

April '17



SUFFOLK
CONSTABULARY

YOUR SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM REPORT

Lowestoft

Wards of Kessingland, Pakefield, Carlton Colville, Carlton, Whitton, Kirkley, Harbour, Oulton, Oulton Broad, St Margarets, Normanston, Gunton, Corton and Lothingland

COVERING

1446 INCIDENTS RECEIVED

1023 INVESTIGATIONS RECORDED

YOU SAID...

Vital intelligence received from residents regarding drug possession and supply

WE DID...

Regular patrols performed by a number of PCSOs, PCs and special constables to build on intelligence from residents regarding drug possession and supply which has lead to a number of arrests.

STATISTICS

SUFFOLK POLICE AND CRIME PLAN PRIORITIES

FIGURES FOR March

Burglary Dwelling

20

Robbery

6

Violence with Injury

108

Serious Sexual Offences

15

Drug Trafficking

7

Anti-Social Behaviour

79



FUTURE EVENTS

Wedenday 26th April:

PCSO Ledbetter Police Surgery at Kessingland Library 1pm-2pm

PCSO Dennington and PCSO George at Kirkley Mill community engagement 11am-1pm



FURTHER INFORMATION

Welcome to the March edition of the Lowestoft Safer Neighbourhood Team newsletter.

This month we have seen a number of active community engagements in the Lowestoft area. PCSO Dennington and PCSO Holland performed a number of successful street meets. The idea of the street meets is to give local residents the opportunity to come and talk face-to-face to community support officers. We were then able to gather vital intelligence that aids the police to combat criminal activity. Street meets also offer a level of support and safety for those that live in the Lowestoft area which is what we aim to achieve.

Patrols have been performed by a number of our special constables and police officers this month. Pc Stranks and Pc Lewis combined Lowestoft and Halesworth forces and patrolled Kessingland. They acted quickly on suspicious behaviour which resulted in two people being dealt with for possession and supply of drugs. Our officers act on intelligence from street meets and other community engagement events and perform patrols in areas where we understand there to be criminal activity.

PCSO Wicks has continuously worked hard with residents to solve the ongoing anti-social behaviour that is causing a nuisance in a residential area of Lowestoft. Those causing the anti-social behavior were sternly spoken to by PCSO Wicks and it was explained that if this behaviour continues, offences will be recorded as crimes and they could potentially have a criminal record at a young age. All victims were updated and were happy with the outcome.

PCSO Chapman and PCSO George visited Lowestoft College to speak to a number students about keeping safe and responsible now they are becoming more independent. This was successful and many of the students engaged well and asked a lot of questions about recruitment and what it is like to work for Suffolk Constabulary.

PCSO Dennington has been busy pushing for the awareness of modern day slavery. Unfortunately, this is something that still happens and many people from the UK and overseas are being forced to work against their will in many different sectors, including brothels, cannabis farms, nail bars, car washes, hospitality, factories and agriculture. The more people that are aware of modern slavery and what signs to look for will help the police to combat this once and for all. Please see more information regarding modern slavery on the next page.

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FURTHER INFORMATION

As the weather is getting better and the school holidays are to be in full swing, please be aware of your personal belongings now there are more people out and about...

The following steps may help you protect your purse, wallet or bag from thieves:

- > Keep your bag closed and close to you at all times if possible with the opening towards your body.
- > Close your purse and put it away before you leave the till.
- > Try not to overload yourself with bags and coats.
- > Avoid carrying your wallet or purse in a back trouser pocket.
- > Keep cash secure and out of sight
- > When you put money in your handbag, don't let people see where you put it – especially when you are using an ATM.
- > Do not leave your handbag, pushchair or shopping trolley unattended.
- > When packing groceries in your car, never leave your handbag on the boot or roof of your car.

Modern Day Slavery: Identifying victims

- Is the victim in possession of a passport, identification or travel documents? Are these documents in possession of someone else?
- Does the victim act as if they were instructed or coached by someone else? Do they allow others to speak for them when spoken to directly?
- Was the victim recruited for one purpose and forced to engage in some other job? Was their transport paid for by facilitators, whom they must pay back through providing services?
- Does the victim receive little or no payment for their work? Is someone else in control of their earnings?
- Was the victim forced to perform sexual acts?
- Does the victim have freedom of movement?
- Has the victim or family been threatened with harm if the victim attempts to escape?
- Is the victim under the impression they are bonded by debt, or in a situation of dependence?
- Has the victim been harmed or deprived of food, water, sleep, medical care or other life necessities?
- Can the victim freely contact friends or family? Do they have limited social interaction or contact with people outside their immediate environment?

If you are concerned about anyone you feel that may be subject to modern day slavery, please contact the Police on 101 in a non-emergency or 999 if it is an emergency and tell the operator that you have concerns regarding modern day slavery.

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Blundeston, Carlton Colville, Corton, Flixton, Gisleham, Kessingland, Lound, Lowestoft, Oulton, Somerleyton, Ashby and Herringfleet