



Annual Report 2019

The main focus of notifications this year seems to have still been cybercrime and scam advice. The Police Connect service seems to be focusing on this aspect as it seems to be easier to send round alerts electronically than it does about more local issues. Because of Police cutbacks there are fewer officers dealing with local issues and they are more targeted at where there is the most reported crimes.

In October 2018 Suffolk Constabulary pledged to ensure local policing remained at the heart of the county's police service as a new neighbourhood model was implemented. The restructure saw more than 100 police officers move into Safer Neighbourhood Teams (SNTs). The extra resource in SNTs aims to ensure the constabulary has the ability to respond to the increasing demand it faces, and the public's desire for more visible policing. The changes meant more than 150 Police Constables and 28 Sergeants will now work in SNT's. However to achieve this, the number of Police Community Support officers (PCSOs) was reduced from the 81 full-time equivalent (FTE) PCSOs in July to 48 FTE PCSOs.

Further changes meant the introduction of Community Engagement Officers and a new Serious Crime Disruption Team has been created to tackle crime trends. Three Neighbourhood & Partnerships Teams (NPT) have been created and are responsible for the management of specific areas of policing such as Rural Crime, Licensing and Retail/Business Crime, ensuring that these are tackled and developed in a joined up way.

The purpose of the new model is to ensure the force has the right resources in the right place at the right time, providing a proactive policing resource and puts visibility and accessibility at its forefront.

Tim Passmore said "From today we will see an extra 104 police officers moving into the Safer Neighbourhood Teams, which is great news. In order to do this some police roles have been civilianised, officers have been moved from central to local teams and regrettably the number of PCSOs will now reduce, but the outcome will be more police officers in local policing."

There were problems with theft from outlying properties during February 2019 but otherwise I know of very little other crime in the local area. Police warned us to be vigilant and not leave outbuildings or unattended cars unlocked. Beach huts were again targeted in October 2018. There was a possible Arson/Damage crime in July 2018 but as the incident involved a child under the age of 10 years and the necessary help and support was given to the child and the family, no further information was available. Speeding remains a problem for the village but the Parish Council is undertaking actions to try and provide some sort of traffic calming.

There are links with more advice on the Neighbourhood Watch page of the village website.
<http://waldringfield.onesuffolk.net/our-village/neighbourhood-watch/#scam>

To sign up for Waldringfield Neighbourhood Watch notifications please email
waldringfieldnw@yahoo.co.uk stating your name and address.

Report fraud and internet crime

You can report fraud or internet crime using the online reporting service any time of the day or night; the service enables you to both report a fraud and find help and support. We also provide help and advice over the phone through the Action Fraud contact centre. You can talk to our fraud and internet crime specialists by calling 0300 123 2040.

Police Connect

Police Connect continues to offer a messaging service connecting you to the very latest policing news for your area via e-mail, text or phone. You can register to receive information about the issues that most matter to you and be among the first to be alerted by police in the case of an emergency affecting your area. Police Connect messages will be more targeted and timely, therefore more effective.

There is no charge for this service - all messages you receive are **free**.

Police Connect replaced Police Direct last year and subscribers to Police Direct were not automatically transferred to Police Connect, which means people need to sign up again, if they have not already done so. There are 2 ways that people can subscribe:

Go to the [Police Connect](#) web page on the Constabulary website, and sign up on line.

Help us keep our communities safe by reporting any suspicious activity.

Please use the following link to pass useful information to Suffolk Police about any incident.

<https://www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/report-something/report-crime>

DO NOT USE THIS LINK IN AN EMERGENCY OR IN A SITUATION THAT REQUIRES AN IMMEDIATE POLICE RESPONSE WHEN YOU SHOULD RING 999.

To report information anonymously on any crime, contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Suffolk Police Website

Go to www.suffolk.police.uk

The website has current news, appeals and details of your Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT). You can also follow Suffolk Police on Facebook and Twitter

Felixstowe and District Safer Neighbourhood Team Information

To speak with an Officer with the above SNT ~ telephone 101*

E-mail ~ felixstowe.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk