



Meeting Notes

Meeting with Daniel Andreassen Gloucestershire Constabulary

Friday 25th July 2008

Present: Russ Martin-FSB SW Business Crime Portfolio Lead and Daniel Andreassen Intelligence Development Officer Gloucestershire Constabulary

The purpose of the meeting was twofold, firstly to make contact with the Daniel, as he was preparing a pilot project in the Forest North area of Gloucestershire involving FSB members, and secondly to promote the FSB and the development work underway with Business crime South West (BCSW).

Daniel explained that he has had several meetings with the local FSB Chairman and local businesses in the Forest North area. This area has a high crime rate particularly in the business sector; there has been an increase in the theft of metal and fuel.

Daniel has recognised that there is a gap between businesses, the police and local authorities when it comes to sharing information about criminal activity in their local area, everyone is doing their own thing and in many cases crimes are not being reported or there is important information about how crimes are being committed missed out when criminal incidents are reported.

The idea in the Forest North area is to disseminate criminal intelligence to local businesses as and when required, this could be suspicious vehicles and/or people suspected of being involved in criminality.

The main concern is that this information will be sent out and it will not be used, I agreed that it is very important that each business has a main contact who would deal with this information and that any sightings or information that became available in connection with the intelligence must be reported to the police contact. I also said I would raise this at the next regional meeting 31st July 2008.

I explained my role as lead for business crime and gave Daniel an overview of the development work underway in the region with Business Crime South West, he was very impressed, I also explained that his pilot work in the Forest north area is something that could be implemented in due course across the region in liaison with other Constabulary Intelligence Development Officers, this would join up businesses and improve crime reduction and raise awareness.

We both agreed to develop this initiative and I will be maintaining contact with Daniel regarding BCSW development and business crime in general.

Russ Martin
FSB-SW Business Crime Portfolio Lead