



## Keeping our Community Safe

Safer South Derbyshire Partnership

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#### **December Safer Neighbourhoods Meetings**

The December round of meetings ran well with good attendance. Many long-standing priorities were removed as having been successfully tackled. Parking issues were raised at most meetings, which seem to centre around schools.

#### **Jingle Bells used again!**

Hundreds of twin purse bells with easy to use clips were handed out over the Christmas period to reduce thefts of bags and purses. If someone tries to dip into a handbag the twin bell jingles to alert a potential theft.

#### **Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday ' Friday Night Project '**

The Granville School Friday Night Project has just celebrated its first birthday. The youth based club offers a range of sports and games to local young people and regularly attracts over 150 attendees each week. More good news is that funding has been secured to keep the project running for the foreseeable future!

#### **Schools learn to keep South Derbyshire tidy**

The Safer South Derbyshire Partnership has part funded a new environmental education project, which is being rolled out across our secondary schools. The classes, which were one of the recommendations to come out of the recent review of parks and open spaces, pose questions to the pupils about attitudes to litter and the environment. The classes also involve workshops and role-plays and the students will be asked to take part in litter picks and a competition to design a 'Keep South Derbyshire Tidy' sign.

#### **Don't let them steal your Christmas !**

SDDP produced a Christmas card with a message to keep the home and valuables safe at Christmas. This went out to all Safer Neighbourhood attendees, NHW coordinators and Councillors, amongst others.

An alcohol awareness leaflet to highlight excessive Christmas drinking went out to a number of large employers across the district such as Toyota, JCB and Nestle. The leaflets were also attached to SDDC December payslips.

A press release was produced about the card and the alcohol leaflet, together with a Christmas information pack, which Sarah Dagley put together for the all the Pubwatch licensees and pubs on the VAL action plan. The pack had posters about alcohol and health, drink driving, domestic violence and asked them to take up Challenge 25 if not already doing so.

#### **Findern open day on 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

Phil Marriott, Claire Rawlins, CVS and Police attended the Parish Rooms, Findern to provide information to the public about Safer Neighbourhoods, what they are and how people can get involved, funding opportunities for community safety projects, Neighbourhood Watch and volunteering opportunities in the area. The session ran from 10 am – 3 pm and proved a successful event.

*If you have any comments about this newsletter or ideas for articles please email us at [community.safety@south-derbys.gov.uk](mailto:community.safety@south-derbys.gov.uk)*

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**Changes to the Liberation Day registration process**

This year there have been changes made to the registration process. The registration line will be opened on 8th March and closed on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2010. The aim this year is to reach as many people as possible who have not attended Liberation Day before and give them priority over people who have. Tickets will only be available to those living in South Derbyshire and no block bookings will be accepted. The age limit has also been raised to 65 and over. Places will be allocated to first time attendees in chronological order then if any places are left they will be allocated to those who booked first. No registration desk will be required at the event this year as entry will be by ticket only. People with lost or forgotten tickets can be checked against the booking list.

This year's theme will be a celebration of the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Britain and the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day.

**DAAG (Domestic Abuse Action Group)**

Members of the DAAG group took part in a training-planning meeting to put together a multi-agency training package. In March the group will deliver domestic abuse training and other related subjects, such as LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender).

**AlertBox coming to Melbourne!**

The Safer South Derbyshire Partnership have been successful in securing £7,000 funding to install the AlertBox system in shops and businesses in Melbourne Town Centre. The system, described, as an electronic neighbourhood watch has proved so successful in Swadlincote, it has won a regional award.

**The Sergeant Says:**

We say goodbye to Sgt Mike Sisman, who has taken a secondment at Ripley HQ to work with the "moving forward" project team and hello to Sgt Andy King. Andy is no stranger to South Derbyshire having worked in the district previously as a reactive Sergeant.

**Review of ASB Tasking Meetings**

A review was carried out of ASB tasking and it was agreed to disband the current monthly meetings. Claire Rawlins and Police will now be attending regular multi-agency meetings held at all four senior schools across South Derbyshire instead.

**CCTV for Swadlincote Town Centre**

The CCTV system for the town centre has now been ordered. Installation of the £40,000 scheme, which will cover High Street, West Street, Rinkway Passage and Civic Way, will begin in March.

**Cleaner South Derbyshire**

A campaign aimed at addressing dog fouling is due to be launched in 2010 by the Cleaner South Derbyshire team. Watch this space for more details !

**USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS**

**Safer South Derbyshire Partnership**  
01283 595858

**ASB helpline**  
01283 595795

**Crimestoppers**  
0800 555 111

**Police Non Emergency number**  
0345 123 33 33

**Next Step (against domestic abuse)**  
01283 229854

**Victim Support**  
01629 825864

**Youth Information Shop**  
01283 217666

**THE NEXT ROUND OF SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD MEETINGS**

- Area 1** – 6.30 pm, Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, Egginton Memorial Hall
- Area 2** – 6.30 pm, Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March, Repton Village Hall
- Area 3** – 7 pm, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March, Smisby Village Hall
- Area 4** – 6.30 pm, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March, Eureka Primary School
- Area 5** – 6.30 pm, Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March, The Old Post, Newhall
- Area 6** – 6.30 pm, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, Overseal Village Hall