

Welcome to the 18th 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. June 2011

Hello from the **Hughenden**, Hazlemere & Chepping Wycombe Neighbourhood Police Team (HNPT) and welcome to the June 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 or e-mail us. lee.turnham@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk natalie.hall2@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

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.

The T-Sid was located on Brimmers Hill. The speed was monitored 24hrs a day over a 2 week period with the results are as follows;

26796 Vehicles passed within the period.

13053 Vehicles recorded above the threshold for enforcement.

34 MPH was the average recorded speed.

The CSW team were present on the A4128 Missenden Road at Great Kingshill on Friday 20th May. There were 195 vehicles recorded during the period. The average speed for the road was 31 MPH. but 96 vehicles were in excess of the 30MPH speed limit. 37 of these will receive letters under the CSW system. The highest speed recorded was 50MPH.

Naphill was scheduled to have CSW and SID on 10th May, but due to technical problems the day had to be postponed. However the SID has been deployed, the results show that the average speed of the vehicles was 29 MPH.

T-SID is currently in Naphill and Hughenden Valley. Bucks Highways will supply the data at the end of the allocated period.

Two dates have been set for the **JUNE** 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 & PARKING:

These were part of the 2010/2011 Neighbourhood priorities now being reviewed. With the overwhelming drive towards a priority of speeding/road safety, already being highlighted, speeding will remain as one of the top priorities for 2011/2012. The new priority survey has been concluded and full results are to be published in the July newsletter,

OTHER MATTERS;

Sarah Jane Pilkington of North Dean, has been found guilty of Driving without Due Care. She was fined £70 with £80 costs. Her licence was also endorsed with 5 penalty points.

Alan Paul Hatch of Widmer End has been found Guilty of Excess Speed. He was fined £180 with costs of £80 and Disqualified from driving for a period of 6 months.

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR;

Motorbikes (MB's) & ASB: Miniature Motorbikes, commonly known as "Mini-Motos" and off road motorcycles (including quad bikes), have become an increasingly popular past time in the past few years and have become more prevalent within the community. However the public are generally unaware of the ASB related problems that the MB's are causing, e.g. noise, danger to other road users, etc, which result in a high number of complaints being made to the police.

MB users are also often confused about where they are lawfully entitled to ride MB's and wrongfully assume that they can ride them on roads or footpaths, common land, woodland or recreational parks (refer to Section 34 of Road Traffic Act 1988 for more details). The only place that these types of MB's can be ridden is on privately owned land where the permission of the land owner has been given. However if permission is granted and the piece of land also allows access to the public, e.g. a public footpath runs through the piece of land, then the owner of the land would have to potentially comply with health & safety legislation to ensure the safety of the public. This may include the erection of signs and barriers, plus public liability insurance maybe required. The land owner could also face prosecution if the noise of the MB's becomes an issue.

MB's can therefore only be ridden on private land where the general public do not have access or at an authorised race or off road track/course. The nearest location that I am aware of that caters for off road bikes is on Daws Hill Lane, Flackwell Heath, which is run by Z-Racing.

A Mini-Moto is classified by the Department of Transport as a motor vehicle and therefore must comply with road traffic legislation (this includes quad & moto cross bikes) if used on a road or other place to which the public have access, e.g. common land, woodland, recreational park, etc.

If the MB's are used at these locations then the rider could face prosecution for no insurance, not possessing a driving licence, having no road tax or MOT, etc (refer to Road Vehicles Construction & Use Regulations 1986 for more details). Plus the MB's could be seized by the police if the rider has been previously issued with a Section 59 of the Police Reform Act 2002 warning.

The police therefore urge anyone who may own or is looking to purchase a MB that they conduct thorough research about the relevant laws, legislation and where MB's can be lawfully used. This approach will hopefully reduce ASB complaints and prevent you from being prosecuted.



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 **June** will be at the **Hughenden Community Shop Hughenden Valley**. Neighbourhood Police officers will be available to address any concerns and that may affect you on a daily basis.

This will take place on **Thursday 09th June 2011**. Between 1000hrs and 1130hrs.

Alternatively please use the link below.

www.thamesvalley.police.uk/haveyoursay

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