

EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE MEMBER: Neighbourhood Safety

DATE OF MEETING: 29 March 2023

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to members on areas of activity within my portfolio including performance against strategic priorities.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Strategic Priority: *Reward and champion individuals for being good neighbours*

Update: *We had a worthy winner Harry Lane last month from Easterside. Harry takes the bins out for nearly every house on Albourne Green and returns them. He lets the rest of Easterside know on Facebook when the bins need taking out and also leads a weekly walking group.*

One of the objectives of the good neighbour award is to celebrate good news stories across Middlesbrough, to increase the feel good factor in the town, to thank good neighbours and encourage people to help others

Harry made the local and national news with stories in The Sun, Gazette, Radio 5 Live, ITV news, BBC online and other places.

The winners so far have set the bar extra ordinarily high, but please don't let that stop you nominating residents in your ward.

If you know residents who are helping their neighbours and your community, please nominate them. You can find them if you Google 'Middlesbrough Council Good Neighbour award'

Strategic Priority: *Encourage Residents to Support Crime and anti-social Behaviour*

Update: *For Middlesbrough to be safer we need residents to work with police and the council*

A common complaint from residents is 'Why aren't the police seizing more motorbikes?' Police will not chase a motorbike for fear of causing a crash and endangering lives. What they will do is visit houses where bikes/quads are stored and seize all illegal ones. For this they need the public's cooperation. Encourage the public to contact the council, the Cleveland Police or the Cleveland Online Policing app or anonymously on Crimestoppers

The same with drug dealing and nuisance neighbours. Encourage neighbours to record all anti-social behaviour and crime.

Local Police Community Support Officers and Council Neighbourhood Safety Officers are also good people to report all crime and anti-social behaviour too

HIGHLIGHTS

I've included examples of how the public working together with the authorities has helped produce results

- Get Connected – Day 1: Developing a strategic approach.



Following reports from members of the public the following issues were dealt with:

Abandoned Vehicle removed due to the condition of the vehicle.



Waste issues in the Hemlington Area, cleared by the flying squad.



Fly tipping in the Marton Manor area currently under investigation.





Middlesbrough Neighbourhood Policing Team

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Whilst out on patrol earlier this week, officers from [Middlesbrough Neighbourhood Policing Team](#) seized two motorbikes seized from Pallister Park, which are believed to have been stolen and involved in crime.

Enquiries are ongoing.



THE TIME AHEAD

Neighbourhood Watch

Through Adam Parkinson we have had some good conversations with national Neighbourhood Watch and have been impressed with their latest pamphlets, promotional materials and coordinator packs. We want to help resource local Neighbourhood Watches better. If you would like more information for an existing Neighbourhood watch or starting a new one, please contact myself or Adam Parkinson

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DATE: Friday 17th March