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Subject: Police report from Sgt Matthew Paisley

Hi Debbie,

Please feel free to pass this on to your councillors at your meeting tonight. This is our crime report written by our Sergeant PS 1455 Matthew Paisley.

Kind regards

Laura

The last 12 months have seen Suffolk Constabulary face some significant challenges. It has been well publicised in the press, and through communications direct to Parishes, that the financial climate had resulted in the need to refocus how we deliver our service across the County. Whilst the economy gave us the push required to redefine the Constabulary, it also allowed every department to examine the work we do day to day and establish our core roles, taking into account the areas of work that cause us and our communities the most threat, risk and harm.

The Suffolk Local Policing Review has now been completed and introduced some fundamental changes that will impact our local communities. The nature of work handled by us, the Safer Neighbourhood Team, is becoming more focussed upon reducing demand to us and other agencies. In order to do this, PCSOs will now have additional specific responsibilities in key areas that will allow them to liaise directly with agencies who are best equipped in the problem area. For example, there will be an officer who concentrates on licensing issues and retail, another will work closely with vulnerable communities and mental health. However, to get the most benefit from these roles, the PCSOs will now only work office based hours, albeit still spread across 7 days. This will of course mean that the monthly Parish meetings will no longer be attended by Police. PCSO Laura Mansell has been allocated as our Parish Council liaison officer, so in addition to her other tasks she will be building relationships with all Parishes within the Sudbury SNT boundary. Whilst we have seen a reduction in the number of PCSOs working on our SNT (10 down to 6), the remaining officers are all part of the former team, versed with great experience, knowledge and expertise on the geography. The 4 Constables that were previously allocated have been reduced, and replaced by 3 new officers, although all three have extensive local knowledge having policed the area at some point in their careers.

The other headlines from the review are that all front desks in the County, bar Ipswich, Bury and Lowestoft, have closed. As a consequence of this, we will no longer deal with lost and found property as there is no legal obligation on the Police to take on this task.

The review has encompassed every area of front line Policing. Whilst every effort has been made to

ensure full public awareness, we do appreciate that some of you may not have received the full message. Therefore, if you would like further information, please contact me, Sgt. Matt Paisley by email matthew.paisley@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

Aside from the review, in the last quarter of 2015 we saw the introduction of a new crime recording computer system. This follows several years of planning and consultation with other Forces in order for a wider take up across the Country. There have been many positives coming out of this new system, not least cross border investigations and arrests. There is, however, one negative for Parishes, and that is the inability for the system to provide us with accurate crime figures for specific Parishes at specific times. It is due to this reason that we are unable to provide yearly crime statistics at this time. A new crime report for Parishes will soon be available (this has been sent to Parish clerks) and this will be populated with accurate, up to date data by our analytical department.

PS 1455 Matt Paisley

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