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Community Safety Wardens Matt and Garry talking to Ebrington Junior Wardens.

#### Kids clean up

Pupils from four Derry primary schools recently swapped their books for bin bags and litter pickers for a big community clean up. As part of the Housing Executive's Junior Warden Initiative delivered jointly with the PCSP Community Safety Warden, around 145 children from Newbuildings, St Paul's, Ebrington and Sacred Heart Primary Schools collected bags of discarded rubbish from their local streets.

The Community Safety Wardens talked the children through antisocial behaviour, what the impact can be and what they can do about it and joined the children on the clean up.

This is a great way for Community Safety Wardens to build up a trusting relationship with the children which will hopefully last when the children become teenagers and young adults. Wardens plan to roll out the engagement to a number rural schools in the Strabane area.

Front Cover Image Newbuildings Primary School Junior Wardens community clean up with NIHE Social Education and PCSP Community Wardens.







PSNI Con Pollock, PCSP Chair Andrew Wilson and PCSP Vice Chair Marjorie Hawkins at the Trailer Marking event.

#### Making your mark

Rural crime continues to be a threat to many living in the country and something which PCSPs keep high on their agenda. One of the small but effective things the PCSP deliver with the police to local people is the chance to have their property marked so that police can identify it if it is stolen.

Mid & East Antrim PCSP and police were out at Larne's Market Yard to mark farm vehicles and trailers which, according to PCSP Chair Cllr Andrew Wilson, makes it "...much more difficult for thieves to either trade or otherwise profit from their crime."

Look out for another one soon in the Carrickfergus area.



Pictured at the market are (I-r): PCSP Chair Cllr Andrew Wilson, Con Pollock and Con Doherty, PCSP Vice Chair Marjorie Hawkins and Roy Beggs Jr MLA.

Front Cover Image PSNI Con Pollock and Con Doherty, Andrew McMinnis from Ballysnodd and Jeannie Lynd from Ballynure with Sam and Ruby Fleck

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Members of Lisburn & Castlereagh PCSP at the launch of their Project Support Programme: (I-r) Rosemary Orr, Cllr Aaron McIntyre, Pauline Leeson, Roy Purvis NIFRS, Cllr Scott Carson, Christine McCullough PCSP Vice Chair, Philip Dean, Aengus Hannaway NIHE, C/Insp Lorraine Dobson, Donna Hancock, Yvonne Craig and Martin Busch

#### Get in fast for funding

Lisburn & Castlereagh PCSP have funding available to support the work of constituted community groups, Neighbourhood Watch Schemes and Community Police Liaison Committees in the Council area.

Grants worth £500 to £5000 are up for grabs to support community projects which are addressing antisocial behaviour, crime, domestic abuse, confidence in policing, fear of crime, road safety, burglaries and/or business and retail crime.

Find out all you need to know about applying at *www.lisburncastlereagh.gov.uk/PCSP* or contact the PCSP on 028 9250 9279/284/374.

But make it quick – the closing date is 1.00pm Friday 9 June 2017.





VIRTUAL REALITY ONLINE SAFETY AWARENESS TRAINING

FOR CHILD SAFEGUARDING TRAINERS AND CHILD PROTECTION LEADS IN VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND STATUTORY SETTINGS

#### The virtual reality

PCSPs have hooked up with the Safeguarding Board NI to run a series of online safety awareness sessions across Northern Ireland over the next few weeks. The training was designed for people who work in safeguarding or child protection in a voluntary, community or statutory capacity so they can pass on key e-safety messages to children and young people.

'VIRTUAL REALity' is an online awareness raising programme that gives you the key e-safety messages to pass on to children and young people aged 5-18 years and adults who are in contact with children and young people in a caring, professional or voluntary capacity.

FREE Virtual Reality programme to take away.

Craigavon Civic Centre: 5th June, 6.30-9.00pm Canal Court Hotel Newry: 6th June, 6.30-9.00pm Mossley Mill: 8th June, 6.30-9.00pm Waterways Ireland, Enniskillen: 12th June, 6.30-9.00pm The Guildhall, Derry/Londonderry: 13th June, 6.30-9.00pm

Clayton Hotel Belfast: 14th June, 6.30-9.00pm

Please select your preferred venue and RSVP by midday on 2nd June with your; name, role and organisation details to:

michael.ohare@hscni.net



The hotline number card being distributed in Mid & East Antrim.

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Local artist Pierce Crane pictured with some of the young people involved in the mural and their parents. Also pictured are Jenny Laverty and Kathy Mullan from the Flying Horse Ward Forum, Veronica Bailie PSNI, Bronagh Magorrian NIHE, NIFRS and PCSP Vice Chair Dan McEvoy.

### Banksy in Ballymote?

It looks like Downpatrick's Ballymote Estate has its very own band of Banksies. A shop in the area has been reclaimed from some ugly and offensive graffiti to a bright, colourful space thanks to young people from the estate and local artist Pierce Crane.

The Graffiti Wall project was funded as part of Newry, Mourne & Down PCSP's Ballymote ASB Action Plan and delivered by members from the Flying Horse Ward Forum.

To celebrate the work and build on the community cohesion, the PCSP ran a community safety fun day with all sort of bouncy castle and balloon modelling fun where residents mingled with the local neighbourhood policing team, the NIFRS and representatives from the NIHE.

### Standing up to scramblers

People on scramblers are still posing a danger to themselves and others across our towns and cities and Mid & East Antrim PCSP and local police are standing up to scramblers with a series of posters around the Council area. The posters warn that off road bikes will not be tolerated by police.



PCSP Vice Chair Marjorie Hawkins, Independent PCSP Member Wendy Kerr, Mayor Audrey Wales, Independent PCSP Member Rodney Quigley Harryville Partnership, C/Insp Stephen Humphries, Cllr Reuben Glover and PCSP Community Safety Warden Tommy Crawford.





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Pictured with the No Cold Caller window stickers are: Insp Kieran Quinn (I) and Insp Leslie Badger (r) with Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator Andrea Gilmore, Crime Prevention Officer Lisa Sherman, PCSP Manager Patricia Gibson, Bill Malloy, Trading Standards and Sgt Billy Stewart Community Planning Sergeant.

### Show Criminals the Door

There are so many ways we can be scammed and it's important that people know how to show scammers the door.

Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon PCSP have been working with the PSNI to help get rid of doorstep callers by distributing No Cold Calling Zone window stickers. The stickers, developed in association with Trading Standards, warn cold callers to stay away and provide a contact number for people to report those who don't to Trading Standards.

If you want a No Cold Calling Zone sticker, contact your local Crime Prevention Officer on 101 or call the PCSP on 0300 0300 900.

Find out what happened to Mary who was scammed out of £4,600 on her own doorstep **here.** 

Get support and advice on how to stay Scamwise click here

### Going digital in the Glens

Causeway Coast & Glens PCSP have funded a really interesting project in the Glens which could map out the way Council areas collate their information on community safety issues and community assets. The 'We know the place like the back of our hands' project led by led by Causeway Rural and Urban Network (CRUN), Building Community Resource Centre (BCRC) and North Antrim Community Network used Geographical Information Systems (GIS) to digitally map local facilities and projects as well as community safety issues including drug abuse, anti-social behaviour and road safety.

The maps will be given to local communities giving them a clear picture of community safety issues and what is already in place so communities can collaborate with their responses.



Some of the community groups discuss community safety issues across the Benbradagh/Limavady area as par of the digital mapping project.





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#### Did you get home?

Simple but effective. Armagh, **Banbridge & Craigavon PCSP have** been passing out a few top tips to make sure people Get Home Safe and where better a place to put that message than on beer mats so anyone out in pubs and clubs will be able to see it.



- Plan your journey Never, ever drink and drive
- Have a designated driver Stay in groups and look
- after your friends
- Use licensed taxis Don't accept lifts
- from strangers
  - Put your safety first and get home safe!

#### Help for drugs and alcohol

Mid & East Antrim PCSP has distributed a drug and alcohol hotline number and support card to front line staff and community groups and across the area.

The idea was developed by Mid & East Antrim Drug and Alcohol steering group which was put together to identify needs and gaps across the area. The group is made up of range of bodies all with a role to play in addressing drug and alcohol misuse - the PSNI, NIHE, Northern Drugs and Alcohol Co-Ordination Team, and a range of voluntary agencies.

#### **CONFIDENTIAL DRUG AND ALCOHOL SUPPORT SERVICES:**

Extern: Adult Substance Misuse Programme; Supporting Individuals and Families impacted by Substance Misuse T: 028 2565 4012

18 YFARS-

Start360/Ascert: Drug and Alcohol Intervention Service for Young People; Supporting Individuals and Families impacted by

Substance Misuse T: 028 2568 9306

T: 0800 254 5123

#### Start360/Voices: Hidden Harm:

Support for children, young people and families of parental substance misuse

#### T: 028 2568 9306

8-18 YEARS



PCSP Officer Annette Blayney with participants from Ameera Youth Group and Social Interaction Group (SIG) in Brownlow at their felt course.

#### Generating good relationships

We've heard a lot of evidence of how different generations can learn to understand each other's perspectives and build trust by the simply engaging with each other. Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon PCSP held three intergeneration workshops to give different generations an opportunity to look at how younger and older people view each other by joining together to learn new things.

Armagh Men's Shed and students from St Catherine's College worked together for six weeks to make miniature cottages, while 15 participants from Ameera Youth Group and Social Interaction Group (SIG) in Brownlow completed a four-week craft programme.

At the same time 23 people from Rectory Youth & Community Café in Portadown completed pottery and straw craft courses.





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PCSP Manager Wendy Carson and Member Michael O'Hara pictured with Chief Constable George Hamilton (I) and Policing Board Chair Anne Connolly (r).

#### **#policingmatters**

The Policing Board has held the first in a series of policing seminars with a focus on the Policing Plan - how it is set and the way the Board monitors how the PSNI deliver their work.

Speaking at the seminar, Policing Board Chair Anne Connolly underlined that policing is a key public service and the importance of discussion on issues that impact policing, how the service is delivered to the community and resources available.

She said: "The resourcing challenges for the PSNI in the time ahead are significant and discussions will continue with the Chief Constable on the funding being made available to the service for delivery. As such the public need to better understand the demands placed on policing and how the police prioritise those in day to day delivery of the service to the community."







#### What's happening in your PCSP?

PCSPs hold a variety of meetings and events each month. For details on what is coming up in your local PCSP **click here** 

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