



Locally Identified Priorities Survey Outcome South Northants Neighbourhood Team

South Northants - You said, we did

You, our Community, chose your Local Policing Priorities for the period September to December 2021 as Road Safety, Drugs and Acquisitive crime.

During this period we have worked with Parish Councils, Town Council, Highways, Housing Agencies, Safer Roads Team, Neighbourhood Watch and other partner agencies in order to identify issues and concerns and tackle these.



A number of locations were suggested, by community members, as experiencing issues with excess speed. Speed data capture was completed at each location to accurately assess the extent of the issue. In some locations the data did not support the perception of excess speed. Sometimes environmental factors can influence a belief that vehicles are speeding i.e. roads narrowed by parked vehicles, noise increase in spaces enclosed by tall buildings etc.

Where the data indicated that there was an issue officers completed a review of the environment and in partnership implemented preventative measures or enabled responsible authorities to begin their own problem solving to tackle the issues.

Locations of note were:

Burwell Hill area of Northampton Road in Brackley – Brackley Town Council have installed a Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) to advise drivers of speed restriction. Highways have agreed to install additional 30 mph repeater signs. Local Neighbourhood Team officers have completed ad hoc speed enforcement with a driver reported for a speed of 43 in the 30mph limit. Further data capture will be requested in January to assess the effectiveness of the interventions.

Kings Sutton – entering the village from Charlton – Officers have met with Kings Sutton Parish Council who are keen to look at the existing road infrastructure including provision of signage, lighting and pavement locations and will work with Highways to address this. Local Neighbourhood Team officers have completed ad hoc speed enforcement and will continue to do so. The situation has been referred to the Road Joint Action Group which is a multi-agency process that seeks to tackle high risk road situations. The recent issues with Evenley roundabout on the A43 have been addressed via this process.

Blisworth – Towcester Road, High Street and Stoke Road have all been highlighted to us, and there is evidence gathering being conducted by partners

with a view to mitigating/preventing these excess speeds (you may have noticed the rubber strips in the road).

Please follow our team and officer Twitter and Facebook accounts where details of arrests for drink and drug driving, vehicle seizures for no tax or insurance have been published.

Facebook: Daventry and South Northamptonshire Neighbourhood Policing Team
Twitter accounts linked to: @SthNorthantsNPT

We use social media and local village noticeboards to advertise frequent opportunities to come and meet us. We encourage you to come and talk to us, as what you tell us literally helps us to police your communities. You may have noticed on the news that the Force launched a Beat Bus, funded directly by the OPFCC, which we use almost every Wednesday to get out to your villages and hamlets to give you more opportunities to come and tell us what matters to you. We also hold other public events, which are also advertised on social media and the Force website. For example, in December 2021 an all day event was held in Towcester Town Hall for people to drop in and talk to us. We have crime prevention information available too. Another of these is planned for the summer – please come and see us.



In November 2021 officers from your Neighbourhood Team responded to public concerns regarding an address in the village of Charlton. A warrant was undertaken under the Misuse of Drugs Act. A local male was arrested and a significant quantity of drugs recovered. This situation is still subject to ongoing investigation so further updates will follow.

We are seeing a greater volume of information being reported to us regarding concerns about drugs use and supply. This is great to see and we want you to feel confident that we will act on information that can be confirmed and corroborated. The warrant mentioned above is a testament to this.

You can contact your local team directly via email:
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Alternatively, if you wish to remain anonymous you can provide information via: [Crimestoppers](#) or [Fearless](#) (Fearless is more youth orientated).

We have seen a recent upsurge in rural thefts and burglaries. These are believed to be committed by criminals travelling into the area using vehicles that are regularly changing number plates. This type of activity generally follows pre-cursory daytime visits to locations and we would encourage immediate reporting of any suspicious activity within rural areas. This can include spurious visits to; check out grazing, asking if vehicles are for sale, apparently lost and asking for

directions. Our force Rural Crime Team are working closely with neighbouring forces to share information and tackle offenders.

Locally Identified Policing Priorities are reset each quarter. During each period we encourage the community to complete a brief survey to indicate what issues concern or matter most to you within your local area. During the period September to December 2021 South Northamptonshire recorded the highest number of responses to the survey across the county.

We would like to thank all of those people that took the time to have their say in the direction of local resources. This survey forms the basis of the next set of priorities from January onwards. The data has shown us that the same three themes give our community continued concern and as such they will continue to be Road Safety, Drugs and Acquisitive crime.

You can contribute to the survey at any time via:
[Northamptonshire Police: Locally Identified Priorities Survey](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NorthantsLocalPriorities)

