

Stakeholder update

Monthly update to stakeholders,
provided by the Gedling Neighbourhood Policing Team

Inspector's update



Inspector
Chris Pearson

Welcome to our latest newsletter and I have a few updates for you this month. Firstly lots of work went into the reopening of licensed premises across the Gedling Borough with members of the Neighbourhood Policing team carrying out visits to licensed premises over the first few weekends. The team were supported by police/council licensing colleagues and Gedling CCTV to ensure a safe reopening. There were only a small number of issues reported across the area and as ever we are taking appropriate action together with our partners. Going forward we will be carrying out regular visits to licensed premises to ensure that these are operated as safely as possible and in line with government guidelines.

In other news the Neighbourhood Policing team and Operation Reacher have continued to work together to address local priorities. Our engagement with the public has been ongoing using platforms such as Facebook or Twitter and I'm pleased that we have been able to address some of their concerns around drug use and supply with a number of warrants carried out over the last month. Whilst there is a still lot to do there have been some great results. On 21st July I joined the Gedling South team and local councillors for a walk around Netherfield. We spoke with members of the local community about 'Operation Thistle' and delivered letters to residents in order to raise awareness of our work and the Crimestoppers charity. Drug use and dealing will remain a priority and I know that this is a concern in our communities.

Moving on I wanted to touch on our performance around Burglary and Shop theft which are two of our other priorities. In terms of Burglary this July has seen around 16 less offences than July 2019 which is around a 40% decrease in reported offending. Likewise Shoplifting offences have reduced by 38% or 17 less reported offences. Whilst the Coronavirus has undoubtedly impacted on crime levels there is also a huge amount of work that has gone in to policing hotspot areas and targeting those who we know commit offences in the Gedling Borough so the results are encouraging.

Our policing priorities will be refreshed over the next few days and details will be available on our website at

<https://www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/priority/gedling-priorities>

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Team Updates: Arnold

**Sergeant
Helen Walker**

Like our colleagues across the Force, the Gedling North Neighbourhood team has had a busy month in relation to the COVID-19 restrictions being lifted. We have been working with our partner agencies to put plans in place to aid a smooth transition into this new phase. The reopening of pubs was of course challenging but thankfully we have only seen a handful of issues. We will continue to work with partners and the licenced premises over the summer to ensure any problems are addressed swiftly.

In addition to COVID-19 work we have been doing a lot of work around ASB. The warmer weather has seen an increase in ASB and we have been identifying those involved to disrupt their behaviour. We have been working with the Outreach Youth Workers so that they can target their diversionary work in the right areas.

Last month we reported that we had been assisting CID colleagues in the investigation into an assault at Bestwood County Park where a male was struck with an axe. Thankfully the male escaped with relatively minor injuries but this was a very concerning incident. Graham Timlick has now been arrested and charged with grievous bodily harm, affray, criminal damage and possession of an offensive weapon. He was also charged with two offences of affray and possession of a bladed article in relation to an incident on 13 August 2019 when a group of teenagers were threatened in the same location.

As promised last month we have continued with proactive drugs enforcement across the area. The Neighbourhood policing team have worked with Op Reacher to execute a further 4 drugs warrants in the last month where quantities of Class B drugs, cash and drug related paraphernalia were seized. A drugs warrant in Calverton on Saturday 25th July resulted in 250 cannabis plants being recovered and a male arrested on suspicion of drugs supply offences. All of these have taken place as a result of feedback from the local community and the results have been pleasing.

Team Updates: Carlton

**Sergeant
Mike Ebbins**

Tackling drug dealing remains a priority for the Gedling South NPT with a focus on proactive policing in Netherfield under the OP THISTLE banner. On Tuesday 21st July two drugs warrants were simultaneously executed leading to the recovery of Class A and B controlled drugs. Following the warrants officers took to the streets with their council partners to engage with residents, talking about the operation and encouraging the public to pass on information to officers. To date there have been ten warrants executed in and around the Netherfield area as part of OP THISTLE leading to a sizeable amount of drugs and a number of persons dealt with for supplying drugs. The information has all come from members of the public who have taken the step to contact officers direct or through Crimestoppers with their observations. The ethos of OP THISTLE is simple; you tell us what is happening and we will take action. All information passed is taken in the strictest confidence and the source of the information is never divulged.

In addition to drugs, officers from the team have also been targeting the retail premises to disrupt shop lifters operating in Victoria Retail Park. The team have been operating in plain clothes to quickly identify those looking to steal from the shops. A prolific shop lifter was quickly identified by local officers having stolen goods from PETS AT HOME and apprehended, leading to charges. That person now has bail conditions to keep out of the retail park and officers are working with all the shops to prevent further offending.

In other good news officers responded to a burglary on Claygate, Carlton on 17th July whereby a vehicle was taken from the driveway with keys. On 18th July roads policing colleagues sighted the vehicle in Sneinton and following a small foot chase arrested a 33 year old male on suspicion of burglary theft of a motor vehicle and possession of cannabis. CID colleagues are now investigating this offence and the vehicle will be returned to its rightful owner.

Team Updates: Op Reacher

Op Reacher has continued to conduct proactive patrols of the Gedling borough.

The team have now received a new Skoda Octavia police vehicle which along with the traditional police branding has the 'Operation Reacher' branding to differentiate it from other marked Police vehicles. If you do see the team out and about in these cars then please do have a chat with a member of the team.

**Sergeant
Matt Sisson**

Earlier in the month the team attended an address in Netherfield in order to conduct some enquiries in relation to an offence of robbery. The team had information that the two suspects involved in the robbery were inside the property. Upon officer's arrival, one of the wanted males could be seen inside the address. He refused to allow officers inside the property so entry was gained and he was promptly arrested. Once inside, officers located the second suspect who was also arrested. The team then conducted a search of the address and located a small cannabis grow. The two males were also arrested for the cultivation of cannabis. Both suspects remain under investigation.

The team have also continued to work closely alongside the Carlton Neighbourhood Policing Team on cracking down on shop thefts from the Netherfield Retail Park. Recently the team had information that a vehicle was travelling into Netherfield that contained individuals who are involved in committing shop thefts. The team located the vehicle parked inside the retail park car park and its two occupants were caught having just left Marks and Spencer's with about £40 worth of stolen goods. The two males were promptly arrested, interviewed and charged with the theft.

Reacher month in numbers: - 8 arrests, 3 illegal vehicles seized, 14 stop and searches and 13 pieces of intelligence generated.





Operation Reacher ANPR Car

Cannabis Grow recovered from Pepper Road, Calverton on 25th July.

