

POLICING EASTLEIGH

PARTNERSHIP UPDATE



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Foreword from Acting Police Sergeant, Graham McGee



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Welcome to the October edition of the Policing Eastleigh partnership newsletter

You had previously heard from Eastleigh District Commander, Chief Inspector Marcus Cator about some of his reflections of the Summer as we enter into the more autumnal months.

This month we wanted to highlight a new team within the Eastleigh District – which is being run by Acting Police Sergeant, Graham McGee.

“Hello I am Graham McGee and I am responsible for the newly established Eastleigh High Harm Team (HHT). This is a small unit set up to deal with high harm offenders and crimes in the Eastleigh district and is staffed by myself, Police Constables Buckland and Sherman and PCSO Barfoot.

“The HHT manage high risk domestic violence perpetrators under Operation Foundation. This offers perpetrators the opportunity to address their offending and can provide them with courses to help improve their thinking and behaviour toward partners and work toward more meaningful relationships.

“Op Fortress is the Constabulary’s initiative for dealing with the scourge of drugs within our local communities. Part of this work is protecting vulnerable people who are at risk of being cuckooed by drug dealers, either because they are users themselves or otherwise vulnerable. The HHT make regular visits to these addresses and are in very regular contact with the residents offering support.

“While County Lines drug networks are well documented and the HHT team target these groups and undertake warrants and gather intelligence in order to bring these groups to justice.

“Another initiative that we will be supporting the district with is Op Sceptre - a nationwide policing programme to tackle knife crime. Locally, the HHT target habitual knife carriers, mainly youths, and offer them education and support around the carriage of knives and other weapons in public, highlighting the very real dangers and the consequences of committing such crimes. For those who continue to commit these offences then the team will target them and enforce the law.

“We will also be working in close partnership with local stakeholders such as Eastleigh Borough Council, social housing providers and education to identify when disruption tactics, enforcement and safeguarding opportunities can be used to protect our communities. This will include working to disrupt and prosecute those involved in County Line drug networks, identifying those responsible for serial domestic abuse and bringing them to justice, while safeguarding their victims.

“The team will also assist other policing teams with issues surrounding child criminal exploitation and child sexual exploitation – so as you can see, a whole range of issues – but we’re seeking to provide a dynamic response to emerging threats within local communities across Eastleigh and Hedge End.”

As a quick reminder, our [Eastleigh Police](#) and [Hedge End](#) Facebook pages are a great way to follow the team and the work they are doing to tackle crime in order to keep our local community safe.

Acting Police Sergeant, Graham McGee

Investigation update

ARREST

Police make three arrests following public order incident in Hedge End

Officers responding to reports of a public order incident in Hedge End, which resulted in a dispersal order being put in place for 48 hours, have arrested three people in connection with the incident.

It comes after a group of around 20-30 young people were involved in a number of public order incidents in and around Drummond Road, Whites Road and the Grange Park area in Hedge End at around 8.20pm on Thursday 14 October.

As a result, officers were granted the power to disperse people under Section 35 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 in those areas between 6pm on Friday 15 October and 5.59pm on Sunday 17 October. They were also able to seize any items used in the commission of anti-social behaviour, while those under 16 would have been taken to their home address and follow-up work done with their parents.

There were no further incidents over the weekend.

As part of police enquires into the incidents on Thursday evening, a 15-year-old boy and a 15-year-old girl, both from Hedge End, were arrested on suspicion of assaulting an emergency worker.

While a 16-year-old boy from Southampton was arrested on suspicion of assaulting an emergency worker and obstructing a police officer in the execution of their duty.

The two boys were released on conditional bail until Friday 26 November, while the girl was released under investigation pending further enquiries.

Eastleigh District Commander, Chief Inspector Marcus Cator, said: "Our officers conducted high visibility patrols in these areas over to the weekend to reassure the public and deal with any ongoing issues. We will always seek to take robust and appropriate action against those responsible for causing harm and disorder within our local communities.

"As always, if you see or witness any suspicious activity – including anti-social behaviour – please do continue reporting this to police via the Hampshire Constabulary website or by calling 101. It helps us to build up a bigger picture of issues impacting our communities and allows us to allocate the appropriate resources to those dedicated areas to resolve any ongoing issues.

ARREST

Eastleigh woman arrested following public order incident in Bursledon

Officers investigating reports of a public order incident and assault in Bursledon have arrested a woman.

It comes after police were deployed to Pylands skate park after it was reported by members of the public that a woman had become abusive towards local residents.

Upon arrival, officers located a woman walking away from the skate park along Hamble Road who matched the description given and a search was conducted. A dog chain was located on her, but no dog in sight.

While detaining the woman, a number of claims were made in relation to assaults by the woman on those in the immediate area.

As a result, a 41-year-old woman from Eastleigh was arrested on suspicion of common assault, possession of an offensive weapon and using threatening abusive or insulting words with intent to cause harm and / or distress.

She remains in custody at this time.

ARREST

Officers arrest man after burglary in Chandler's Ford

Officers responding to reports of a burglary in progress in Chandler's Ford have arrested a man.

It was reported that a man entered a store in Fryern Arcade on Winchester Road just before 1am on Sunday 10 October before fleeing the scene.

Officers were deployed to the scene and located a man who matched the description provided by a member of the public and a number of items seized from his property after being searched.

A 40-year-old man from Chandler's Ford was arrested on suspicion of burglary.

He was later released with a condition caution.

ARREST

Police arrest man following hit-and-run incident in Eastleigh

Police investigating an attempted assault in Eastleigh have arrested a man in connection with the incident.

It comes after a silver BMW was reportedly involved in a collision with a pedestrian at the junction of Albert Road and Consort Road at around 5.30pm yesterday evening (7 October).

A verbal exchange occurred between the driver of the vehicle and the victim, before the vehicle was seen to flee the scene.

A man in his 40s from Eastleigh suffered minor injuries as a result of the incident.

A 36-year-old man from Eastleigh was subsequently located and arrested on suspicion of dangerous driving and attempting to cause grievous bodily harm with intent.

He was released on conditional bail until 6 November.

ARREST

Man arrested on suspicion of assault after incident in Eastleigh

Officers investigating reports of an assault at a bar in Eastleigh have arrested a man in connection with the incident.

At around 1am on Sunday 3 October, it is reported that a man become embroiled in an altercation with a staff member at Wagon Works on Southampton Road; resulting in the staff member suffering minor injuries.

The man was subsequently restrained by other staff members until police arrived and detained him.

A 28-year-old man from Eastleigh was arrested on suspicion of section 18 – wounding with intent and assault occasioning actual bodily harm.

He was later released on conditional bail until Sunday 31 October.

ARREST

Two people arrested on suspicion of drug offences in Eastleigh

Police officers have arrested a man and a woman on suspicion of drugs offences following a successful stop and search in Eastleigh.

At around 2.15pm on Friday 1 October, officers stopped a silver Volkswagen Golf on Blenheim Road after it was seen to be being driven in suspicious circumstances.

Officers carried out a search of both the vehicle and the occupants during which they located and seized a quantity of suspected Class A drugs and a quantity of cash.

A 43-year-old woman from Southampton was arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply a Class A drug, driving while under the influence of drugs, driving whilst disqualified and driving with no insurance.

While a 29-year-old man from Chandler's Ford was arrested on suspicion of possession of a Class A drug.

They were both released under investigation, pending further enquiries.

ARREST

19-year-old man arrested following residential burglary in Bishopstoke

Officers investigating reports of a residential burglary in Bishopstoke have arrested a man.

It was reported that a man was seen to enter a residential property on Chardean Road in Bishopstoke at around 6pm on Saturday 25 September.

The man was challenged by a nearby neighbour and fled the scene.

Following police enquiries to identify the man, he was located and questioned by officers, and subsequently arrested.

A 19-year-old man from Bishop's Waltham was arrested on suspicion of burglary.

ARREST

Three men arrested following robbery series in Eastleigh

Officers investigating a number of robberies in the Eastleigh area have arrested three men in connection with the incidents.

It comes after a three delivery drivers were targeted and threatened on Saturday 25 September between 9.20pm and 11.20pm on Scotland Close in Fair Oak, Cheriton Road in Eastleigh and Somers Way in Eastleigh.

On one occasion, a moped being used by a delivery driver was stolen but was later recovered. Following police enquiries, three people were identified and subsequently arrested.

Two 17-year-old boys, from Bishopstoke and Eastleigh, were arrested on suspicion of robbery and attempted robbery.

While an 18-year-old man from Bishopstoke was also arrested on suspicion of robbery and attempted robbery.

They were all released under investigation, pending further police enquiries.

Community cohesion

Seeking to keep our roads, and local communities, safer via volunteer SpeedWatch scheme



Chandler's Ford SpeedWatch group (pictured here with Eastleigh District Commander Chief Insp Cator) was set up in 2015 following a response to local police and Parish requests for volunteers to tackle the ever-increasing problem of speeding in the local community.

A small team of volunteers (six initially) were formed at a meeting at the old police station on Leigh Road and were given appropriate training and were formally vetted.

Chandlers Ford Parish Council, who fund the group, have provided the team with a calibrated radar detector and tablet.

Any speed detections over 35mph are recorded by the SpeedWatch team at designated areas where speeding is prevalent – which are provided to us by local policing teams. Those results, which are collated in a spreadsheet, are then submitted and letters issued to those accordingly.

The Chandlers Ford SpeedWatch team now consist of 10 members, who are all committed to the aim of making our local roads safer. We meet weekly at designated areas in the Parish and our presence in the local community has been greatly enhanced recently by the attendance of Special Police Constables, who with a calibrated Laser gun have attended sessions, allowing further enforcement.

Derek Lister, Community SpeedWatch coordinator for Chandler's Ford, said: "On one occasion, while operating at St Boniface car park on Hursley Road, a vehicle was obstructing our view in order to carry out our duties. One of the team approached the driver who got very agitated and abusive before eventually moving his vehicle. We ceased our activity but he was very swiftly reported – with officers visiting the driver to give stern advice based on his behaviour.

"While on the lighter side, we are often approached by members of the public who suggest other areas that we should be operating. We were asked by a driver to be active in Romsey, and despite being out of our remit, we suggested that he contact his local policing team and Parish Council – the upshot is that the driver is now looking at setting up a community SpeedWatch initiative in his local community.

"We always have a mixed reaction to our presence in the local community, but we as a group are all united in one thing, ensuring that our roads remain safe to use by local residents. We are always looking to attract new members so please do get in contact with your local policing team if you're interested."

Our Priorities

- Working to address issues surrounding knife-crime in Eastleigh Town Centre and safeguarding the youth community
- Working with partners to support and reduce the risks and harm of those who are homeless in Eastleigh
- Addressing a rise in anti-social behaviour and public disorder in the Hedge End North area



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	148	-4	98	-4	246	-8
1c Violence without Injury	421	48	242	18	663	66
2a Rape	11	-13	10	-1	21	-14
2b Other Sexual Offences	29	-10	22	-9	51	-19
3a Robbery of Business Property	1	1	1	1	2	2
3b Robbery of Personal Property	13	8	2	2	15	10
4a1 Burglary Residential	71	12	36	5	107	17
4a2 Burglary Business and Community	9	3	9	1	18	4
4b Vehicle Offences	77	23	53	23	130	46
4c Theft from the Person	6	1	5	4	11	5
4d Bicycle Theft	16	-12	15	5	31	-7
4e Shoplifting	50	16	73	21	123	37
4f All Other Theft Offences	103	37	51	-1	154	36
5a Criminal Damage	108	12	88	-20	196	-8
5b Arson	5	2	8	5	13	7
6a Trafficking of Drugs	5	-2	3	-2	8	-4
6b Possession of Drugs	24		10	-10	34	-10
7 Possession of Weapons Offences	19	7	6	2	25	9
8 Public Order Offences	154	-9	124	-11	278	-20
9 Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	18	-1	9	-2	27	-3
TOTAL	1,288	119	865	27	2,153	146

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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