

# Pewsey West Police Report



## **POLICE REPORT TO 5<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2016**

Please find my report on what is happening in the local vicinity below;

**Dwelling burglary** – Between 18:13hrs and 20:13hrs on Thursday 10/03/2016, 1 or 2 unknown offenders have entered an address in Charlton, via smashing a ground floor bedroom window. Jewellery stolen.

**Theft from motor vehicle** – Between 18:45hrs and 18:50hrs on Monday 14/03/2016, unknown suspect(s) have smashed the front driver side window to the IP's vehicle by inserting a tool into the edge of the window frame and shattering the glass. They then reached in and undid the door. They moved back the front seat to access the rear passenger area, two handbags were taken from within. There was cash TVO £20 and some makeup within the bags.

**Shoplifting x 2** - On Wednesday 30/03/2016 at 17:37hrs and Sunday 03/04/2016 at 12:36hrs, there have been thefts from the Co-Op in High Street, Pewsey. In the first incident, a male and female suspect has entered the store, heading towards the spirits aisle. The male has removed a bottle from the display, placing it in his rucksack, leaving without making any effort to pay. In the second incident, a lone male has entered the store, stolen bottles from the spirit aisle and ran out of the store without offering payment. We believe that the same male is involved in both incidents. Enquiries are continuing.

### **Indecent Exposures, Pewsey**

On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2016, a number of incidents of indecent exposure by a lorry driver occurred at various times throughout the day. There were two initial reports in the Pewsey area and further enquiries have identified a number of further incidents in the Highworth, Wootton Bassett and Salisbury areas.

Local CCTV was checked and the vehicle involved identified as a flatbed with a light green crane to the rear. The footage enabled us to identify the company and ultimately the suspect for these offences. Enquiries are continuing.

Indecent exposures are normally very difficult to detect, this is a really good example of working closely with our partner agencies in order to trace the culprit. The installation of the CCTV in Pewsey is a superb tool in the fight against crime.

### **Burglaries, general**

We have been hit by a spate of burglaries, both dwelling and non-dwelling, in the Pewsey area over the past month. To help protect your property, please ensure that you have:

- \* Security marked items
- \* Recorded serial numbers
- \* Photographed items
- \* Locked away and secured when not in use
- \* Secured access points into yards/premises

Please re-visit your security features on your property such as chains and locks, CCTV and lighting. This will ensure that you have the best possible deterrent to opportunist thieves.

### **Hare Coursing/Poaching, general**

Hare coursing and poaching continues to blight the local area. Trespassing, coursing and poaching illegally and criminal damage to farmer's fields and crops are the main problems. Coursers and poachers have been known to be aggressive when confronted, and on one occasion have attempted to barge a pursuing vehicle to get away.

We have had success with a couple of arrests over Christmas and New Year, and continue patrols and operations alongside the Rural Crime Team and our neighbouring area of Tidworth in the local affected areas.

### **Speeding, general**

We continue to receive reports of speeding around Pewsey and the surrounding villages. This has become one of our local priorities. I am hoping to go out with the village's Community Speed Watch Team very soon – I will have a look at the upcoming dates and try to join the team.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David McCalmont". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single horizontal stroke.

**Dave McCalmont**  
**PC 1717**  
**CBM, Pewsey West**