

POLICING EASTLEIGH

PARTNERSHIP UPDATE



November 2020

Foreword from Eastleigh Police Sergeant Kevin Hercock and Police Sergeant Richard Knight

Welcome to the November edition of the Policing Eastleigh partnership newsletter.



Last month you heard from the Hedge End Sector, Police Sergeant Jackson and Acting Police Sergeants McGee and Simpson. Now we wanted to introduce you, our local partners, to the Sergeants responsible for managing policing activities on the ground in Eastleigh.

Sergeant Kev Hercock is responsible for Eastleigh East and West, encompassing Chandlers Ford, Hiltingbury, Bishopstoke, Fair Oak and Horton Heath.

While Sergeant Richard Knight is responsible for Eastleigh Central, which covers areas including the town centre and the surrounding residential areas.

In total we have 39 years' of experience between us, covering a broad range of disciplines within policing. This includes roles within investigations, intelligence, force development projects and being part of Response and Patrol teams, as well as Neighbourhood Policing Teams.

Eastleigh East and West, is a low crime area and fortunately that puts us in a position to be proactive to prevent crime, rather than being reactive. Over the next few months we will be looking at providing practical advice to residents around keeping your property and possessions safe from opportunistic criminals. Although this does bring with it a unique challenge in delivering this community engagement in a COVID-19 compliant manner.

We will be completing overt and covert patrols in our residential areas as historically we have seen an increase in residential burglaries during the winter months. Our main priority during this time will be to work with our partners, including Eastleigh Borough Council, our Parish Councils and other community groups to reduce anti-social behaviour in our public open spaces. We have already had productive meetings in relating to Hiltingbury and Fair Oak. Our view is that tackling anti-social behaviour in our communities does not rest solely with the police and we will be more effective working together.

The East and West team, are made up of three police officers and four PCSOs, supported by our Special Constabulary. You will have seen that Hampshire Constabulary is getting an increase in officer numbers and I am pleased to say that Eastleigh will be getting a share of these officers, but until then we are focused on high harm crime and turning our attention to what is most important to our communities. To coincide with this, we have introduced a rolling 90 day plan which ensures our wider policing teams are aware of our priorities. We are looking at new ways for our communities to tell us what is important to them, because it is important that our partners and communities shape our 90 day plans.

While the current priorities for the Eastleigh Central team include combatting reports of anti-social behaviour and neighbour disputes in and around Merritt Court. We are also focusing our attention on open space areas such as Leigh Road recreational ground, Grantham Green and Fleming Park due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic.

Kev and Richard, along with their teams of PCs and PCSOs, want to serve and keep the local community of Eastleigh safe. They are always looking at how best to engage with local residents and want to encourage a two-way conversation with communities to address any issues or concerns that they may have.

Please feel free to contact them directly using the details in the latter part of the newsletter.

You'll see further below a selection of investigations that we'd like to update you on. We would like to regularly highlight the work we have been doing to tackle issues, reduce crime, and apprehend offenders.

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Investigation update

CHARGED

Police use stop and search powers to detain three men for Eastleigh affray incident

Officers investigating reports of a public order offence at a service station in Eastleigh have charged two men.

The charges come after two men were assaulted at the Monksbrook service station on Passfield Avenue, Eastleigh at around 5.19pm on Tuesday 13 October.

Reece Michael Binks, aged 23, of Lawn Road, Eastleigh was charged with one count of affray and one count of possession of an offensive weapon.

Jake Baldacchino, aged 26, of Devon Close, Eastleigh was charged on two counts of assault and one count of affray.

A 18-year-old man from Eastleigh was initially arrested on suspicion of affray. He was later released and no further action taken against him.

Binks and Baldicchino have been remanded by the courts and are due to appear at Southampton Crown Court on Friday 13 November.

We're thankful to PC Harriet Copley as the Officer in Case in securing these charges with the support of colleagues from across our Response and Patrol units, Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Criminal Investigation Department.

CHARGED

Eastleigh man charged with public order offence and assaulting officers

Officers responding to a disturbance at a property in Chandler's Ford have charged a man.

The charges come after a public order offence was committed, and two police officers assaulted during the arrest process at an address in Chandler's Ford at 11.16pm on Tuesday 20 October.

Sam Ryan Hills, aged 29, of no fixed abode was charged with two counts of assaulting an emergency service worker, one count of committing a public order offence and one count of causing criminal damage.

Hills appeared at Southampton Magistrates Court on Thursday 22 October where he was remanded in prison until his trial, which is due to take place on 12 March 2021.

We're thankful to Jordan Clayton as the Officer in Case in securing these charges with the support of colleagues from across our Response and Patrol units, Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Criminal Investigation Department.

CHARGED

Stop and search uncovers theft in Eastleigh shopping centre

Officers who were patrolling an Eastleigh shopping centre have charged a man with shoplifting offences.

The charges come after officers witnessed the man take items from the Poundland store without paying on Tuesday 20 October at the Swan Centre.

Piotr Mateusz Taegosz, aged 42, of Cranbury Avenue, Southampton was charged with theft from a shop. He was released on condition bail and is due to appear at Southampton Magistrates Court on Thursday 19 November.

We're thankful to PC Ria Archer in securing these charges with the support of colleagues from across our Response and Patrol units, Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Criminal Investigation Department.

CHARGED

Woman charged after multiple officer assaults in Eastleigh

Officers have charged a woman with assaulting a police officer after they were responding to reports of a disturbance at an address in Eastleigh.

The charges come after she assaulted three police officers.

Jessica Louise Fay, aged 27, of Newtown Road, Eastleigh was charged with three counts of assaulting an emergency worker.

She appeared at Southampton Magistrates Court on Friday 23 October and was remanded until Wednesday 2 December 2020.

We're thankful to PC David King as the Officer in Case in securing these charges with the support of colleagues from across our Response and Patrol units, Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Criminal Investigation Department.

CHARGED

Man charged after stabbing at a property in Eastleigh

Officers investigating reports of a stabbing at a property in Eastleigh have since charged a man.

The charges come after a property was broken into and a man threatened and subsequently stabbed in the early hours of Sunday 1 November on Tommy Green Walk.

Daniel James Poskitt, 31, of Franklyn Avenue, Southampton was charged with one count of causing grievous bodily harm with intent, one count of burglary and one count of assaulting by beating of an emergency worker.

He appeared at Southampton Magistrates Court on Monday 2 November, where he was denied bail and remanded to appear at Southampton Magistrates Court on 4 December 2020.

We're thankful to PC Benjamin Clark as the Officer in Case in securing these charges with the support of colleagues from across our Response and Patrol units, Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Criminal Investigation Department.

ARREST

Eastleigh teenager arrested following attempted burglary in town centre

Officers investigating an attempted break-in at a former nightclub in Eastleigh have arrested a teenager in connection with the incident.

The incident occurred at 2.14pm on Saturday 17 October at the site of the old Martine's nightclub on Market Street, following reports by a CCTV operator of a burglary in progress.

Upon arrival on the scene, officers detained three teenagers in relation to the attempted break-in.

A 13-year-old boy and a 14-year-old boy were released from the scene with no further action taken.

An 18-year-old man from Bishopstoke was arrested on suspicion of burglary. He was later released under investigation, pending further enquiries.

ARREST

Waltham Chase man arrested for drug offences following stop and search

Officers who stopped a motorcyclist for dangerous and erratic driving have arrested a man for drug-related offences.

The incident occurred at 11.40am on Friday 16 October on Maddoxford Lane, when officers pulled over a motorcyclist due to the nature of his driving.

Upon speaking with the rider, officers conducted a search of the individual after they noticed a strong smell of cannabis was present. In searching the rider's backpack officers seized an amount of herbal cannabis, a quantity of cash along with a mobile phone.

An 18-year-old man from Waltham Chase was arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply a Class B drug.

He was released under investigation, pending further enquiries.

ARREST

Man arrested for drug offences following warrant in Hedge End

Officers, who were executing a warrant at a property in Hedge End, have arrested a man for drug offences.

They attended an address Radley Close just after midday on Wednesday 21 October. An occupant of the property was found to be in possession of cannabis.

As a result, a 46-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of possession of a controlled Class B drug.

A 41-year-old woman was also searched and found to be in possession of a suspected Class A drug and was reported for summons.

They were both later released under investigation, pending further enquiries.

Community cohesion

South East Cyber Resilience Centre

An innovative partnership between the police, private sector organisations and academic organisations launched in September, in the South East region to help businesses protect themselves against cybercrime.

The South East Cyber Resilience Centre (SECRC), is part of a network of centres being established across the country to provide businesses and organisations affordable access to cyber security services and consultancy to help protect themselves from attack.

The SECRC offers a range a membership options depending on what level of support businesses in Hampshire, Surrey, Sussex, Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire need.

The Core Membership is free and provides businesses with access to a range of resources and tools – including information on emerging cyber threats, criminal trends and best practice for cyber resilience. This helps businesses identify potential risks and vulnerabilities, as well as providing guidance on the steps they can take to increase their levels of protection.

Businesses can find out more information about the centre and how to get involved at <https://www.secrc.co.uk/>

Our Priorities

- Ensuring community safety and compliance with Government guidance in relation to COVID-19
- Support the community of Merritt Court due to increased reports of ASB, drugs and some levels of disorder



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 marcus.cator@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

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Reported crime statistics

Current 90 Days

Key
 Red = Increase on previous 90 day
 Negative numbers = a decrease

	EASTLEIGH		HEDGE END		Sum:	
	Rolling 90 Day	Diff to Previous 90 Day	Rolling 90 Day	Diff to Previous 90 Day		
1b Violence with Injury	147	24	98	-5	245	19
1c Violence without Injury	318	35	206	5	524	40
2a Rape	16	0	9	0	25	0
2b Other Sexual Offences	29	1	27	13	56	14
3a Robbery of Business Property	1	1	-	-	1	1
3b Robbery of Personal Property	7	2	1	-2	8	0
4a1 Burglary Residential	46	16	32	-19	78	-3
4a2 Burglary Business and Community	13	2	16	-	29	2
4b Vehicle Offences	52	15	43	-8	95	7
4c Theft from the Person	11	7	-	-1	11	6
4d Bicycle Theft	23	6	4	-8	27	-2
4e Shoplifting	89	27	47	6	136	33
4f All Other Theft Offences	55	-1	41	-19	96	-20
5a Criminal Damage	104	17	84	-9	188	8
5b Arson	3	-	12	7	15	7
6a Trafficking of Drugs	5	-7	6	2	11	-5
6b Possession of Drugs	26	-22	19	-2	45	-24
7 Possession of Weapons Offences	15	3	9	-	24	3
8 Public Order Offences	121	-8	100	-21	221	-29
9 Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	36	17	18	7	54	24
TOTAL	1,117	135	772	-54	1,889	81

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?

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