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Royston Rural Watch, Feb 2018

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***Our Non -
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Number 101***

On the Beat -

January luckily has been a quieter month crime wise and this has freed the team up to put more time into the community, which has been brilliant and much needed. This month the team arranged a Neighbourhood Watch / Crime prevention drive in Newnham Village. The event was ran on 18th January at Manor Farm and was an opportunity for villagers to attend, grab a cup of tea with a cake, and discuss any concerns they might have.

The team also visited a number of schools this month giving stranger danger talks which has been well received.

Safer Streets Event, Loves Lane, Ashwell – Saturday 27th January - Following a number of incidents in this area of Ashwell the team knocked door to door along Hinxworth Road and Loves Lane, Ashwell. The purpose of this event was to offer practical Crime prevention advice at resident's home addresses. Local residents were signed up to Neighbourhood Watch and will be receiving local crime information via the OWL System which sends information directly to your email address. If you would like this for your village or street, please get in contact and we can arrange this for you.

Speed Awareness – Also this month we have been out with the speed gun around the villages. We know this is an issue that affects us all around the villages and the team have been out in Weston, Barley, Barkway and Therfield. We intend to regularly carry out these checks going forward into the year.

Could you be extra-ordinary in 2018?

- We are recruiting for Special Constables
- Could you do something Special in 2018 and become a volunteer police officer?
- Can you give up 16 hours per month of your free time?

With the New Year almost upon us, and resolutions being made, Hertfordshire Constabulary is asking if you could be extra-ordinary and consider becoming a Special Constable in 2018.

You may be happy in your current career, but want a new challenge, or you may be looking to volunteer to help your local community. Either way, make a New Year resolution with a difference and join a strong team of over 240 Special Constables who help keep the county's residents safe.

The role of a volunteer police officer (Special Constable) is both rewarding and exciting, and also provides the opportunity to develop a wide range of skills – all through dedicating at least 16 hours per month.

Recruitment of Special Constables

Hertfordshire Constabulary is actively recruiting Special Constables and is looking for motivated team players wanting a challenge. Special Constables have full police powers, uniform and protective equipment and work alongside the regular force.

Special Constables get involved in all areas of frontline policing - from high visibility patrols around pubs and clubs at the weekend and being called to assist at the scene of a road traffic collision or burglary, to arresting offenders or reassuring and advising residents after a crime has occurred.

Aside from 'response' or local Safer Neighbourhood policing, there are constantly evolving opportunities to work within specialist policing environments, such as the investigation of child sexual exploitation, domestic abuse and prisoner processing. Special Constables with specialist IT knowledge also work alongside police officers and staff who manage registered sex offenders.

Those with an interest or expertise in the countryside and rural issues can become Rural Special Constables who are dedicated to the needs of rural communities. They work alongside our Rural Operation Support Team (ROST) and local police Safer Neighbourhood Teams investigating heritage crime or wildlife offences, tackling hare coursing or poaching, to dealing with fly-tipping or the theft of heating oil.

Once initial training is complete, Specials are coached by regular officers to complete their Police Action Checklists and are then deemed fit for independent patrol. On average this can take around 12 months.

Special Constabulary Chief Officer, Mark Kendrew, said: “The opportunity to gain experience in specialist departments, at hours and dates to suit you, is uniquely available to Hertfordshire’s Special Constabulary. Our Special Constables tell us that they find the role gives them experiences they would never have if they didn’t volunteer in this way, and provides them with a whole host of new skills. I’d encourage anyone interested to take a look on our dedicated website to find out more.”

David Lloyd, Police and Crime Commissioner for Hertfordshire, said: “Specials play a vital role in keeping the county safe and I am keen to welcome as many as possible into the Force.

“In my Community Safety and Criminal justice plan for Hertfordshire I outline how I am aiming for more people, like the Special Constables, to get involved and to play their part in helping to keep crime low in the county. I would therefore encourage anyone looking for a new challenge in 2018 to consider becoming a Special Constable.”

**Police and Crime
Commissioner**
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Local Crime Information

G4E - Ashwell, Hinxworth, Bygrave, Newnham and Caldecote

- Attempted Shed Burglary, Ashwell - Overnight on 31st December in Northfields Road Ashwell a shed was opened entered, nothing taken from within and the offenders made off direction unknown. G4/18/03 Refers
- Criminal Damage, Green Lane, Ashwell - Between Monday 11th Decembers and Tuesday 2nd January land was entered belonging to the IP. A perimeter fence was cut, no out building was broken into. G4/18/07 Refers
- Theft from Motor Vehicle, Newnham - Overnight on Thursday 11th January a vehicle parked on an industrial estate in Newnham village had a catalytic converter stolen from beneath the vehicle. G4/18/51 Refers
- Theft from Motor Vehicle, Ashwell - Overnight on Monday 22nd January a car that was parked in Silver Street, Ashwell had number plates removed. G4/18/81 Refers

G4D – Barley, Barkway, Reed, Therfield, Kelshall and Nuthampstead

- Burglary, Hay Green, Therfield - Overnight on Friday 5th January the offender has removed a padlock to bungalow / building renovation on Hay Green, Therfield. The offenders search the premises but nothing was taken. G4/18/24 Refers
- Shed Burglaries, Kelshall - Overnight on the 12th January two properties in Kelshall were targeted for outbuilding burglaries. The offenders have used a crowbar or similar to smash locks from the shed and enter. The offender has targeted bikes and power tools. G4/18/56 and G4/18/61 Refers
- Attempted Theft, Police Row, Therfield - On Thursday 18th January, three males attempted to steal a Ford Fiesta ST from a property in Therfield. The owner of the vehicle heard a disturbance and turned the house lights on which spooked the males. The offenders left the property and made off towards Hay Green. G4/18/71 Refers

- Attempted Theft, Barkway - On Sunday 28th January at 7.15pm a male was seen walking up a drive in Church lane, Barkway. The male approached the rear of a white van and the owner of the van switched his kitchen light on, this disturbed the male who made off. G4/18/96 Refers
- Business Burglary, Barley - Overnight Monday 29th January an Anglian Water site on Picknage Road, Barley was broken into. The offenders have used a crowbar or similar to force the door to gain entry, Nothing stolen. G4/18/103
- Theft, Reed - Between 11.00 and 11.15 on Wednesday 31st January the offenders have stolen a Generator and copper wires from a building site off the Joint in Reed. G4/18/107 Refers

G3C - Sandon, Wallington, Rushden, Clothall and Weston

- Dwelling Burglary, Fore Street, Weston - Between 10.10am and 12.10pm on Friday 19th January the offender has entered the house at the rear of the property by removing the glass pane. Once inside the property the offenders made an untidy search of the premises and stole jewellery from within. G3/18/43 Refers
- Church Burglary, Rushden - Between Monday 1st and Friday 5th January the church in Rushden was entered. The offenders stole some collection bag, silver candle snuffer and a brass collection plate. G3/18/53 Refers

Your local Neighbourhood Police Teams website

<http://snt.herts.police.uk/Teams.aspx?TeamID=G01>

Useful Links

<http://www.herts.police.uk/>

<http://www.doglost.co.uk/>

<http://www.stolenhorseregister.com/>

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