

**July 2021** 

## Foreword from Hedge End District Inspector, Louise Hubble

#### Welcome to the July edition of the Policing Eastleigh partnership newsletters

Over the last few months you have heard from our Hedge End and Eastleigh Police Sergeants about their priorities for the coming summer months.

This month we wanted to share an update from newly promoted Inspector Louise Hubble – who is now District Inspector covering both Eastleigh and Hedge End.

Hello and welcome! I wanted to take this opportunity to shine a light on the topic of domestic abuse, and what we are doing as Hampshire Constabulary to support victims throughout the whole process from reporting to judicial proceedings – with a view to bringing those responsible to justice.



Domestic abuse (DA) accounts for 25,697 crimes (2020-2021) reported to Hampshire Constabulary with Response Officers spending 30% of their day-to-day activity responding to victims and families affected.

Sadly, the abuse can happen to anyone, at any time, regardless of race, class, religion, culture, age, sexuality, disability or gender. Statistics tell us that 1 in 4 women and 1 in 6 men will suffer domestic abuse within their lifetime; and 1 in 7 children are witnessing and experiencing domestic abuse within their homes.

Hampshire Constabulary is committed to providing the best service possible to victims and families reporting domestic abuse.

It is so important that people have the confidence to report abuse in the home, whether that is directly to the police via 999, online via the Hampshire Constabulary website or through a third-part local commissioned domestic abuse service or charity organisation.

In our drive to encourage reporting and to reach as many victims as possible, Hampshire Constabulary have embedded digital channels in the form of Single Online Hub (SOH) for reporting. During a pilot, this found to increase engagement with hidden communities while also allowing victims to report the abuse without any barriers – as they did not have to speak directly to someone, they could submit it online.

Within Hampshire Constabulary, we have a network of over 600 DA Champions, officers and staff, who have been trained and embedded into departments across the Force.

The role of a DA Champion is to influence effective response to domestic abuse through peer-to-peer support and being accessible to colleagues to provide guidance and information on policies and practices. The focus centres around educating peers in the understanding of the dynamics of domestic abuse, the reality of domestic abuse and responding effectively to domestic abuse with a clear focus on understanding

coercive and controlling behaviour.

In partnership with Aurora New Dawn, Domestic Abuse Service, we deploy Domestic abuse cars providing weekend evening response to calls of domestic abuse. A response and patrol DA Champion and the DA Advocate work collaboratively in providing support to victims and children at the point of crisis, ensuring safeguarding and safety planning at every opportunity.

While domestic abuse support teams within each of the investigation centres provide support for victims throughout the investigation and court process. This ensure appropriate safeguarding and safety planning opportunities are met and referral for ongoing support from DA commissioned services. In partnership with Aurora New Dawn, a domestic abuse advocate works within the domestic abuse support team supporting victims throughout the judicial process.

#### Safe at home collaboration

Our Safe at Home initiative commenced during the COVID-19 pandemic, with neighbourhood surgeries taking place in supermarkets across the county, as there were very limited, public spaces that people could routinely attend.

From this, the Safe at Home brand was developed and, and in collaboration with Hampshire Domestic Abuse Partnerships, this has expanded across the county. This initiative has expanded from neighbourhood surgeries at supermarkets to many other places including skate parks. While social media has also helped to expand those that we can reach with messages of support.

Using the power of QR codes, the Safe at Home team created a QR code that once scanned sends users to a link tree embedded with links to a wealth of support services. To promote the QR code they have been placed on all police vehicles.

To promote public space reporting and support for victims of domestic abuse during lockdown, a number of hairdressers and beauticians across Hampshire volunteered and were trained in DA awareness. They became community ambassadors with QR Codes being displayed within their salons. This is an ongoing process and is soon to be expanded to other areas of business.

Hampshire Constabulary is committed to taking positive action in response to domestic abuse and bringing offenders to justice.

The Home Office Perpetrator project in Southampton and Eastleigh is a collaboration between Hampshire Constabulary, The Hampton Trust and University of Southampton around earlier identification, referral and engagement/disruption of repeat, serial perpetrators within a family setting.

We also streamlined referral pathways into the <u>ADAPT perpetrator behaviour change programmes</u> – in the event no further action is taken in criminal investigations. This to ensure perpetrators of intimate partner abuse are given the opportunity for change and diversion into the behaviour change programme.

People who recognise themselves, or are concerned they are using unhealthy behaviours, in their relationships can self-refer to <u>ADAPT</u>.

If you or someone you know is suffering domestic abuse please reach out to us by dialing 999 in an emergency or by getting in contact with a <u>local DA commissioned service</u>.

We really want to help you. Remember - you are not alone.

District Inspector Louise Hubble

## Investigation update

## **COURT RESULT**

#### Man found not guilty of manslaughter at Salisbury Crown Court

A man has been found not guilty of manslaughter on Friday 9 July at Salisbury Crown Court.

Kieran Peter Hobbs, aged 31, of Yonge Close, Eastleigh was found not guilty by a jury of manslaughter following the death of 23-year-old Sagar Bhatti on Sunday 10 March 2019 in the Eastleigh area.

The jury at Salisbury Crown Court heard how an altercation had ensued between Hobbs and Sagar in the early hours of Sunday 10 March, resulting in Sagar being left lying in the road on Woodside Avenue, Eastleigh.

Sagar was later struck by two vehicles, as he lay in the road, at around 5.45am. Sadly, upon police and paramedics arriving on-scene, Sagar was pronounced dead.

Detective Inspector Lee McClellan, the Senior Investigating Officer said: "This was a tragic incident which resulted in the death of a young man.

"The jury reached a verdict and we must respect their decision.

"I would like to extend my sincere condolences to Sagar's family, and all those who knew him, for their loss."

## CHARGE

#### Man charged following shoplifting incident in Chandler's Ford

A 28-year-old man has been arrested and charged following a shoplifting incident at a convenience store in Chandler's Ford.

The charges come after a number of food items were stolen from a Co-Operative branch on Winchester Road in Chandler's Ford between 8.30am and 8.55am on Monday 12 July.

Liam Thomas Wall, aged 28, of no fixed abode was charged with theft from a shop and use of threatening / abusive / insulting words or behaviour to cause harassment, alarm or distress.

He will appear at Southampton Magistrates Court on Thursday 5 August.



### Southampton man arrested after indecent exposure series in Hamble

Officers investigating a number of indecent exposure incidents in Hamble have arrested a man.

The first incident occurred on Hamble Lane at between 3.10pm and 3.15pm on Wednesday 30 June whereby a man exposed himself to two young teenage girls.

The second incident occurred on Coach Road, on the same day, whereby a man was seen exposing himself on the nearby beach at 4.00pm.

A 46-year-old man from Southampton was arrested on suspicion of indecent exposure.

He has since been released under investigation.



#### Man arrested following ABH assault in Eastleigh

Officers responding to reports of an assault in Eastleigh have arrested a man.

It comes after an altercation ensued outside of the Co-Operative store on Falkland Court at around 4.10pm on Sunday 27 June.

The victim, a 33-year-old man from Chandler's Ford, was followed into the store by a man and subsequently assaulted; suffering minor injuries as a result.

Officers located and arrested a 25-year-old man from Southampton on suspicion of assaulting a person thereby occasioning them actual bodily harm.

In dealing with this matter, an unknown man approached police and identified that the arrested man had assaulted him previously that day at an address on Devon Close.

He was subsequently further arrested on suspicion of assaulting a person thereby occasioning them actual bodily harm.

He was later released on conditional bail until Sunday 25 July.



#### Officers seize knife from teenager in Leigh Road Recreational Park

Officers investigating reports of an offensive weapon incident have arrested a teenager.

It comes after a CCTV operator spotted an individual appearing to be in possession of a knife in Leigh Road Recreational Park in Eastleigh yesterday evening (18 July) at around 7.10pm.

Officers located a man in the area matching the description given, conducted a search and seized a knife.

A 15-year-old boy from Bishopstoke was arrested on suspicion of possession of a knife in a public place.

He was released under investigation, pending further police enquiries.

# **Community cohesion**

# The role of an Independent Advisory Committee member and what this could mean for the local community

The Community Policing Model has been a staple of policing for over 30 years.

It emphasises a close partnership between the police and local stakeholders such as schools, businesses, transport authorities, Neighbourhood Watch Schemes, and local councils.

Independent Advisory Groups (AIGs) are a modern addition to this list of stakeholders. They are an innovative way of incorporating the community itself into decision-making and scrutiny. Seen as community leaders, IAG members are volunteers who play a pivotal role in making sure the police deliver a quality service within their local districts. A major strength that emerges from this approach is the healthy diversity that will encompass an IAG. It leads to unique perspectives on Policing matters.



Cllr Craig Palmer of Hamble Parish Council (pictured with Chief Inspector Marcus Cator), gives us a perspective on the role of the IAG and what it can help to do to ground the community within local policing.

"I have recently joined Eastleigh's IAG after being a member of Hamble Parish Council - which allows me to bring unique insights into any local issues, whilst also facilitating a close link with one of the major stakeholders in the council.

"I can confidently say that so far, the diversity of the Eastleigh IAG in terms of gender, ethnicity, cultural beliefs and background has produced a solid team that has provided some great feedback to our local Constabulary.

"My optimism for our IAG is further reinforced by the comprehensive training in Stop and Search Scrutiny that I have received since joining. The public are ever vigilant about preventing a return to the dark eras of Stop and Search, whilst at the same time, becoming ever more critical of policing efforts in reducing street crime.

"IAG's are putting the community at the forefront of robust Stop and Search scrutiny is a proactive way - striking a healthy balance between these two concerns. Fostering trust between the community and their local police team is a key objective of the IAG. It is made ever more achievable when you factor in the other major aspects of decision making that IAG's take part in, such as: victim support, scrutiny of local crime data, debriefing of major operations and shaping both the long and short-term objectives of the force.

"So far, playing a part in this process has been a great privilege, and I very much look forward to continuing my work with Eastleigh's team and its stakeholders."

#### **Our Priorities**

- Working to address drug-related harm and drug-dealing activity in the Eastleigh Central area
- Engaging with the Netley community to understand and tackle crime and disorder in the local area



Please feel free to contact your local inspector with any query you may have, or go direct to District Commander, Chief Inspector Marcus Cator via <a href="marcus.cator@hampshire.pnn.police.uk">marcus.cator@hampshire.pnn.police.uk</a>

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# Reported crime statistics

Current 90 Days	EASTLEIGH		HEDGE END		Sum:	
Key Red = Increase on previous 90 day Negative numbers = a decrease	Rolling 90 Day	Diff to Previous 90 Day	Rolling 90 Day	Diff to Previous 90 Day		
1a Homicide	1	1			1	1
1b Violence with Injury	133	47	98	24	231	71
1c Violence without Injury	339	68	221	-3	560	65
2a Rape	19	0	14	6	33	6
2b Other Sexual Offences	40	22	36	16	76	38
3a Robbery of Business Property		-1				-1

3b Robbery of Personal Property	5	1	2	1	7	2
4a1 Burglary Residential	45	-29	32	-14	77	-43
4a2 Burglary Business and Community	15	-3	11	-3	26	-6
4b Vehicle Offences	54	-32	29	-41	83	-73
4c Theft from the Person	1	-1	5	3	6	2
4d Bicycle Theft	29	18	10	8	39	26
4e Shoplifting	34	-2	40	-1	74	-3
4f All Other Theft Offences	84	19	48	4	132	23
5a Criminal Damage	91	9	111	38	202	47
5b Arson	2	-1	6	4	8	3
6a Trafficking of Drugs	9	1	6	-1	15	0
6b Possession of Drugs	27	-15	18	-2	45	-17
7 Possession of Weapons Offences	11	1	4	-1	15	0
8 Public Order Offences	163	73	111	32	274	105
9 Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	21	6	12	3	33	9
TOTAL	1,123	182	814	73	1937	255

# Want to stay informed? Register for Hampshire Alerts

As a local resident, you can play a key role in helping us to prevent and detect crime and anti-social behaviour.

Improving the flow of information between the local community and the police is vital to achieving our aim to work together to deter criminals.

By signing up to Hampshire Alerts, you will receive timely updates covering crime prevention advice, crime alerts and witness appeals for incidents in the local community. It is your way of being kept informed of what we're doing in the community, allowing us to keep the communities of Eastleigh and Hedge End safe.

Click here to sign-up to receive regular Hampshire Alerts

# Keep in touch with us on social media

If you want to know what our officers are doing in the district to reduce criminal activity in our local community, why not follow us on social media?

Join us on Facebook @EastleighPolice / @HedgeEndPolice

Or follow us on Twitter @EastleighPolice / @HedgeEndPolice / @HCResponseCops