

Hull Engagement Officer Newsletter

November 2020

Welcome

October has flown by for me with a holiday to Cornwall during the school half term, various training events (including problem oriented policing), Hate Crime Awareness Week, Black History Month and some neighbourhood patch walks.

Sadly, just as I was starting to enjoy some direct community work and face to face meetings the full national lockdown (05/11/20 – 02/12/20) was announced. It is vital that we all play our part in keeping everyone safe

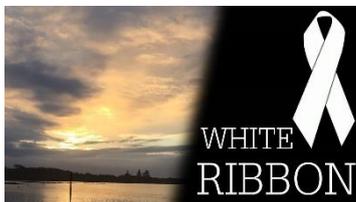


by following the simple guidance:

- Only leave home for food, medical reasons, exercise, education or work.
- Work from home if you can.
- Avoid travel unless essential.
- Remember: wash hands, cover face, make space.

In response to the latest restrictions Humberside Police have shared details of how they will be policing the lockdown – for details click [HERE](#).

On Monday 7th November I will be compering the launch of Missed Me? This is the latest film developed as part of the Not In Our Community (NIOC) anti-grooming campaign, funded by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, that helps young people protect themselves and friends against grooming that can lead to sexual and criminal exploitation. The film tells the intertwining stories of four young people through which the viewer learns about the push and pull factors leading to the dangerous situations Billy, Tabby, Rosie and Lisa find themselves in. It is hoped that the film will raise awareness of the reasons behind young people going missing and present them as victims rather than perpetrators of crime or the cause of situations including poor mental health, sexual and criminal exploitation. I look forward to sharing the amazing film widely following the launch.



I am also looking forward to activity planned for [White Ribbon](#) Day 2020 on Wednesday 25 November. This encourages thousands of people stand up, speak out and say no to violence against women. This year is more important than ever with a significant increase in violence, harassment and abuse towards women during the coronavirus pandemic. To mark the national day the Safer Hull Partnership are launching an awareness campaign and in partnership with local schools will be running a virtual Hull Young People Say No Summit.

Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) Updates:

Hull's Virtual Meet the Commissioner Event

The PCC Keith Hunter is holding a virtual Meet the Commissioner event at 6pm on Wednesday 11th November. This will give participants the opportunity to find out more about policing & community safety in Hull and beyond. Keith will give a presentation on his job role, what he has done so far and what he plans to do in the future. There will then be a chance for those registered to ask questions on the evening. To register for the event please email matthew.wright.8362@humberside.pnn.police.uk by 09/11/20.

Annual Report

The PCC also presented his Annual Report for 2019-20 to the Humberside Police and Crime Panel on Tuesday 6th October. The report details the work of the PCC and his office. It takes in the year up to and including March 2020 which marked the start of the Covid-19 lockdown. To view the annual report click [HERE](#).

Alfie's Story Film nominated for The Drum Content Awards

The NIOC Alfie's Story Films have been nominated for The Drum Content Awards. This is a fantastic achievement. For those who haven't seen it Alfie's Story is a simply brilliant resource shining a light of Child Criminal Exploitation. View it [HERE](#).



Modern Day Slavery



The Humber Modern Slavery Partnership released its first Modern Slavery Strategy 2020-23 last month. Modern Slavery is a devastating crime, often hidden in plain sight. Exploiters profit from the misery of others by forcing them to work for little or no pay, restricting movement, withholding passports, bank cards and ID documents. Threats, control, and coercion are a common theme in modern slavery, playing on the disadvantage or desperation of others to illicit profit and gain. [Click here to read our Modern Slavery Strategy.](#)

Humberside Fire and Rescue Service Public Consultation – deadline 11/11/20

The fire brigade are holding a public consultation on its plans for keeping communities and staff safe. It also looks at worst case scenario planning linked to changes in the weather, for example flooding and grassland fires. They would really value your opinions, there is also a chance to win a firefighter experience if you complete the full survey. [You can find out more take part here.](#)

Stay Safe from Fraud



People are continuing to be targeted by offenders trying to trick people into handing over personal details or transferring money via various methods.

Two scams doing the rounds are:

- [Fraudulent Amazon Prime subscription phone calls](#)
- [Scam National Insurance phone calls](#)

Please be scam aware by checking out advice on the [TAKE FIVE website](#) and taking 25 minutes to do the free [Friends Against Scams On-line training](#).

#TalkSuicide on-line Training



These are trying times for everyone, and more for some than others. Learn how to spot the signs of suicidal thoughts, how to speak out and listen, and how to help someone access the right support services. [Take the #TalkSuicide online training HERE.](#)

Young Persons Anti-Bullying Week Event



Young people aged between the ages of 10 and 25 are being invited to an ERVAS Anti-Bullying Week Youth discussion at 4.30pm on 18th November via Zoom. It is an open discussion on tackling bullying and discussing ideas that could make a difference. [Register HERE.](#)

Safer Hull Booklet



The Safer Hull Partnership have produced a useful guide outlining available in tackling community safety issues in Hull – checkout the leaflet [HERE.](#)

My Role



My role is to engage with local communities to help identify local priorities, understand issues and support agencies to identify good practice and improvements. I am not a representative of the police to the public but rather the voice of the public to the police and other agencies involved in Community Safety. I am able to support people to direct their enquiries at the right agency and find out more information on various processes to help manage expectations of the public and increase understanding. By doing this my role contributes to building confidence in local agencies involved in Community Safety.

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