



Bradley Stoke Newsletter

Summer 2011 edition

Let's beat Anti Social Behaviour

As the weather improves, complaints of anti-social behaviour (ASB) often rise. We recognise that whatever the incident, if it keeps on happening, it's going to affect your quality of life.

We are committed to taking ASB seriously and working with local communities and other agencies to tackle problems.

The causes of ASB are varied and it's an issue police can't tackle alone. Some problems are better dealt with by South Gloucestershire Council (SGC) or another agency, so we all need to work together.

Recently a 14 year old boy was being verbally abusive and aggressive to other teenagers and staff at local community facilities within the Bradley Stoke area. The Neighbourhood Policing team worked with SGC's ASB team and local people and in February this boy was given a 2 year Anti Social Behaviour Order (ASBO) banning him from the skate park, leisure centre and Willowbrook Centre.



Current PACT

Priorities

Speeding – Woodlands Lane and Pear Tree Road

Next Meeting:

Date & Time: 12th July at 7pm

Location: Jubilee Centre

What is ASB?

ASB includes criminal activity (EG drug dealing) and other issues that impact on people's lives: groups gathering outside your home, drunken rowdiness or repeated loud noise. It does not include things like children playing outside or on street parking problems. If in doubt, get in touch: we'll help if we can.

What can I do about ASB?

- A polite word can be enough. People may not realise the impact of their actions.
- Discuss the problem with neighbours.
- Report it to the police or SGC.
- Keep a record of ongoing incidents, including times, dates, places and names.
- We need local people to help identify perpetrators of ASB, securing the evidence we and our partners need.

Who can help with ASB?

It can be confusing to know who can help you tackle ASB. You can contact your local beat team to discuss concerns.

You can also report to SGC's ASB team on [01454 868582](tel:01454868582) or e-mail asb.reporting@soutglose.gov.uk

View the website at: www.avonandsomerset.police.uk

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Keep Burglars at bay.

With the summer days and light evenings approaching, we would like to warn house holders that leaving windows open this summer could let in more than fresh air.

- Always lock shut windows and doors... even if you are in the garden or upstairs.
- Set timers to turn lights and a radio on when your out.
- Postcode your property and register it with www.immobilise.com
- Install PIR motion sensor outdoor lights at the front and rear of your house.
- Fit and use a security alarm.

Once you have made your home secure, check out your garden. Thieves often target sheds and outbuildings – they are less secure and as well as containing valuable bicycles and power tools often hold items like spades and ladders which can be used to get into your house.

- A tough pad bar (also called hasp and staple), fitted with a strong padlock and secured with coach bolts is the best way to secure a shed door.
- Fit a battery operated alarm to your outbuildings or buy alarmed padlocks.
- Chain your ladders up.
- Prickly or thorny plants at the perimeter of you garden and under drainpipes and windows will deter thieves.

Willowbrook Update – Beat Surgery Times

The Neighbourhood Policing team will be holding weekly beat surgeries at the new “beat post” based at the Willowbrook Centre.

It’s easier for local people to call in and see us every Wednesday between 1 and 3pm.

The beat post is based at the end of the corridor between Santander and Reflections.

Crimestoppers



You can email us at: SSNFilton@avonandsomerset.police.uk

Emergency Text: 80999

All general enquiries, ring 0845 456 7000

If a crime is in progress, ring 999

Good News

Burglar Caught

A 21 year old burglar was jailed for two and a half years by Bristol Crown Court after admitting more than 70 crimes.

He was arrested in April and charged with a burglary in Filton, but asked the court to take into consideration 75 other crimes, including burglaries in Bradley Stoke, Stoke Gifford and Little Stoke.

Speed Watch

Police have carried out speed checks in Woodlands Lane and Pear Tree Road. In one hour long operation, officers reported 3 drivers, all driving above 40 mph, who will pay £60 and attend a driving course to avoid three penalty points.

The beat team are currently trying to get volunteers to set up a “Speed Watch” for the Bradley Stoke area. We need 6 volunteers and currently have 5. Once the scheme is running all volunteers are trained to use speed equipment and pass details of speeding vehicles to police, who write a warning letter to the registered keeper. If there’s a persistent problem, the volunteers could be joined by a regular officer who can report speeding drivers there and then.

Police arrest three and seize suspected cannabis

In April police seized 25 suspected cannabis plants with a potential street value up to £25,000 and found electricity being illegally obtained at a house in Bradley Stoke. A Bradley Stoke man aged 24, a Bristol man aged 22, and a Portishead woman aged 23 were arrested and bailed pending further enquiries.

Say It with Flowers

Young people have come together to bring a little spring colour to the area. An event held in March was organised by Unity, a multi-faith women’s group where they were joined by families and their children to get involved in the Bradley Stoke Dream Scheme. They all met up at Brook Way Community Centre and planted out barrels with flowers, herbs and strawberries. The group were joined by PCSO Kirsty Flicker and the planters will be donated throughout the community, including to Brook Way Activity Centre, Brook Way Surgery and Coniston Community Centre. After their morning’s hard work, all involved were treated to lunch cooked by members of Unity.