

Barnsley North Neighbourhood Newsletter

July 2024

Problem solving and targeted activity

As part of Operation Duxford on Wednesday 3 July, we conducted a speed survey in Old Town, St Helens Ward and Darton East and West.

Over 200 vehicles were checked, and the highest speed recorded was 32mph. Our team aim to conduct at least one of these surveys a month due to the demand from our communities, as this is an ongoing concern that is often mentioned.

The primary aim of this exercise is not to issue Fixed Penalty Tickets but to educate drivers in relation to exceeding the speed limit often in built up areas.



Crime crackdown in Barnsley operation

During Operation Duxford over 170 officers, staff and volunteers descended on the district.

Their efforts paid off as the day ended with ten prisoners, drugs and vehicles seized and dangerous drivers prosecuted.

During a warrant in Cudworth, officers found quantities of Ketamine and cannabis with an estimated street value of £5000, alongside cash. During another warrant in the town centre, officers found £7000 in cash, believed to have been earned through fraudulent crime. Focussing on protecting vulnerable people, partners from Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council (BMBC) and officers carried out checks on those at risk of being exploited, including properties with closure orders in place.

Roads Policing Officers from the Operational Support Unit were working alongside neighbourhood officers carrying out speed enforcement and routine traffic stops. A total of 28 drivers were stopped and issued traffic offence reports for speeding, number plate defects, driving without wearing a seatbelt and illegal window tints.

Three vehicles were also seized for having no insurance and two drivers were arrested for driving while over the prescribed limit, with one failing a roadside breath test and another failing a cannabis wipe.

Read more on the SYP website- https://www.southyorkshire.police.uk/news/south-yorkshire/news/news/july-2024/crime-crackdown-in-barnsley-operation/

Community Engagement



PC Blanchfield and PCSO Hannabuss recently visited the Co-op Store at Newlodge to hold a community engagement stall. Their presence was due to an increase in shoplifting and anti-social behaviour at the store.

This is an event we conduct once a month at various retail stores within our area. Crime prevention advice is available and were available to speak to and understand any issues causing our communities concern.

Crime Prevention Advice

As Euro 2024 kicked off last month, we're reminding buyers looking for last minute tickets to matches to look out for the tell-tale signs of ticket fraud.

In a typical ticket scam, the seller will tell you that they will post or email the tickets as soon as you have transferred the money to their bank account.



Then once you have sent the money, they will disappear into thin air or block you on social media so you cannot contact them.

A full list of top tips can be viewed on the Get Safe Online website here: https://www.getsafeonline.org/tickets/

For more information on how to protect yourself against various types of fraud, please visit our website: https://www.southyorkshire.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/fa/fraud/

Elsewhere in South Yorkshire

Unprecedented demand from dangerous dogs

Each day we receive on average around five reports for dogs out of control or causing injury or fear in our communities. During the first weekend in July (5 to 8 July) we received 32 reports into our control room.

Of those received, officers attended two incidents that led to serious injuries, with the 999 calls made within 20 minutes of each other.

On Sunday 7 July at 7.22pm, officers responded to reports of a dog bite in Goldthorpe. Upon arrival it is believed that an English Bull Dog attacked its owner and caused serious injuries to her hands and arms, leaving her requiring surgery.

At 7:43pm, Doncaster officers attended Balby following reports a German Shepherd had escaped its property and attacked an innocent dog and its owner in the street, with the victim suffering bite wounds to her shoulder.

Chief Inspector Emma Cheney, leading the work on dangerous dogs in South Yorkshire said: "We are continuing to see incidents of dangerous dogs across South Yorkshire and during 2024, we have seized over 500 dogs for various reasons.

"Our priority is to protect the public, and innocent members of our communities. Last week we sadly saw a two-year-old girl mauled by a loose dog; this is not acceptable and irresponsible ownership will be dealt with by the courts.

"Every time we attend an incident, it comes at a cost, including the resources responding and kennelling, as well as the additional pressure on the ambulance service and hospitals caring for those injured.

"Owners must take action. If you own a dog, be a responsible dog owner and protect yourself, your family and those living near to you."

You are more likely to be bitten by a dog in your own home. Remember, for everyone's safety:

Do not leave children unattended with dogs

Walk your dog on a lead in public areas

Make sure your dog has somewhere safe and comfortable to go when you have visitors

For more information please visit the Blue Cross

website- https://www.bluecross.org.uk/advice/dog/behaviour-and-training/be-safe-with-dogs?cf cf chl rt tk=hcnKsxngYNCHOC5g3eGGgVvMowvPa3zDDrVM46WJimI-1720431954-0.0.1.1-5887

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