

# Sturminster Newton Rural NEWSLETTER

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Your Safer Neighbourhood Team works with your local PACT (Partners and Communities Together) Panel, made up of representatives from the local council, housing, fire service and health, to identify and tackle the community safety issues that you tell us matter to you in the area in which you live.

## Current priorities

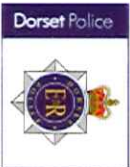
You have told us that the following issues are important in your neighbourhood:

**Excess speed around the Parish of Marnhull, particularly along New Road, Sodom Lane and Crown Road**

**Inappropriate speed within Stalbridge**

**Inconsiderate speed around the outskirts of Hazelbury Bryan**

Visit [www.dorset.police.uk](http://www.dorset.police.uk) for the latest information on PACT in your local area



**No calls from  
trick or treaters**

**thank you**



## Home Watch booming

Since our recruitment drive started at the Sturminster Show, Home Watch schemes in the town have more than doubled.

This allows us to keep many more residents informed about crimes and other incidents in and around

town and allows us to alert the community of any local matters that may be coming their way!

If you would like to join a Home Watch scheme in your areas then contact the Sturminster Newton Rural Safer Neighbourhood Team.

## The dangers of rural fires

**The Sturminster Newton PACT Panel urge members of the community to stay safe and conduct outdoor fires safely.**

Every year, fire destroys thousands of acres of countryside and wildlife habitats. Whilst some fires are started deliberately, most are due to carelessness.

At this time of year there are large amounts of hay, barns, fields, woodlands and heath areas, if these catch a light the consequences could be fatal.

One problem is from fires

that are lit 'for fun'. These can get out of hand and can quickly spread to areas further afield.

Deliberate fires are destructive and can prove extremely dangerous; those that cause them are putting themselves and others at serious risk and are urged to think about the effect of this on not only themselves but their community.

Individuals out in the Dorset countryside are being advised to enjoy themselves, but at the same time follow some useful outdoor fire safety tips.

An unemployed man from Blandford has been sent to prison for 16 months after being found guilty of supplying heroin.



The 34-year-old was sentenced – for supplying the Class A controlled drug. The man was arrested by police in Blandford during September 2008.

## PRIORITY UPDATE

**You said:** vehicles have been speeding through Park Gate

**We have:** consulted with the residents on the matter. The Parish Council have led the issue in consultation with Dorset County Council's Highways Department.

**You said:** underage drinking in Stalbridge

**We have:** spoken to licensed premises, co-operation and interaction with young people has seen a reduction in the problem. Regular patrols and alcohol seizures has also had an impact.

**You said:** there are vehicles speeding in Stalbridge

**We have:** looked at this problem. Regular patrols has reduced the problem. However, it has not entirely been resolved. Speed checks have been carried out and fixed penalty notices and warning letters have been issued where and when applicable. This issue is still a priority in the rural area.

## USEFUL CONTACTS

### **Police (Emergency) 999**

Crimes in progress or life threatening incidents

### **Police (Non-Emergency) 01305 / 01202 222 222**

To give information or report an incident which is not an emergency

### **Lesbian & Gay Liaison Officer 01202 269 911 (LAGLO)**

24 hour answerphone or email: laglo@dorset.pnn.police.uk

### **North Dorset District Council 01258 454 111**

Nordon, Salisbury Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset, DT11 7LL

[www.north-dorset.gov.uk](http://www.north-dorset.gov.uk)

Community safety issues **01258 484 368**

Anti-social behaviour **01258 484 041**

### **Dorset County Council 01305 221 000**

Colliton Park, Dorchester, DT1 1XJ

[www.dorsetforyou.com](http://www.dorsetforyou.com)

Traffic & safety management **01305 225 077**

To discuss changes in speed limits and traffic calming

Parking Enforcement **01305 251 000**

### **Sturminster Newton Fire Station 01258 472 609**

This number is for non-urgent calls, in an emergency dial 999

Bath Road, Sturminster Newton, DT10 1DU

[www.dorsetfire.co.uk](http://www.dorsetfire.co.uk)

### **Neighbourhood and Home Watch 01202 222 222**

To find out more information about joining Home Watch in your area contact your Safer Neighbourhood Team

[www.nhwdorset.org.uk](http://www.nhwdorset.org.uk)

### **NHS Direct 0845 46 47**

[www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)

[www.dorset-pct.nhs.uk](http://www.dorset-pct.nhs.uk)

### **Dorset out-of-hours medical service 0845 600 1013**

[www.swast.nhs.uk](http://www.swast.nhs.uk)

### **Citizens Advice Bureau 01308 456 594**

[www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk)

### **Wilts and Dorset Buses 01202 673 555**

### **Crimestoppers 0800 555 111**

### **Confidential anti-terrorist hotline 0800 789 321**



Dorset Police Olympic and Paralympics Security Team are committed to working with our communities to provide a safe and secure 2012 Games. If you would like to know more, volunteer your services or raise concerns please e-mail us at [2012@dorset.pnn.police.uk](mailto:2012@dorset.pnn.police.uk).

## Get in touch

Let us know what concerns you most.

Call:

**01305/01202 222 222**  
or **07500 816258**

Write to:

**Sturminster Newton  
Rural SNT  
Sturminster Newton  
Police Station  
Brinsley Close  
Sturminster Newton  
Dorset, DT10 1EH**

Email:

**[stourvalleysnt@dorset.pnn.police.uk](mailto:stourvalleysnt@dorset.pnn.police.uk)**

[www.dorset.police.uk](http://www.dorset.police.uk)

## Raise your issues

**Look out for the PACT logo and join us at any of our community meetings to let us know what is concerning you in your neighbourhood.**

Surgeries:

**Stalbridge Community Office, Ring Street**

The first Wednesday of the month,  
10.30 - 11.30am

Visit [www.dorset.police.uk](http://www.dorset.police.uk) for more opportunities to raise issues in your neighbourhood