

Oadby Newsletter #yousaidwedid

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What matters to you:

Priority 1: You told us that you were concerned about burglaries within the Oadby area.

What we are going to do: Officers continue to conduct regular patrols of the areas where offences have occurred, these patrols are reducing the number of burglaries. We will continue to do this going forward. Where CCTV is available, this will provide valuable intelligence on times and when offences are happening and possible vehicles involved, to assist in our patrol strategy. With darker nights, additional patrols are being carried out to ensure we can prevent and deter.

Priority 2: Road Safety You said: You have told us that Road Safety is a priority, this includes things like Speeding, Insurance, MOT and driving offences.

What we are going to do: We have conducted vehicle speed checks at identified locations. Local officers have been targeting motorist's speeding, not wearing seatbelts, using mobile phones and drink/drug driving. Local officers have received reports of identified vehicles being driven without valid insurance, MOT and tax.

Priority 3: Anti-social Behaviour You Said: You have told us that Anti-Social behaviour causes you concern. This can be things like excessive noise, smoking drugs and more. We will be working with partners to ensure we can tackle these issues and reduce their occurrences.

What we are going to do: Your local police beat team and response officers have regularly patrolled identified anti-social behaviour locations, as reported by yourselves with regards to anti-social behaviour and drug related incidents. Officers continue to stop check persons and vehicles who are involved in drugs. Local officers have identified vehicles which are related to criminality. Where reports of vehicles are involved, we will be liaising with the community to identify the registration numbers, which will assist local officers in gathering intelligence.

What we have done #yousaidwedid

Burglary Residential Talks

On Sunday 27th October 2024 the clocks went back an hour, this means the darker nights season has started. We would like to remind residents to think about home security during the late afternoon and evenings. Although our area continues to be a safe place to live, burglars are likely to use the darker evenings to check which homes are empty. As a result of the Oadby neighbourhood policing team organised residential burglary talks to the community and crime prevention events. With the focus on educating the community on preventing burglaries and providing useful crime prevention tips. The burglary residential talks were held at Manor High School and Gartree High School in Oadby. These talks were an excellent opportunity to inform residents on a range of security measures they could use.

PCSO Harks Sanghera and PC CatherineSwanwick at the Residential Burglary Talk at Gartree High School on Tuesday 2nd October 2024.



Festivals and Events

In addition, October is also a busy month for various celebrations which include the Hindu festivals Navratri and Diwali, the Sikh festival of Bandi Chhor Divas and Halloween, which means many people are not home. Local PCSOs visited various locations where events were being held, which included the Gurdwara and community group locations. These events were aimed at engaging with the community members and identifying any vulnerabilities and needs.

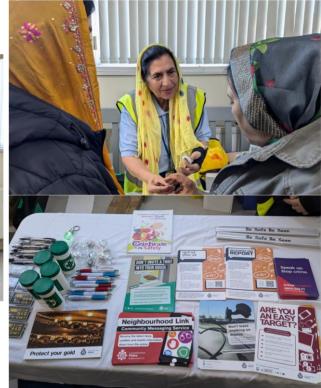
Below: PCSOs Nad Ikram and Harks Sanghera with the local community at the Navartri event at Manor High School in Oadby on Saturday 6th October 2024.





Below: On Sunday 27th October 2024 PCSOs Nad Ikram and PCSO Ali Haq from the South Neighbourhood Team held a crime prevention at Oadby Gurdwara. This was a positive opportunity in providing information to the community on how to improve house security.





Below: On Wednesday 16th October 2024 the Police Crime & Commissioner Rupert Matthews joined PCSO Nad Ikram at the Anand Elders Group at St Paul's Church, Oadby. PCSO Nad Ikram provided a crime prevention advice on how to keep improve household security and staying safe. The Anand Elders Group are part of the Hindu community, this was a positive opportunity for them to engage with the police and meet Mr Matthews. Members of the community also engaged in delivering the annual Celebrate Safely campaign message.





Some things you can do to prevent a burglary:

? If you are out, use an automatic timer switch or smart lighting to turn on the lights when it gets dark, to make it look like someone is home.

A Take time to check your alarm system, outdoor bulbs and security lighting works.

Ask a trusted neighbour, relative or friend to collect your post and open and close your home's curtains whilst you're away, to give the impression that someone is home.

If you're going away, don't share details on social media until you return.

Keep doors and windows locked and take the key out of the lock.

Prevent easy access to your home with locked gates or fencing.

A Move/remove items which can provide easier access to windows, such as bins and garden furniture.

Burglars are known to use ladders to access upper windows to avoid intruder alarm sensors on the lower floors of properties. Keep ladders out of sight and ensure sheds, garages and outbuildings are locked.

National Hate Crime Awareness Week

The National Hate Crime Awareness Week campaign took place from 12th to 19th October 2024, local neighbourhood officers were busy engaging with our communities and working with partner agencies across the policing area. Throughout the week, the focus of this activity was to raise awareness for what a hate crime is, how to report it, and how we support victims by working with partners. A hate crime is when someone commits a crime against you because of who you are, or who they perceive you to be because of your race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or gender.

Below: PCSO Nad Ikram ensured the message for Hate Crime Awareness Week was delivered to the community. In addition, PCSO Nad Ikram also visited community group where he informed residents the importance of reporting Hate Crime. PCSO Nad Ikram and PCSO Harks Sanghera also delivered a Hate Crime input to Year 5 and 6 pupils at Langmoor Primary School in Oadby. The talk focussed on respect, and if they are a victim of hate crime or someone they know, on what to do.





Drugs Warrant

During October local officers from Wigston Police Station have recently executed a warrant at an address in Oadby, where over 120 cannabis plants were discovered in various stages of growth. This operation was successful thanks to information and intelligence provided by the community. Results such as these are solely dependent on the community, some members of the public may wish to contact police directly. However, if the public wishes to report information anonymously, you can do this via CrimeStoppers.



CrimeStoppers. 0800 555 111 100% anonymous. Always.

You can keep up to date with what your local beat team gets up to by following us on social media: <u>Oadby and Wigston Police | Facebook</u> and <u>Oadby and Wigston Police (@LPOadbyWigston) / X</u>

Don't miss out on our events:

Meet Your Police at Oadby Library Monday 4th November 2024 - 10:30am to 12.00pm

Oadby Festive Light Switch Event on The Parade, Oadby

Neighbourhood officers and volunteers will be on patrols and available to answer questions. Saturday 16th November 2024 - 2.00pm to 7.00pm

Meet Your Police at Jenno's Café, Brockshill Centre, Oadby

Saturday 23rd Novembers 2024 - 10.30am to 11.30am

More engagement dates, and other events will be listed in the coming weeks – keep an eye on Neighbourhood Link and social media for updates.