



Broadfield Newsletter May 2011

The team dedicated to your
neighbourhood

Our priorities decided by you

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Come and meet your team

Street Briefings:

Jersey Road 04/05/2011 at 1800 hours

Farnham Close 18/05/2011 at 1600 hours

Ward panel

Community Centre 23/05/2011 1030 –
1130 hours

Priority 1

What you said: We have had reports of vehicles being damaged and property stolen from within in some cases.

What we did: We have conducted extra high visibility patrols in the areas affected, in an attempt to detect and prevent further incidents. This is an on-going issue and we will continue with our actions and ask that residents remain vigilant and report anything of concern i.e. suspicious behaviour.

What happened next: We will be holding regular security marking days for anyone that would like to come along.

Priority 2

2. What you said- There have been incidents of anti social behaviour on Broadfield Barton from street drinkers and groups of youths.

What we did- High visibility patrols have been conducted. Results from patrol work are evidence for anti social behaviour orders (ASBO) leading to bans from the parade.

What happened next- This is an on going problem and we will continue to conduct patrols.

Priority 3

3. What you said: There have been reports of anti social behaviour on the Guinness Trust around Finsbury Close.

What we did: We have conducted high visibility patrols. We have stopped several youths that have been in the area around times of incidents to get details and addresses.

What happened next: Anyone that is identified as an offender will be dealt with accordingly looking at possible Acceptable Behaviour Contracts. We will work with Housing and Crawley Borough Council to address breaches in tenancies etc.

Ever thought of setting up a Neighbourhood watch scheme in your area?

We are keen to set up more Neighbourhood Watch schemes in Broadfield. It is a great way to get people together and look out for your neighbours. If you join a Neighbourhood Watch scheme you will get regular crime prevention bulletins from the police, monthly newsletters and regular emails which are passed around the street. If you are interested in setting up a scheme please contact PCSO's Hanlon or Savill.

Broadfield Burglaries

Over the last few years Broadfield has suffered from an increase in Burglaries in summer months. These Burglaries have been the result of windows and doors to properties being left open due to the warm weather.

On the positive side the male responsible for a large number of these burglaries for the last few years was caught last year and is currently serving time in prison.

Although this is good news we must still remain vigilant and not leave open windows and doors where they can not be seen.

Alarmingly, a large number of these offences occurred whilst residents were at home in other rooms.

We would like to ask that residents remain vigilant and stay aware to the fact that insecurities to properties can act as an invitation to Burglars.

If you do keep windows and doors open to cool your property, then close windows in other parts of your home. Other incidents occurred due to property such as hand bags, small electrical items and purses being left near open windows. This behaviour again is a temptation and within seconds this property can disappear.

Please **DO NOT** leave property where it can be easily seen or reached.

Discovering that an intruder has been inside **YOUR** home and that some of **YOUR** property has been taken can be a very traumatic experience.

Though you can never completely remove the risk of becoming a victim of crime, simple preventative measures can be taken to drastically lower this risk.

Such as,

- Securing windows and doors.
- Securing outbuildings with locks.
- Keeping valuable items out of view of windows and doors.
- Put trellis at the top of fencing to prevent climbing.
- Close windows and doors in empty parts of your home.
- Install security lighting.
- Leave a light on inside you property when you are not home. Do not leave a hall light on or a light in a room that can be seen from outside as it will be obvious that there is no movement. Leave a door open to the hallway with a light on in that room.

If you have any concerns regarding security of your property please contact your local PCSO who can offer advice or contact the local crime prevention officer.

If you see anything suspicious such as people taking interest in property that is not their own or vehicles that seem out of place, then please contact the police either on the non-emergency number of 0845 60 70 999 or alternatively in the event of an emergency always dial 999.

Broadfield Youths V Sussex Police The Results

Police 4 – 1 U14's

Police 0 – 1 U19's

It was a fantastic day for the Broadfield community and Police, and I'm sure a re-match will be organised. We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all that took part and also for everyone that put the hard work in to make it happen!

Escape youth club worked extremely hard and gave up their Mothering Sunday for this so a MASSIVE thank you to them.

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	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2011	2011
	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	
Burglary Dwelling	1	3	8	5	23	9	7	3	0	2	3	4	
Vehicle Crime	6	9	9	6	1	7	5	18	11	15	12	5	
Criminal Damage	10	13	21	21	24	22	9	15	19	12	19	34	
PPVC	8	11	8	5	11	7	9	5	7	5	10	5	
Robbery	1	1	2	0	1	0	3	2	1	3	2	1	