

SNT Newsletter

Lowestoft

You said...

Ongoing anti-social behaviour of youths in south Lowestoft that are causing issues in the community.

We did...

Police officers and PCSOs in the SNT are working together to identify those responsible and are making progress with a possible outcome.

Inspector Liz Casey



Responding to issues in your community

The SNT have continued their work around the spate of cycle thefts in and around the town centre of Lowestoft. PCSOs and PCs have been performing high visibility patrols around Lowestoft College, the Sixth Form and town centre to not only offer reassurance but to challenge those that are acting suspiciously around bikes in these areas. This operation is ongoing and the police are reminding cycle owners to please use appropriate locks when securing their cycles. More information on how to keep your cycle safe can be found on the next page.

Making the community safer

New Safer Neighbourhood Team Police Officer 1396 Chris Groom joined our team on Friday 1st December. PC Groom has been working closely with his new team to assist with surveillance installation applications to help identify suspects linked to a number of crimes. The SNT were part of the major incident response exercise that took place at Pleasurewood Hills and Lowestoft Hospital on Tuesday 28th November. Ambulances, fire engines, police helicopters and military aircraft were all part of the training exercise. SNT officers were out on high visibility patrols reassuring the public and preventing any issues created by the exercise.

Future events

Wednesday 13th December- PCSO Surgery. Kessingland Library 14:00 PCSO Ledbetter

Friday 8th December- Late night shopping, London Road North. Until 8pm

Preventing, Reducing and Solving Crime and ASB

Cycle Security

- > Invest in a good quality lock for your bicycle – D locks are the most effective and a worthwhile investment
- > Use a lock to secure the bike-stand, wheel rim and frame together – making it more difficult for a thief to take
- > Never leave your bike unlocked in a public place - leaving it unattended even for a minute can mean it is gone when you return
- > Find a suitable location to leave and secure your bike – dark alleys, drain-pipes and posts are all best avoided
- > Get your bike security marked by your local Safer Neighbourhood Team – making it readily identifiable should it be recovered
- > You could register your bike using a third party service to further protect it such as Bike Register or Immobilise.

Shopping Safely

- > Never leave your bags or shopping unattended especially if you have stopped for a coffee and avoid hanging your bag on the back of your chair. In a busy environment it is easy to get distracted and even easier for a thief to steal your bags.
- > Keep wallets, purses, mobile phones and tablets out of sight and bags secure, especially in crowded places.
- > Keep your pin numbers separate from your bank cards.
- > ALWAYS COVER YOUR PIN especially at checkouts. You don't know who is looking over your shoulder.
- > Before inserting your card have a look at the machine to check it looks normal.
- > Be vigilant when drawing money from ATMs.
- > Try to pay for items on a card rather than carrying large amounts of cash or keep the amount you carry to a minimum.

This SNT covers the following parishes

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