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MELKSHAM TOWN COUNCIL



Full Council Addendum Police Report



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15th October 2025

Dear Councillors S Rabey (Town Mayor), J Westbrook (Deputy Town Mayor), P Alford, P Aves, E Calland, R Cleary, J Crossley, M Drewett, G Elson, A Griffin, J Oatley, T Price, C Stokes, A Westbrook

Please find attached the Melksham Neighbourhood Team Report for October 2025 (item 7 on the agenda)

Yours sincerely,

Miss Hayley Bell – CEO



MELKSHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM REPORT OCTOBER 2025

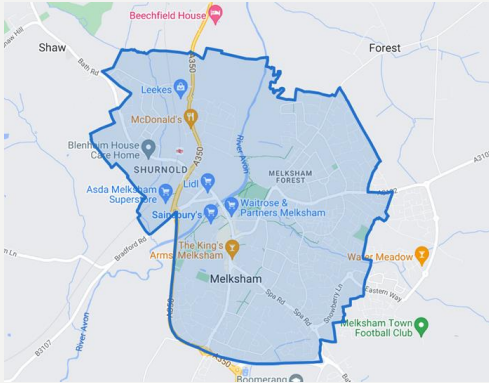
WILTSHIRE POLICE

Keeping Wiltshire Safe



Meet Your Neighbourhood Policing Team

Each Team member looks after the Town areas as well as a number of Villages and rural areas.



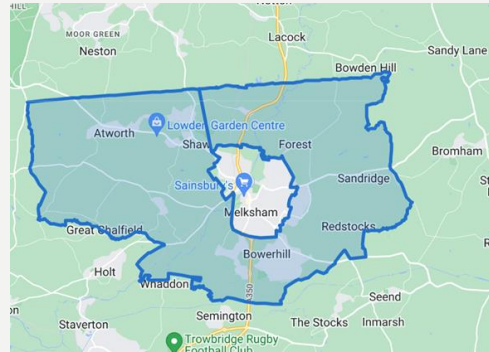
PCSO WALTERS Melksham South



PC Ben COOMBS



Inspector Ho TSANG



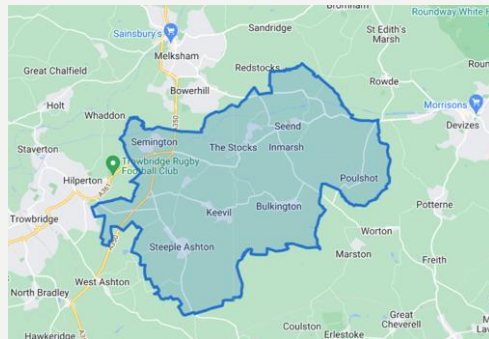
PCSO GRIFFIN- Melksham Town



PC Jen MILLER



Sergeant Gemma RUTTER



PCSO DYBOWSKA- Melksham North

Our Community Commitment

ENGAGE REGULARLY WITH COMMUNITIES BY HOLDING FACE TO FACE EVENTS

- We will hold at least one public meeting / surgery per month, giving you a chance to meet your local team and find out more information on local policing priorities, crime stats and engagement opportunities
- We will advertise our public meetings and surgeries on the **Your Area** section of the Wiltshire Police website, on local Neighbourhood Policing Team social media channels and Community Messaging
- Every engagement opportunity will be recorded so we can ensure we are meeting our commitment to you
- We will hold regular face to face meetings and events with a wide range of community groups such as businesses, faith groups, youth groups and residents' associations
- We will bring policing out to your community, through the proactive use of the Neighbourhood Engagement Vehicles.

ENGAGE REGULARLY THROUGH ONLINE CHANNELS

- We will actively use local Neighbourhood Policing Team social media channels to engage with our communities
- Every Neighbourhood Policing Team will host quarterly Facebook Live events
- We will exchange information with those signed up to our Community Messaging alert system via email, text or phone and continue to promote this free service to new members.

INCREASE AND BROADEN OUR ENGAGEMENT ACROSS NEED TO REACH COMMUNITIES

- We will build Community Beat Profiles for each of our Neighbourhood Policing Team to help us better understand the specific communities within our local areas
- We will engage with specific community groups and those living and working in particular geographical areas about those issues that are important or impacts most upon them
- We will work with young people and our partners in education settings to help improve safety, reduce reoffending and, along with relevant other agencies, offer support to those who need it.

PUBLISH INFORMATION ON YOUR LOCAL TEAM, LOCAL PRIORITIES AND UPDATE ON ACTIVITY

- We will provide you with information so you know who your local Neighbourhood Policing Team is by publishing this on the **Your Area** section of the Wiltshire Police website
- We will publish monthly local priorities on the **Your Area** section of the Wiltshire Police website and, through our regular engagement with you, we will consult you when we are setting them
- We will provide community updates on activity being carried out to help tackle local priorities
- We will ensure intelligence-led visible patrolling in local communities, at least once a week, responding to local policing issues and concerns
- We will publish local policing updates, wherever possible, in community magazines / newsletters or bulletins.

CONSULT AND ENGAGE WITH COMMUNITIES ON KEY DECISIONS

- We will ask the public to take part in questionnaires and surveys to build information and improve our policing service
- We will provide visibility at Parish Council meetings and, in the absence of physical attendance, will provide a written update. We will also support a programme of additional meeting attendance through Area Boards or Community Safety Groups
- We will action feedback, concerns or complaints – and tell you what action has been taken. If we cannot help, we will help signpost the public to who can
- We will work closely with our partners, such as local authorities and parish and town councils, and community representatives i.e. businesses, faith groups, schools to tackle community issues
- We will work closely alongside local watch schemes to enable strong partnerships between the police and communities
- We will consult regularly with our Independent Advisory Groups (IAGs) to ensure they have a voice as a critical friend to help shape our policing service.

Our mission: Keeping Wiltshire Safe

Our priorities:

Safer public spaces

Violence

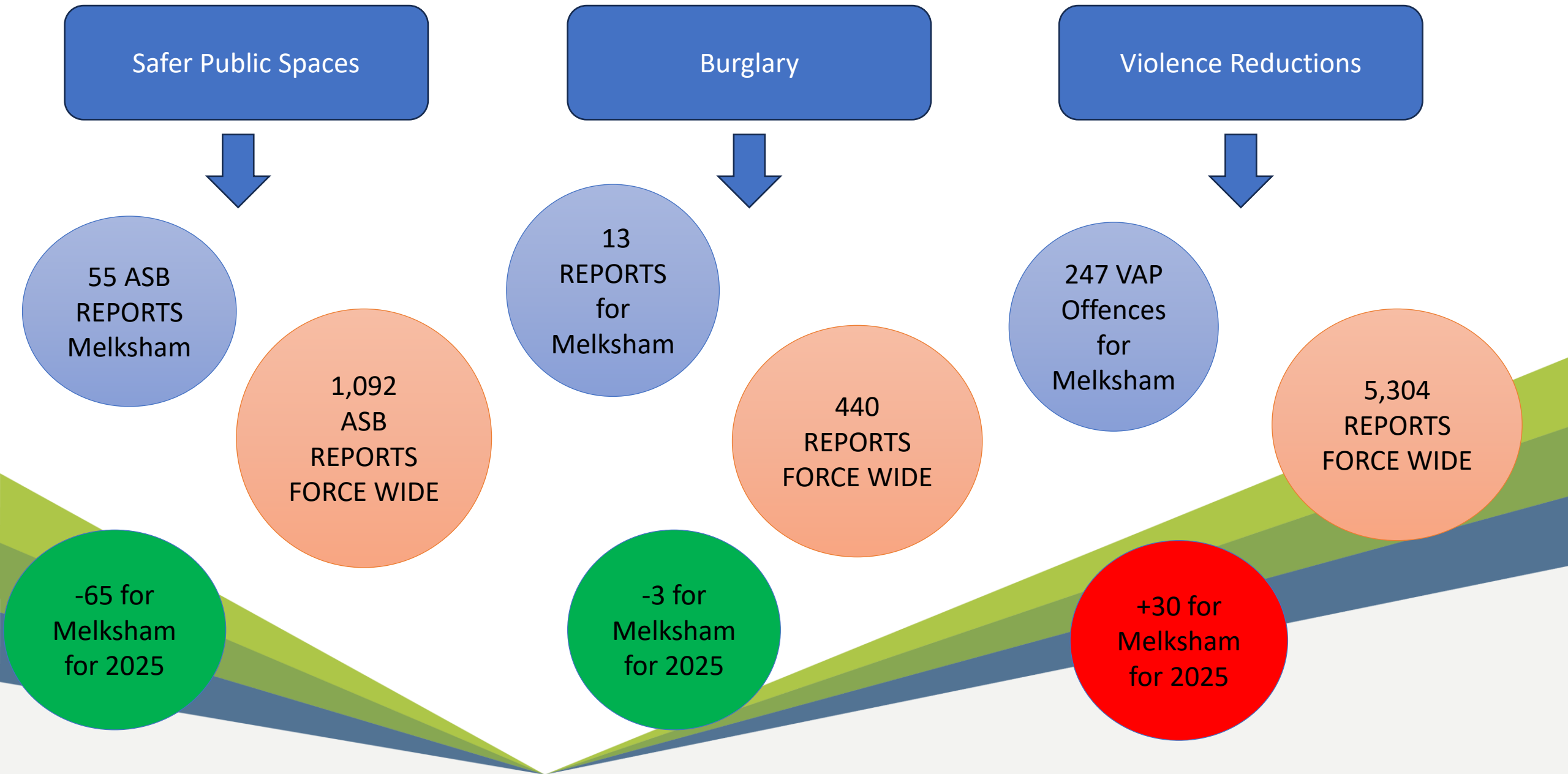
Burglary

Crime Data Melksham

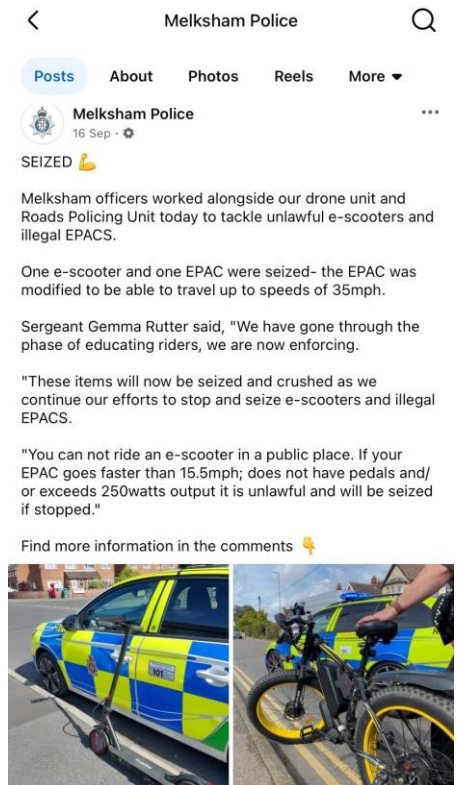
July - Sept
2024 v 2025

Crime	2024	2025	Increase/Decrease
Violence and Sexual offences	217	247	+30
ASB	120	55	-65
Shoplifting	17	23	+6
Other offences	161	178	+17
Total	515	503	-12

• NPT Policing alongside Wiltshire Police Priorities July to Sept 2025:

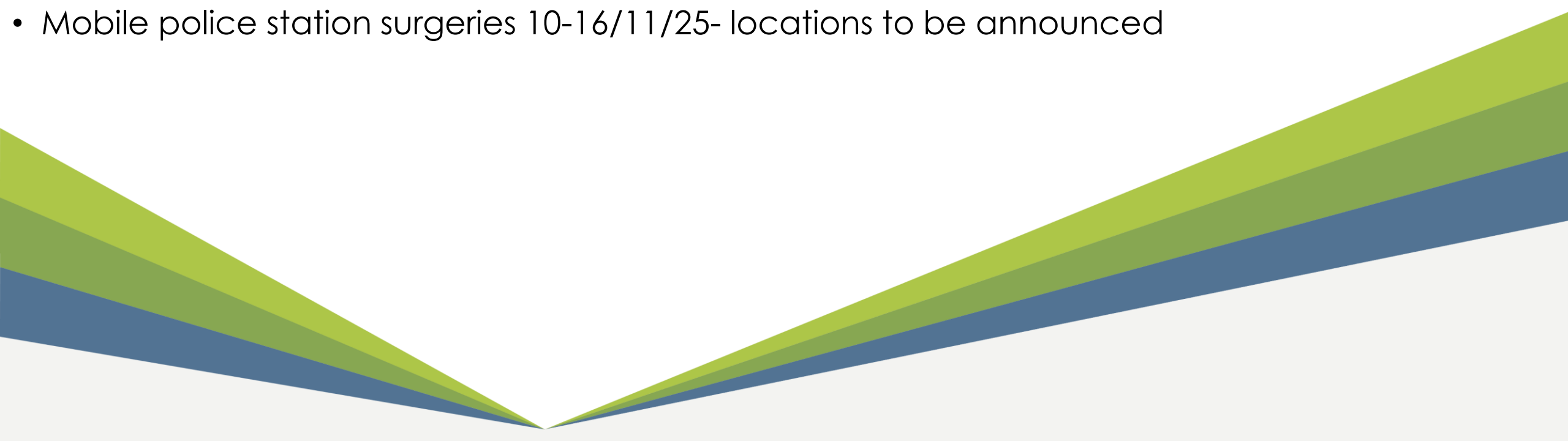


• What have been up to in your area?



• What Next?

- Mini Police sessions in our Melksham primary schools
- Halloween ASB patrols
- Remembrance parades
- Shoplifting proactive day
- Application for a closure order on a residential address linked to drugs and ASB
- 24/11/25- proactive week neighbourhood action
- Mobile police station surgeries 10-16/11/25- locations to be announced



- Keeping in touch:

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Get to know
Your Community Policing Team

Wiltshire Police

YOUR FORCE, YOUR AREA

SCAN HERE

- Meet your local Community Policing Team (CPT) police officers and PCSOs
- Find out about crime stats in your area
- Learn about local policing meetings and events
- Read the CPT priorities
- Contact us

Trowbridge CPT
<http://bit.ly/3puUA61>

