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Abbey Ward Newsletter



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Introducing your Dedicated Abbey Beat Team

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#YouSaid - **What matters to you**

We have listened to you and the concerns you raised through our surveys and engaging and talking with you at various meetings. In this quarter, we will be prioritising the following;



Priority 1: We have received an increase of reports of E-scooter and high-powered electric cycles on the Ward causing issues. These machines are illegal to use unless on private land and can lead to injury to both the rider and to the general public.

We did: Proactive operations to be completed by the Beat team along with the support from the Special Constabulary regarding positive action taken against persons using such vehicles.

Problem Management Plan is to be created, working in conjunction with our partner agencies to see a reduction in the report of these vehicles being used.

Priority 2: Recent data and community feedback indicate a rise in anti-social behaviour and incident reports in public open spaces, particularly Abbey Park and Ellis Meadows during the summer months.

We did: Enhanced Patrol and Surveillance, Increased visible Police and Community Support Officer (PCSO) presence during peak hours. Plain clothes patrols to be completed around locations and review CCTV in key areas to deter and document incidents. We will seek positive action and diversion with Perpetrators identified.

We will engage through our Safer Streets Summer campaign, concentrating on a greater presence within the community.

We will engage with local services including joint partnership working with park services to reduce the amount of anti-social behaviour.

Priority 3: There has been an increase in reports of anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the Mowmacre area, with a concentration of incidents around Bewcastle Grove. This trend has raised concerns among residents and partner agencies.

We did: Targeted high-visibility patrols during peak hours including plain clothes patrols, highlighted within our Safer Streets Summer campaign. The Team will complete door-to-door reassurance visits and public meetings in areas where the community can readily access. Housing Associations, Youth Services, and local schools will be contacted to encourage a proactive approach to combating ASB. We will also encourage residents to report incidents via 101 or online platforms.



This month on The Abbey Ward we have had one of our finest response officers join the team for a short time. PC 4604 Kaylee spent some time with us completing some of our priority taskings as set by you , the residents of the ward. Its always good to have some help and Kaylee was a great addition to the team while she was here.

We are also lucky enough to have the addition of student officer Laura Thornton 663 with us for the next 3 months under the experienced and watchful eyes of PC Jackie and PC Baz. Lauren has already been out and about on the ward getting involved in our day to day business and learning about how Neighbourhood Policing works.

As the sunny summer holidays have continued we have had several events going on including The Food festival at Abbey Park which proved to be very popular and was well attended. A week later followed the Mela Festival and throughout the summer Billy Bates’s Funfair has been in situ on the park. All have passed with few problems we are pleased to report.



The Team have been as busy as ever over the month with a youth being arrested after being caught trying to steal motorbikes which was disappointing as we had been working hard with the family to try to divert the young person away from crime. The hard work will none the less continue.

We have also been running Op Pedalfast within the Ward and elsewhere which is an Op aimed at E-scooters and E-bikes. Every time we run this Op a number of these nuisance machines are seized and taken off the road.

On top of this (and of course our day to day business) we have also discovered and dismantled a cannabis factory within a residential area – thanks to our residents for alerting us to the tell tale signs!



Upcoming Community Engagements



Date	Time	Location
2 September	11am—Midday	Tudor Centre, Bewcastle Grove
3 September	9am—6pm	Ellis Meadows with City Park staff
8 September	10am—11am	Stocking Farm
10 September	10:30am—11:30am	Little Blue Church, Abbey Lane
10 September	Midday– 1pm	Greggs, Abbey Lane
15 September	11am—Midday	The One Church
23 September	10am-10:30am	Morrisons, Belgrave Blvd

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