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Penwortham and Western Parishes newsletter
incorporating Kingsfold, Lostock Hall, Middleforth,
Penwortham and Western Parishes.

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Tackling anti-social behaviour in Penwortham - 2011 Round Up

The team are continuing to work hard to tackle anti-social behaviour in Penwortham. This has been caused by young people congregating on Hurst Grange, West End and Priory Parks. Last year we visited the three high schools in the area and spoke to the pupils in Years 10 and 11 to highlight the consequences and impact of their behaviour. We also visited all the off licences in the area to remind them of

their responsibilities in relation to under age sales. Officers have also directly challenged the behaviour of groups with youth referrals, Fixed Penalty Notices, physically taking young people home and speaking to their parents. This action has resulted in a reduction in the numbers gathering to a level that is not as intimidating to residents. The team will continue to challenge the groups and target ring leaders and their parents.

Parental Pledge a Continued Success

PCSO Paul Fitzpatrick is continuing to champion The Parental Pledge, a scheme he introduced to combat the problem of parking and vehicle obstruction outside schools. Since starting, Penwortham County Primary, St Teresa's and Whitefield Primary Schools have joined up to the initiative by asking parents to sign up to the pledge. Paul is now in the process of producing large banners for display outside each school. Pupils entered a competition to have their artwork featured on the banners. We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of their obligation to park safely when dropping off and picking up their children from school.



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News in brief

The Lostock Hall Neighbourhood Policing Team has put a stop to anti-social behaviour being committed at Pages Court. Officers received complaints from residents about young people congregating, smoking cannabis, using foul and abusive language and being insulting when challenged. To combat this, the team worked closely with the landlords, Progress Housing and completed additional patrols of the area. This has resulted in no further calls regarding the issue.

One local resident has written to both the police and Progress Housing expressing their thanks. They said; "I would like to thank the people who were involved and for sorting my complaint quickly as the situation was not very nice especially when they're outside your house."

An 80 year old lady in the South Ribble area has recently been intimidated into purchasing a memory foam mattress on her doorstep. We would be very grateful if you could warn elderly relatives, friends and neighbours about the dangers of dealing with doorstep callers and handing over money. If anyone has any concerns regarding aggressive sellers contact the police immediately.

PCSO Mark Holliday has been working with United Utilities, the Highways Department and the residents of Howick Cross Lane following complaints received about trucks using the road and workmen speeding through the area. A meeting was held and as a result United Utilities ran training sessions for staff and drivers so they were aware of the impact on the community, speed signs were put in place for an agreed

20mph speed limit, speed humps were put near the building site and a single point of contact was identified at the site for residents to contact with issues and complaints. The team will continue to work on this until the project has finished.

Please be aware that there is a scam currently circulating the South Ribble area. The telephone scam offers virus protection in exchange for a fee of £160. The caller initially wants the payment up front for nothing in return but by giving them your bank account details and access to your computer they may also be able to access further personal details. An email scam from Anglo Gold Corp is also going around. It asks for a reliable person to assist with the transfer of \$15 million to a safe foreign account. Please do

not respond and refer any information to Lancashire Trading Standards Service via Consumer Direct on 0845 4 04 05 06.

We have increased high visibility patrols of Bank Parade and have been speaking to young people playing football in the football cage. Six young people have been placed on Acceptable Behaviour Contracts after visits from the team and the housing association. As a result we have received much fewer calls and this is no longer a priority for the area.



PACT and events

Come along and meet your local officers at the following Police and Community Together (PACT) meetings:

Kingsfold / Middleforth
Tuesday 7 February 7:00pm,
Kingsfold Community Centre,
Kingsfold Drive.

Penwortham
Wednesday 1 February 2-3:00pm,
Booths, Millbrook Way.

Western Parishes
Monday 6 February 6-8:00pm,
Street Surgery – Chapel Lane,
New Longton.

Lostock Hall
Tuesday 7 February 4pm,
Street Surgery – Moss Street,
Lostock Hall.

Last month's top priorities

Kingsfold:

Anti-social behaviour in the Football Cage on Bank Parade.

Penwortham:

Parking issues outside St Teresa's Church, Queensway during services.

Western Parishes:

Suspected drug dealing on public house car parks.

Lostock Hall:

Young people gathering at the rear of the Linden Drive Shops during the evenings and at weekends.

For information about last month's priorities and the action we have taken please visit www.lancashire.police.uk and type your postcode in the My Area box.



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