



Dear Reader,

I would like to share some recent updates about the work taking place across West Leicester to tackle crime, address anti-social behaviour and keep our communities safe.

Over the coming weeks, I will be joining officers as they execute warrants targeting individuals involved in violence, drugs and other serious criminality. This activity complements our ongoing work to disrupt gang-related offending across the policing area. We continue to achieve positive results, with several individuals taken into custody. However, our work does not stop there. We remain focused on identifying and targeting those who continue to cause harm within our communities.

I also want to raise awareness of cuckooing. This is when criminals take over the home of another person, often someone who is vulnerable, and use the property for criminal activity. Please look out for your neighbours, particularly those who may be vulnerable or isolated. Warning signs can include unfamiliar people frequently visiting a property, increased activity at unusual times, changes in a resident's behaviour or signs that they appear frightened or uncomfortable. If something does not feel right, please report your concerns to us.

I recently joined the Fosse Beat Team while they patrolled local anti-social behaviour hotspots. I saw the team's proactive work first-hand, including engaging with individuals, recording their details and carrying out stop searches where there were lawful grounds to suspect offending.

Anti-social behaviour can significantly affect how safe people feel. Littering, loitering, alcohol-related nuisance and other unacceptable behaviour in public parks and green spaces will not be ignored. Where appropriate, we will use the anti-social behaviour powers available to us to challenge those responsible and prevent further problems. Our current work includes a particular focus on Abbey Park, Ellis Meadows, The Rally and other green spaces across West Leicester. These locations should be welcoming and safe places for everyone to enjoy.

Thank you for your continued support. By working together, we can protect vulnerable people, tackle criminality and make West Leicester safer for everyone.

Yours sincerely,

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