

Have Your Say

PACT (Partners and Communities Together) gives you the chance to tell us about the issues causing concern in your neighbourhood.

A PACT surgery is held every Thursday between 3pm and 4pm at The Lantern Community Centre. The surgery operates on a drop-in basis and members of the local policing team will be present to discuss local issues with you.

There is also a quarterly Local Joint Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday 11th March. It is likely to take place at the Sundorne Sports Village, but please check Shropshire Council's website at www.shropshire.gov.uk for confirmation of time and venue. Among those present to hear local concerns will be the police, local councillors, Severnside Housing and community regeneration officer Steve Cunningham.

Come along - we want to hear your views!

PACT

PARTNERS AND COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

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YOUR LOCAL POLICING TEAM NEWS

Spring 2010

Welcome to the first Sundorne and Battlefield Local Policing newsletter. We hope it will keep you informed about your local policing team and the work we are involved in.

We are here to deal with the issues you think are important, reduce crime and anti-social behaviour, and ensure people who commit crime are punished.

To do this we work as part of a wider team which includes the local authority, community groups and local residents. All this hard work is paying off and I am pleased to report that between October and December last year, 109 crimes were reported compared to 132 in the previous three months.

We use a range of measures to address minor crimes as well as more serious incidents. Projects are ongoing to reduce anti-social behaviour and we run crime prevention initiatives which offer simple practical advice which can reduce theft from vehicles and homes.

This newsletter contains information on our work as well as what has been done to tackle the issues you have told us are important.

If you have a concern, contact us directly or come along to a Partners and Communities Together (PACT) surgery held in the Lantern Community Centre every Thursday.

PC Andy Gardner



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Sundorne and Battlefield

You said ...

We did!



Find out more about our work to tackle the issues that matter to you.

- **You said** ... Varying speed limits on Sundorne Road, Featherbed Lane, Whitchurch Road and Battlefield Road caused confusion.
- 👍 **We did** ... Shropshire Council is changing the speed limit to 30mph along all four roads.
- **You said** ... Parents were parking on the zig zag lines outside Sundorne Infants School.
- 👍 **We did** ... Extra patrolling at the start of term, providing advice to anyone ignoring the instructions. Further discussions will be held with the school.
- **You said** ... Groups of young people were gathering in their vehicles late at night on the forecourt of the SPAR service station at Battlefield.
- 👍 **We did** ... Officers are working with SPAR to reduce anti-social behaviour. One driver was reported for driving carelessly on the forecourt, but has since been disqualified from driving following another unrelated matter.

Tackling Crime

Crime continues to fall in Sundorne and Battlefield. Reported crime figures for October - December 2009 show a reduction compared to the previous three months. It is also a marked improvement on the same period in 2008, when 181 crimes were reported.

Total crime, Oct-Dec 2009	Burglary	Robbery	Vehicle Crime	Violent Crime	Anti-Social Behaviour
109 (132)	9 (11)	2 (0)	6 (15)	17 (25)	37 (45)

The numbers in brackets show figures for the previous three months.

Robbery is a rare offence. The first incident involved an attempt to take cash from a transit van at Morrisons on Whitchurch Road for which three arrests have been made in Liverpool and Cleveland. The second involved the theft of property from Tesco Extra on Battlefield Road.

Fortunately, drug dealing is not a huge problem locally but we are determined to keep on top of it and have recently made four arrests.

Local Action

A new Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) scheme is up and running in the southern end of Berwick Grange, thanks to Andy Robinson of Ramsey Meadows. Andy set up the scheme following two house burglaries and thefts from three vehicles. "It's easy to become lax on security but being part of NHW will sharpen us up" explained Andy. Contact Andy on 01743 462707 or 07890 174889 to find out more about the scheme.

There are seven other schemes operating within Sundorne and Battlefield. Contact David Riley, Shropshire's NHW Clerk, on 0300 333 3000 ext. 5799 for details.



Andy Robinson, new NHW co-ordinator at Berwick Grange.

Keep Your Vehicle Safe & Secure

Although incidents remain relatively low, reducing vehicle crime is a priority. Most vehicle crime is opportunistic. It occurs when a vehicle is left unlocked or valuables are left on display. Hundreds of vehicle security notices have been given out and letters sent to car owners where items have been left on show.



West Mercia Police's Safe & Secure Vehicle packs which provide practical advice, including "STOP - All Valuables Have Been Removed" postcards, are available from your local policing team.

One offender responsible for vandalising a car parked overnight in a driveway on Field Crescent has been dealt with by a community resolution agreement.

Got an issue in your neighbourhood?
Tell us about it!

See overleaf for details of how to contact us.

