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# Foreword from Eastleigh Independent Advisory Group members Allison Perry and Jackie Orchard



Welcome to the March edition of the Policing Eastleigh partnership newsletter

This month we want to shine a spotlight on our Independent Advisory Group (IAG), which helps to consider local issues including critical incidents, operational practice and planning, the local impact of decisions around Hampshire Constabulary Force Policy and Procedure – while scutinising a number of our core operational policing powers.

There are currently seven members who come from various different ethnic backgrounds and who have a variety of professional experience from a local councillor, individuals from the banking and finance sector, civil service, the Ministry of Defence and an ex-police strategic lead for Thames Valley Police and Hampshire Constabulary.

However, they are all united in their one goal as members of the IAG – to ensure that local policing leaders are held to account for their actions and ensure that Eastleigh and Hedge End remains a safe place to work and live.

Here, two members of the IAG tell us why the joined up to play a vital role in scrutinising local policing decisions and issues.

**Jackie Orchard** is a former Risk Manager and joined the Eastleigh and Hedge End IAG in October 2019.

"I believe we [IAG members] are all very unique with a wide variety of knowledge and skills, providing us with individual perspectives.

"With this in mind we can help the police appreciate a wider range of community concerns and issues, enabling them to provide a service that we as residents hope protects us from becoming victims of crime and helping to keep the community safe. As a Risk Manager I feel that the IAG makes good use of this when considering improvements to existing practices, with the hope of reducing any potential future risks.

"We contribute through scrutiny sessions – which I've attended a number of and found the attitude of the police to be open and honest – to assess the way officers have handled incidents, using body worn video footage. Many local residents will have limited experience of dealing with the

police, and therefore may form distorted views, but I believe they deal with the challenges they face in a very professional manner.

While **Allison Perry** is a Deputy Customer Director for Barclays Bank and joined the IAG in October 2020.

"I've been an active member of the IAG for a while now, and for me, it's about giving something back to my local community, to try and make a difference and to add value by working in partnership with the police on key subject matters and/or situations.

"A key part of my role within the IAG is to consistently review and scrutinise specific processes, one of which is the process our officers follow when they choose to Stop and Search a member of the public. I sample a number of Stop and Search interactions, reviewing body camera footage to gain assurance that there were reasonable grounds for the officer to stop the individual, that there was no conscious bias as to who the officers have chosen to stop and search, that the correct process has been followed and just as importantly, to ensure that the officers have not put themselves in any compromising positions from a danger and/or health and safety perspective.

"I've been impressed with how closely the IAG and police work together. It's great to see how the police continually welcome feedback and encourage fresh ideas. I see my role as being a critical friend to the police, I'm committed to bringing an honest and impartial viewpoint to everything I'm involved in and I love the fact that I can bring new suggestions to the table that will always be listened to and adopted if they prove to be beneficial."

The IAG is a voluntary role, and all members commit a substantial amount of their personal time to ensure that local communities remain as safe as possible, by working alongside local neighbourhood policing teams and other local stakeholder partners.

#### Eastleigh IAG members, Jackie Orchard and Allison Perry

Finally, a quick reminder that our <u>Eastleigh Police</u> and <u>Hedge End</u> Facebook pages are a great way to follow the team and the work they are doing to tackle crime in the local area in order to keep our communities safe.

## Investigation update



## London pair jailed for nine and a half years after being convicted of drug supply offences

A man and a woman from London have been jailed for a total of nine and a half years after being convicted of drug supply offences relating to a suspected County Line operating from London into Hampshire.

Prince Duah, aged 27, of Penelopy House in London, was arrested in London as part of a proactive drugs investigation involving Hampshire, Metropolitan Police and Surrey officers into a County Line being run from the capital into Eastleigh.

While Tyreece Morgan, aged 26, of Northcote Avenue in Croydon was also arrested on suspicion of drug supply offences.

Officers seized a large quantity of cash – approximately £3,000 - and mobile phones during the arrest.

Duah and Morgan were charged and later convicted of being concerned in the supply of Class A drugs following a trial at Southampton Crown Court on Monday 16 August 2021.

The London pair were sentenced at the same court on Thursday 10 March, with Prince Duah being sentenced to six years and six months in prison for drug supply offences and a further six months – to be served concurrently – for possession of counterfeit money.

Tyreece Morgan received a three-year custodial sentence.

Detective Constable Emma Atkey from Hampshire Constabulary's Western Investigations team, said: "I hope that today's sentencing sends out a strong message to drug dealers and those involved in crime associated with drug deal networks, that offences of this kind will not be tolerated in Hampshire.

"If dealers try and set up a network in any part of the county, we will work relentlessly to find them and bring them before the courts and ensure that they face justice."

Eastleigh District Commander, Chief Inspector Marcus Cator, said: "Our officers across Hampshire are fully committed to ensuring that local communities do not suffer as a result of drug-related harm or County Lines drug dealing activity.

"We are actively working to disrupt County Lines drug dealing and our aim is to prevent the exploitation of vulnerable people, while making sure that Eastleigh remains a safe place to work and live."

### **ARREST**

#### Southampton man arrested for drug driving offences in Hedge End

A man has been arrested on suspicion of drug driving offences after being detained by officers in Hedge End.

It comes after officers were on routine patrols and stopped a white Peugeot van, having seen it driving in excess of the speed limit, on Hound Road just before 7.50pm on Friday 4 March.

Officers spoke with the driver of the vehicle and subsequently located a quantity of Class B drugs, which was seized as a result.

The man was also subject of a roadside drugs wipe – which he failed after it tested positive for cannabis.

A 28-year-old man from Southampton was arrested on suspicion of drug-driving and possession of a Class B drug.

He was released under investigation.



#### Man arrested following numerous public order offences in Chandler's Ford

Police investigating a number of incidents in Chandler's Ford on the evening of Friday 25 February have arrested a man.

It comes after we received reports of an assault taking place outside the Halfway Inn Pub on Winchester Road in Chandler's Ford just before 11.20pm on Friday 25 February.

A customer was approached by venue staff after a complaint had been made against them before he then began to become verbally and physically abusive towards them. It is alleged that he then indecently exposed himself to staff.

The man's behaviour then escalated, with it being reported that he assaulted other people within the venue before kicking a taxi on Winchester Road – causing damage to the door panels and bumper.

The staff members then followed the man to ensure no further issues in the local vicinity, but it is stated that he has then assaulted the two women as well as an innocent bystander, before throwing a brick at a vehicle being driven in the local area.

While in custody, the man has then been seen to indecently expose himself to police officers before making further derogative comments towards them.

A 23-year-old man from Eastleigh was arrested on suspicion of common assault, indecent exposure, criminal damage and using threatening, abusive or insulting words to cause harassment, alarm or distress.

He was later released under investigation while police enquiries remain ongoing to establish the exact circumstances of the incidents, before they consider seeking guidance from the Crown Prosecution Service for relevant charges to be considered.



#### Man arrested on suspicion of drug-supply offences after Eastleigh warrant

Officers conducting a proactive warrant in relation to an ongoing drugs investigation at an address in Eastleigh have arrested a man on suspicion of drug supply offences.

It comes after officers from Eastleigh's High Harm Team and the local Neighbourhood Policing Team – along with support from Response and Patrol officers - gained entry to a property on Desborough Road at around 4pm on Monday 21 February and searched the premises.

A quantity of suspected Class A drugs and drug-related paraphernalia – including two mobile devices - were located in the address and subsequently seized.

A 36-year-old man from Eastleigh was arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply a Class A drug.

Following police enquires, he was later released and no further action taken against him.

However, information that we receive from the community is vital and informs where we put our resources and take action against any illegal activity.

If you, or anyone you know, suspects that an address in your neighbourhood is being used for drug dealing, drug-related activity or associated crime, then please report it to us by calling 101.

While a 28-year-old man from Romsey was arrested on suspicion of common assault.

All three were bailed with conditions until Sunday 27 February.

#### **Our Priorities**

- Addressing anti-social behaviour and fear of crime from street community in Eastleigh Town Centre
- Focusing upon ongoing retail crime in Hedge End retails parks
- Working to tackle local drug networks and associated drug-related activity across Eastleigh and Hedge End



Please feel free to contact your local inspector with any query you may have, or go direct to District Commander, Chief Inspector Marcus Cator via <a href="marcus.cator@hampshire.pnn.police.uk">marcus.cator@hampshire.pnn.police.uk</a>

Inspector Louise Hubble

Sector Inspector for Eastleigh and Hedge End

Police Sergeant Shane Hebburn

Eastleigh Central

Police Sergeant James Phillipson-Masters

Eastleigh East and West

Police Sergeant Sandra Hamilton

Hedge End South

Police Sergeant Stuart Jackson

Hedge End North

## Reported crime statistics

Current 90 Days	EASTLEIGH		HEDGE END		Sum:	
Key Red = Increase on previous 90 day Negative numbers = a decrease	Rolling 90 Day	Diff to Previous 90 Day	Rolling 90 Day	Diff to Previous 90 Day		
1b Violence with Injury	157	-4	92	-17	249	-21
1c Violence without Injury	479	-2	282	21	761	19
2a Rape	15	-6	12	0	27	-6
2b Other Sexual Offences	34	2	22	-5	56	-3
3a Robbery of Business Property	1	-1		-1	1	-2
3b Robbery of Personal Property	3	-11	3	-1	6	-12
4a1 Burglary Residential	54	-29	39	2	93	-27
4a2 Burglary Business and Community	22	14	11	6	33	20
4b Vehicle Offences	76	1	45	-7	121	-6
4c Theft from the Person	5	-3	4	-1	9	-4
4d Bicycle Theft	16	1	12	-1	28	0
4e Shoplifting	38	-23	77	-9	115	-32
4f All Other Theft Offences	99	-18	66	10	165	-8
5a Criminal Damage	97	-28	65	-26	162	-54
5b Arson	2	-4	6	-1	8	-5
6a Trafficking of Drugs	9	3	1	-1	10	2
6b Possession of Drugs	34	7	14	-4	48	3
7 Possession of Weapons Offences	14	-8	12	4	26	-4
8 Public Order Offences	144	-16	94	-32	238	-48
9 Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	15	-1	18	7	33	6
TOTAL	1,314	-126	875	-56	2,189	-182

## Want to stay informed? Register for Hampshire Alerts

As a local resident, you can play a key role in helping us to prevent and detect crime and anti-social behaviour.

Improving the flow of information between the local community and the police is vital to achieving our aim to work together to deter criminals.

By signing up to Hampshire Alerts, you will receive timely updates covering crime prevention advice, crime alerts and witness appeals for incidents in the local community. It is your way of being kept informed of what we're doing in the community, allowing us to keep the communities of Eastleigh and Hedge End safe.

Click here to sign-up to receive regular Hampshire Alerts

## Keep in touch with us on social media

If you want to know what our officers are doing in the district to reduce criminal activity in our local community, why not follow us on social media?

Join us on Facebook <u>@EastleighPolice</u> / <u>@HedgeEndPolice</u>

Or follow us on Twitter @EastleighPolice / @HedgeEndPolice / @HCResponseCops