden, Binfield Heath, Shiplake, Eye & Dunsden.

### Priorities

**Burglary:** We still urge residents to be vigilant and review their home security. Burglary continues to be a local priority in Henley with PCSOs carrying out high visibility patrols.

**Speeding:** Due to resident's concerns, PCSOs Claire and Janice carried out speeding awareness on Harpsden Road, Henley. Two "Respect our Community" Speeding Signs are now in place on Harpsden Road.

**Parking:** This continues to be a problem in the Henley town centre, Fixed Penalty Tickets will be issued to offending vehicles. PCSOs will continue to monitor the Disabled Only parking bays.

**Rural crime:** During the weekend of 10/11<sup>th</sup> February the Henley NHPT took part in Operation Migrate. We were out patrolling the rural area and making contact with farmers and landowners. As a result of team work between Henley Officers, Henley PCSOs, and our colleagues in the Vale of White Horse, four males were arrested and four lurchers seized.

### Anti-social behaviour (ASB)

In Sonning Common, two males were captured on CCTV and identified by Police, damaging community planting outside the village hall. Two Youth Restorative Disposals were issued to the young males and a written letter of apology was sent to the Parish Council.

### Safe Places

Businesses in Henley-on-Thames are being encouraged to sign up to a new scheme to help provide a safe place to go if someone is feeling lost, worried or threatened. 'Safe Places' launches in Henley this March. Under the scheme, a vulnerable person can enter a participating location where trained staff will offer help to keep them safe. Retailers, charities and other venues can register an interest in becoming a Safe Place by emailing South Oxfordshire District Council's Community Safety team at [communitysafety@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:communitysafety@southandvale.gov.uk) or by calling 01235 422593. Participating locations will be invited to a special training session on Monday 26 February or 8 Thursday March at Henley Fire Station, with 45-minute slots available at 10am, 12:30pm and 5:30pm.

Once a member of staff has attended the training the location will receive an orange and yellow window sticker and can start supporting the Safe Places network. They will also be added to the Safe Places map - [safeplaces.org.uk/member-schemes/south-oxfordshire/](http://safeplaces.org.uk/member-schemes/south-oxfordshire/) and mobile phone app.

Cllr Elizabeth Gillespie, Cabinet Member for Housing and Environment at South Oxfordshire District Council, said: "We've already received a great response to Safe Places in Wallingford and Didcot with 27 locations signed up. "This scheme provides vital support to those who are feeling vulnerable in our town centres, so it is only right that we extend it to more areas of the district and I urge retailers, charities and other organisations in Henley to register as a 'Safe Place'."

### What the neighbourhood team have been doing

Henley NHPT have been working closely with schools, the town council and residents to combat Cybercrime. PCSOs have been into schools to talk about the dangers of sexting which supported 'Safer Internet' day last week.

## Community engagement

- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February PC Churchill has been invited to talk to Cadets about “Life in the police service” at Cadets Hall, Henley.
- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March between 6-7pm PCSOs Claire, Mark and Ruth will be at Henley Train Station security marking bicycles.
- Next month PCSO Janice Smith will be delivering anti-bullying talks to groups of parents and grandparents.

## Have Your Say/Active communities

Our Active Communities campaign is about getting you to be more involved in policing issues. Please come and speak to your neighbourhood policing team about issues affecting our community.

- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 7-8pm at Henley Leisure Centre, Gillotts Lane with PCSO Claire Hewett
- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2pm – 2.30pm at Westholme Stores, Goring with PCSO Mark Bell
- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March, 3pm – 3.30pm at South Stoke Primary School with PCSO Mark Bell
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 3pm – 3.30pm at Woodcote Primary School with PCSO Mark Bell
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 3pm – 3.30pm at Whitchurch Primary School with PCSO Mark Bell

## Contact us

If you want any advice or would like to contact the neighbourhood team you can call us on the police non-emergency number 101 or if it is an emergency then dial 999.

You can also contact us via email [HenleyNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:HenleyNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk). Please note this email address cannot be used to contact Thames Valley Police to report crimes or for any urgent matters.

To view information on your neighbourhood team visit the Thames Valley Police website at:

[www.thamesvalley.police.uk](http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk). Receive free local crime alerts and crime prevention advice by registering at [www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk](http://www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk) today. This allows anyone who signs up to choose what updates they receive and how they would like to receive it. The Thames Valley Police Twitter account is kept up to date with what we are up to; please follow us @TVPSouthandVale.

