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Your Local Team



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Welcome to my monthly update for residents and communities within the Stoneygate and Spinney Hill Neighbourhood Policing Area.

This newsletter will be shared regularly and aims to provide an insight into local policing activity, community engagement, and key issues affecting the area. It is also an opportunity to keep you informed, highlight ongoing work, and strengthen our connection with the community.

- PCSO 6072 Waheed Akhtar

You Said— What matters to you

- **St James Road – Drug Use and Anti-Social Behaviour:**

Concerns have been raised regarding drug use, associated anti-social behaviour, and activity linked to nearby hostels in and around St James Road. Residents have reported issues affecting community safety and the quality of life within the area.

- **South Highfields – Drug Dealing:**

Reports of suspected drug dealing across the South Highfields area, particularly around Lincoln Street, Conduit Street, College Street, and Upper Tichborne Street. These concerns relate to ongoing activity impacting residents and local businesses.

- **Road Safety – Evington Road and Surrounding Areas**

Concerns regarding road safety along Evington Road, including zig-zag parking, junction blocking, and inconsiderate parking, particularly during school times. Additional issues include obstruction, parking near bus stops, cleanliness concerns, fly tipping, and bin misuse affecting the local environment.

We Did— What we are doing

• **St James Road – Drug Use and Anti-Social Behaviour**

We have continued to prioritise concerns around drug use and anti-social behaviour in and around St James Road. Officers have been carrying out regular high-visibility patrols, engaging with individuals in the identified areas, and monitoring activity linked to nearby hostels to provide reassurance to residents and deter offending.

We are currently in the final stages of installing a POD camera on St James Road. A suitable lamppost location has now been agreed, and we are awaiting a confirmed installation date. This camera will support ongoing enforcement activity and help gather evidence relating to anti-social behaviour and suspected drug use.

Local beat officers have also linked suspected drug dealing to a vehicle, resulting in a stop search of both the male and the vehicle. The matter was dealt with accordingly. In addition, numerous stop searches have been conducted in the area, with positive results, and appropriate action has been taken where offences have been identified.

These proactive measures aim to disrupt drug-related activity and improve community safety within the St James Road area.

• **South Highfields – Drug Dealing**

Officers have carried out proactive enforcement activity across the South Highfields area, including the execution of multiple warrants targeting addresses suspected of being linked to drug dealing. This work has generated significant new intelligence, which is being used to progress further enforcement opportunities.

A number of stop searches have also been conducted in response to reports of drug dealing and drug use. As a result of this activity, officers have also responded to increased reports of shop theft affecting local businesses.

During one incident, local officers pursued and detained a prolific shoplifter. The suspect was subsequently charged with five shop theft offences and breach of notification requirements relating to a Sexual Harm Prevention Order. The individual was also wanted on an emergency recall to prison, resulting in a very positive outcome for the local community and businesses.

This proactive work continues to focus on disrupting drug-related activity and tackling associated crime in the South Highfields area.

• **Road Safety – Evington Road and Surrounding Areas**

Road safety concerns on Evington Road and surrounding streets continue to be addressed through regular patrols and targeted enforcement activity. Officers have issued several Traffic Offence Reports for vehicles stopping within the confines of pedestrian crossings on Evington Road and Evington Valley Road, as well as for other road traffic offences across the beat area.

During the month of Ramadan, additional patrols were conducted to tackle parking issues and anti-social behaviour, particularly during peak evening periods. Officers engaged with members of the community, provided advice, and took enforcement action where individuals were found to be breaching road traffic legislation.

Local officers also responded to incidents involving assaults on traffic wardens on Evington Road during Ramadan, ensuring appropriate action was taken and support provided.

Additional Work Across the Beat - Community Engagement

Alongside the priority areas, the local beat team has continued to deliver a wide range of community-focused policing activity. Over the past month, officers were actively engaged during the holy month of Ramadan to help ensure a safe and peaceful environment for all. Regular foot patrols and marked vehicle patrols were carried out throughout the period, with officers working closely alongside partner agencies including the Community Safety Team, Licensing, and Civil Enforcement Officers to support the community and address concerns.

Officers also had the privilege of joining members of the Muslim community in breaking their fast at various locations, including community centres, mosques, police stations, and other venues. These engagements provided valuable opportunities to build trust, strengthen relationships, and maintain a visible and reassuring presence. We are pleased to report that no major incidents were recorded during this period, and the community expressed appreciation for the support provided.

In addition, officers have been visiting local schools to engage with children and young people, speaking about policing and explaining day-to-day duties. The team has also continued engaging with local businesses, listening to concerns and providing reassurance around issues affecting the area.

Regular engagement has also taken place with religious establishments to build positive relationships and support community cohesion. Officers have worked closely with partner agencies to resolve ongoing issues through a multi-agency approach, while also providing crime prevention and safety advice to residents during patrols and community interactions.

Meet your Team—Upcoming public Engagements

Wednesday 15th April 2026 @ Somali development Centre on Abingdon Road - between 1000-1200 hours

Saturday 18th April 2026 @ Onslow Park - between 1600 - 1700 hours

Friday 24th April 2026 @ Evington Road outside Morrisons – between 1100 -1200 hours

As we wrap up this edition, we'd like to remind you that **Beat Surgeries remain one of the best ways to connect directly with your neighbourhood officers**. These sessions give you the chance to meet us face-to-face, share your concerns, and help influence the priorities that matter most in your area. Alongside these conversations, we continue to shape our focus using **crime-data analysis, community surveys, and ongoing engagement through social media and other channels**. By blending your local insight with evidence-based information, we can ensure our policing approach stays firmly aligned with the needs of our community.

From all of us on the **Stoneygate Beat Team**, we'd like to wish you and your loved ones a **very Happy Easter** — stay safe, enjoy the holiday, and we look forward to seeing you at our next Beat Surgery!