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Charnwood West Newsletter

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Your Local Team



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What matters to you

We have listened to you and the concerns you raise

Our beat priorities continue to be:

Priority 1: ASB. What we are going to do: The beat team aim to tackle incidences of ASB within the villages including the parks and beauty spots of Charnwood West utilising ASB and civil legislation and patrols in locations identified as subject to ASB.

Priority 2: Speeding and Road safety. What we are going to do: The beat team will deal with issues of road safety and speeding in Charnwood West villages. If you believe that there is an issue in your area, let the beat team know.

Priority 3: Drugs. What we are going to do: The beat team will deal with incidences of drug use and dealing across the beat area. Patrolling identified areas, utilising stop search powers where available and develop intelligence to allow us to target dealing within your area.

Charnwood West covers the below areas

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| • Rothley | • Woodhouse | • Newtown Linford |
| • Quorn | • Swithland | • Cropston |
| • Woodhouse Eaves | • Thurcaston | • Ulverscroft |

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The Charnwood West Dedicated Neighbourhood Team have been working throughout January to tackle our chosen priorities of Speeding and Road Traffic Safety, Anti Social Behaviour and Drugs (including use and drug dealing).

All the team featuring Sergeant Downes, PC Nicholson, PCSO Martin and PCSO Colley have been working both out on the beat engaging with the community, and completing essential behind the scenes administrative work on the below and other aspects of policing:

Drugs and Drug Dealing

Throughout August, neighbourhood policing activity on the NL56 beat has remained focused on tackling issues that matter most to the local community. Officers have continued to carry out high-visibility patrols, engage with residents, and respond to concerns raised by members of the public. This month, beat team colleagues assisted with three stop and searches, which resulted in a male being found in possession of drugs. This positive outcome demonstrates our ongoing commitment to disrupting criminality and addressing drug-related activity within the area. We have also been strengthening relationships with partner agencies to support longer-term problem solving. This has included working closely with housing associations to discuss tenancy breaches and identify opportunities to address behaviour that is having a negative impact on local communities. We will continue to work alongside partner organisations and local residents to make the NL56 beat a safer place to live, work, and visit.

Anti-Social Behaviour

Tackling anti-social behaviour has remained a priority across the NL56 beat throughout August. Although the planned Horsefair event did not go ahead, officers continued to carry out high-visibility patrols and maintain a visible presence in the area to provide reassurance to the community. During the month, reports were received of groups of youths starting fires in the area. The Beat Team has liaised with those reporting ASB, providing updates and gathering information to support ongoing enquiries. In addition, two joint agency patch walks were carried out in Quorn in response to ASB concerns raised by residents, enabling issues to be identified and addressed alongside partner agencies. Patrols have been directed to affected locations and efforts are ongoing to identify those responsible. Where perpetrators are identified, the Beat Team will follow an incremental approach, working with partners where appropriate and considering the most suitable interventions and enforcement options to prevent further incidents and reduce the impact on the community.



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Speeding and Road Traffic Safety

Addressing speeding concerns remains a priority for the NL56 Beat Team. A speed enforcement operation was planned during August; however, this had to be postponed as officers were diverted to other policing duties on the date of the operation. The Beat Team has also experienced reduced availability during the month due to annual leave commitments. Despite this, work continues to address community concerns around speeding. The Charnwood Neighbourhood Policing Area has recently secured two new speed detection devices, and Beat Team officers will be receiving training to use the TruCAM II speed enforcement equipment. This will enhance our ability to carry out targeted speed enforcement in areas identified through intelligence and reports from local residents. We will continue to monitor concerns and use the new equipment to support future enforcement activity aimed at improving road safety across the beat.

Community and Beat Engagements

Please see our beat surgery locations below. Feel free to pop in and chat with us if you have time.

<https://www.leics.police.uk/area/your-area/leicestershire/charnwood/charnwood-west/meetings-and-events/top-reported-crimes-in-this-area>

Otherwise we can be contacted on the link below.

<https://www.leics.police.uk/area/your-area/local-policing-team-contact>

Get involved!

Please take this opportunity to raise any concerns you may have and to find out what we are doing to tackle the issues that matter to you.

We urge you to call 999 in an emergency - if you or someone else are in immediate danger, or a crime is in progress.

Please take the time to visit the site in order that you can come and share your views, and help to develop the priorities that concern you. This can be done using the QR codes below.

Confidence Survey



Your Views Survey



August in Pictures

