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Westcotes Newsletter #yousaidwedid

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What matters to you

We have been actively listening to your concerns through the conversation you have had with us at our beat surgeries, through the messages you have left us on Neighbourhood Link, and through the conversations we have had with you whilst out on patrol. In response to what you have told us, and following a detailed review of recent crime trends, we have set the following priorities to reflect the issues that matter to you the most;

Priority: Drug dealing and use particularly around residential properties being used to facilitate this.

You Said: Those involved in drug dealing/use are a concern for you, particularly where unused or abandoned properties are being used by them in residential areas near where you live.

What we are going to do: We will continue to take action against those who allow their properties to be used by drug users and dealers using the powers we have along with our partners and we will ensure the properties do not fall back into the same situation. We will continue to strike the right balance between driving criminal proceedings against offenders and providing support for vulnerable people to improve their lives.

Priority: Theft of Motor Vehicle

You Said: Theft of Motor Vehicles has a big impact on you and you want peace of mind when you leave your cars unattended at night.

What we are going to do: Continue to closely monitor the crime trends along with the information you provide us to stay a step ahead of those committing these crimes. Be present at the right times in the right places to prevent as many crimes as we can. Keep you as informed as possible so you know the best measures to take to prevent yourselves and those around you from becoming victims.

Priority: Burglary of Residential Dwellings.

You Said: We have had some burglaries recently and this is causing you concern.

What we are going to do: We know who the burglars are, the repeat offenders who keep coming to our attention, we are going to do what we can to prevent their re-offending. Whilst this is easier said than done, it doesn't stop us putting in every measure we can. Alongside the rehabilitation and support mechanisms we always push, we are going to act on the patterns that make it clear to us who is committing these crimes and when we collate the evidence we need we will put the offenders back before the court again. Burglary is a very intrusive crime that leaves a lasting impact on those who are victims of it and it does not sit well with us that the people who commit these crimes are out there causing harm to you. To that end rest assured that we are working tirelessly to stop them.

What we have done #yousaidwedid

This quarter saw us focus our efforts to disrupt drug production and supply across Westcotes. Working closely with the council, we have secured prohibition orders for properties that were being used for drug related activity, sending out a clear message to landlords about the importance of monitoring their properties.

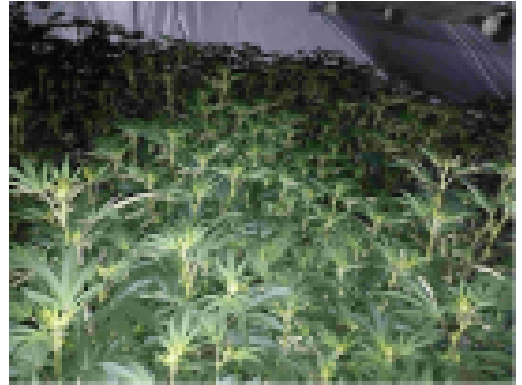
We have enforced on addresses where cannabis was being grown, removing over half a million pounds worth of cannabis destined for our streets. Whilst offenders have been arrested and charged for these offences, we have also worked hard to identify where vulnerable people have been caught up in this and ensured the right help and support is afforded where it is needed.

Intelligence led pro-active stop searches have continued to be used effectively leading to class A drugs being taken off the street and offenders facing their day in court to explain their actions.

This quarter also saw us intensify our efforts to combat some of the worst hit areas for ASB, largely centred around the communal areas of blocks of flats which is where the majority of our complaints have come from. We've handed out more Acceptable Behaviour Contract's (ABC) to some of our persistent offenders. An ABC is a step in our incremental approach which is designed to give a perpetrator an opportunity to improve their behaviour with repercussions if they do not. Repercussions include escalation of various measures up to a court order preventing them from attending at a location. We regularly engage with the people who have been issued with warning notices for antisocial behaviour to ensure they do not fall back into their ways and are reminded of the consequences of offending.

We are continuing to see a lower level of burglaries compared to recent months which is great news and a testament to the hard work that has been put in, however that does not mean it is time for us to take our foot off the gas. Those who we successfully convicted will inevitably be back out before we know it and we must have robust measures in place to prevent them causing another spike in burglaries. To that end you will see us running beat surgeries around Westcotes where we will be giving out crime prevention advice and letting you know what we are doing, so please pop along – details are on the relevant section of our webpage.

Thank you for standing with us - It is with your support, your eyes and ears, and your trust that we are driving down crime and keeping Westcotes Safe.



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Community engagements

Don't miss out on our events:

Thursday 10th April 2025 — Lidl, Upperton Road — 1000-1300—Community Consultation

Friday 11th April 2025—Bede Park —1000-1300—Reporting Methods and ASB Prevention

Saturday 12th April 2025 - Watkin Road, Leicester - 1500 -1800—Community Consultation

Saturday 19th April 2025 —Narborough Road Library —1030-1200—Neighbourhood Link Sign Up