

# Spinney Hill and St **Matthews** Newsletter

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### **Your Local Team**



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## What Matters to you?

#### **PARKING:**

During a recent ward meeting, Police were told by residents that they were concerned about poor parking in the area. Whilst parking is generally a council issue, we accept we can play a part in improving the safety on the roads within our beat.

#### ASB:

Over recent months the beat team have received multiple reports from concerned residents that use Spinney Hill Park. The concerns are around anti-social behaviour and criminality on the park, such as bike thefts and low-level assaults.

#### **VIOLENT CRIME:**

Your beat team have seen a 19% DECREASE in violent crime over the past 12 months. This has been achieved by bringing offenders to justice and taking a very robust approach to all violent crime committed. Violent crime is largely associated with the supply of drugs. It will be a priority for the beat team over the next three months to address the supply of drugs and protect people who are being taken advantage of by drug dealers within the St Matthews and St Peters estate.

## What we are doing...

#### **PARKING:**

The beat team have been conducting joint operations with the council to educate residents and enforcement where necessary. We will continue to run these operations and back this up with advice on social media.

Should the advice not be taken Police and the local authority will look to issue penalty notices to persons parking dangerously or obstructing the highway.



















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## What we are doing cont'd

#### ASB:

The beat team have worked closely with the local authority to design out part of the problem, we have had benches removed where people who cause ASB congregate. We have had the hedges cut back to increase visibility from the main roads surrounding the park and improved lighting, ultimately making the park feel safer. We will continue this work and increase Police presence in the park over the next three months.



#### **VIOLENT CRIME:**

Over the past month your beat team have identified two properties where the occupant is being taken advantage of by drug dealers. This is known as cuckooing. We have safeguarded these individuals. We will work with housing and the local authority to proactively identify other vulnerable people with a view of safeguarding them. We will also be looking to educate the community on the signs of cuckooing by use of social media.

## **Community Engagements**

#### **NOVEMBER:**

- Beat surgery at St Matthews Library, Malabar Road—6 November 2025—1:00-2:00
- Ladies (only) Community Café, St Matthews Community Centre—5, 19 and 26 November 2025-13:00-15:00



- Beat surgery outside Highfields Bakery, Melbourne Road—6 November 2025—2:45-3:00
- Coffee Morning, Wesley Hall, Hartington Road—10 November 2025—10:00-12:00





















