**You said...**
Retailers in Southwold asked if there was a way of ensuring they could provide better evidence of shoplifting.

**We did...**
Southwolds’ PCSO has come up with an idea which could be taken up by other towns in our area. See the ‘Preventing’ box below for further details.

**Responding to issues in your community**
Additional Officers were on duty over the Christmas & New Year period in our part of Suffolk to respond more quickly to reports of anticipated anti-social behaviour. Attention was directed at ‘Hot-spots’, with mobile patrols close by in case of trouble. Two incidents were reported, one in Halesworth & one in Southwold, offenders identified & arrests made.

**Making the community safer**
Suffolk Constabulary launched a speeding campaign on the 7th of January, running for three weeks. The first week will concentrate on speaking with drivers and educating them about the risks and dangers of speeding, with the second & third weeks aimed at enforcement. Although fatal collisions in 2018 were half that of the preceding year, there were still 17 incidents.

**Preventing, reducing and solving crime and ASB**
In December, Southwold PCSO Ben Hedley-Lewis, started 'Southwold Town Radio', a scheme involving the towns' retailers who have short wave radios to keep in touch with each other. The idea is that, should a theft or other offence occur, the proprietor can immediately raise the awareness of other Southwold shops & businesses so they know what the offenders look like.

**This SNT covers the following parishes**
All Saints & St. Nicholas, South Elmham, Banacres, Blythburgh, Bramfield, Brampton-with-Steven, Chealton, Cockley, Covehithe, Cratfield, Darsham, Dunwich, Flinton, Froston, Halesworth, Heveningham, Horsey, Homersfield, Huntingfield, Linstead Magna, Linstead Parva, Peasenhall, Reydon, Rumburgh, Rushmere, Shotton, South Cove, Southwold, Speyside, St. Andrew, Ufford, St. Cross, South Elmham, St. James, South Elmham, St. John, Weston, St. Lawrence, Wissett, St. Margaret, Wissett, St. Mary, South Elmham, St. Michael, South Elmham, St. Peter, South Elmham, Thorington, Ufford, Wissett, Wrentham and Yoxford.

**Future events**
On the 26th of January, we will be in attendance at the Rifle Hall in Halesworth between 10am & 1pm, conducting one of our regular Special Constabulary recruitment events. Applicants must be 18 or older, in good health and of “good character” and will receive full training. All of our special officers are highly trained and play an essential role in preventing, reducing and tackling crime and keeping Suffolk safe.
We are seeking applicants from all communities in our area with differing skills and experience, so if you have 16 hours a month or more to offer us, anytime of the day or night, and are interested in finding out more please come along to one of our events.

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