

# SAFER Neighbourhood NEWS

January 2026

## Bakewell Safer Neighbourhood Team

### Keeping Derbyshire Dales Safe This Winter

#### Message from Inspector John Troup

The Derbyshire Dales is a beautiful area with some of the lowest levels of crime and anti-social behaviour in the county. However, as winter approaches, we remain vigilant. My officers will be working hard to tackle seasonal issues such as:

- Theft and outbuilding burglaries
- Drink driving
- Alcohol-related anti-social behaviour and violence

#### Protect Your Property

If you've stored away items like lawn mowers or bicycles for the winter, make sure they're secure.

- Use high-quality locks on sheds and gates.
- Lock items together to make theft more difficult to steal.
- Consider installing a shed alarm—they're inexpensive and effective.

If you receive expensive gifts this season, avoid leaving empty boxes outside your home, as this can attract thieves. When travelling, keep valuables out of sight and always lock your car. Even small items, like a coat on a seat, can tempt opportunistic thieves.

#### Stay Safe on the Roads

Drink driving causes fatalities, serious injuries, and life-changing consequences. There is no safe amount of alcohol if you're driving. Our advice is simple:

If you're driving, do not drink.

Throughout the year, I'll continue to provide updates and crime prevention advice to help keep our community safe. I wish you all a Happy New Year. Thank you for your support. Together, we can keep the Derbyshire Dales a safe place to live, work and visit.

#### Bakewell Safer Neighbourhood Team

PC Shaun Jakins, PCSO Hayley Radcliffe,  
PCSO Anthony Boswell, PCSO Rachael Alton

#### January Community Engagements

7th

900-930 Rutland Recreation Ground, Bakewell  
Walk Around Street Meet  
1330-1430 Underhill, Darley Dale Community  
Catch-up

8th

0830-900 Bakewell Infants School Start of Day  
Engagement  
1000-1100 Tea and Toast, Village Hall, Elton

13th 1900-2000 Darley Dale WI, Dale Road  
Church Hall, Darley Dale

15th 1400-1500 Bakewell Methodist Church  
Open Door Event

19th 1030-1130 Bakewell Methodist Church  
Coffee Morning

23rd 1500-1600 Lady Manners School area,  
Bakewell End of Day Engagement and street  
meet

25th 1500-1600 Whitworth Park, Darley Dale  
Walk Around Street Meet

30th

1030-1130 Bakewell Library Join Us for a  
Cuppa  
1600-1700 Aldi Bakewell, Crime Prevention  
Event

Further engagements will be advertised via  
Derbyshire Alert and our SNT Facebook Page

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## Bakewell Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter Continued

This update outlines the progress made on the community priorities set for your area by the Local Policing Inspector John TROUP in collaboration with the Safer Neighbourhood Supervisors, Sgt Chris GRANT and PCSO Supervisor Karl MILLWARD.

Community priorities are reviewed and set on a quarterly basis, guiding the focus of the Safer Neighbourhood Team's activity, in this update, you'll find:

- The new priorities for the upcoming quarter
- A summary of the previous priorities
- The actions taken and outcomes achieved

New priorities are determined by analysing local crime trends and incorporating feedback from you - the community. This is done through engagement events, surveys and direct contact.

### **New priorities:**

Following this review, the SNT has identified the following priorities for the upcoming quarter:

1. Burglary / shed Breaks (ND01)
2. Speeding / hazardous driving (ND01) and (ND04)
3. Off road bikes using disused quarry (ND01)
4. Speeding / Off Road Use motor bikes and vehicles (ND02)
5. Parking Offences (ND03)
6. Vehicle ASB use in Business Car Park (ND05)

### **In relation to Speeding and Off-Road vehicle use, we will look at the following:**

- Conduct regular high visibility patrols in known hotspot areas.
- Deploy Community Speed watch where appropriate
- Attend local meetings (e.g. Parish council, community forums) to gather feedback and share updates.
- Promote road safety awareness through school visits and youth engagement sessions.
- Take proactive enforcement action against offences such as obstruction, speeding, and anti-social driving
- Work with Roads Policing Unit for joint operations where necessary
- Collaborate with local councils to identify infrastructure improvements (signage, traffic calming).
- Liaise with Highways and CCTV teams to support evidence gathering and deterrence.
- Share updates and crime prevention advice via Derbyshire Alert and social media
- Publicise successful interventions to reassure the community and encourage reporting.

### **In relation to ASB in caused by off road motorcyclists in rural areas and those using their vehicles in an anti-social manner at business premises in Darley Dale we will look at the following:**

- Continue to work closely with the owners of the business to find solutions and continue to work with our partners as part of our joint problem management approach. We will focus on the prevention and enforcement of crime involving anti-social behaviour, particularly those linked to the use of vehicles and drugs.
- This includes ongoing collaboration with key stakeholders such as the local council and Environmental Health, who share, responsibility for maintaining safety and wellbeing in the area.
- To support this work, we will maintain a proactive presence through a combination of high visibility and plain-clothes targeted patrols, informed by crime trend analysis and community intelligence.

### **In relation to dwelling and outbuilding burglary in the rural area, we will look at doing the following:**

- Patrols in the areas the areas where burglaries have taken place previously.
- Follow up burglary visits to those who have been burgled and speak about crime prevention.
- Hold Crime Prevention events give the opportunity for communities to visit us and speak about their concerns.
- Liaison with the North Division Acquisitive Crime Team (NACT) regarding burglaries.

### **In relation to parking in the rural area, we will look at doing the following:**

- Liaison with communities through community meetings and surveys who highlight locations has a concern and link in with partners.
- Liaison with Civilian Parking Enforcement officers regarding problem parking locations for them to enforce.
- Patrol the problem parking locations which are reported to police regarding white line offences and issue tickets to those vehicles committing the offence.

## Bakewell Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter Continued

### The previous priorities were: -

1. Speeding
2. Burglary / Shed Break
3. ASB / Drug Misuse
4. Parking offences

### Action Taken:

In relation to above priorities, we have implemented a Partnership Problem Solving Plan in collaboration with key members of the Community Safety Partnership. This plan takes a holistic approach to addressing issues highlighted in the priorities and with all partners working towards a shared objective while taking responsibility for their respective areas of focus.

From a policing perspective, we have led on enforcement activity by conducting both high-visibility and plain clothed patrols, alongside proportionate stop searches of individuals and vehicles.

To further support this initiative, we have organised and delivered joint operations covering the above priorities. These operations were carried out in partnership with the Roads Policing Unit, Rural Crime Team, and our neighbouring Safer Neighbourhood Teams.

Members of the SNT have conducted stop checks alongside our Roads Policing Unit colleagues targeting those using motorbikes in an anti-social and illegal manner.

We have also visited hot spot areas where illegal parking on double white line systems is causing a hazard to other road users and issued many fixed penalty notices. We have engaged in patrols at several locations where off road motorcyclists have been reported to be riding in a manner causing issues for the local community. We have reduced the issue using enforcement action where appropriate but have also tried to engage with the off-road community and advise and educate. We have also conducted speed checks and provided support to our Community Speed watch Volunteers to tackle the issues caused by those who ignore the speed limits.

In relation to Drugs, our Safer Neighbourhood Team has proactively targeted offenders with several successful stop checks resulting in positive detections for drug offences and related driving offences. Several warrants have also been conducted in our area to target and disrupt offenders. The SNT is currently engaged in several closure orders at premises where Anti-Social Behaviour linked to drug supply have been reported. Offenders have been dealt with through a combination of out of court disposals, and formal charges, depending on circumstances. These outcomes reflect our continued commitment to tackling drug-related crime and maintain community safety through proactive policing.

### Outcomes:

- Vehicles stopped and offences detected
- Multiple section 59 warnings issued (Section 59 Of the Police Reform Act 2002 gives police the powers to deal with the anti-social use of motor vehicles)
- Convictions for drug offences
- Decrease in crime and ASB within the area.

### Reporting Incidents / Crimes to Police

**Website** – website: <https://www.derbyshire.police.uk>, **Facebook** – send us a private message to the Derbyshire Constabulary Facebook page. **Phone** – 999 in an emergency, 101 non-emergency, You can also anonymously contact the independent charity **Crimestoppers**, on 0800 555 111, or by visiting the Crimestoppers website: [www.crimestoppers-uk.org/](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/)