



# Warrington South

Warrington LPU

December 2023

Dear resident,

We are pleased to send you our quarterly newsletter for the Warrington South Beat Team.

As always we are here for you 24hrs a day, if you need us please call 101 or 999 in an emergency or report online via our website- [www.cheshire.police.uk](http://www.cheshire.police.uk)

On behalf of Warrington LPU, we wish you all a Happy and Safe Christmas and New Year

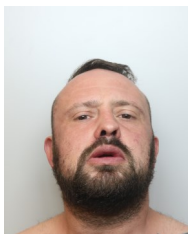
## Operation Jingles.



Our annual Christmas operation launched in December– Operation Jingles. Officers will be targeting perpetrators of anti-social behaviour, domestic abuse, shoplifting and drink/drug driving. In the first weekend of the operation 170 people were arrested across Cheshire. Local beat teams will be providing high visibility

patrols across retail areas to provide reassurance to shoppers and to target any offenders attempting to commit crime or cause anti-social behaviour. We will also be working with partnership agencies to ensure everyone has a safe festive and New Year period.

## A man who attempted to set fire to a woman's home in Warrington has been jailed.



Andrew Potter appeared at Chester Crown Court on Tuesday 28 November where he was sentenced to eight years in prison.

The 39-year-old of Thelwall New Road, Warrington, had earlier pleaded guilty to arson with recklessness as to whether life was endangered.

At around 6am Wednesday 13 September, Potter attended a woman's home address in Latchford, following a verbal disagreement the day before.

The woman, her sister, and four young children were in the property at the time.

Potter then set fire to the rear kitchen door using a quilt and two jerry cans full of petrol.

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## Your officers

Sgt Gareth Kerr

### Stockton Heath

PC Wendy Whitehead

PCSO Jordan Burke

PCSO Colin Blanchard

### Grappenhall and Thelwall

PC Will Austin

PCSO Sharon Perrie

### Appleton.

PC Ann Muldowney

PCSO Dave Mahon

PCSO Colin Blanchard

### Hatton, Stretton, Walton

PC Ann Muldowney

PCSO Matt Kirkham

### Lymm

PC Andy Rowley

PCSO Phil Redshaw

PCSO Daren Dennis



**It is very important to have your say on policing in your area.**

You can make a difference: Send us your views and concerns anonymously, as often as you want. These could be anything from burglaries to parking, speeding to anti-social behaviour.

Scan the QR code or visit the address below to give your feedback



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The victim and her sister noticed the door had been set alight and quickly ran upstairs.

Aiming a shower hose out the bathroom window, they were able to extinguish the fire. Once the fire was out and her family safe, the victim called the police.

CCTV enquiries identified Potter, and he was swiftly arrested and subsequently charged with arson with intent to endanger life.

### Two county lines drug dealers have been jailed for their role in the supply of illegal drugs in Warrington.



Jake Cullen, 22, from Spinney View, Kirkby, and Cameron Irvine, 22, of Withers Avenue, Warrington, had earlier pleaded guilty to the offences and were sentenced on Thursday 2 November at Liverpool Crown Court for their roles in the drug supply.

The pair were sentenced to three years imprisonment respectively.

### Crucial Crew 2023

Over 200 year 6 school children from across Warrington attended Peninsula Barracks in December to attend the annual multi-agency safety event which is designed to provide children with vital life skills and safety advice.



Each organisation put on a workshop using scenarios to bring to life different situations. Workshops explored topics including internet safety, cyber security, home safety, anti-social behaviour, safety on the railway, and the court system.

Crucial Crew is a fantastic way of getting young people involved in making a difference in their community, and it is a fun and innovative way of getting valuable safety, security and respect messages across to young children, who will hopefully remember what they have learnt, and put this into practise, should the need arise.

### Mini Police

Over 30 school children from schools across Warrington have been sworn in as Mini Police officers at Warrington Police station.

The new officers will be working as ambassadors for their schools, the community and local neighbour police teams to help improve the town.

The students were carefully selected by officers after they applied and were interviewed for their new mini police officer role, they were sworn in at Warrington Police station in front of their teachers and family.

The new officers will work alongside neighbourhood officers and their school in a number of initiatives that will help improve their local community.



## Operation Sceptre



While knife crime remains low in Cheshire in comparison to other parts of the country – we are committed to doing everything we can to tackle serious violence by working hard closely with our partner agencies and other organisations to ensure Cheshire is a county that is safe, and feels safe.

Operation Sceptre, is a national campaign which takes place twice a year, supporting the work Cheshire Police carry out all year round to ensure residents are safe from knife crime in their community.

Officers from neighbourhood teams from across Warrington undertook various activities in support of Operation Sceptre, this included officers attending local schools to give presentations on the dangers of knife crime to students, knife sweeps at open spaces across the area and officers holding community knife surrenders

### **You Said...**

Reports of anti-social behaviour from a male in Hatton.

### **We Did...**

The resident causing the issues was arrested in September for 5 offences, he was charged and remanded to appear before the courts. Having being found guilty on 4 of the charges he was further remanded by the courts for sentencing in January. An application for a Criminal Behaviour Order has also been made to prevent further issues in the future.

### **You Said...**

Residents raised concerns of vehicles speeding on Broad Lane, Grappenhall.

### **We Did...**

A targeted Operation to address concerns around road safety in the area was ran by officers from the Warrington South Beat Team.

A total 32 drivers were captured exceeding the speed limit with a top speed of 42mph in a 20mph zone.

A number of drivers were also stopped in relation other motoring offences including failing to wear a seat belt.

Drivers were issued with Traffic Offence Reports (TOR's) or summoned to court.



### **.You Said...**

Parking outside schools at pickup/drop off times

### **We Did...**

Officers have patrolled outside schools across the area, officers have also worked in partnership with Civil Enforcement Officers from Warrington Borough Council. Vehicles parked in contravention of markings

or causing obstructions were issued with fixed penalty notices by officers.



## You Said...

Reports of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

## We Did...

Residents complained a garage on The Crescent Lymm was being used by youths to drink and smoke cannabis.

Working in partnership with Warrington Borough Council who owned the garage, it was decided due to its condition to demolish the garage and clear the area.

## Burglars arrested and Charged.



2 males were arrested by officers in relation to 3 burglaries in the Warrington South area, and 2 burglaries in the Northwich area. The males have been charged in relation to two of the offences and will appear in court in the New Year. The investigation into the remaining offences is ongoing.

## Community Cohesion Group

Another way to become involved in Local Policing Issues is to become a member of the Community Cohesion Group (CCG)

Do you want an opportunity to have your say?

Do you want an opportunity to review real cases and view real Police Body Worn Footage?

The CCG meet once every three months to discuss, review and comment on Hate Crimes, Stop Searches and Use of force incidents.

We are seeking members of our community to be on our panel and to give us direct feedback on how we are doing. If you are interested, please email [gareth.kerr@cheshire.Police.uk](mailto:gareth.kerr@cheshire.Police.uk)

Members will be the subject of security checks prior to attendance.

## Upcoming meetings and events

### Surgeries – To be confirmed on the Facebook Pages

Please keep an eye on your local ward Facebook accounts for dates and times of surgeries in your community:

Appleton Police  
Hatton, Stretton and Walton Police  
Grappenhall and Thelwall Police  
Lymm Police  
Stockton Heath Police

## Contacting Cheshire Police

<b>1</b>	 <b>999</b> In an emergency	<b>2</b>	 <b>101</b> Less urgent than 999	<b>3</b>	 <b>cheshire.police.uk</b> Report non-urgent incidents online
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Abuse of the 999 system is an offence and may lead to prosecution.