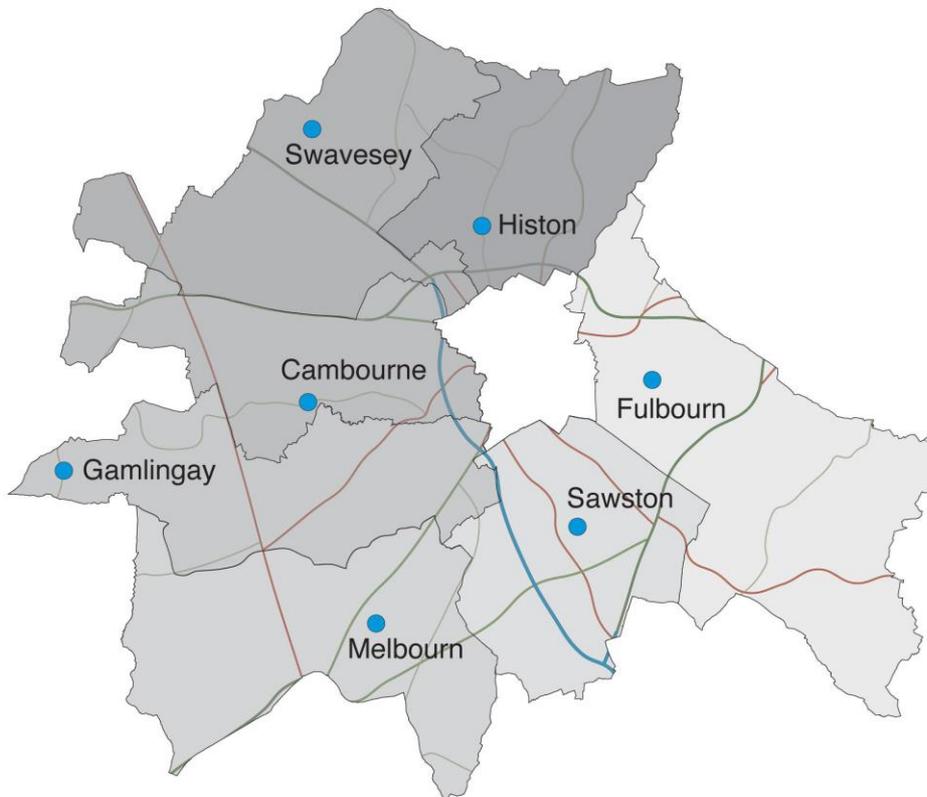




# Sawston Area Meeting

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016



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1. **Welcome!**

This document is presented prior to the next public meeting for the Sawston area to be held on Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> of February 2016 at Linton Heights School, Wheatsheaf Way, Linton, CB21 4XB. The meeting will start at 7:30pm.

2. If you are unable to attend in person you can follow us on twitter on twitter @southcambscops. Just before the meeting starts we will post a link on our twitter feed. Click on this link and it will take you straight through to the live-stream of the meeting.

Crime and ASB data is presented in a table at the end of the document and further information for your neighbourhood can also be found at [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk) and can be accessed by anyone. The aim of a panel area meeting is:

- For the Police to highlight trends in crime and anti-social behaviour, and be available to discuss these in a public forum.
- Listen and take note of concerns presented by individuals, parish councils, volunteer organisations such as Neighbourhood and Speed Watch, elected members and other residents or local associations.
- For the panel to decide areas of concern for the community and Police to consider prioritising as part of local Policing.
- To provide an update on the actions taken in regards to chosen priorities or other emerging trends.

**1. Update from Inspector Isley: This will be given verbally on the night**

**2. Update on current neighbourhood issues and local concerns:**

At the last panel meeting concern was raised over 2 road locations, the new traffic lights on the 1301, in particular concern over speeding at that junction, and the crossroads on the 1307 between Haverhill Road and The Gog Magog Farm Shop. Both locations have been visited by our Traffic Management Officer, Derek Crosby, who has also made further enquiries to assess the level of risk and whether any changes should be recommended. In relation to the 1301 he looked at the accident figures before the change to the layout and since. There were 5 injury accidents recorded at the junction between January 2010 and March 2014, 3 of which were cycle accidents. Since the new layout, up to September 2015 there have been no accidents reported. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February Derek carried out a speed check at the junction for 3 and a half hours between 9am and 12:30pm. Of the 200 cars only 2 were exceeding the speed limit.

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On the 1301 the average speed of the vehicles recorded was 45.14 miles per hour. On the Cambridge Road out of Sawston the average speed was 27.57.

In relation to the junction on the 1307, after a visit Derek spoke to the County Council and it was agreed someone would attend and conduct a site risk test. They have since come back and said they will not be implementing any changes to the layout.

Another issue raised at the last panel meeting was the issue of cyclists from cycling clubs riding in large groups on country roads in the area, sometimes causing problems for drivers. We contacted cycling clubs in and around Cambridgeshire and passed on the concern that had been raised and asked that they remind their members to cycle in single file on narrow country roads. Some did respond with complaints about drivers' behaviour at times causing problems for cyclists, but most did agree to pass on the concerns to their members.

At the last meeting we spoke about the introduction of the Community Parking Fund, where Parish Councils could pay into the fund to pay for PCSOs to work overtime to deal with specific parking issues. This scheme has now started with 2 Parish Councils opting to pay into the scheme, both of them within the Sawston panel area, Great Shelford and Linton. Since the beginning of the year, PCSOs who have volunteered for the overtime have been conducting patrols for 2 or 3 hours in both villages, concentrating on roads identified by the Parish Councils as problematic because of parking issues.

As mentioned by Rachel Carr, the Crime Prevention officer, we have been continuing with Operation Oaklands, now renamed Operation Hunter as it has become a force wide initiative. In South Cambridgeshire we identified those villages where there had been the most dwelling burglaries in the 2 months leading up to Christmas over the last few years. The PCSOs, supported by their police colleagues whenever possible, carried out patrols of those villages during the afternoon and into the early evening. There were 2 villages in the Sawston panel area, Teversham and Fulbourn. We are now patrolling other villages, not covered in the pre-Christmas phase, looking for vulnerable properties and promoting the on line home security assessment test, Bad Wolf, so we can provide home security advice where appropriate. You can find the test at:

<http://tinyurl.com/bad-wolf-test> or on the Policing South Cambridgeshire Facebook Page.

Our Crime Investigations Department have had some successes in identifying offenders and suspects for burglaries in South Cambridgeshire and below is a summary of those:

### Burglary in Impington

Shaun Ferguson, 35, and Jason Kirkup, 37, broke into a caravan and then forced open a kitchen window at the property in **Milton Road, Impington**, in the early afternoon of March 5.

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They got into the home but fled empty-handed after realising a girl was in an upstairs bedroom.

Police were called and investigations revealed a third person, Lisa Bouland, 36, had driven to the property in a silver Vauxhall Signum about half an hour before the burglary, knocked on the door and checked around the back. Ferguson and Kirkup had then been driven back to the scene in the same car before breaking in.

Officers arrested Bouland, of Rampton Road, Cottenham, and her partner Kirkup, of Cuckoo Lane, Rampton, the same day. Both had been identified from CCTV footage and the latter's footprint was also found at the scene.

Ferguson, of Whitehill Road, Cambridge, was arrested several days later.

On Monday (December 14), Ferguson was sentenced to two years and eight months and Kirkup to one year and eight months in prison at Huntingdon Crown Court. Ferguson had denied burglary but was found guilty after a trial while Kirkup pleaded guilty to burglary.

Bouland also admitted burglary and was given an 18-month suspended sentence.

### Burglaries in Babraham and Comberton

Owen Janes, 32, of Mustang Drive, Cambourne were handed a 15 months sentence after pleading guilty at Cambridge Crown Court on January 8.

He first struck on October 5 in **High Street, Babraham** when he smashed through a window and stole jewellery worth thousands of pounds.

On December 8 Janes attempted to break into another property in **Long Road, Comberton**. However, upon breaking the window he activated an alarm and fled the scene.

A quick thinking member of the public heard the alarm sound and saw Janes running from the property into a nearby vehicle. He reported it to police who was waiting at Janes' home when he arrived home.

Janes received 12 months for each burglary to run concurrent along with three months for breach of a suspended sentence.

### Burglaries in Bourn and Eversden

Nicholas Bull, 40, broke into three properties in **Bourn** on November 17 last year and stole the items of jewellery, some with great sentimental value.

Blood was discovered at one of the scenes which led officers to identify Bull. When conducting a search of his home in Milton Road, Cambridge officers also recovered a quantity of jewellery that was later identified as being stolen from an elderly woman in **Eversden**.

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On Friday January 8, at Cambridge Crown Court, Bull pleaded guilty to the three dwelling burglaries and handling stolen goods he was sentenced to 12 months in prison.

### Burglaries in Melbourn and Harston

In December 2015 Cambridge City officers conducted a warrant at an address in the City, property was recovered that has been found to have been stolen in burglaries in **Melbourn and Harston**. Three males are currently on bail for these offences.

### Burglary in Harston

In December 2015 a burglary occurred in **Harston**, following a DNA hit on a spade found in the garden a suspect was arrested and is currently on bail.

### Burglary in Melbourn

On 11/01/2016 a burglary occurred on the High Street, **Melbourn**, the victim identified property for sale on a Facebook page, a warrant was executed at an address in Melbourn and a male arrested. Some property has been recovered, and the suspect has been remanded in prison for this and other offences.

### Burglary in Shelford and Longstowe

On 13/02/2016 a burglary occurred in Shelford where the offenders were disturbed by a neighbour the offenders were seen to make off in a silver vehicle. A short time later a second burglary then occurred at Longstowe the victim has disturbed the offenders who made off in a vehicle which crashed in Gamlingay a short time later. As a result warrants were carried out in Northamptonshire and two suspects are currently on bail.

## **Crime Prevention**

### **Community Safety – Rachel Carr**

My role is predominantly working with individual victims of crime especially victims of burglary and theft, to provide security and crime prevention advice. I also give security talks to local groups and clubs. I work with partner organisations such as The Bobby

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Scheme, The Fire service, Cambridgeshire Trading Standards, and District council teams. I also work together with the Business Watch Officer to provide security advice and support to victims of business crime. Below are details of work carried out over the last 4 months:

Visits to individual victims of crime: 43

Pro-active Op Hunter surveys: 7 (see below)

Visits to current victims of Rogue Trading: 3

Business Crime surveys: 22

### **Victims of Rogue Trading**

In October and December, together with local PCSOs, I conducted a number of visits to previous victims of rogue trading across South Cambs using information passed to us by Cambridgeshire Trading Standards. These victims were identified through crime reports and intelligence received by both agencies. Rogue Trading victims can often be vulnerable in other ways, such as physical health or mental deterioration, and they may be isolated from family and friends. Some victims were referred to other organisations such as The Bobby Scheme, or Age UK as appropriate.

### **Op Oaklands/ Hunter 2016**

Operation Oaklands, the South Cambridgeshire initiative aimed at reducing dwelling burglary, has now been renamed Operation Hunter which is a force wide anti-burglary initiative. Following the intensive burglary patrols that were conducted across South Cambridgeshire villages in the run up to Christmas and into the New Year, the next phase of South Cambridgeshire's burglary initiative was launched. A group of PCSOs from each station, plus a Special Constable, were trained to carry out basic home security assessments. The service was advertised via Ecops and in the media, with residents filling in a 'Bad Wolf' home security quiz to see if their property was rated as Brick (high security), straw (medium security), or straw (low security). According to their score they were invited to request a home security visit. Officers carrying out the visits have been offering simple security devices at cost price, such as window/ shed alarms and Smartwater property coding kits.

### **South Cambs Business Watch - Leanne Fisher**

I have been working in this role since February 2015. Since the last panel document up date in September 2015 I can confirm that we now have **356** members signed up to the SCBW scheme.

Weekly business crime updates continue to be sent out alerting SCBW members to business crime. These alerts are also sent to Countryside Watch and the Rural Crime Team. Where there is a crime trend blogs and twitter messages are also sent out. In recent months businesses on Industrial Estates have been targeted across the South Cambs area. The types of businesses targeted have ranged from fishing tackle shops,

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dog grooming parlours, catering businesses, car garages and builders yards. Thefts from work/business vehicles namely transit type vans continue to be broken into in the South Cambs area. The main attraction to thieves being power tools and gardening equipment left in vehicles overnight.

In addition to this a number of building sites where new buildings are being built (i.e. new houses, or business premises) have had power tools stolen from locked containers on site. Some of these sites have been repeat victims.

18 x business security surveys for businesses have been carried out over this period, the majority of them being a victim of crime.

28 x other victims have been written to or contacted by phone offering to carry out a business survey and sign them up to business watch.

2 x other surveys have been carried out that have not been business related.

I continue to work with Ellen Muirhead from Countryside Watch - 1 day a month, doing joint visits to Countryside Watch members and SCBW members.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> November 2015 – a number of hotels in the Orchard Park/bar hill area had been targeted for thefts from motor vehicles. 6 hotels were visited and given crime prevention advice and literature including posters.

On 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015 I attended an in-house training session on dealing with vulnerable young people.

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2015 I set up with Rachel Carr a vehicle crime reduction initiative at Wimpole Hall.

Since October 2015 I have also been involved as the project lead for the Chelsea's Choice Project. This is a theatre production raising awareness of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) and I have been working with the Area Partnership Manager to roll this out to most Secondary Schools and Colleges in South Cambs and the City areas. This has involved setting up and booking 33 performances to run between the 22<sup>nd</sup> February and 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016. Some of these performances are community events (6 in total), and 2 of these events are in South Cambs. One is at South Cambs District Council offices on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 at 12.30 p.m. and one at the Marven Centre, New Road, Sawston at 7 p.m. These two South Cambs events are open to parents, people working with young people and other professionals. Part of the project included two workshops which ran on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016 again one in South Cambs and one in City areas. These workshops were for key workers of all schools hosting a show and other professionals, so they could see the performance, learn more about Child Sexual Exploitation and know what support is available for victims who come forward. The project is all about raising awareness of CSE, being able to spot the signs and know what support is out there.

"Chelsea's choice" is a theatre production that tells the story of three students who discover the diary of a girl called Chelsea. Chelsea was a young girl who, having fallen out with her friends and family, is approached by Gary. He is older, owns a car and a flat and treats her like an adult. Unfortunately, he is not what he first appeared to

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be. Chelsea's story is played out and examined by three students and their teacher, who attempt to understand what happened to Chelsea and how it could have been prevented.

The play lasts for 40 minutes and is followed by a 30 minute actor led discussion, exploring the themes in the play which include:-

- Internet safety
- Healthy relationships
- Substance use
- Identifying risky situations
- Sexual exploitation

To book a place on one of the Community Events please email me at:

[leanne.fisher@cambs.pnn.police.uk](mailto:leanne.fisher@cambs.pnn.police.uk)

### 3. Update from partner agencies

#### **From Brian Robbins Speedwatch Coordinator:**

As you may know from press releases, last year our speedwatch volunteers checked 150,000 vehicles and the BSU sent out 13,000 advisory letters to the registered owners. Interestingly only 12% of those letters were 2<sup>nd</sup> time warnings and 3% generated a 3<sup>rd</sup> letter delivered by Police with suitable words of advice. Thank you to the officers who helped with this important element of the scheme, the #SCSpeedTeam being particularly active in this. It shows a solid commitment to our volunteers and the scheme.

We have a number of new teams in SouthCambs with significant numbers of volunteers coming forward for training.

Madingley, Barton, Harlton, Harston, Orwell, Shudy Camps, Abbotsley, Arrington are among the recent additions.

A training session I ran at Cambourne on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January was attended by 35 volunteers from 7 villages. I will be repeating this type of session again in early March as well as providing training in the villages themselves.

Some villages have now purchased their own equipment which is a sign of how committed they are to the scheme.

These new lightweight kits are now in use in Little Abington, Gamlingay and Wimpole with 3 more villages awaiting delivery of theirs.

This has helped to relieve the pressure on Constabulary owned kits. The new kits cost £2,400 and the villages have managed to secure funding from their own Parish Councils to pay for them.

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We currently have 3 Public Service Volunteers (PSVs) helping me manage the scheme which has reduced the amount of time I was spending travelling to far flung parts of the County, but we are still keen to find more who are willing to take on extra responsibility in all parts of the County and in the City of Cambridge. PSVs are vetted and given access to Police premises and email, they are expected to give 4 hours per week as a minimum commitment and travelling expenses are covered.

4. Date of next panel – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at Sawston Village College

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Wards	SNT	Date from	Date to	Burglary dwelling	Burglary non dwelling	All violent crime	Robbery	Theft of Vehicle	Theft from Vehicle	Pedal cycle theft	Theft from Shop	Criminal Damage	Other Crime	Total Crime	Anti social behaviour
<b>Total Sawston</b>	Oct-15	Jan-16	42	80	95	2	9	45	9	10	72	81	445	166	
	Oct-14	Jan-15	50	57	77	2	5	46	13	16	39	102	407	145	
	Jun-15	Sep-15	27	44	100	7	14	54	17	4	65	126	458	208	
	Oct-15	Jan-16	2	2	4	0	1	2	0	0	2	7	20	9	
	Oct-14	Jan-15	7	12	6	0	0	1	0	0	3	5	34	11	
	Jun-15	Sep-15	1	2	5	0	1	3	0	0	2	6	20	13	
	Oct-15	Jan-16	2	7	6	0	2	5	0	0	7	5	34	13	
	Oct-14	Jan-15	2	5	3	0	0	2	0	0	1	3	16	11	
	Jun-15	Sep-15	0	0	6	0	7	7	1	1	8	13	42	15	
	Oct-15	Jan-16	6	5	15	0	1	3	1	0	8	15	54	16	
	Oct-14	Jan-15	8	3	10	0	0	8	6	14	8	17	74	20	
	Jun-15	Sep-15	7	3	32	2	2	2	2	2	12	22	88	36	
	Oct-15	Jan-16	2	9	8	1	1	6	0	5	3	10	45	14	
	Oct-14	Jan-15	3	3	13	0	2	3	0	0	5	16	45	14	
	Jun-15	Sep-15	2	3	6	0	3	6	1	0	3	7	31	21	
Oct-15	Jan-16	3	7	27	1	0	5	2	1	19	6	71	35		
Oct-14	Jan-15	0	5	20	1	0	4	1	0	9	19	59	29		
Jun-15	Sep-15	0	8	15	1	0	10	2	1	15	19	71	31		
Oct-15	Jan-16	10	4	2	0	1	3	3	0	3	6	32	9		
Oct-14	Jan-15	4	1	2	0	0	2	2	0	1	3	15	7		
Jun-15	Sep-15	6	0	6	1	0	0	6	0	4	5	28	13		
Oct-15	Jan-16	4	10	7	0	1	5	0	0	7	12	46	18		
Oct-14	Jan-15	7	7	6	1	2	7	0	1	1	8	40	8		
Jun-15	Sep-15	6	8	7	0	0	8	0	4	4	15	48	13		
Oct-15	Jan-16	9	20	17	0	0	7	2	3	13	6	77	21		
Oct-14	Jan-15	7	6	7	0	0	5	4	1	2	14	46	21		
Jun-15	Sep-15	2	13	12	2	0	9	1	0	11	23	73	41		
Oct-15	Jan-16	1	12	6	0	1	6	1	1	7	11	46	22		
Oct-14	Jan-15	9	6	7	0	0	9	0	0	6	15	52	11		
Jun-15	Sep-15	2	3	5	0	1	7	2	1	2	8	31	16		
Oct-15	Jan-16	3	4	3	0	1	3	0	0	3	3	20	9		
Oct-14	Jan-15	3	9	3	0	1	5	0	0	3	2	26	13		
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