



MONTHLY REPORT
SEDLESCOMBE & EWHURST WARD & BODIAM
OCTOBER 2010

SEDLESCOMBE

01/10/10 there was a report of a stolen motor vehicle. The vehicle was located when the Fire Brigade were called to a vehicle fire. Enquiries are ongoing at this time.

07/10/10 a vehicle in East View Terrace received criminal damage to the front passenger window. A handbag was on the front seat but this was not stolen.

20/10/10 Report of a male knocking on doors offering to tarmac drives. No offences were committed but viewed with suspicion.

24/10/10 Report of a vehicle being broken into in New England Lane. A CD player and CDs were stolen.

EWHURST GREEN

No crimes reported.

STAPLECROSS & CRIPPS CORNER

07/10/10 a report of a stolen Green Landrover which was parked outside a home address in Staplecross. Enquiries are currently ongoing at this time.

BODIAM

On the 12/10/10 there was a report that a property had the locks on their front gate smashed, it is believed trying to enter the yard area. It is unsure if entry was gained and no items were stolen.

MURDER INVESTIGATION - JULIAN GARDENER - ROBERTSBRIDGE

Operation Bradford is the investigation into the murder of Julian Gardener on the 11th October 2010 at his home at Bush Barn Farm, Robertsbridge, East Sussex. A 29 year old man and a 40 year old man, together with a woman from the Ashford area of Kent, have been arrested in connection with the on-going murder investigation and have been bailed pending further enquiries.

A further arrest was made of a 31 year old man from Kent. He was arrested in Caernarfon, North Wales, shortly after midday on Thursday 28th October 2010 in connection with the ongoing murder investigation. The man will be brought to Sussex for questioning within 24 hours.

Extensive forensic tests have been undertaken at the scene of the murder, and the results of some of this work are showing promise.

Julian's family are being supported by Family Liaison Officers and an Advisor. The family are supportive of the investigation which is progressing well and is now being led by Chief Inspector Trevor Bowles.

Our thoughts continually go out to Mr Gardener's family and the community. This tragic event has affected a lot of people and I appeal to anyone with information to get in touch. Please call 0845 60 70 99 quoting Operation Bradford or Crime stoppers on 0800 555 111

LOCAL PRIORITIES - SEDLESCOMBE

Priority 1

What you said: Parking around the school.

What we did: Patrols are being carried out at key times.

What happened: Offending vehicles are being dealt with appropriately.

Priority 2

What you said: Speeding through the village.

What we did: Demi continues to do the speed patrols and has also continued to undertake the early patrols at 0600hrs.

What happened: We are continuing to send out warning letters and give out fixed penalty tickets where appropriate.



Priority 3

What you said: Anti-social behaviour.

What we did: High visibility patrols are being carried out around the village at key times.

What happened : At the current time anti-social behaviour still remains minor and DEMI is continuing with his patrols and liaison with partnership agencies.

LOCAL PRIORITIES - EWHURST GREEN

Priority 1

What you said: Speeding through the village.

What we did: Regular speed checks continue to be undertaken at various times of the day. Demi has undertaken early morning speed checks as early as 0600hrs.

What happened: Warning letters and tickets have been issued.

Priority 2

What you said: Parking around the school.

What we did: Patrols are being carried out at key times.

What happened:. Offending vehicles are being dealt with appropriately.

LOCAL PRIORITIES - BODIAM

These local priorities were set up at the last Panel Meeting for Robertsbridge and Salehurst. Bodiam did not communicate any issues at this meeting. If you do have any issues please contact me or Demi and we can organise a meeting.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Neighbourhood Watch for the Battle area is now joining Rye and Bexhill and will come under the title of Rother Neighbourhood Watch. PC Karen Heyes has been appointed the Special Point of Contact for the Battle area – please call if you would like to join the scheme 07810655971.

There are lots of new and interesting initiatives for Neighbourhood Watch which include local sponsorship from companies and a reward scheme with local businesses and members.

Neighbourhood Watch is very important to the work we do and we need more members - please consider and have a look online at the Sussex Police Website or again call PC Heyes.

OPERATION VORTEX

Operation Vortex has come to the Rother District. This is a high visibility operation which will be located at different areas of the district. It involves carrying out checks on vehicles being driven in Rother for offences such as no insurance, no MOT, condition of vehicle etc.
BE AWARE, IF YOUR VEHICLE IS NOT INSURED IT MAY BE SEIZED!

OPERATION CRACKDOWN

Please don't forget, if you see any form of Anti-social driving (speeding, using a mobile phone whilst driving, regular drink drivers, disqualified drivers etc), please report it to us via our Op Crackdown system:
<http://www.operationcrackdown.org/> or 01243 642222

CRIMESTOPPERS

Or, if you have any information about crimes that have occurred or, possible illegal activities that people are committing, you can always report it to Sussex Police on 0845 60 70 999, or anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111, <http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/>

**Thank you
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