



## Waverley Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter 18 September 2022

### Surrey Hills Wood Fair

Once a year the Surrey Hills Wood fair is brimming with traditional rural charm celebrating their woodland heritage, wildlife and of course the beauty and versatility of wood. Our police volunteers Matt and Jenny attended the family packed day in Cranleigh, and gave valuable information on rural crime, local community advice and promoting ***IN THE KNOW*** a website you can sign up to, you receive regular news updates, crime prevention advice, a monthly Newsletter and click within parts of Surrey that interests you. [www.intheknow.community/](http://www.intheknow.community/)



### **SPIKING – what does it mean? How to protect yourself -**

To spike a drink means to put alcohol or drugs into someone's drink without their knowledge or permission. This might be with the intention to incapacitate someone enough to rob or even sexually assault them. Although sometimes spiking can be intended as a joke, it's a very bad joke that is both dangerous and illegal. Following on from Freshers Week, we would like to make people more aware of the risks and dangers. For more info see website.

There is also some concern at the possibility that people are being 'spiked' by needles/syringes containing drugs. Although this is much less likely than drink spiking, a lot of the advice for staying safe from spiking a drink can also protect you from the possibility of needle spiking too. Spiking is a criminal offence and whilst all venues should be taking steps to ensure they are safe places to be, you may still need to protect yourself, particularly if you feel at risk or you're in a place that is unfamiliar. See [talktofrank.com](http://talktofrank.com) for more info.

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# Neighbourhood Specialist Officer Updates

## Godalming



*Pc Chris Skillicorn-Aston*

Over the summer months the Godalming Team have been busy with a number of engagement events including visits to children and young people highlighting personal safety and the work of the Police, a “Meet the Beat” event in Godalming Town Centre, assisting our recruitment team with events across the borough and elsewhere and engaging with Ukrainian families to celebrate Ukraine independence day. Its particularly important to reach out to these families who are far from home in tragic circumstances to give them the assurance that the Police are here to support them and keep them safe. We’ve been working hard on Anti Social Behaviour too intervening early in the summer with home visits and warning letters to those identified as involved in anti social behaviour and serving Community Protection Warnings on some of our more persistent offenders. We were also happy to welcome PC Archie Ridley to the team who has joined us from Surrey Heath and has already made an impact in local issues and engagements.”



# Neighbourhood Specialist Officer Updates

## Cranleigh

The team have been following up on reports of Anti- social behaviour taking place at a residential address in Cranleigh. We have been working closely with the housing association who own the property and have made enquiries with neighbouring properties. Should the behaviour continue there are a multiple options available to us and the housing association which can include a closure of the property. We will be monitoring the situation and conducting regular patrols around the estate to try and prevent further issues.



*Pc Gavin  
Greenaway*



*Pc Barry  
Baldwin*

## Farnham

The Farnham Team have been working closely with Waverley Borough Council, Mount Green and Metropolitan Thames Valley Housing Officers in relation to concerns raised by local residents about ongoing ASB (anti-social behaviour) within our communities. This work is ongoing and involves visiting residents to provide them with the opportunity to discuss any incidents that have occurred and to gain further information to help us decide what action is required. The team have also been carrying out house to house enquiries in Farnham Town in relation to a spate of criminal damage incidents that resulted in windows of residential properties and businesses being smashed. The visits provided us with the opportunity to gather CCTV to identify those involved, but to also reassure those affected. This investigation is currently ongoing.

# Meet the Beat

An in depth profile of one of the team

## PC Archie Ridley - Godalming



Welcome to Waverley! I joined Surrey Police in 2020 and have spent two years as a Neighbourhood Specialist Officer in Camberley. My great grandfather and my grandfather both worked in public-facing roles for Surrey Police so I've got a real passion for problem solving and making friendly connections in the local community. I'm looking forward to getting to know the residents of Waverley, particularly in the areas of Godalming, Farncombe, Binscombe and Hascombe, which I will primarily be serving. Please feel welcome to stop and say hello when you see me out and about, to raise any concerns or just to have a chat!

Have a query or need to report something to us? There are many ways to get in touch.

**Query or non-emergency matter to report? You can:**

 **Call 101**

 **Report online** via our website: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/> and click on 'Report'

 Use the **online live chat** facility on our website <https://www.surrey.police.uk/>

 **Private message** us on social media - Look for Waverley Beat (Surrey Police) on Facebook or @WaverleyBeat on Twitter

In an **emergency** only, if:

- a serious offence is in progress or has just been committed
- someone is in immediate danger or harm
- property is in danger of being damaged
- a serious disruption to the public is likely

 **Please call 999**

**Accessible methods** of reporting

<https://www.surrey.police.uk/contact/af/contact-us/us/contact-us/sur/accessible-contact/>

All the above contact methods are monitored by our contact centre staff 24/7.