

Newsletter

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Welcome

Welcome to this edition of the Tonbridge & Malling Community Safety Partnership newsletter. You may have noticed that the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) has recently changed its name from the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership. This is due to new legislation which encourages local partnerships to consider a broader range of issues such as road safety and quality of life issues. The change in name reflects a change of direction for the partnership.

As the name of the Partnership has changed we have also designed a new logo and our website address has changed to www.tmcommunitysafety.org.uk. The same organisations are involved in the partnership and a full list of our partners and how they contribute to the partnership can be found on our website.

The Community Safety Partnership has recently launched a monthly e-mail bulletin service. This bulletin gives monthly updates on the work of the partnership, including crime statistics and initiatives running. If you would like your name to be added to the circulation list please contact Alison Finch, Crime Reduction Co-ordinator. Alison's contact details can be found at the end of this newsletter.

New Strategy launched

The Community Safety Partnership recently launched its new Strategy and Action Plan for 2008 – 2011. This plan sets out the priority areas that the partnership will tackle and it also includes an action plan for 2008 – 2009. Crime in the borough remains low but the Partnership want to ensure that it reduces even further and that residents feel even safer.

The priorities that the Partnership has agreed to focus on during the next year are:

- Acquisitive crime (theft, burglary, vehicle crime)
- Anti-social behaviour (including criminal damage and environmental crime)
- Substance Misuse
- Violent crime (including domestic abuse and the night time economy)
- Young Peoples issues
- Perception of crime



The action plan will be reviewed on an annual basis to ensure that the priorities are still relevant and are making a difference to the community.

We would like your feedback on our priorities. Do you think that these are the areas we should be concentrating on? Comments should be sent to Alison Finch at the address on page 4.

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Alcohol control zones

The Community Safety Partnership is proposing to establish seven alcohol control zones in the borough. These zones will provide a means of tackling alcohol fuelled disorder in problem areas. The zones won't put a stop to all on-street alcohol consumption in the designated areas but will mean that action can be taken against people who are drinking and creating a public nuisance by giving the police additional powers to seize alcohol from them. If a person is asked to stop drinking or surrender any alcohol in their possession in an Alcohol Control Zone and fails to do so they will be committing a criminal offence and could be fined £500 or even arrested.

The zones are proposed for Tonbridge, Borough Green, Wrotham, Platt, West Malling, Leybourne and Snodland. The consultation period is open until 30 June. After this period, and having considered any representations, final decisions on the designation areas will be made and the zones confirmed. Signs will then be erected in the agreed areas.

Launch of Cold Calling Control Zone

The Community Safety Partnership is working with West Kent Neighbourhood Watch Association to launch a Cold Calling Control Zone in the Bishops Oak Ride area of Tonbridge. A Cold Calling Control Zone is an area in which cold callers are discouraged from calling. Those involved in door to door selling can still call but should always provide prior notice of their intention to call.

For many the practice of cold calling is simply a nuisance, for some more vulnerable residents it can pose a real threat. It is anticipated that the cold calling control zone will reduce the number of cold calls, prevent distraction burglaries and rogue traders.

The scheme will be the first of its kind in Tonbridge & Malling and if it proves to be successful zones may be considered in other areas.

The launch of the zone will be held on Tuesday 22 July at 7pm at the Six in One Club, Northwood Road, Tonbridge.



Mini-motorbikes – know the law



There has been an increase in the number of complaints related to nuisance motorbike use, especially mini-motos. The Community Safety Partnership would like to remind all residents that vehicles such as off road bikes, mini motos, quad bikes and electric scooters can only be used legally on private land with the explicit permission of the landowner. Riding these vehicles in a manner or place that causes harassment, alarm or distress could lead to a formal warning and ultimately the vehicle could be seized.

If you want to ride one of these machines, do so on private land and with the permission of the landowner; and please be thoughtful of others with regard to noise.

Useful contact details

Community Safety Unit	Csp@tmbc.gov.uk	01732 876132
Sarah Taylor	Anti-Social Behaviour Officer, csp@tmbc.gov.uk	01732 876149
Kent Police	To report a non 999 call	01732 771055
Kent Crimestoppers	Calls are free and anonymous	0800 555 111
Women's Support Service	Advice on domestic violence	01622 674921
Neighbourhood Watch	West Kent area	01892 502159
Streetline	To report a street related problem	01732 876060

Contacts for Neighbourhood Policing Teams

CI Tony Thomas	Tonbridge & Malling	01732 379155
Inspector Dave Pate	Tonbridge & Malling	01732 379155

Tonbridge Urban Team

Sgt Justin Watts	Neighbourhood Sgt, Tonbridge Urban	07870 252811
PC Andy Sergeant	Hadlow, East Peckham, Hildenborough & Golden Green	07969 584313
PC Darren Watson	Trench, Cage Green, Higham & Medway	07800 675339
PC Claire Taylor	Castle & Vauxhall	07989 992199
PC Michelle McEvoy	Judd	07870 252867

Tonbridge rural team

Sgt Kevin Brigden	Neighbourhood Sgt, Tonbridge Rural Team	07870 252790
PC Tony Wiles	Longmill, Platt, Shipbourne, West Peckham, Fairseat & Stansted	07800 675340
PC Dave Riley	Snodland, Ryarsh & Birling	07989 992437
PC Mark Stubberfield	Snodland & Birling	07980 770447
PC Daphne Allen	Wrotham & Borough Green	07980 770576

Malling team

Sgt Jonathan Thomas	Neighbourhood Sgt, Mallings Team	07969 584120
PC Deborah Healy (maternity leave)	Malling Urban (East)	
PC Andrew Dalton		07870 252341
PC Matt Roddick	Malling Urban (East)	07870 252604
PC Mark Beresford	Malling Urban (West)	07980 770556
PC Erica Hall	Malling Urban (West)	07980 683666

These contact details have been provided by Kent Police. For any queries regarding areas covered by each police officer contact Kent Police on 01732 771055. E-mail contact details are available on www.tmcommunitysafety.org.uk

Police Community Support Officers

Louise Burgess	PCSO Supervisor (Mallings)	07772 113051
Nick Anderson	Judd	07870 252867
Linda Baker	Trench, Cage Green & Higham	07772 226021
Phil Bernal	East Malling	07772 226004
Lia Bishop	Ditton	07772 226023
Mary Coe	Vauxhall	07972 004427
Oliver Coppard	Snodland West	07772 226049
Peter Cunnington	Castle	07772 226082
David Gillham	Bluebell Hill, Walderslade & Wateringbury	07972 004429
Kim Hatchard	Snodland	07772 225952
Kim Hockey	Downs ward	07969 584194
Caroline Honeysett	Burham, Wouldham & Eccles	07772 226237
Toni Matthew	Hildenborough	07772 226146
Ross McMillan	Medway	07972 004430
Edward Moore	West Malling	07772 226057
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Anne Roots	Aylesford	07772 226003
Robert Sayer	Leybourne	07772 226088
Wendy Stanley	Kings Hill	07989 992435
Joanne Tiller	Larkfield	07969 584282
Andy Swanson	Borough Green	07969 584280
Holly Wilkes	East Peckham, Hadlow & Golden Green	07772 225965

For e-mail addresses look at www.tmcommunitysafety.org.uk

KCC Community Wardens

Sara Battledore	Aylesford	07813 694140
Mandy Harris	East Malling	07773 397131
Tom Hawkwood	Ditton	07813 712081
David Kemp	Burham, Wouldham & Eccles	07977 982187
John Lees	Hadlow	07969 584177
David Rose	Borough Green & Wrotham	07811 271307
Chloe Brooks	East Peckham	07969 584183

For further information about the Community Wardens please contact Martin Smith, Senior Warden on 07969 584173 or e-mail martin.smith@kent.gov.uk

All contact details are correct at the time of printing, however, they may be subject to change.

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