
OPCC NEWSLETTER: MAY 2019

I've been working across North Lincolnshire since June 2017. 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 will often be able to guide people who to direct their enquiries at regarding specific issues and find out more information about various processes to help manage expectations of the public. By doing this my role contributes to building confidence in local agencies involved in Community Safety.

HMICFRS REPORT

Humberside Police has been awarded an overall grading of 'GOOD' by Her Majesty's Inspectorate (HMICFRS) as well as achieving a GOOD grading across every pillar of the annual inspection process.

The inspection report is a comprehensive assessment of how the force is performing across a wide range of areas, including how they:

Protect vulnerable people, Investigate crime, Prevent crime and tackle anti-social behavior, Tackle serious and organised crime

Police and Crime Commissioner Keith Hunter issued the following statement:

"I would like to congratulate Humberside Police on the content of this report. It illustrates the huge amount of effort the staff and officers have put into transforming the performance of the force over the last couple of years.

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NEW NEIGHBOURHOOD PAGES

Humberside Police have launched a new set of Neighbourhood Policing Team pages which will be updated regularly to keep local communities updated on officers, priorities, My Community Alert Updates sent out and an email for the team. This should not be used to report crimes.

<https://www.humberside.police.uk/find-my-team>

CRIME STOPPERS

I have been travelling around North Lincolnshire delivering CrimeStoppers Posters to Libraries, Children's Centers, Leisure Centers and other public spaces. I have made it across half the area so far. If you would like any A4 posters or A5 notecards please get in touch with me:

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CAMPAIGNS

'Make Yourself Heard' to raise awareness of the silent solution 999 system is launched recently. Do you know what it is? The Silent Solution system enables a 999 mobile caller who is too scared to make a noise, or speak, to press 55 when prompted – to inform police they are in a genuine emergency.

The **Friends Against Scams (FAS)** team are pleased to announce that our current website has had a makeover you can see the new content in the fight to empower people to take a stand against scams <https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/>

The OPCC will be printing copies of the **Little Book of Big Scams** if you would like copies please contact me. We would also like to share with a range of community groups too.

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Humber Talking is the name of a new initiative which Humberside Police have launched recently. The Police are asking, What's good about where you live? What is not so good about where you live? What issues affect your community that you want the police, our partners and community members to resolve? Examples could be things such as road safety, criminal damage, dog fouling, drug dealing, anti-social behaviour etc. What causes you the greatest concern in your street? Examples could be things such as beggars, fly-tipping, pavement parking, speeding, gangs of youths etc. Would you like to be more involved in helping to tackle these issues and if so, what's preventing you from being involved? Are you already involved in any local community projects or groups? Have you been in contact with any of the authorities such as police, fire, local authority or health and if so, how was the response. How confident are you in the Police?

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This really is a landmark accomplishment, never before in the history of the force has Humberside Police received a grading of 'good' in every area and sub-area in which they have been inspected. This should be welcomed by all our communities as a signal that their voice has been heard and that their taxes are being well used to provide an improving service properly focused on meeting local concerns as well as national threats. The leadership shown by the Chief Constable and his team in achieving this turnaround in a relatively short time frame has rightly been recognised nationally. The recent attachment of Lee Freeman to Cleveland Police to assist them in their hour of need was a very visible vote of confidence in his skills and leadership but also in the strength in depth we now have here in the Humberside Police area.

"It is worth reflecting where Humberside Police was three years ago when I was elected. Community policing decimated, a failing 101 system, the lowest staff morale in the country and communities feeling abandoned by a shrinking force failing to utilise its resources efficiently or effectively. A lot of tough decisions were needed and have been taken. We now have a completely new leadership team in the force and over 400 more officers. We have bucked the national trend by getting officers back into unused police stations and not one existing operational base has closed since 2016 without being replaced. Our 101 service is now recognised as one of the best, if not the best, in the country, neighbourhood policing is now back as the core of policing delivery and morale is improving hugely.

"As Police and Crime Commissioner I'm proud of the journey the force has undertaken to improve its performance so substantially but I will never be satisfied it is as good as it can be. My ambition for this area remains high, and on behalf of the communities here that deserve the best, I will work with the Chief Constable to ensure the improvements made are sustainable and that we move forward together towards excellence."

COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

The North Lincolnshire Community Safety Partnership is a statutory body that meets quarterly. There is representation from Health (Clinical Commissioning Group), Police, National Probation Service, Community Rehabilitation Company (Probation), North Lincolnshire Council and Humberside Fire and Rescue Service. There are also representatives from Ongo and the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner.

The functions of the CSP are set out in the Crime and Disorder Act (1998) and are primarily aimed at working together to reduce crime, disorder, substance misuse and reoffending.

The CSP works together to:

- Prepare a strategic assessment each year to assess areas of need in North Lincolnshire
- Develop and implement a Partnership Plan to steer the work of the Partnership
- Engage with the local community regarding their priorities

The CSP aims to build on the work of each partner agency and reap the benefits of working jointly to tackle key issues, whether these be identified by professionals, or by the public. The Partnership works jointly to reduce crime, and help people in North Lincolnshire feel safe and be safe.

The CSP has three themes of work Safe (focus on offenders), Strong (focus on communities) and Resilient (focus on victims).

CRIME REDUCTION FUND

The Crime Reduction Fund grant scheme has been running in this area since 2017 with funds made available from the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner and has successfully helped to fund a number of projects and initiatives across the North Lincolnshire area.

This fund is aimed at supporting communities to:

- Strengthen their local community through the provision of facilities, events, activities or services to local children and young people, families, and adults of all ages
- Encourage and support voluntary groups to make North Lincolnshire safer through the development of local initiatives, projects, services and activities
- Enable communities to thrive and live active healthy and fulfilled lives
- Support, safeguard and protect the vulnerable
- Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play
- Commission to improve outcomes for individuals and communities

More criteria information and application forms can be found here:

<https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/community-advice-and-support/north-lincolnshire-community-safety-partnership/crime-reduction-fund/>

Support can be accessed via
communitysafetypartnership@northlincs.gov.uk

THE DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ROUND IS 23RD MAY 2019

