



Sheffield South West Neighbourhood Police Newsletter

January 2020

You said, we did



We have previously been asked about why the police station at Woodseats is not open and how you can speak to a police officer or PCSO in person. Clearly if you report an incident to SYP then an officer will speak to you or you may make an appointment.

We have really tried to increase our visibility by pre-planning our Pop In Police stations in advance so you know where and when to find us. As you can see from all the ones we have planned in January, we have tried to find a variety of locations and different times of the day.

Our next PIPs are:

- 8th January - 2 x 4pm at Totley library
- 8th January - 3 x 5pm at Tesco, Abbeydale Drive, S7 2QB.
- 8th January- 3 x 5pm at COOP, Derbyshire Lane, Norton Lees.
- 16th January- 10 x 1130am at Aldi, St Mary's Gate
- 22nd January- 1 x 3pm at Woodseats library
- 23rd January- 3 x 5pm at Tesco, Abbeydale Drive
- 24th January- 10am x midday at Greenhill library
- 28th January- 4 x 6pm at Waitrose, 1-3 Ecclesall Road
- 30th January - 10am x midday at Aldi, St James Retail Park.

In the warmer months we use our gazebo but typically during the Winter months we simply set up a table at the location with leaflets so please keep an eye out for us.

Crime and antisocial behaviour update

Pham Thi VAN, 43 years was charged on 14 January with production of controlled drug- Class B- cannabis. The address was on South View Road with 86 plants recovered from the 2 attic rooms as a result of a drugs warrant that the police teams completed on 13 January.



The team have collectively spent many hours patrolling during the month of December in relation to burglaries to do our best to deter offenders. This has involved staff working late in to the evenings in our identified hot spots but it has been a Sheffield-wide approach with curfew checks also on known offenders. The team have been pleased to be on hand as offenders have been disturbed and whilst arrests were not made, there is no doubt at all that burglaries have been prevented. It has also given the staff chance to recover stolen vehicles such as this one which staff found on 17 January on Gervase Avenue, Lowedges during their burglary patrols.



The other part of our burglary work is that when we get a report of a burglary dwelling, PCSOs visit the area and complete "cocooning". This involves a crime reduction visit to the victim, letters delivered to neighbours and completion of an SYP Alert to residents in the area to raise their awareness of offences that are taking place and to offer crime reduction advice.

What your neighbourhood team have been doing

PCSO 8022 Sarah Hague attended the "Family Voice Christmas Party" at Common Ground on Wednesday 11th December.

The event was a celebration of the years work, with all the women encouraged to bring some food from their culture to share with the group.

Family voice is a charitable organisation that works with Families from Sharrow, Lowfields, Nether Edge. They apply for funding to run projects to support local parents and children.

PCSO Hague attends a weekly session (shifts allowing) with the ladies to help them with their English

reading and writing. The aim of the group is to empower the women to be more confident in themselves, also breaking down the barriers around South Yorkshire Police. She has given talks on Domestic Violence and Hate Crime, but mainly I am there to help them.

The New Year see some changes in staffing, details below;



At the end of the month we will see the departure of PS Ross Greenwood from the Sharrow Team. Ross has spent the last year with us and during that time he has shown real enthusiasm for problem solving in his areas of Sharrow and Abbeydale. We wish him luck as he moves to the Royston Neighbourhood Team in Barnsley.

To replace Ross, we Dan is coming over area and brings with so we look forward to



have Sergeant Dan Wilson moving on to the Sharrow Team. from Doncaster but has previously worked in the Sheffield him considerable experience of planning and pro-active work the skills that he brings to the team!

Offenders brought to justice in the last month



Sentencing; Armed robber jailed for over 4 years.

A 28 year old man has been jailed after admitting a robbery at a McColl's store in Sheffield. Andrew Philips of Lowedges Crescent was given a four and a half year sentence on 111219 at Sheffield Crown Court after admitting the offence which saw him threaten to stab a member of staff.

At around 7.30pm on 7 October he entered the store on Lowedges Road wearing a mask. He shouted at the woman behind the counter, threatened to stab her and demanded that she hand over money. He then jumped over the counter and stole the Lottery machine.

Philips was identified soon after a review of the store's CCTV footage identified him as a regular customer.

He was arrested the following day and charged on 9 October.

Talking of Philips' sentence, DC Ryan Griffiths said;

"We will simply not tolerate those who commit robbery offences in the community. We do everything we can to put these people before the courts and make Sheffield a safer place to live and work."

On 121219 two of our prolific shoplifters were back in Sheffield Magistrates Court. The Gleadless team processed these two offenders last month. They have pleaded guilty to 6 offences each and have been committed to Sheffield Crown Court on 6 January 2020. This was a pleasing result as the males had been targeting a particular store at Heeley.

Mohammed MUFTA, 27 years, NFA was charged and remanded to court having been causing problems at the Tesco on Abbeydale Drive. He was charged with theft x 2 and failing to provide a sample for Class A drug testing. He was bailed by the courts to reattend Sheffield Magistrates Court on 220110.

Crime prevention advice



Starting a new Neighbourhood Watch Group. Are you looking for help?

Please see this article from Les, our local Regional Coordinator;

NHW groups come in many sizes from whole areas down to a few houses in a road, all of them are as important for helping to keep that area safer from crime.

Anyone interested in forming or joining an existing group should contact their local PCSO who will pass on their details to me. Alternatively they can contact me directly for information and assistance in setting up a group. Typically one resident makes the initial enquiry and we try to arrange a local meeting where a few neighbours come together to discuss starting the group. One willing volunteer then becomes the local coordinator or focal point for that group. I provide them all the information, NHW stickers and assistance needed to ensure they continue to get the most from joining NHW. Very little time or effort is required at this stage and usually entails forwarding the weekly incident reports to the rest of their group. Please consider joining or starting a new NHW group in your area to help SYP keep your family as safe as possible.

Your local contact if you are looking for help is;
Les Day
Regional Coordinator Sheffield South West NHW.
Les_nhw@hotmail.com or mobile 07985 424363.

Keeping in touch

Come and see us

We are now carryout out regular community engagement events, which are published on Facebook. Keep an eye out for more Pop in Police Stations (PIPs) giving you the opportunity to speak to officers about issues important to you, report crime and receive crime prevention advice.

Our next PIPs are listed in the first section of the newsletter this time to make sure no one misses the opportunities in January 2020.

Online Q & A on Facebook with Inspector Colette Fitzgibbons on 19 February 2020 between 5.30 x 7pm.

You can also see photos and find contact details for the whole neighbourhood policing team working in your area by visiting; <https://www.police.uk/south-yorkshire/KE/>

Other ways to keep in touch

- Email us at SheffieldSouthWestNHP@southyorks.pnn.police.uk
- Sign up for SYP Alerts to get messages, updates and information about your area at sypalerts.co.uk
- Like us on Facebook: **Sheffield South West NHP**

- Follow us on Twitter: **@SheffSW_NHP**
- Visit **southyorks.police.uk** for more info or to report non-emergency crime
- Call **101 for non-emergencies** or **999 in an emergency**
- Call Crimestoppers to give your information anonymously on **0800 555 111**

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