

**Neighbourhood Policing  
Chichester Rural  
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FISHBOURNE, BOSHAM,  
CHIDHAM, HAMBROOK**



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**Neighbourhood Priorities**

- 1) Anti Social Behaviour
- 2) Burglaries In Chidham and Fishbourne
- 3) Parking Problems

**What's been Happening**

To find out about local priorities in your area, and what is being done about them please see your local priorities page.

Parking is still a prevalent concern in Fishbourne, Bosham and Chidham. School areas are especially a concern as a child could be seriously injured if they are not seen when crossing the roads. Other reports are more of a annoyance for local residents where some drivers are choosing to park on grass verges or blocking access to driveways. Can I remind those who park in this way to be more considerate of others as it is unsightly for local residents to have grass verges churned

up and illegal to block the pavements or driveway access.

There have been some reports of anti social behaviour in and around Roman Way in Fishbourne and Burns Shipyard in Bosham. Any sightings of anyone on the grounds of the Shipyard, or the Roman Palace after closing times, should be reported to the police.

This month there have also been two incidents in Fishbourne where pot plants and hanging baskets were stolen and a number of incidents in Chidham where tools and garden equipment were taken. Although I will continue to patrol in the area any reports of garden plants taken from your property need to be reported so I am aware.

The priorities set by your neighbourhood management panel in Fishbourne were:

- 1) Parking in and around Roman Way
- 2) Speeding in Salthill Road
- 3) Anti Social Behaviour in and around Roman Way

I work in partnership with many agencies, one of them being Neighbourhood Watch. I email the co-ordinators any issues in the local area and they pass this information onto local residents. If anyone is interested in becoming a Neighbourhood Watch Co-Ordinator please contact me for more information.

## Crime Prevention ~ Bogus Callers

**Here's what you can do to keep yourself safe - and help others:**

When you hear someone at the door:

- Take your time - a genuine caller will wait.
- Look and see who is there, using the door viewer or a window.

If you do not recognise who it is:

- Apply your door chain or door bar.
- Check all your doors are locked - burglars often come in pairs, so one may come in the back when you're being distracted at the front door.

Always ask for identification, but remember:

- ID cards are easy to copy. If in doubt, ask them to wait and call their company to check - once again, a genuine caller will not mind.
- Use your phone book or utility bill to find the number - don't accept a mobile number offered to you by the caller.

You do not have to let people in and if you are uncertain then don't, however persuasive or plausible the caller is. It is better to turn a genuine caller away than let a burglar in.

If you look after someone who is elderly or vulnerable, please do all you can to make sure they heed this advice - and to persuade them not to keep large sums of money at home.

**Remember - call the police immediately if you become the victim of one of these burglars, or if you see anyone behaving suspiciously near where you live.**

## Meetings and Street Briefings

The next Street Briefing will be in Walton Lane on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2009 at 18:00 – 18:30.

## Community Links

[www.cdnwa.org.uk](http://www.cdnwa.org.uk) - Chichester & District Neighbourhood Watch Association

[www.chichester.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=5282](http://www.chichester.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=5282) – Chichester Careline & Keepsafe 01243 778688

[www.crimestoppers-uk.org/](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/) - Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

[www.westsussex.gov.uk/ccm/navigation/trading-standards/](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/ccm/navigation/trading-standards/) Trading Standards 01243 777100

**[www.sussex.police.uk](http://www.sussex.police.uk)**

Non-Emergencies dial: 0845 60 70 999

