



Good News

Welcome to.....

Hampshire Constabulary's newly appointed Chief Constable Olivia Pinkey who has joined us from Sussex Police; and Michael Lane, the newly elected Police & Crime Commissioner for Hampshire and IOW.



And a warm welcome also to the newly appointed Youth Commission who took up their role on 16th April.

Over the next year, they will set priorities on current issues affecting young people; they will engage the young people in their communities to enable them to be part of the solution by identifying the root causes of problems and understand young people's policing and criminal justice

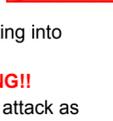
concerns. As a result of their work, the Youth Commission will make recommendations for change and improvement to policing and services for young people.

Click the photo to find out more about the Youth Commission or visit www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/Get-Involved/Youth-Commission/Youth-Commission.aspx

Hot Topic: Knives... Facts 4 Positive Choices

Knife related incidents are on the rise in the UK!!!

As you can see from our 'crime news', possession of weapon has risen; we are lucky enough to live in a safe county here in Hampshire and IOW, but we want to keep it that way by tackling any rise in crime however small. There has been an increase in knife related incidents involving young people U18 yrs; not always resulting in injury or harm, this issue still raises concern for the safety of young people and the risk of them getting into serious trouble!!



People may think that carrying a knife protects you.. **WRONG!!**

Fact: Carrying a knife increases your chances of being a victim of a knife attack as often your knife is used against you.

Fact: If you carry a knife and you get into a fight you are likely to be tempted to use it even if you never intended to.. a stab wound on any part of the body could be fatal!!

Fact: Police have a power to stop and search you if they suspect you're carrying a knife

Fact: It's illegal for a shop to sell **any** kind of knife to someone under 18, including kitchen knives.. You'll be committing an offence if you buy any of these

Fact: If you get caught carrying a knife you could get four years in prison which can impact your future employment

Fact: Taking a weapon into school is not just a school matter; police will be involved.

Think About it.....

The law is clear: if you choose to carry a weapon, you put your safety and future at risk. If you don't carry a knife, there is no chance it can be used.

Click 'Stop Knife Crime' to find out more about knives, the law, and stop & search. Stick with friends and stay away from known trouble spots: Be aware of places that may be risky; if you feel you are in trouble, you feel scared or are in danger - get away, tell a parent,

Crime Prevention Advice: What is ASB??

Anti-social behaviour (ASB) describes unacceptable actions and behaviour which are likely to cause some form of harm to people, the community or to the environment.

Anyone can be a victim.. your friends, your family, even you; ASB often leaves people feeling upset, scared, worried and/or anxious in their own home as well as when they are out in their community.



Examples of actions often considered as ASB are:

- **Noisy, nuisance, rowdy or inconsiderate groups and/or neighbours**
- **Vandalism, graffiti and fly-posting**
- **Street drinking and drug taking**
- **Environmental damage: littering, dumping rubbish and abandonment of cars**
- **Misuse of fireworks**
- **Arson and damage to property**
- **Nuisance vehicles including off-road bikes and mini-motorbikes**

What can we all do to stop ASB? Report it!!!

The police and local authority take reports of ASB very seriously; they work together to support the community to tackle ASB, taking action against those who

cause it, this can result in a **fine, criminal record** or being **evicted from their home**.

Click the logo to go to the Hampshire Police website and find out more about ASB.

Links to Further Support and Advice

Click the logo's for quick access the organisation websites

Hampshire Police: Click on the logo opposite to find out more about reporting a knife crime and for advice about what to do if you are threatened. www.hampshire.police.uk

Childline: If you're worried about knife crime, or already involved in some way, talk to ChildLine in confidence by calling free on 0800 1111. www.childline.org.uk

Fearless: Information about knife crime and answers to frequently asked questions to help you stay safe and report crime anonymously. www.fearless.org

Choose a different ending: Interactive film where you make the choices; click the logo to decide what happens next, how it ends, and choose if you live or die. (Met Police)

If you have a question, need advice or want to find your local Neighbourhood Police Team visit the [Hampshire Police Website](http://www.hampshire.police.uk)

www.hampshire.police.uk
 Deaf? Non-emergency text
07781 480999
 For crime and community information
www.hampshirealert.co.uk

Other News

#Behind the Badge

Graeme Barbour



Digital Engagement Officer for Hampshire Constabulary

Graeme feels lucky he has a job where he gets to spend a lot of time on social media! He's the man to go to in the force for support and advice about posting stuff on the constabulary's Facebook, Twitter & Instagram pages. He uses social media to promote messages, campaigns and the good things our officers and staff do. Graeme really enjoys photography and this comes in handy for doing social media stuff – like Instagram!

Graeme also worked as a Crime Prevention Advisor for the force.

#StayAwayFromFilters

Crime News

Possession of weapon UP

Arson UP

Robbery DOWN

Community Observer Scheme

The scheme offers anyone age 16yrs+ the opportunity to go out on patrol with officers to experience first hand the role of a police officer and find out more about challenges they face...

If you would like to apply, **click here** to access the application form or visit

www.hampshire.police.uk—community observer scheme

RESPECT URself & others

Respect is important for creating peace and making the world a nicer place to live in and it starts with you.. 1st U must respect yourself so U can truly respect others so they will respect U!!

Youth Voice Group

Would you like to advise the police by email on the service provided to young people and other youth related issues?

Click here to find out more

Have your Say.....

What would you like us to cover in our future newsletters?

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