

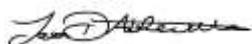


Summer is always a good time for celebrating and this year there has been a lot to celebrate!

I was delighted to recognise the achievements of officers, staff, and volunteers at Cambridgeshire Constabulary's first 'Safer Policing Awards' ceremony, alongside senior police officers. It was truly humbling to listen to each individual's story and the lengths they went to in keeping people safe. I was delighted to see the county's first Youth Consultation Panel being recognised for their efforts at a special ceremony in Ely. The group has been instrumental in making sure both the force and my own team understand and respond effectively to the needs of young people throughout the county.

July saw the first anniversary of the county's Integrated Mental Health Team at Police Headquarters. The team, which consists of three mental health nurses in the Force Control Room, provides officers with clinical advice on the best way to help people in mental health crisis. It is heartening to hear that the service is having such a positive impact already, ensuring that vulnerable individuals in crisis are receiving the right care, in the right place and at the right time, where police are the first point of contact. I was pleased to announce £400,000 to help prevent and address violence against women and girls. Domestic abuse and sexual violence devastates the lives of victims, their friends and families. The money will fund therapeutic support for young people affected.

Finally during the summer months, the Constabulary always sees an increase in calls for service, with an exceptional high level of 101 and 999 calls. Whilst the police will always deal with emergencies, if a crime is not in progress, and suspects are not at the scene and there is no ongoing risk, please call 101 or report online rather than 999.



Jason Ablewhite, Police and Crime Commissioner

Jason is pictured with Chief Constable Alec Wood and 7 year old Kaileb, who is sadly losing both his hearing and his sight and wanted to gain visual experiences while he can.



Police Commissioner announces funding to tackle violence against women and girls

Police and Crime Commissioner, Jason Ablewhite has announced confirmation of a successful partnership bid for funding to help prevent and address violence against women and girls (VAWG).

The county has secured £400,000, over three years, to support young people affected by domestic and sexual violence. The Commissioner's office led the bid with Cambridgeshire County Council and Peterborough City Council along with statutory and non-statutory partners for the government funding.

[Find out more](#)



Cambridgeshire Police response to people in mental health crisis hailed a success

Jason Ablewhite marked the first anniversary of Cambridgeshire's Integrated Mental Health Team in Police Headquarters, Huntingdon in July.

The team, which consists of three mental health nurses from Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT), provides police officers with live clinical advice on the best way to help people in mental health crisis.

[Find out more](#)



Farmers urged to paint it pink

Farmers across the county are being urged to 'paint it pink' as part of a crackdown on battery thefts.

Between March and May there were 108 battery thefts across the county damaging their livelihood and costing them hundreds of pounds.

Officers from the Constabulary's Rural Crime Action Team hope that painting the batteries bright pink and marking them with postcodes will stop thieves in their tracks.

[Find out more](#)



Police Commissioner discusses threat of rural crime in the Fens

Jason Ablewhite spent time in the Fens meeting local farmers to talk about rural crime issues. Local farmer Charles Albutt invited the Commissioner to help out by driving the combine – something the Commissioner has clearly done before!

The Police Commissioner said:

"Crimes such as Hare Coursing are still a threat to farmers so it's important that I keep in regular contact to ensure they get the support they need. The Rural Crime Action team continues to do it all it can to drive Hare Coursing out of Cambridgeshire, reduce the financial cost of rural crime and let those in the rural community know the police are behind them."



County's first youth crime panel celebrated

Cambridgeshire Constabulary celebrated the success of the county's first Youth Consultation Panel at a ceremony at the Forum in Ely on 1st August. The group was set up a year ago to empower the young people of East Cambridgeshire to hold their local police to account for how decisions effect their community.

The scheme has been a huge success with the young people working closely with the Police and Crime Commissioner who praised them as hugely important in helping the force 'understand the needs and concerns of young people and in making our communities safer.'



Police launch county lines criminality campaign

Cambridgeshire Constabulary launched a week-long campaign last month (July) to raise awareness of county lines criminality.

County Lines is when organised crime groups from big cities, mainly London, extend their drug dealing into new areas.

Drug dealers get young people to deliver their drugs, by paying them or by forcing them through violence and grooming. It is a crime that can affect girls and boys, regardless of their background or culture.

[Find out more](#)



Celebrating success at the Policing Awards

The Constabulary held its first annual awards ceremony on 14th July to recognise the outstanding contributions of officers, staff, Specials, volunteers and cadets.

The evening acknowledged those who have truly gone above and beyond their role to help 'Create a Safer Cambridgeshire' through a number of award categories.

Police Commissioner, Jason Ablewhite said: "I would like to extend my congratulations to everyone who received an award. It was an honour to present some of the awards and I felt immensely proud hearing all the incredible pieces of work which deserve to be recognised."

[Find out more](#)



Police Commissioner seeks your views

Members of the public are being asked for their views on a proposed change to the way Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service is governed.

New legislation means that Police and Crime Commissioners can take on responsibilities for fire and rescue services in their area where a good case is made to do so. The survey runs until 4th September so there is still time to respond.

You can complete the survey by clicking on the link [here](#).

USEFUL LINKS

- [Safer Peterborough Partnership](#)
- [Fenland Community Safety Partnership](#)
- [Cambridge Community Safety Partnership](#)
- [Huntingdonshire Community Safety Partnership](#)
- [South Cambridgeshire Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership](#)
- [East Cambridgeshire Community Safety Partnership](#)

FORTHCOMING SURGERIES

The Police and Crime Commissioner offers regular one to one meetings across the county. If you have an issue you would like to discuss, you can book a 15 minute appointment. Please email: cambs-pcc@cambs.pnn.police.uk or phone 0300 333 3456 to make an appointment:

12th September, 10.00 am – 12 noon, Peterborough Town Hall, Peterborough

10th October, 10.00 am – 12 noon, Chatteris

Useful Links:



Getting in touch:

It's important for me and my team to represent your views so if you want to get in touch, please do. I am here to represent you and to make sure your voice is heard.

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