



The end of summer is always a good time to reflect on what has been achieved as well as looking forward to new challenges.

I was delighted to mark the first anniversary of the Offender Hub early on in the month where, under a new scheme, conditional cautions are being offered to help steer people away from criminal behaviour. I am encouraged that 350 individuals have now been provided with targeted support.

Sadly September traditionally sees the start of the hare coursing season, an activity which threatens people living and working in our rural communities. Hare coursing wreaks havoc for farmers and leaves local people feeling intimidated and threatened. I would urge everyone to report any incidents of hare coursing to the Rural Crime Action Team (RCAT) by calling 101 (or 999 in an emergency) so the police can drive this unwelcome pursuit out of our county.

If you are looking for a volunteering opportunity, we are currently recruiting Independent Custody Visitors (ICVs). ICVs make unannounced visits to custody suites, in pairs, to check on the wellbeing of detainees and the standard of facilities. Volunteering as an ICV gives you insights into how police custody works so if this is something you might be interested in, you can find out more on page 3.

Finally, many thanks to those of you who took the time to respond to the recent Fire Consultation survey. The survey closed on 4th September. A consultation report will be submitted to the Home Office in the next few weeks.



Jason Ablewhite, Police and Crime Commissioner

Jason is pictured with Bridget Peeroo, Sodexo Justice Services, Luke Coulson, Offender Hub Coordinator and Bev Stephens, Sodexo Justice Services at Outside Links in Peterborough.



Constabulary welcomes its first Police Now graduates

Police Commissioner, Jason Ablewhite met Cambridgeshire Constabulary's first intake of Police Now graduates as they officially 'passed out' at a ceremony on Friday 15th September.

The eight, who graduated through the Police Now graduate programme, will now become dedicated neighbourhood police officers, spread across the county, for two years. The graduates, whose average age is 23, completed an intensive training academy in London over the summer.

The Police Now mission is to 'transform communities, reduce crime and increase the public's confidence in policing.'

[Find out more](#)



Scheme to reduce reoffending marks one year anniversary

A scheme that supports people at risk from reoffending marked its first year on Thursday 7th September.

The new approach, introduced initially in Peterborough by Cambridgeshire Constabulary, in partnership with the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, tackles the root causes of early offending by offering conditional cautions. Over 350 conditional cautions have now been issued since the programme was launched.

[Find out more](#)



Funding from Police Commissioner helps young victims of crime

Police Commissioner, Jason Ablewhite has given £2,000 to national charity Embrace CVOC (Child Victims of Crime) to provide practical support for young victims of crime.

The grant, which is added to by the charity from public donations, enables young victims to buy practical items to help them cope and recover, such as fitting side gates to make them feel safe in their homes.

[Find out more](#)



Public urged to help combat hare coursing

Members of the public are being urged to be the eyes and ears of the county's rural communities by reporting ongoing hare coursing.

The hare coursing season traditionally begins in September and causes damage to crops, harms animal welfare and threatens the rural community.

Chief Inspector James Sutherland from the Rural Crime Action Team (RCAT) said: "Driving hare coursing out of the county is a priority for RCAT and we will do all we can to catch those responsible and bring them to justice."

[Find out more](#)



Creating a safer
Cambridgeshire

Police target riders in 'national motorcycle week of action'

Motorcyclists are being reminded to take their safety seriously as part of a week-long national campaign.

Motorcyclists account for around 1% of UK road users but are one of the most vulnerable. They are 38 times more likely than car occupants to be killed per mile they ride.

Last year, four motorcyclists were killed and 47 seriously injured on Cambridgeshire roads.

[Find out more](#)



Could you be an independent custody visitor?

Police Commissioner, Jason Ablewhite is calling for volunteers from across Cambridgeshire to become Independent Custody Visitors (ICVs).

ICVs make unannounced visits to custody suites to check on the wellbeing of detainees and the standard of facilities.

Alasdair Baker who manages the scheme on behalf of the Commissioner says: "This is a great opportunity to play your part ensuring people in police custody are being cared for correctly. We are particularly interested to hear from people aged between 18 and 35 and from anyone with additional language skills."

[Find out more](#)



Over 750 attend Ely Police Station Open Day

Ely Police Station opened its doors to the public on Sunday 3rd September to demonstrate how local police are working with partners to keep the community safe.

From having fingerprints taken, to getting bikes security marked, children were also encouraged to take the Speed Gun Challenge.

Police Commissioner, Jason Ablewhite said: "This was fantastic opportunity for families to come along and understand what it's like to be a police officer. Thanks to Sue Loader, Community Safety Officer and Temporary Inspector, Jon Hiron for organising the event."



Commissioner provides free storage facility to life-saving charity

The Commissioner has offered Magpas Air Ambulance a free storage facility to help the charity raise important funds.

Magpas Air Ambulance brings crucial life-saving care 24/7 by land and air to patients in life-threatening emergencies across the East of England and beyond.

The charity costs almost £5 million a year to run and relies totally on public donations.

[Find out more](#)

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:

10th October, 10.00 am – 12 noon, Ely

7th November, 10.00 am – 12 noon, Huntingdon

5th December, 10.00am – 12 noon, Cambridge

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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