



Friday, 27th November 2020

Rother Monthly Newsletter

District priorities - set by Chief Inspector Sarah Godley, District Commander for both Hastings and Rother and cover both areas.

1. **Op Hillside** - District operation centred around the exploitation of vulnerable young people for the purposes of running/dealing/supplying controlled drugs
2. **Op Wagon** - District operation focussing on the top 6 at-risk youths linked to County Lines between Hastings and London.
3. **County Lines** - There are known County Lines operating across both Hastings and Rother. This is not leading to an increase of violence at this stage, but the overt nature of the drug dealing is having an impact on the town visually and on the perceived threat by members of the public seeing it.
4. **Op Hackle** - Criminal Damage to various house windows in Udimore/Rye. It is believed the damage is being caused to enforce existing drug debts.
5. **White Powder** - There is a large organised crime group operating in Hastings. Feuding within the group has led to an increase in serious violence. The entity involved is Cannabis and Cocaine.
6. **Op Petrol** – District operation focussing on an emerging trend of garages and sheds being broken into in Hastings and Rother.

Monthly round-up:

Arrests: 25

Offences included:

Supply of class A drugs, criminal damage, dangerous driving, robbery, drink driving, and assault.



Burglaries: 21

This month, there have been 3 burglaries reported where vehicles were stolen. Two of these incidents happened in Bexhill, where the rear doors were left insecure by the victims. Enquiries are ongoing.



Incidents of note

We applied for a review of The Devonshire Bar and Lounge's licence due to concerns around levels of crime and anti-social behaviour at the venue. As a result, a number of changes have been agreed. This includes a change in management at the venue, and the installation of appropriate CCTV equipment.





Out in the community:

On Monday 23rd November, as part of Operation Downsway, officers carried out speed checks across Rother. Locations included Peartree Lane (Bexhill), Barnhorn Road (Bexhill), and Johns Cross.



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Your PCSOs:

- **Bexhill, Crowhurst & Battle Town:** PCSO Roy Collins, PCSO Sarah Hunt, PCSO Sam Kemp, PCSO Darren Owen, PCSO Neil Holden, PCSO Rachael Scott
- **Darwell, Ticehurst, Etchingam, Salehurst, Ewhurst, Sedlescombe & Rother Levels:** PCSO Daryl Holter, PCSO Laura Harrison, PCSO Emma Phillips, PCSO Matt Neve
- **Brede Valley, Marsham, Eastern Rother & Rye:** PCSO Becky Unicombe, PCSO Joe Winchester, PCSO Demi Georghiou, PCSO Orla Lindsay





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