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Earl Shilton & Barwell Newsletter #yousaidwedid

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You Said

We have listened to you and the concerns you raised and prioritised the following:

Priority 1: Illegal Drug Use

You said: Drug users and the crime associated with it are causing you concern.

What we are going to do: Whilst we will robustly deal with those who break the law, we will also seek to engage with the drug users in order to understand what factors are driving them to this lifestyle and what interventions we can offer.

Priority 2: Road Safety

You Said: Concerns relating Road Safety whether it be parking, speeding or motorbikes causing nuisance.

Priority 3: Antisocial Behaviour

You said: Antisocial Behaviour has been reported across the beat.

What we are going to do: Work with our partners to remove the problems. There will be an increased police presence in the area at the times that you have reported the issues to us.

We Did

Officers have been out on proactive patrols which has led to them issuing a number of ASB Contracts which require certain people who have committed antisocial behavior to comply with conditions preventing them from continuing the behavior.

A vehicle that was causing a nuisance on the beat has been identified by officers and the driver has been tracked down and spoken to by officers about appropriate use of his vehicle which if that person does not comply with will lead to formal action being taken against them.

A local vehicle that had been driving around the area was stopped by PC Tones and after checks were made the vehicle was searched under Sec 23 Misuse of drugs act and a number of illegal substances were located throughout the car. The driver was arrested for possession with intent to supply (PWITS) Class A.

Good news

On June 23rd PC Tones and PCSO Reed attended the Earl Shilton Cricket Club charity event where locals who attended the charity match were spoken with and any concerns they had were listened to and addressed.



With the recent spate of motorcycle thefts across the Hinckley area, here are some measures motorcyclists may wish to take:

Physical Security Measures

- **High-Quality Lock and Chain:** Use a heavy-duty chain and lock to secure the motorcycle to a fixed object, such as a ground anchor, lamppost, or sturdy fence. Opt for chains and locks that are resistant to bolt cutters and other tools.
- **Steering Lock:** Always use the built-in steering lock when parking your motorcycle.
- **Alarm Systems:** Invest in an alarm system. Choose one that is motion-sensitive and emits a loud noise if the motorcycle is moved without authorization.
- **GPS Tracking Devices:** Install a GPS tracker. If your motorcycle is stolen, a GPS tracker can help locate it.

Parking Strategies

- **Secure Parking:** Park in a secure location whenever possible, such as a garage or a designated motorcycle parking area with surveillance cameras.
- **Visibility:** Park in well-lit, busy areas. Thieves are less likely to target motorcycles in high-visibility locations.
- **Cover It Up:** Use a motorcycle cover to obscure your bike. Thieves are less likely to target a motorcycle if they can't easily identify the make and model.

Behavioural Practices

- **Vary Parking Locations:** If you park in public regularly, vary your parking spots. Predictability can make you an easier target.
- **Identification Markings:** Mark your motorcycle with unique identification numbers in hidden spots. This can help in recovery and deter thieves who might want to resell parts.
- **Documentation:** Keep a record of your motorcycle's details (VIN, license plate number, and photos). This information is crucial if you need to report a theft.

Community and Technology

- **Security Camera:** If you park your motorcycle at home, install security cameras to monitor the area where it is parked.
- **Smartphone Alerts:** Use apps connected to your motorcycle's alarm system or GPS tracker to receive real-time alerts on your phone if something unusual happens.

By combining these physical, behavioural, and community strategies, motorcycle owners can significantly reduce the risk of theft and increase the chances of recovery if theft does occur.

Water safety for teenagers and young people

Being by water is a great place to spend time with friends, but it's important you know how to keep yourself, and your friends, safe.

There were 277 accidental drownings in the UK in 2021. 62% of these happened at inland waters and 83% of these were male.

Water may look safe, especially a familiar stretch of water local to you, but poor decisions around it can create a dangerous situation.

A hot day in the summer holidays, what better way to cool down than by jumping into your local lock. Big mistake.

There may be Tik Tok trends, and there may be dares and bets, but do not try to jump over the canal, jump into a lock or jump off bridges. There are no lifeguards along canals and rivers to help you. Also, if you're on a secluded part of the water, it will take the emergency services much longer to reach you.

No matter how strong a swimmer you are, you can't prepare for cold water shock. Cold water shock – the stats

- Low water temperatures cause the body to go into 'cold water shock'.
- It reacts to the cold water by drawing the blood away from muscles to protect the organs and making it difficult to move limbs.
- The cold water will make you gasp uncontrollably and breathe in water
- Your heart will beat really fast, you'll lose energy quickly, and eventually your muscles will become paralysed.

Community engagements

Don't miss out on our events:

Tuesday 06/08/24 Beat surgery, Earl Shilton, Co Op 10:00-12:00.

Wednesday 31/07/24 Beat Surgery, Barwell, George Ward Centre 10:00-12:00