

Safer Neighbourhoods Newsletter

Melbourne Alert Box

After funding of £7,000 was secured to install an AlertBox system in Melbourne Town Centre, on 23rd March, Phil Marriott, Sarah Winfield, PC Deb Croxall, PCSO's Marianne Beeston, Chris Bromley and Emma Guest installed 32 AlertBoxes throughout the town. Since their installation, many more shopkeepers have requested the boxes and shown keen interest in the system.

CCTV for Swadlincote Town Centre



A state of the art £40,000 CCTV system has now been installed throughout Swadlincote Town Centre. The system will be going live shortly. The cameras are located around the town centre and will include an Automation Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) capabilities on Civic Way.

Neighbourhood Watch

Since the last round of SN Meetings, new schemes have been launched at Church Broughton (whole village to be covered by July 2010) and Stenson Fields – Burnside Close (neighbouring streets to be eventually covered). New schemes in the pipeline for Bourne Close, Swadlincote, Pennine Way, Swadlincote and Pilgrims Way, Stenson Fields. A new South Derbyshire NHW Support Group Committee formed on 6th May. This group supports co-ordinators across South Derbyshire and links in with Derbyshire, East Midlands and National NHW groups.

South Derbyshire Liberation Day

The event for over 65s was held on 20th May, organised and hosted by the SSDP. 650 people attended and obtained advice and information from over 40 exhibitors ranging from community safety to healthy lifestyles. The theme of the day was 1940's to celebrate the Battle of Britain and VE Day.

Swadlincote Pub Watch re-launch

The Swadlincote Pub Watch group has grown in size from 4 to 19 pubs following a recent re-launch. SSDP, together with SDDC Licensing and Police Licensing have been working alongside the Publicans to put out the message that Swadlincote is a safe place to drink and socialize and they urge people to "behave or be banned from all pubs" over the World Cup period.

Burglaries on insecure properties



Following an increase in burglaries where premises have been left insecure, i.e. windows and doors have been left open or unlocked, SSDP has produced a leaflet to target the hotspot areas. Residents have been urged to keep windows and doors locked and items that are generally targeted, such as laptops and vehicle keys out of view. The local PCSO's continue to deliver the leaflets in areas that are targeted by burglars.

Despite the occasional increase in numbers, burglaries in South Derbyshire are generally low and we would like your help to keep it that way.

Stenson Fields Soccer Sessions

After being identified as a hotspot for ASB through the Safer Neighbourhoods meetings, new weekly sports sessions have been set up in the area to engage the local young people. The Multi Sports sessions are currently running on the Fox Close play field every Tuesday between 7.30 and 8.30pm and are regularly attracting around 20 young people.

Connexions and the Youth Service

A major redevelopment has taken place at the **Connexions Centre** at Rink House in Swadlincote to extend the delivery of supported services to people under the age of 18. All the provision from the old Youth information shop on West Street has now been transferred the extended connexions centre along with the introduction of some new services to the area.

Connexions is a service that helps all teenagers and older people with learning difficulties or disabilities. It can assist in helping young people make good career choices by offering information, advice and practical support so that they can go into, and succeed in education, employment and training. The following services are all situated within the Connexions building.

Youth Service

The Youth Service also has a base in Woodville and offers a full range of positive activities, which are fun and stimulating to encourage young people to engage. Activities provided (which are based on the views of young people, their families and the community) include adventure challenges, sports, arts, personal development and music.

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Other services available at the centre are: **Health Services, Counselling Service, Drugs and Alcohol support & advice, Housing advice, GLOBE** (A peer support group for lesbian, gay and bisexual young people with links to Derbyshire friends) **Teenage Parents support, Youth Offending Service, After Care Service** (working with young people who are making a transition from foster homes, children's homes into independent living) **Family Intervention Project** (working with families to provide support and practical help to improve the lives of families and their communities) and **YISP** (working with young people (8-15 years) who are at risk of offending, offering one to one support, group work, anger management, self esteem and crime prevention work).

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Partnership Community Engagement Sessions

The sessions have been held at various locations, to promote Safer Neighbourhoods, NHW and services provided by CVS and discuss local issues. The last session was held at Stenson Fields Primary School on Saturday, 8th May (suggestions for future locations welcomed) and was attended by CVS, a local PCSO and SSDP's Safer Neighbourhoods Officer, Phil Marriott.

"Be Safe - Be Aware" event was held at Findern Village Hall on 9th April by the Findern Local Crime Reduction Group. Agencies including the Fire Service, SSDP and the Police joined Parish Council members in liaising with and offering information and advice to younger members of the community.

OzBox

Sgt Andy King is currently arranging for Police and Youth Service volunteers to be trained so that they can deliver OzBox sessions across South Derbyshire. OzBox is a non-contact boxing training session that encourages young people to be active, helps install discipline and most of all is fun.

Burglar Alarm Scheme

The Safer South Derbyshire Partnership has secured £10,000 funding to continue to offer free or subsidised burglar alarms to victims of domestic burglary. The scheme, which has ran over a number of years, has never seen a repeat burglary occur where an alarm has been installed.

Future Safer Neighbourhood Meetings

Area 1 – Wednesday 8th September at Frank Wickham Hall, Etwall

Area 2 – Tuesday 7th September at Newton Solney Village Hall

Area 3 – Tuesday 14th September at Melbourne Leisure Centre

Area 4 – Thursday 16th September at St George & St Mary Parish Rooms, Church Gresley

Area 5 – Monday 6th September at The Old Post, Newhall

Area 6 – Monday 13th September at The Brick Rooms, Linton