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INTRODUCTION

I was absolutely delighted and privileged to be appointed as the PCC's proposed candidate for Suffolk's next Chief Constable earlier this month. This appointment is subject to the appointment being confirmed by the Police and Crime Panel next month. I am thrilled to be the first female Chief Constable in the county, and to be leading such a fantastic organisation with such hard-working officers, staff, and volunteers. Looking ahead, I am totally committed to helping lead Suffolk Constabulary with confidence and optimism, and I am really proud and honoured to be part of such a great force.

It was wonderful to see so many people out across the county commemorating Remembrance Day, honouring those who have died in the line of duty. Myself and a number of my fellow Chief Officers attended events around the county and laid wreaths, as well as conducting a smaller parade at police headquarters.

As we approach the Christmas season, policing once again steps up its campaign to keep all people safe during this period of celebration. Working with industry and agency partners collectively to ensure people enjoy the festivities safely, our aim will be to prevent crime from taking place. We will focus on tackling the drivers of criminality, including the supply and use of drugs, for example, Operation Fletch working with industry at the point of entry to prevent drugs getting into licenced premises. Through these partnerships we also are providing support, guidance and information to both members of the public, for example, the newly designed [Ask for Angela posters](#), which have been updated with QR codes for detailed advice and further links; as well as the creation of briefing sheets for venues which provide advice on schemes that can support them in providing a safe operating environment. We know our industry partners in particular are keen to ensure safety is a priority and we have been helping them to be better equipped and informed to identify early signs of disorder and vulnerability, such as spiking. Having access to the right tools and information will help them not only prevent crime, but also help us bring offenders to justice when criminality does occur. For more information and guidance please visit our ["First Principle" webpage](#).

White Ribbon is a UK charity engaging men and boys to end violence against women and girls. The White Ribbon Day campaign

runs from 25 November to 10 December and aims to end male violence against women and girls by engaging with men and boys and promoting positive action to make a stand against violence. It's important that we use this time to raise awareness about where people in Suffolk can go for help and advice if they are experiencing violence or are concerned about someone. I think it is also important that we help people to safely make a difference by not being a bystander to abuse and violence. Our key messages are-

- Violence, abuse and intimidation against women and girls in any form, and anywhere, is not acceptable
- We will pursue perpetrators of physical or mental abuse and do whatever we can to protect women against them
- Police and other organisations are working together to make Suffolk a safer place for women and girls
- Support is available; we really want women and girls to come to us to report their experiences of harm to the police directly or indirectly and have confidence they will be taken seriously, supported and treated with dignity and respect
- We will listen to the experiences of women and girls and their opinions will be respected

Many of you may have seen the recent reports expressing concerns about standards of behaviour in UK policing, particularly the vetting process when people apply for policing careers. In Suffolk Constabulary, we take these matters very seriously and have robust processes in place to deal with complaints and allegations against officers and staff. All our officers and staff are vetted – including anyone joining the organisation from another constabulary and additional vetting requirements are reviewed periodically throughout a person's service. If a member of the public has a concern about an officers' behaviour they can make a complaint by calling 101 or by filling in an online form on our [website](#). I am very proud of the courage and integrity of the vast majority of my colleagues, but I also want to be sure we are doing all we can to identify and address anyone who behaves in ways that do not meet our high standards and will be reviewing these reports carefully for anything we need to do here to learn and improve. We are looking for new people to join us as officers and staff – so if you are reading this, please don't let these reports put you off a career in policing. Suffolk needs more talented people to serve



its communities and to join the great people serving in our organisation.

Finally, Citizens in Policing is a national policing brand and the umbrella term for the Special Constabulary, Police Support Volunteers, and Cadets. I am very grateful and proud of all of our volunteers in Suffolk who give up their precious time so selflessly to work alongside our officers and staff to help to create capacity and resilience. Our recruitment is currently open within all strands of Citizens in Policing, but we also strive to develop and retain our volunteers by creating innovative opportunities for them. Recently, we have created a new Roads Policing Unit where Specials are now fully trained to the same level as our regular officers, to focus on the fatal 4 and preventing criminality on our roads. We have introduced drone qualified Special Constables and also have officers in our Scorpion Rural Crime teams. The next Special Constable recruitment event is an online event on Tuesday 6th December at 6:30pm, and our Special Constabulary recruitment team will be at the Britten Centre in Lowestoft on Saturday 26th December between 10am – 2pm. They will also be present at the University of Suffolk on Tuesday 8th November between 11am and 2pm. All details are on the Suffolk Constabulary webpage and our 2023 recruitment events will be published soon.

**Chief Constable
Rachel Kearton**

As Christmas approaches my spirits are lifted at the thought of all this season of goodwill has to offer. For me, it provides the opportunity to renew old friendships, exchange gifts and enjoy family gatherings; it's also a time for reflection - a chance to look back on the year.

As your Police and Crime Commissioner, I am proud to say that Suffolk remains one of the safest counties in which to live and work and we should be very grateful to everyone in the Constabulary who continually rise to the challenge to keep us safe.

Looking back over 2022, there have been some testing times and some very positive ones too. In the early part of the year Covid still had a grip on our lives but I'm happy to say this is now more or less behind us and officers are able to go about their duties unhindered. The Constabulary was inspected by His Majesty's Inspectorate and we had a really good, positive report.

I am delighted to say we end the year with a new Chief Constable. Rachel Kearton was formally confirmed as our new Chief on Friday 2nd December. Rachel joined Suffolk Constabulary in 2015 as Assistant Chief Constable and promoted to Deputy Chief Constable in 2019. Rachel has a wealth of experience and knows the enormous challenges ahead for us in Suffolk including finance, increasing demand and the changes in the pattern of crime. Improving public trust and confidence will be fundamental to her role. I have no doubt that she is the right person to lead the Constabulary in its delivery of my Police and Crime Plan.

So what lies ahead for 2023? The early part of the year will be focussed on the budget. The Chief and I will decide what level of policing precept to set for the next financial year. As in previous years, I will consult with Suffolk residents and businesses to gauge your views on my budget proposals. The consultation will start early in the new year, please look out of the detail on my website in January and let me know what you think.

At this time of the year I always like to thank everyone for their dedication and support - officers, staff, our enthusiastic team of volunteers including the Special Constabulary and their families and friends without whom policing in Suffolk would not have the successes it has. That powerful combination of compassion and care for each other is what makes our county such a great place.

Finally, please keep safe during the festive period whether you are out and about or staying at home. I wish you and all those dear to you, a happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous new year.

**Police and Crime Commissioner
Tim Passmore**





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PC Amy Yeldham, Community Engagement Officer



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Inspector
Mark Jackson

Inspector Mark Jackson is responsible for the two Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Lowestoft, Beccles and Bungay locality.

So where do I start? Let's start at the very beginning. A very good place to start as Mary Poppins would say! We kicked off October with some sunny foot patrols around Beccles and Bungay from some of the Safer Neighbourhood Team namely PC Stephen Fisher (not long now till he hangs up his epaulettes for retirement, Steve, we will miss you - thank you for your service.) He was joined by PC Joseph McKay who in the process of his patrol ended up trying out his scooting skills down at the skate park on Common Lane in Beccles, he was quite good! PSCO Ben Hedley-Lewis joined the team and has not stopped since he got here, he can be found most days on foot patrol in the area, so give him a wave if you see him.

Then came the HOPE Awards which are for young people of high school and further education age; and there are four categories of diversity; respect & kindness; teamwork and determination. From these categories there are overall Suffolk winners. Within the east of Suffolk in year 10/11 the Diversity winner was Daniel Jillings of Bungay High School. Daniel has been profoundly deaf since birth and has raised awareness amongst staff and students by leading a signing choir and teaching British Sign Language at school. He has campaigned for BSL to be recognised as its own language and did a BSL presentation at Parliament. He also campaigns for BSL to be a GCSE. Daniel was also named an overall winner for Suffolk and was presented his awards at Bungay High School on Monday 10th October by PC Chris Belcher - well done Daniel!

Sam Kenwood, Community Engagement Officer for East Suffolk Council, who joined me on many of them over last few months. 'Street meets' will start again January/February and will be advertised via social media and Police Connect, as always, we will provide free cycle and property marking as well as general crime prevention at all our 'street meets'. Ideal if you get a new bike for Christmas - pop it down to us in the new year and we will security mark it for you.

During November local officers from the Special Constabulary and the Safer Neighbourhood Team attended Remembrance parades in the area, including our own Emergency Services Cadets.

Speed enforcement has been conducted by me and PC Simon Green in areas of Beccles and Worlingham over the last month, we will continue to conduct further speed enforcement around the surrounding areas during December and into the new year.

The Kestrel team have been very busy throughout the east and have been out and about in Beccles and Bungay over the last couple of months doing foot patrols around the areas. Great to see them out and about.

I was lucky enough to be part of the careers week at Bungay High School where I and PC Chris Belcher had a chat with students about the police and careers within the police, we had a fantastic group who had some great questions for us!

Finally, I have to mention PCSO Hedley Lewis again as he was so pleased to have found the good work that Rosedale Funeral Home were doing in Bungay. They have been collecting items for the shoebox appeal, honestly, I've got to say that's most impressive, he almost looks like Santa there!

Well done everyone who contributed to the shoe box appeal - you have really outdone yourselves; you are going to make a lot of people happy this Christmas. It certainly made PCSO Hedley-Lewis's day.

Merry Xmas and Happy New Year - we will see you in 2023!



I've been out in all weathers for our 'street meets' in Beccles at Tesco's and at Swines Green and at Wharton Street Carpark in Bungay. My thanks to

EAST



LOWESTOFT

PC Chris Pallett, Community Engagement Officer

We've recently had a fortnight of activity with 'Crucial Crew' at South Lowestoft Community Church. 'Crucial Crew' was set up over 15 years ago by Lowestoft Rotary Clubs and features scenarios set up by the fire and rescue service, St John's Ambulance, the beach lifeguards amongst others. Each scenario lasts 12 minutes and is designed to teach the children how to keep safe in their daily lives and activities. This year the police scenario was in relation to online safety and the dangers of sharing pictures/images etc via social media outlets and the offences that are linked to that. Trust me it was more interesting than it sounds and the children seemed to enjoy it. In total, over the two weeks we gave our input to nearly 1,300 students from over 30 schools in the local area. It was a great success, I really enjoyed it and hopefully we can do it again next year.



There has also been lots of positive proactive police work carried out by the response teams here at Lowestoft. One of the best results this month came when one team discovered a large cannabis factory in north Lowestoft whilst on patrol in the evening. A male was arrested at the scene and subsequently charged remanded to attend court. Well done team!

Finally, it's not often I allow my ugly mug to be photographed, but today I made an exception when I went to see my biggest fan Frances. Frances lives in Britten Court Residential Home in Lowestoft and I was approached by staff who said that Frances is a big fan of the police and would love it if an officer could come and see her. Frances doesn't get many visitors and was very happy to see me bless her - which in our line of work is very rare!!! 20 minutes out of my day to stop and have chat with Frances has made her week, and mine. Plus there was cake! Thank you for your hospitality Britten Court.

This month has also seen one of our Lowestoft officers receive recognition for saving the life of a young person. PC Caine Hammond at Lowestoft received a Royal Humane Society Award for saving the life of a young female who was in immediate danger after entering onto train tracks in Lowestoft in May 2021. The female was reported missing and was found entering railway tracks as a train was approaching. The female was pushed to safety and then looked after by PC Hammond and his colleagues. Well done Caine, top work mate we are all proud of you!



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Inspector Mark Jackson

Inspector Mark Jackson is responsible for the two Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Lowestoft, Beccles and Bungay locality.



HALESWORTH DISTRICT

PC Simon Green, Community Engagement Officer

The onset of autumn often sees police receiving an increase in missing persons reports. If someone goes missing, contact anyone you think may know their whereabouts - if you're still concerned, contact [Suffolk Police](#). You do not have to wait 24 hours before contacting police.

When officers are despatched, they will ask the reporting person and/or friends & family for the following relating to the missing person:

- for their photo
- details of their friends or relatives
- details of places the person often visits
- whether they had a medical condition
- for a sample of their DNA, for example from a toothbrush
- With a relative's permission, they may also ask to search the person's home.

The person will be recorded as missing and their details made available to other UK police forces within 48 hours. If police find a person aged under 18, their parents or guardians will usually be told their whereabouts unless police believe the child's safety is at risk. If the person is aged over 18, police will not pass on their whereabouts without their permission.

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Inspector Gary King

Inspector Gary King is responsible for the three Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Halesworth locality.



Without doubt, as community engagement officer, the subject of speeding is that about which I receive the most contact from the public. With over 130 parishes in the Halesworth policing locality, it would take one officer four months, conducting speed enforcement on two days of a seven day shift pattern and calling at four parishes per day, to attend every parish in our area. Unfortunately, it's not possible to allocate two whole days per shift to speed enforcement due to other demands, so speed enforcement cannot be carried out as often as the public and officers would wish, not by hand-held speed gun at the road-side anyway. We do of course have two safety cam vans, staffed by operators whose role is to only do speed enforcement and it is they who now conduct most speed enforcement in our locality.

The safety cam team have numerous locations they visit, frequency of visits determined by the density of traffic and the frequency & time of day of most speeding or the highest speeds. This data is acquired by the deployment of a Speed Data Recorded (SDR) which is placed at a new location for seven days. If the data does not meet the criteria for the safety cam team, a request is made for enforcement to be conducted by officers using hand-held devices.

Sometimes, I have to explain that speed enforcement cannot be carried out along a particular stretch of road by either method. This might be because there is nowhere safe for an officer to stand & pull over a vehicle or for the safety cam van to park with an adequate view.

To request a road be considered as a new location for the safety cam van, scroll to the bottom of this page from the [Suffolk Roadsafes website](#) where you'll find the e-mail address for the Community Enforcement Officers.

Personally, last week I conducted speed enforcement at Ilketshall St. Andrew, Worlingworth, Peasenhall & Palgrave.

By the time you read this, the Christmas season will be very close, bringing additional traffic demand on police to enforce drink & drug driving. Our enforcement campaign usually begins at the end of November & runs to the New Year. Last year, almost 2000 road-side tests were carried out, with 172 drivers failing. Please enjoy your Christmas & New Year safely & responsibly. [Suffolk Police - Drink & Drug Driving](#)

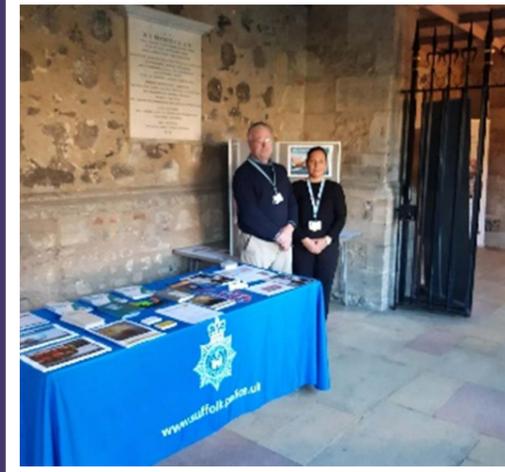




BURY ST EDMUNDS

PC Lee Andrews-Pearce, Community Engagement Officer

We've been delivering inputs about modern slavery awareness at Bury St Edmunds Cathedral where we talked to visitors about recognising the signs of modern slavery in our communities covering forced agricultural labour, domestic servitude and County Lines and promoted the use of The Clewer initiative safe car wash app.



Royal Engineers at RAF Honington. The CSW initiative allows members of the community to address the issue of speeding by becoming actively involved in road safety, monitoring speeds at safe locations with speed detection equipment. The aim of the CSW initiative is to address the problem of speeding through a partnership of the police, the local community, parish councils and other partners. The aim of the initiative is not to catch as many speeding drivers as possible, if none are recorded during a survey session, then the objective has been achieved. It is to reduce speed in areas of concern, make drivers aware that excessive speed is socially unacceptable, re-educate drivers about the dangers of speeding and address concerns from local residents about cars speeding through their neighbourhoods.



The team are continuing to work with the Parkinson's support group in Bury St. Edmunds providing the group with information & advice about the latest frauds and scams and how to protect themselves and their families from becoming victims to these crimes.

County Lines remains a priority to the team who are committed to disrupt and deter dealers in the town and protect the vulnerable members of our community who are often exploited by County Lines dealers. During the intensification week we carried out a warrant in the town resulting in two people being arrested with cash, drugs and weapons being seized.

Community Engagement Officer PC Lee Andrews-Pearce has trained three new Community Speed Watch groups in and around Bury St Edmunds including service personnel from the

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**Inspector
Andy Beeby**

Inspector Andy Beeby is responsible for the Safer Neighbourhood Team in the Bury St Edmunds locality.



MILDENHALL

PC Richard Smith, Community Engagement Officer

It's been a busy period getting to know the different areas that fall under the Forest Heath locality, as well as taking the time to get out and about to understand more from the community how best we can support it as a force.

In early October I attended Newmarket Market along with our Rural Crime Team, PCSO Bill Butcher and PCC Tim Passmore, talking to members of the public on being safe in the community, spiking and giving an update on the current rural crime trends.

Both the Chief Constable Rachel Kearton and Police and Crime Commissioner Tim Passmore were in attendance for the public meeting for our area at the Hub in Mildenhall. At the meeting both Rachel and Tim were able to give an update on the current position and progression of the force, responding to several questions from those who attended. Speeding was one of the main items raised and Tim confirmed two further speed enforcement vehicles would shortly be deployed to assist in policing this issue across Suffolk.

There was also a concern over the proposed addition of 1300 new houses to our area and the Chief Constable confirmed our response to the development would be fed in to give the views of the police.

Prior to the meeting I had the pleasure of working with the Community Speed Watch volunteers at Tuddenham St Mary who have been doing a sterling job, as do all our Speed Watch volunteers, in raising the profile of individuals who continue to ignore speed limits, endangering the lives of those who live in the area. I find it interesting online when posting on social media at the negative comments that come in suggesting we should be doing real police work, when one of the biggest daily problems we face in the Forest Heath locality is road traffic collisions due to poor driving standards, speed, and drink/drug driving.

I have attended several local schools giving inputs from knife crime awareness, County Lines, bullying and online safety which has allowed me to get to know the younger members of our community better, breaking down any barriers that might have existed due to preconceived ideas. I was asked to pay a special visit to St Christopher's C of E Primary School in Red Lodge to present a wonderful piece of art, which focuses on getting children to read more, to the school from an anonymous local artist. The reaction from the children was fantastic, pointing out the books they had read and the characters they knew so well.

We continue to disrupt the drugs network in the Newmarket area, with two individuals being charged and remanded for possession with intent to supply offences. We have again seen a rise in anti-social behaviour in the Mildenhall and Beck Row areas. The individuals involved have been identified and steps are being taken to robustly manage them to stop any escalation as previously seen.



It was a pleasure to be part of several community event with myself and Sergeant Peter Maxfield getting out and about during the Halloween trick or treat evening. This was followed by officers and the Cadets attending remembrance parades across the locality, with myself attending both the Mildenhall and the Newmarket events on the Sunday.

We have just completed our Operation Sceptre week of action which raises awareness of knife crime and the damaging effects this can have on our communities. As part of this we re-allocated the knife amnesty bin to the police information point at the Mildenhall Hub and on arrival it was emptied with 216 knives removed for destroy.

We also attended the switch on of the Newmarket lights, handing out stickers and several children's reflective badges to keep them safe during the darker hours. We have a few events that we will be present at going forward which include 'Merry Mildenhall' and Brandon Christmas Market, where we will be out on foot patrol, so please come over for a chat.

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**Inspector
Connor Lyon**

Inspector Connor Lyon is responsible for the three Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Mildenhall, Newmarket and Brandon locality.

Members of the team can be seen out on foot patrol in the town centre, on the estates and in the rural villages. Foot patrols are considered one of the best ways to reach out to the community and allows for better levels of engagement across a wide range of the public. Having 'boots on the ground' allows people to talk to officers about issues and concerns where they live or work.

We would like to take this opportunity wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy new year.

WEST



SUDBURY

PC Darren Marshall, Community Engagement Officer

In early November, all at Sudbury police were so proud to learn that our former Police Cadet Jemma could now be correctly called PC Jemma Slade. Whilst we never promote that being a Volunteer Police Cadet is a sure way into the police service, through her hard work and academic success she passed out with flying colours along with her 19 classmates in our inaugural degree entry intake recently. Jemma is now being tutored on response in Haverhill. Good luck in all that you do, stay safe and come back to see your home unit whenever you can, you'll always be welcome. We were so pleased to have shared your special evening with you and your family.



the day for their smart appearance and how they conducted themselves throughout what was a long, long day. There was a little bit of fun at lunch time though as they staged a little photo shoot trying to recreate the famous drawing called "Nine Half Pints of the Law" which I'm sure hangs in many an officer's home. We gave it a bit of a Christmas twist too.



From all of us at Sudbury police station, here's wishing you all a safe and wonderful festive period. If you're working like us, I do hope you get some time relax and enjoy yourself also.



It continued to be a positive few weeks here at Sudbury because also in November, we had a visit from Chief Constable Rachel Kearton. The visit was to award our fantastic current group of Special Constables with the latest Suffolk Constabulary team of the month award. This is the very first time that a team of our treasured Specials have had this title bestowed on them. Between S/Sgt Richard Everett and SCs Tina Barber, Sarah Robinson, Megan Gardiner and Jim Woodward they've collectively notched up well over 2600 hours of quality duties alongside their regular colleagues. Thank you for your valuable and much appreciated support.

Our local cadets have been out a lot in recent weeks, helping with a community litter pick, performing Halloween ASB patrols and even putting up fences at a new local care farm in Lindsey. Once again though, almost all of our cohort of young volunteers turned out to represent us at both the Lavenham and Sudbury Remembrance parades on 13th November 2022. They had much praise on

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T/Inspector Ben Hollands

Inspector Matt Paisley is responsible for the two Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Sudbury and Haverhill locality.



HAVERHILL

PC Cheryl Claydon, Community Engagement Officer

It has been a busy few weeks for me in Haverhill with plenty of events that taking place that I've been in attendance at.



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I had the pleasure of attending Stour Valley School in Clare as a group of their students had won a HOPE Award for teamworking. The annual awards aim to recognise and celebrate the positive contributions that young people make in Suffolk. This group led the school response to sexual harassment in schools and had created an awareness video, as well as a school code of ethics, compiled a questionnaire to assess the extent of the issue and they're currently planning fundraising for victims and advice for young people on how to stand up for themselves and others. A great piece of problem solving and partnership working so many congratulations to all those involved. If you would like to nominate a young person for a HOPE Award please visit our website www.suffolk.police.uk for more information.



Other recent visits included one to Cleves Place care home to talk about the work of the police and I also took part in the singing of happy birthday

to one resident, Edwin, who was celebrating his 90th year! I have also paid a visit to the 1st Wickhambrook Beavers to teach them about making 999 calls, hate crime and the phonetic alphabet.

Elsewhere we attended the Remembrance parades in Haverhill and Kedington to show our respects which both had good turns out for the parade and the public watching.

We had a productive time at a recent multi-agency day of action in the town where over 80 vehicles were checked. The operation was carried out by officers from the roads and armed policing team and included partner agencies such as the driver and vehicle licensing agency, home office immigration enforcement and trading standards. 81 vehicles were escorted back to the site with just seven leaving clear of any offences. Six vehicles were seized and nine arrests were made for various offences with 100 fixed penalty notice tickets issued for various offences. A really productive day, I am sure you will agree!

Just to make you aware of a couple of incidents of an attempted theft and theft of motor-homes recently. The attempted theft took place on Roman Way on 11 November where a Peugeot motor home was tampered with, whilst on Wrating Road the offenders unfortunately stole a Peugeot motor-home a week later. Please do visit our First Principle crime prevention pages on our police website for all the latest tips and guidance on vehicle security.

Elsewhere, we've had some reports of anti-social behaviour on the Clements estate with reports of children knocking on doors and causing damage to properties of vulnerable and elderly people now the darker nights now here. We have delivered ASB surveys in the area to gauge the view of residents, sent a letter to all the schools in the area to send on to parents notifying them of the issue, and we have raised the topic with our partners as it is an issue that needs a co-ordinated approach and response by all. We have also conducted more foot patrols in the area and we will monitor the situation closely as we enter the school Christmas holiday period.

Wishing you all a merry Christmas and a happy and healthy new year from Haverhill police – thank you for all your support this past year. Enjoy the festivities and stay safe!

WEST

SOUTH

SOUTH
Area Commander
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Andy Martin



STOWMARKET

PC Stefan Henriksen, Community Engagement Officer

The Stowmarket SNT (Safer Neighbourhood Team) priorities for this month are targeted at ASB (anti social behaviour) and drug use at specific locations. We are targeting Haughley play area, and the housing surrounding it, the Crowley Park area of Needham Market and the business and residential areas around it, while we are also targeting the areas around the New Green centre, The Pit, the Blackthorpe Valley car park, and the shopping/railway station car park, all within Thurston.

In these areas there will be increased high visibility and plain clothes patrols and where possible we will use stop search powers and deal robustly with any offences found. Other work will be carried out with our partner agencies to reduce the impact on the community.



At the beginning of October, we took part in the national County Lines intensification week to tackle drug dealing, and we had some great results in the Stowmarket area as we took enforcement action against offenders and carried out education around County Lines. This included engagement at West Suffolk College later in the month, talking to some newer students.

Along with this, we had many other engagements across the area, to both meet our communities, and give us the chance to talk about crime prevention and discuss areas of concern. Halloween went off with very few problems, and as well as patrolling our areas on the look-out for ASB, we were able to stop for a chat and hand out lots of sweets.



The police Cadets have been busy, including attending the police ladies football match, Suffolk versus Herts, which Suffolk won 6-0. One of our Cadets, Josh, visited the national Arboretum for the annual Police Unity Tour and the Cadets were again very proud to take part in the Remembrance parade and memorial service on Sunday 13th November in Stowmarket.



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Inspector
John Murray

Inspector John Murray is responsible for the Safer Neighbourhood Team in the Stowmarket locality.

IPSWICH CENTRAL

PC Gavin Bevan, Community Engagement Officer

Welcome to my first article as your Community Engagement Officer (CEO). I have recently taken over from PC Dominic Woodmansee who has now moved onto a new role, and we wish him well. This is my third stint in the town centre and I'm looking forward to doing more foot patrols to meet you all, listening to the issues that are impacting your lives and working with colleagues and partner organisations to help solve some of these problems.

In mid-November the Ipswich Central team collaborated with police search teams led by PC Ben Redmond where a specialist search insight was presented to public services students in Ipswich.



This was a very useful insight into police searching techniques and their responsibilities as well as sharing some stories about the variety and magnitude of some search activities that have happened in the past. The presentation led onto a practical exercise with the students, all of whom showed a real interest in PC Redmond's search team consisting of Sgt Ben Butler, Sgt Nick Kitchen, PC James Butler and PC Shaw who all demonstrated skills and expertise along with supporting officers from Ipswich Central SNT.

Ipswich Central team are looking forward to the town centre festivities, lots of hard work has been ongoing with PC Gary Austin (Link Officer), our Design Out Crime Officer (DOCO) and the whole team here at Prince's Street station to improve the overall experience of the higher footfall areas such as St Mary Le Tower (McDonalds) and St Lawrence Church (Buttermarket area). A number of benches and unsightly and aged brick walls have been removed and improved to help dampen ASB opportunities moving forward. Our DOCOs are nationally trained to advise on changes to the built architecture to prevent and deter crime and disorder so hopefully these changes will help.



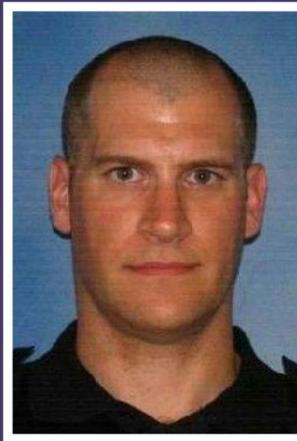
Have you ever thought about becoming a Special Constable or Police Support Volunteer (PSV)? Ipswich Central are always looking for volunteers to support the team, especially in the role of enhancing our CCTV capability and admin team. There is no age limit for PSVs and no requirements to complete any fitness testing. There are wide range of roles available and you can find more information visiting the Suffolk police website by clicking this link: [Volunteers | Suffolk Constabulary](#). Alternatively you can visit the station to speak with our team to find out more.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible throughout the festive season and beyond and will take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry and safe Christmas and Happy New Year.

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Inspector
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Inspector Domenic Mann is responsible for the Safer Neighbourhood Team in the Ipswich Central locality.

SOUTH



IPSWICH WEST

PC Katie Jarrett, Community Engagement Officer

Hello Constable County readers, I don't know about you, but time seems to of flown by in a blink and a wink. I have certainly been kept busy over the last few months and have enjoyed getting to know some of you.



to see the young adults who are supported by Zest. Zest is part of the hospice's family and they provide support to young adults with progressive and life-limiting illnesses. Knowing that my colleagues and I put smiles on faces is just priceless.



I have been meeting the borough councillors and starting to have a 'walk about'. This is a great opportunity allowing me to learn the area. I will continually talk about partnership work as I'm a massive advocate for working together to ensure we continue to strive towards making Ipswich a safer place.

I am aware that there are many areas of concern with regards to speeding. You can see from the photo below that I've now been trained to use the speed gun. This stretch is Station Road in Claydon. borough councillor Marie Reach is campaigning for better signage to indicate the 30pmh speed limit. Just a reminder, if you don't see any speed limit signs but you do see street lights along the road then this indicates it's a 30mph speed limit area. I will be out now and then using the speed gun so make sure you know what the limit is and stick to it.

This next paragraph is not technically Ipswich west, however this engagement left such an impression on me that I wanted to tell you all about it. Partnership working also includes myself working together with the other community engagement officers that cover Ipswich. As a result of working together I attended the St Elizabeth Hospice

I'd just like to take this opportunity from myself, locality Inspector Matt Breeze, locality sergeants and the members of the Safer Neighbourhood team to wish you all a very merry Christmas, happy holidays and a Happy New Year.

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Inspector
Matt Breeze

Inspector Matt Breeze is responsible for the two Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Ipswich West and Hadleigh locality.



HADLEIGH

PC Katie Jarrett, Community Engagement Officer

I have been the Community Engagement Officer for the Hadleigh area over three months now and during that time I have certainly been a 'busy bee'. As you are aware from the last edition, I moved to Suffolk and I hadn't even heard of Hadleigh so I have been trying to get to know the area better.

I have had introduction meetings both personally and virtually with local councillors to discuss any issues that I can help with, not surprisingly speeding and inconsiderate parking is a common denominator in most areas. With regards to speeding, I have been trained to use the handheld speed gun as has the majority of Hadleigh's Safer Neighbourhood Team so we will be out in the community sporadically trying to tackle these areas. In all my years of being a police officer the inconsiderate parking during school drop-off and pick up time has always been an unsolvable problem. I have had multiple complaints over the past three months about this issue. I am looking to carry out joint action days with the local parking attendants in the new year. What I would ask is that you use a common-sense approach, do not park over people's driveways, do not obstruct junctions and drive with absolute care and attention as there are many people and children around during these times.

of you are following me on Hadleigh's Facebook page and Twitter? I have had such a challenge as you will know and there were times when I honestly wanted to throw the laptop away. My picture may well allude that I'm younger than I am but in fact I'm over 40 now and so many of you I'm sure will relate to this. I wasn't bought up with mobile phones, the internet or social media, it has just over time evolved and now we struggle to live without our phones, we find ourselves in a panic when we can't get internet access and perish the thought our social media statuses isn't up to date.



I do appreciate its relevance in the 'now' and it is a marvellous platform for sharing information and promoting good work and it is a significant part of my role but it doesn't come naturally to me. For those of you that are not on any of the social media platforms, and I know many of you are not, there is another way that the police can share information and send out witness appeals and that is through Police Connect. This is directed via email and will send you updates, crime prevention advice and witness appeals. If you'd like to receive these emails please register on our website.

It was national anti-bullying week during 14th to 18th November and I was invited to provide an input at Kersey School. These inputs are so incredibly important, and I hope that I make a lasting impression on some of the children.

I'd just like to take this opportunity from myself, locality Inspector Matt Breeze, locality Sergeant Matt Bailey and the members of the Safer Neighbourhood team, we wish you all a very merry Christmas, happy holidays and a happy new year.

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I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce you to Police Community Support Officer Jo Adams which I'm sure many of you have already met. She is dedicated to Hadleigh and the 43 parishes in the locality. Jo is invaluable and a real asset to the area, her role is varied, from assisting in crime enquiries to being that visible presence that is widely recognised, so welcome Jo!

Let's talk about social media, how many

SOUTH



FELIXSTOWE & WOODBRIDGE

PC Rachael Partridge, Community Engagement Officer

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Inspector
Nicola Turner

Inspector Nicola Turner is responsible for the three Safer Neighbourhood Teams in the Ipswich East, Felixstowe and Woodbridge locality.

Road Safety Week took place from 14th to 20th November 2022 and Suffolk Constabulary were involved in sharing important road safety messages in the community. I attended Charsfield Primary School where four young road safety ambassadors donned their high visibility jackets to supervise speed checks and to learn how to stay safe when travelling to and from school. Speed checks were carried out on School Road and one delivery driver was spoken to about the consequences of excessive speed. I also attended Grundisburgh primary school with Andy Jolliffe, East Suffolk Council Communities Officer where a number of high visibility vests were distributed to pupils in the playground. Children were encouraged to wear high visibility clothing especially at this time of the year. On the subject of road safety, I have been carrying out a number of Community Speed Watch site assessments in preparation for local volunteers to become actively involved in the Community Speed Watch initiative by monitoring speeds at a safe location using speed detection equipment. I met with volunteers in Ufford in Woodbridge where I conducted community speed watch training. In spite of the rain all volunteers had the opportunity to practice using the equipment, even catching their first speeder of the day. The aim of the initiative is to reduce speed in areas of concern, make drivers aware that excessive speed is socially unacceptable, re-educate drivers about the dangers of speeding and address concerns from local residents about cars speeding through their communities.



The recent Felixstowe Intensive Community Engagement 'pop up' events were a success in the town. Local police officers and PCSOs

were on hand to speak to local residents and shoppers at the Triangle on Hamilton Road and outside the leisure centre on Undercliff Road West. The events were organised to connect with the community, provide crime prevention advice, complete a survey on living in the area, discuss any local concerns and to encourage people to report incidents to police. Officers conducted foot patrols in the town and spoke to local businesses. Our very own police Cadets from Martlesham assisted with community engagement along the seafront where they handed out surveys to members of the public and offered stickers to children. We hope to make this a regular event and any information from the public is always valuable and can be used as intelligence to keep our towns safe.



Remembrance Day was marked by our Police Cadets and regular officers in Felixstowe and Woodbridge as a mark of respect to those who died in conflict. A wreath was placed at memorials in both towns.

Our communication with local schools continues and visits have been conducted at Felixstowe School, Orwell Park School, Grange Primary School, Kyson Primary, Barnabas Nursery and Roundabout Nursery in the last two months. It is a good opportunity to speak to children about national and local police initiatives and share positive messages for example Hate Crime Awareness Week. Please remember that non urgent calls to police should be directed to 101 or online via www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/report-something in and in an emergency dial 999.



IPSWICH EAST

PC Hannah Canning, Community Engagement Officer

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Hello everyone, I can't quite believe we're back in the festive season again - this year seems to have gone by so quickly!

In November, Ipswich East Safer Neighbourhood Team went on the road, with a week of engagement across East Ipswich and Felixstowe. It was all hands-on deck to staff the mobile police station and gazebo, as well as carrying out local patrols on foot. We spoke to lots of people over the week, offering crime reduction advice and information, advising people about how they can report incidents and listening to the concerns of our communities. We were supported by some of our partner agencies throughout the week, and other guests joined us including PCC Tim Passmore and senior officers. Thank you to all the officers who took part, and to all the members of the community who visited us during a rather wet and windy week!

It's been a busy couple of months working with local schools on a wide range of different activities. This includes working alongside the school liaison team to deliver inputs and assemblies to secondary school pupils, visiting younger pupils in their classrooms to chat about the police and answering their questions, and dropping into schools during lunchtimes to get to know some of the children in the local area and allow them to get to know their local officers.

I've been into a number of local organisations and supported housing schemes, along with visiting the Top Time group at Rosehill Library. The Suffolk Constabulary museum is open to visiting groups once more, so in November I supported our wonderful volunteers with a tour for a local group. If this is something that your group would be interested in, please do get in touch via CEOipswichfelixwood@suffolk.police.uk. Some of my colleagues (including Ipswich West CEO Katie Jarrett) participated in a vehicle day at St Elizabeth Hospice, after we were kindly invited to join the event. On 18 November, officers from Ipswich East and Ipswich Central assisted with a 'Jail & Bail' event for Home-Start in Suffolk. This involved 'arresting' various local individuals for an offence such as finishing each other's sentences or oversharing about

the gym, and the detainees then having to raise bail money (for the charity!) in order to obtain their release.

Following a very positive community meeting at Gainsborough Sports Centre, I have also been finding out more about the provision for young people in the area, strengthening relationships with local detached youth workers and visiting some of the youth cafes and youth groups running in Ipswich East and Kesgrave.

Officers from the SNT have been out on patrol in local parks and open spaces, targeting areas where anti-social behaviour and drug activity is believed to be taking place.

Please keep an eye on our social media accounts for information on current campaigns and issues, we'll shortly be including some seasonal advice too. All of our crime prevention advice is available year round on the Suffolk Police website – just head to <https://www.suffolk.police.uk/crime-prevention-z>

Wishing you all the best for a safe and happy Christmas and New Year, Hannah



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