### Northamptonshire Talking



## Newsletter

#### **Welcome Northampton**

Welcome to the Northamptonshire Talking newsletter designed to keep you up to date on how this platform is being used to keep you and your communities safe.

Over **46,000** people have signed up to the platform. Northamptonshire Police want to thank you for the huge role you are playing to help them tackle crime and protect people, by responding to their messages and providing vital information.

#### Meet your local team

You can find out who your local team is by entering your postcode on the <u>contact page</u>, which will take you through to your area. Your PCSO's are your community contacts who can offer support and advice about local crime concerns. The teams also hold regular community surgeries and beat buses which give you a chance to meet your team in person. These are advertised in advance and you can see them on your local area page.

#### **Your PCSOs**

PCSO Eales PCSO Coote PCSO Church PCSO Potter PCSO Emberton PCSO Garnett PCSO Pole PCSO Singh PCSO Hook PCSO Nowell PCSO Harrison PCSO Turner PCSO Hoadley PCSO Evans PCSO Earl PCSO Shelton PCSO Hopper Hall PCSO Hurst PCSO Pennington PCSO Scarsbrook PCSO Bednarczyk PCSO Freeman

#### **May Engagement Statistics**

In May, your Neighbourhood Policing Team held **144** community engagements.

Community engagements play a huge role in strengthening ties between communities and the police.

They give you a chance to meet your local teams, ask advice and guidance on your concerns, and stay up to date with important issues.



## **NORTHAMPTON UPDATES**



#### **Community engagement talks**

PCSOs Martin and Bednarczyk visited The Rainbows Girl Guides group at St Marks Church, Northampton for a community engagement event. The girl guides and rangers were able to interact with their local officers, ask questions about the PCSO role, and recieve crime prevention advice. Engaging with young people in the community can be vital to reduce any perceptions of fear of the Police, foster a better understanding of police roles and responsibilities, and encourage reporting of crimes.

#### Supporting safer communities

Throughout April and May, PCSOs Freeman and Harmer held a series of vehicle crime prevention surgeries across Northampton. The events offered residents a valuable opportunity to speak directly with local police, discuss any ongoing concerns, and receive tailored advice on how to protect their vehicles from crime. Each attendee was also provided with a free auto crime prevention pack, which included a number plate security kit and other useful crime deterrent tools. Thanks to strong community engagement, over 150 crime prevention packs were distributed. The events also led to the creation of more than 50 new verified Northamptonshire Talking accounts — an important platform for staying informed about local policing and resulted in several pieces of actionable intelligence to support ongoing crime prevention efforts. Northamptonshire Police remain committed to working in partnership with residents to reduce vehicle crime and keep our communities safe. You can access crime prevention tips and advice online here.

#### **Vehicle seizures**

PCSOS Freeman and Harmer have seized several vehicles for no tax across Northampton. These vehicles often lack proper insurance and maintenance, making them potential hazards on our roads. By seizing them, local officers help keep our streets safer for all drivers and pedestrians. Seizing these vehicles can deter other forms of crime. Untaxed cars are sometimes linked to illegal activities, and removing them from circulation supports broader Policing efforts. This action promotes safety, fairness, and accountability—values that strengthen our community.



# **GENERAL UPDATES**



#### Summer crime prevention

The warmer months can sometimes see a spike in certain crimes like burglaries, car thefts, and even youth-related offenses. This can be due to people going on holiday, leaving windows open, or simply become more relaxed with security. Criminals can notice these patterns, and they take advantage of them. But together, we can change that. The local Policing team with be both visible and accessible throughout the coming months and will be holding community events. Crime prevention is not just a job for the police, it's a job for all of us. If you have any questions or concerns that you would like to discuss with your local team, you can contact them <u>here</u>.

#### We value your feedback

Please rate this message and let us know what you thought. If you have any topics you would like to see in the next issue, please let us know.

Please do not use Northamptonshire Talking to report crime. You can visit our website to report crimes, issues and incidents <u>here.</u>

#### **Street Watch**

Northamptonshire Street Watch enables local people to take an active role in keeping their community safe by patrolling their neighbourhood as part of an organised scheme, identifying potential issues, and engaging with local residents encouraging them to report things like antisocial behaviour, vandalism, and suspicious behaviour to the police. The scheme is based on a simple idea. It's about going for a walk with your neighbours, being a visible presence to help deter crime and antisocial behaviour, and building a greater sense of community spirit. As a member, you will patrol your local area alongside one of your neighbours for at least two hours every month, at times which suit you. You'll engage with people and encourage them to take an active interest in keeping your area safe wearing a high-visibility Street Watch jacket. You will be able to organise your own walks, when and where you want to, and you can even walk your dog at the same time. It is up to you and your group how much or how little you want to do. Street Watch is for the community, by the community, but you will be supported by your local neighbourhood team as much as possible. Anyone who would like to get involved or set up a Street Watch scheme in their area is encouraged to email us. Street Watch is part of our Citizens in policing initiative. We will then put you in contact with a local officer to discuss your involvement.