

### Priorities

**Vehicle Crime:** The Faringdon Neighbourhood Team were joined by members of the Wantage Neighbourhood Team and the Mounted Section on a rural operation. We patrolled the car parks of local beauty spots along the Ridgeway in order to deter thefts and raise awareness. The Mounted Section proved to be immensely popular with the public who were thrilled to see them!

Please remain vigilant when leaving your vehicles as we are still getting reports of them being broken into. Various personal items and tools have been stolen from vehicles in our area.



*PC Laura Webb on PH Loki and PC Tim Pollock on PH Mallory joined the neighbourhood team patrols at Ridgeway car parks.*

If you see anything suspicious or find evidence of an attempt to break into your vehicle call 101, the 24-hour Thames Valley Police non-emergency number or report online ([www.thamesvalley.police.uk/report-a-crime](http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/report-a-crime)). **If a crime is in progress, call 999.**

Following these events we have increased our patrols and added signage in the local area reminding residents not to leave items in vehicles.

### Vehicle crime reduction advice

- Do not keep anything in your vehicle.
- Hide your car keys away from windows and doors and out of sight.
- Park your car in a well-lit area — either on your driveway, or on the roads under a street lamp.
- Lock all windows and doors of your car and make sure to activate your car alarm if you have one.
- Consider fitting a letterbox defender or restrictor. This prevents burglars from poking tools through the letterbox to open latches from the inside, or reaching nearby car and house keys. A lockable letterbox on the outside of the property is also an option.
- Ensure your doors and windows are locked, if you have a chain on the inside of your door, use it. This prevents burglars from poking tools through the letterbox to open latches from the inside, or reaching nearby car and house keys. A lockable letterbox on the outside of the property is also an option.

**Burglary:** We are appealing for any information that you may have on the following incidents, there has been incidents at the following locations:

- 27/08/19 – Burglary – Faringdon - a Black BMW was stolen from a driveway in Coxwell Road Faringdon overnight.
- 01/08/19 – Uffington Post Office - Cigarettes and cash was taken by several offenders
- 14/08/19- Kingston Bagpuize – A high value theft of building materials carried out by several offenders overnight.

If you have any information or CCTV please call 101 or report online at [www.thamesvalley.police.co.uk/report-a-crime](http://www.thamesvalley.police.co.uk/report-a-crime)

**Violent crime:** The Neighbourhood Team are working towards a week of action to combat knife crime as part of a national initiative Op Sceptre. As part of this we will be actively targeting premises and locations associated with drugs to help disrupt criminality associated with carrying weapons. If you have any information relating to drugs and knives then please let the team know as soon as possible.

Offenders brought to justice

Alan Reed was arrested and charged with six offenses, Common Assault, Criminal Damage, Public Order x2, Making off Without Payment, and Malicious Communications. As a result of these charges he was recalled to prison.

During the month of August the team have made several arrests, namely for persons being drunk and disorderly in a public places or for drug offenses. These are as a result of the team working to curb the anti-social behaviour issues that have been reported to us.

We ask you to continue to be vigilant and report these incidents as they happen.

Community engagement:

One of the advantages of working from Faringdon is that two major events are held locally in August. We attended the Shrivenham Fete on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August and the Uffington Show on the Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

Both days were hot and sunny and a great opportunity to engage with the public and find out about any local concerns. It was lovely to see every one having a good time and enjoying themselves!

On 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019 we will be attending The Defence Academy where we will be attending 'A Meet and Greet Fair'.

**Please get in touch/follow us using the following:**

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**Always phone 999 in an emergency**

