



Your Views Count

We want to hear your views on local crime and policing.



We hold regular meetings where you can tell us your concerns and help set our priorities. Visit www.safersuffolk.org.uk and enter your postcode for the latest information on meetings in your area. If you can't attend but have a local issue you would like the team to deal with, call them on **01473 613500**. We will try to reply straight away – but if we can't, we will get back to you as soon as possible and, in any case, within 24 hours.

Suffolk Police Authority is an independent, open and accountable body of 17 local people. Its role includes:

- Ensuring that Suffolk Constabulary provides an effective and efficient policing service.
- Consulting with local people, so they can have their say on how their community is policed.
- Setting the budget for policing in Suffolk.

The Authority is responsible for ensuring that local Police offer a quality service. To assist with this, each Safer Neighbourhood Team has a Police Authority Link Member.

Your link member is Liz Harlaar, who can be contacted on **01473 782773**.



Get Involved

You can get involved with the work of your local police by:



Giving some of your free time to help your local community by becoming a police support volunteer. Contact Rachel Thacker on **01473 613570** to see if there are vacancies in your area.



Becoming a Special Constable. Contact Mick Mann on **01473 613638**.



Joining a local Neighbourhood Watch scheme to help make your neighbourhood even safer. Ring **01473 613500** and ask for your local Community Watch and Safer Neighbourhood Team Liaison Officer.



You can also keep up-to-date by signing up to Police Direct, our FREE hi-tech messaging service which brings you the latest information about crime and policing issues in your area by e-mailing your computer, texting your mobile or leaving a message on your landline. Telephone the Police Direct team on **01473 613997**.

Polish

Niniejszy biuletyn zawiera informacje o tym, jak policja oraz lokalne rady współpracują ze sobą, by zapewnić Państwu bezpieczeństwo poprzez rozwiązywanie problemu przestępczości oraz zachowań antyspołecznych. Uwzględnimy wszystkie prośby o przekazanie tego biuletynu w innych formatach lub językach. Prosimy o telefon pod nr 01473 782773.

Mandarin

本简报告诉您警察和地方议会如何同心协力，打击犯罪和反社会行为，保障您的安全。我们会考虑将简报用其他格式或语言显示的要求。如有需要，请致电 01473 782773。

Portuguese

Este boletim informativo fala-lhe sobre o tipo de trabalho que está a ser desenvolvido entre a polícia e as câmaras municipais em prol da sua segurança através do combate ao crime e ao comportamento anti-social. Tomaremos em consideração todos os pedidos de disponibilização deste boletim informativo noutros formatos ou idiomas. Telefone 01473 782773.



COMMUNITY NEWS

AN UPDATE FROM THE MID SUFFOLK NORTH SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM - SPRING 2011

Suffolk is a safe place. Together, your local police and councils want to make it even safer - and further improve everyone's quality of life.

We take pride in keeping Suffolk safe together - and are committed to tackling crime and anti-social behaviour, working with you.

This newsletter keeps you up-to-date with how your local Safer Neighbourhood Team is tackling the issues which you feel are a priority.

Key contacts:

Inspector Tristan Pepper
Sergeant Jon Eaves

Phone: 01473 613500
In an emergency, always dial 999.
Email: midsuffnorth.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

Write To:

Mid Suffolk North
Safer Neighbourhood Team,
Eye Police Station, Victoria Hill,
Eye, IP23 7HJ.

Opening Hours:

1pm-3pm Tuesday and Wednesday.
9am-11am Thursday.



MID SUFFOLK NORTH SNT



Taking Pride
in keeping Suffolk Safe *together*

Tackling your priorities

The issues that concern you most in your community are our priority. We hold regular meetings where you can tell us where we should be concentrating our efforts.

To find out about our current priorities and when we are holding our next meetings, go to www.safersuffolk.org.uk and enter your postcode.

Previously, on your request, we dealt with:

Addressed vehicles travelling at excessive speed through the 30mph restricted zone on A143, within the parish of Wattisfield.

Suffolk County Council Highways department carried out a survey of the road layout and found no apparent defects. Minor maintenance work was undertaken to clean signs and clear overhanging foliage. SNT officers utilised SID (Speed Indicator Display) equipment to collect data and carry out high profile speed enforcement on a weekly basis. With support from Mid Suffolk District Council, the team have introduced an innovative scheme whereby self-adhesive 30mph stickers have been placed on residents' wheelie bins.

Tackled vehicles travelling at excessive speed through 30mph restricted zone at Mellis Road, within the parish of Wortham.

SNT officers and the roads policing unit carried out high-profile speed enforcement activity at key times to deter offences and educate drivers. With support from Mid Suffolk District Council, the stickers have also been introduced in Wortham.

Targeted vehicles travelling at excessive speed through the 30mph zones in the parish of Laxfield.

Regular speed checks were carried out by the SNT to monitor the issue. A total of five separate speed checks were carried out by the team, along with the use of the Speed Indicator Display. Few cars were found to be exceeding the 30mph speed limit.

Take Care This Spring

Suffolk is a safe county, with low crime rates and falling levels of anti-social behaviour. Everyone can make our communities safer by following basic crime prevention advice:

Keep Burglars Out

Doors - Fit secure locks to all doors and fit a door chain or bar.

Windows - Fit visible window locks.

Alarms - Visible burglar alarms make burglars think twice; get specialist advice and consult your insurance company.

Timer Switches - Use these to turn on lights and radios when you are out.

Remember: Never leave an open invitation. **CLOSE IT, LOCK IT, CHECK IT.**

Beware Bogus Callers

Most callers at your door will be genuine. However, it is important to be aware of bogus callers. Their aim is to get inside your home to steal from you.

1. LOCK - Keep your front and back doors locked, even when at home.

2. STOP - Before you answer the door, stop and think if you are expecting anyone. Check that you have locked any back door and taken the key out. Look through the spy-hole or the window to see who it is.

3. CHAIN - If you feel that you need to speak to the caller, use a door-chain.

4. CHECK - Check their identity. If they say they are from a Water, Gas or Electricity company they will have photo I.D. If not, send them away and close the door.

Stop Domestic Violence

Suffolk Constabulary is committed to tackling domestic violence by working with partnership agencies.

Domestic violence and abuse is a pattern of behaviour designed to establish power and control over another person.

Research suggests that if left unchallenged it is likely to escalate in frequency and severity.

If you are a victim of Domestic violence and abuse, or a friend or family member of someone who is, call the Suffolk helpline on **0800 783 5121** or visit

www.breakthepattern.org.uk

DIARY DATE: National Police Dog Trials 2011

April 16th-17th at Trinity Park, Ipswich. 10am-6pm. Free admission.

For more information, log on to www.suffolk.police.uk

Public dogs not permitted for health and safety reasons.