

Welcome to the 16th newsletter from the
HUGHENDEN PARISH NAG.

The Neighbourhood priorities have been set following the completion
of the Consultation period, they are:-

1) SPEEDING. 2) LITTER. 3) PARKING.

Hughenden Neighbourhood. April 2011

Hello from the **Hughenden**, Hazlemere & Chepping Wycombe Neighbourhood Police Team (HNPT) and welcome to the December edition of the Newsletter for the **HUGHENDEN PARISH.**

If you need to contact the Neighbourhood Team then please dial the Thames Valley Police on the non-emergency number, 0845 8 505 505, and ask the police operator to put you through to the Hazlemere Police Office.

Alternatively you are welcome to send us an email at the following address (please copy and paste the e-mail address for ease of use):

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The team would also love to hear from the community regarding any positive or negative feedback that you may have or any issues or concerns that you may wish to raise.

SPEEDING:

The Speed Indication Device (SID) and residents using the Community Speed Watch (CSW) have been deployed in several areas within Hughenden Valley, Widmer End and Great Kingshill.

The Hughenden Valley Community Speed Watch results have shown that at the times between 0835 and 0935 on 21st March, traffic flow was moderate. A total of 50 vehicles were recorded as being over the 30MPH speed limit. Letters have been sent to the drivers of the offending vehicles.

Cockpit Road, Great Kingshill was checked around 0700hrs with a total of 140 vehicles being checked and the average speed was 29 MPH, however there was a total of 35 vehicles that exceeded the threshold the community side of the check generated letters that have now been processed and sent to the offenders.

Windmill lane was also checked with a total of 69 vehicles passing through. 1 vehicle was above the threshold and will receive a letter regarding the speed.

The T-Sid has been located on Copes Road Great Kingshill. The results will be analysed and published in the May newsletter.

T-SID has been approved for 3 deployments, Widmer End, Naphill and Hughenden Valley. Bucks Highways will position them in strategic positions that have previously been highlighted as hotspot areas for excess speed.

Four dates have been set for the **APRIL** period, the locations are yet to be established but each ward will have at least 1 SID deployment over the period. If you are interested in seeing how the device works or you are interested in becoming involved in the process please contact Natalie HALL or Lee Turnham at the above address or e-mail. We will then be able to inform you of the location and time that is appropriate to your ward.

LITTER:

The litter pick along the stretch of the Missenden Road at Cryers Hill has shown that residents care about the area in which they live and work. A male from out of the area was seen to deposit a bottle from his vehicle. With the aid of CCTV from Binders Yard the male was identified. The male from the Prestwood area was issued a fixed penalty ticket for £50.

There is to be further litter picks within the Parish, these are being organised by local groups.

PARKING:

Great Kingshill School has been relatively quiet with regards to parking issues, however the problem has not gone away. There are approximately 400 pupils in the school, we have to take the worst case and assume that there will be potentially 400 cars dropping off and picking up pupils. Although we know that this is not the case we still have look on the dark side. The movement of this amount of traffic was never ever foreseen when the school was built, it is now a reality. The school bus scheme is making slow but positive progress. With the price of fuel other schemes need to be explored; restoring the walking crocodiles and possibly a car sharing scheme, or ultimately a field close by that could be used for the parking. Police will continue to monitor and enforce the parking issues that arise.

Widmer End School; The parents still will not listen to advice on suitable parking. There have been numerous reports that the worst offenders are those who pick up their children at lunch time. Police have been to the school at lunch time to try and combat the behaviour. There is NO evidence that this is a cause for concern. The pick up in the afternoon attracts further vehicles to the area. This will be an ongoing problem that will be targeted. The obstruction of driveways is the main concern. This however has to be an immediate obstruction and that the driveway needs access there and then. It is very difficult to enforce if manoeuvring a vehicle is made difficult, but not an outright full obstruction.

OTHER MATTERS;

Metal Related Thefts;

Over the past few months the Hughenden, Hazlemere & Chepping Wycombe Police area has observed an increase in theft of metal. The metal is either being stripped from private and/or commercial properties, e.g. lead flashing being removed, or is being taken from a home owners garden or driveway where scrap metal is clearly visible to the general public.

The police are also receiving daily reports of vans and recovery trucks that are cruising the area looking for the opportunity to collect what the van's occupants deem to be unwanted scrap metal, or to use it as an excuse to trespass upon your property.

In some instances reported to the police, cycles that have been left unsecured in the front garden and old cars have also been taken.

The more vulnerable properties appear to be those having building or renovation work being carried out or those where scrap metal is left in full view of the public, e.g. an old radiator.

If the metal upon your property is of value to you then lock the item up and put it out of sight of prying eyes and don't send an open invitation to those who will profit from your loss.

If you genuinely have scrap metal that you want to be collected by a scrap merchant or "rag and bone" man then leave the item at the entrance of your property, like you would do with your wheelie bin. Alternatively take the scrap to a local scrap dealer and profit from your own recycling or take it to your local authority recycling centre.

The police have had some success in targeting those who collect scrap metal by working in partnership with The Environmental Agency, as scrap metal is classed as a waste product and those transporting metal need a licence. Operating without a licence can result in a large fine.

If you do observe any suspicious vehicles in the area then please call the police. Please be vigilant and help prevent crime.

Local allotment owners and gardening groups.

In the next few weeks a letter will be sent out to local allotment owners and gardening groups in the area, providing them with general crime prevention advice as to securing their boundaries, lighting,

shed security, property marking etc. If you know of an organisation/group that may benefit from this crime prevention initiative then please get in contact with a member of the HNPT.

Motoring;

The Roads Policing dept have been out and about, they have equipment fixed within the vehicles that enable the officers to ascertain if vehicles are covered by insurance. There have been 2 vehicles, in the Parish, seized in the last month.



HAVE YOUR SAY.

This has been implemented by the local Neighbourhood team; enabling members of the public to come and meet the team. The location for **APRIL** will be at the Parade of shops, opposite the co-op at **Walters Ash**. Neighbourhood Police officers will be available to address any concerns and that may affect you on a daily basis.

This will take place on **Tuesday 19th April 2011**. Between 1345hrs and 1500hrs.

Alternatively please use the link below.

www.thamesvalley.police.uk/haveyoursay

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