

## News from Bedford North SNT Harrold, Carlton Sharnbrook and Riseley



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### Neighbourhood Priorities

- Vehicle Nuisance – Including speeding and parking.
- Anti-Social Behaviour – Harrold, Riseley and Sharnbrook.
- Fear of burglaries.

Priorities were agreed at the Carlton to Riseley Joint Action Group meeting on Wednesday 24th June 2009. Next review 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2009.

### Tackling Priorities

What we are doing /have done to achieve results against our priorities:

**Vehicle Nuisance:** A Speed Indicator Device has now been loaned to the SNT by Bedford Borough Council for use by the parishes in the SNT. We are looking for volunteers from all villages to use and monitor the device. If you are interested in trying to reduce speeding in your village please contact Pc 428 Rob Smith for more details.

**Anti-Social Behaviour:** Nuisance behaviour has increased in recent months. Operation Nevis will provide dedicated resources, to target nuisance behaviour across the North Bedfordshire area throughout the summer months. .

**Fear of burglaries:** We have increased our attendances at reported rural house burglaries and other types of break-ins. Over the last few months many parishes have given out SmartWater property marking kits to residents. Bedfordshire Police fully support SmartWater as a property marking system and it is possible for residents to obtain reduced price SmartWater kits, please contact the SNT.

### Forthcoming Surgeries

#### July 2009

- 15<sup>th</sup> Sharnbrook Scout Hall - 1400-1500hrs
- 16<sup>th</sup> Stevington Church hall - 1030-1130hrs
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Harrold Country Park - 1400-1500hrs
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Upper Dean, Walkabout - 1300-1400hrs
- 29<sup>th</sup> Emmaus Village, Carlton - 1100-1200hrs

#### August 2009

- 5<sup>th</sup> Riseley, Village Walkabout - 1100-1200hrs
- 12<sup>th</sup> Sharnbrook Scout Hall - 1400-1500hrs
- 13<sup>th</sup> Stevington Church Hall - 1030-1130hrs
- 19<sup>th</sup> Harrold Country Park - 1300-1400hrs
- 20<sup>th</sup> Dean and Shelton Village - 1030-1130hrs
- 26<sup>th</sup> Emmaus Village, Carlton - 1100-1200hrs

#### September 2009

- 9<sup>th</sup> Riseley, Village Walkabout - 1430-1530hrs
- 16<sup>th</sup> Sharnbrook Scout Hall - 1400-1500hrs
- 17<sup>th</sup> Stevington Church Hall - 1030-1130hrs
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Harrold Country Park - 1300-1400hrs
- 30<sup>th</sup> Emmaus Village, Carlton - 1100-1200hrs

If you have any issues that you would like to discuss or you would like to pop by and meet your SNT please drop in.

### Crime Overview

Crime in the area has increased slightly in March to May 2009 when compared to same period last year. Burglaries have increased by 16 incidents and anti-social behaviour has increased by 8%. Violent crime remains low with just 13 reports across fifteen parishes in three months. Vehicle crime has decreased by 29%. Crime figures for the SNT can be viewed by visiting the Bedfordshire Police website [www.bedfordshire.police.uk](http://www.bedfordshire.police.uk) and follow the link to the Bedford Rural SNT page and Crime Mapping.

### Riseley Safer Neighbourhood Office

Riseley Police Station is open to the public between 1000 and 1400hrs on Tuesdays and Thursdays. It will be staffed by volunteers at this time who look forward to assisting with any non urgent community issues you may have.

### SNT Changes

PCSO Allan Taylor has left the area to join the Bedfordshire Police as a Police Officer. We wish him well, he will be missed. We are pleased to welcome PCSO 8231 Michael Blass to the team. Michael will be working hard in the communities and is looking forward to meeting as many locals as possible. Why not pop along to one of our forthcoming surgeries and say hello.

Making neighbourhoods safer, together