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## Your Team:

Each month we will highlight one member of the team so you know who we are and what our responsibilities entail.

**Role:** PC Nicky Whitehead

**Area:** Covers 16 beat which encompasses Spinney Hill Park, Highfields, Charnwood Estate and St Matthews.

PC Whitehead is based mainly on St Matthews and works with PC Mistry and PCSO Reed.

**History:** PC Whitehead has worked for Leicestershire Police for over 14 years. He started as a PCSO and then became a PC 7 years ago. The majority of his career has been spent on St Matthews and he knows the community very well.

**Fun Fact:** Nicky is an international cycle speedway rider.



## 16 BEAT TEAM

**Sgt 2140 Jake Hogan**

**PC4708 Nicky Whitehead**

**PC361 Marcus Forrester**

**PC1498 Amy Pickering**

**PC36 Ollie Mistry**

**PC4326 James McCahill**

**PCSO6655 Karen Reed**

**PCSO6685 Yunus Dada**

## New 16 Beat Police Officer:

Please welcome PC 4326 James McCahill who is joining the St Matthews and Highfields neighbourhood team. PC McCahill will be based at Spinney Hill Police Station where he has already been working for the past 4 years as a neighbourhood officer but previously covering the Evington and Coleman beat areas.

PC McCahill was previously a Special Constable (Volunteer police officer) for a couple of years before joining as a PC in 2017. He has spent most of his career on East Leicester working on response teams and in an investigative role before becoming a neighbourhood officer 4 years ago, giving him a variety of skills and knowledge in different aspects of policing.

In his first full week with the team, PC McCahill has been working with the local community to tackle a series of thefts from businesses whereby somebody was going round stealing charity collection tins from inside the stores. PC McCahill has identified the suspect and with assistance from colleagues in the City the male was arrested. PC McCahill has dealt with the male in custody which resulted in him being charged for theft and burglary offences for stealing multiple charity tins, and remanded to court with the hope that he won't be bothering the beat anytime soon.



PC McCahill is keen to form good relations with those within our communities so please feel free to stop him when you see him out and about.



## Events:

Here are some of the places we have been visiting this month:

PC Whitehead and PCSO Reed, along with other East Leicester officers, supported the smooth running of celebrations for India Independence Day on a very rainy evening in the Belgrave Road area recently.

Other 16 beat officers also took part in the Pakistani Independence Day event in the St Peters Road area the day before.



It was a pleasure for local officers to be a part of St Matthews Parks Day recently. The sun was shining, and there was lots of positive engagement with the community. The children enjoyed the police themed treasure hunt and asked officers lots of great questions. We will be there again next year! Thank you to the Big Local for organising the event.



PC Jo from the Coleman and Evington beat put in a guest appearance on Spinney Hill. She teamed up with PCSO Yunus to carry out a knife sweep at one of the parks on the beat. These searches ensure our community remains a safe place for everyone. If you see anything suspicious, don't hesitate to report it. Let's keep our community safe.

No knives were found on this occasion.

## Community engagements

### SEPTEMBER:

- BEAT SURGERY— 18 September 2024—10:00-12:00 - St Matthews Tenants Assoc., 88 Manitoba Rd (PC 4708/PCSO 6655)
- BEAT SURGERY— 9 September 2024 – 10:00— Spinney Hill Park (PC 361)
- BEAT SURGERY—30 September 2024 —16:00—Spinney Hill Park (PC 361)

We look forward to seeing you at any of the above locations. No need to book, just pop along if you can. We hold beat surgeries every month at various locations and times. This is an opportunity for you to meet your team and discuss any issues in your local area. We can also give crime prevention advice.

