

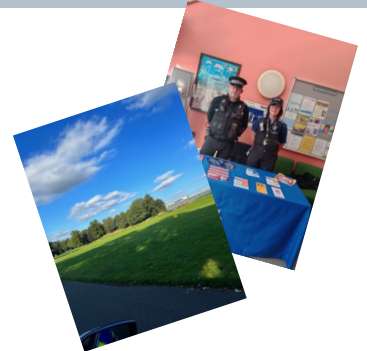


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Abbey Ward Newsletter



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Introducing your Dedicated Abbey Beat Team

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#YouSaid - **What matters to you**

We have listened to you and the concerns you raised through our surveys and meeting you at various meetings. In the next quarter we will be prioritising the following;



Priority 1: We have received an increase of reports of E-scooter and high-powered electric cycles on the Ward causing issues. These machines are illegal to use unless on private land and can lead to injury to both the rider and to the general public.

We did: Proactive operations to be completed by the Beat team along with the support from the Special Constabulary regarding positive action taken against persons using such vehicles.

Problem Management Plan is to be created, working in conjunction with our partner agencies to see a reduction in the report of these vehicles being used.

The Beat Team have conducted several high-profile events in public places regarding engaging and informing the Public about using such vehicles.

Priority 2: Drug use, including the supply and use of class A and C in the area of Abbey Rise is a concern for the local community.

We did: The Beat team to continue to conduct high visibility patrols in the areas to ensure that such activity is reduced.

Together with these high visibility patrols, the team to continue to complete covert plain clothes patrols.

The Team will continue the disruption of such activity and will, where evidence is found, obtain Court Warrants for identified addresses.

If houses are found to be used in the dealing and supply of drugs, then a criminal behaviour order and closure orders will be sought and through multi-agency working, evictions will be applied for.

Since this priority has been raised, there has been several Court Warrants executed and several Offenders arrested and dealt with by the Courts. Currently we are applying for a number of Closure Orders for housing associated with Offenders.



Priority 3: An increase report of retail theft in the area of Abbey Retail Park and other large Retailers on the ward.

You Said: Engagement is still ongoing, with a planned meeting with the retail units to ensure up to date information is passed, including safeguarding of shop workers and to view the trend of when the thefts are happening.

Officers to complete high visibility and plain clothes patrols around the known hotspots and since this priority was raised, a number of Offenders have been arrested and dealt with by the Courts.



As always it has been a busy month for the Abbey Ward Team;

During the Easter Holidays we have been lucky enough to have Billy Bates & Sons Fun Fair in our very own Abbey Park. These guys are highly professional and run a tight ship with their own strict security and fencing surrounding the fair so that the public feel safe to enjoy the fun. Reports of any problems within the fair have been zero which is great news as these guys will be back again for the summer holidays.



This month saw the visit of The Police and Crime Commissioner to our Ward. He joined the team on foot and mobile patrol for the day visiting the areas that cause us concern and have become the subjects of our current priorities , engaging with staff from the retail park to discuss the problem of retail theft and meeting other members of our community.



We also had the company of The Boss , Inspector Ryan Hayes who has been out and about with the team whilst they go about their daily business. Insp Hayes visited Abbey rise and spoke to Residents about the issues in the area.



Abbey Ward officers have this month conducted a number of warrants at addresses on The Abbey Rise Estate and also on Stocking Farm. These warrants have resulted in some of the main players involved in the supply of drugs being arrested and taken off the streets.

Investigations are ongoing and Closure Orders have been applied for regarding addresses used in drug use and supply.

Confidence Survey 2025

To understand what support the community requires, we roll out a Confidence Survey every quarter. By completing this very short survey, you will be making a difference to how West Leicester and the Beat Team support your needs.



Upcoming Community Engagements



Date	Time	Location
6 May	11am—Midday	The Tudor Centre
7 May	10:30am—11:30am	Little Blue Church
11 May	09:30—4pm	Abbey Pumping Station
20 May	10am—10:30am	Morrisons, Belgrave Blvd
27 May	10am –10:30am	Morrisons, Belgrave Blvd

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