

WILTSHIRE POLICE



Melksham Police Report

Melksham Community Policing Team

June-July 2023



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Forcewide Statistics

- Up to the 6th July 2023.... Already a busy summer for us!
- 3,453 Crimes Reported
- 5,290 Incidents Reported
- 1,392 Violence against the person crimes reported
- 627 Thefts reported
- 437 reports of criminal damage



What's happening in Melksham?

Melksham Town ED11:

- 85 Crimes reported
- 98 Incidents reported
- 40 reports of violence- this category also includes text message sent and verbal arguments, not just physical acts of violence.
- 20 reports of theft and 1 burglary
- ASB- highest percentage is currently in the south west section of town which includes Lowbourne- Roundponds. 8 reports of ASB in the last 6 weeks. 7 were nuisance reports and 1 recorded as personal ASB. Beanacre and Bowerhill come second with 4 reports of ASB.
- Community Speedwatch- Berryfields have reported 0.8% of monitored vehicles speeding.

Melksham Rural North- ED12:

Beenacre, Berryfields, Bowerhill, Seend, Atworth, Whitley and Shaw areas

- 32 crimes- 13 violence crimes (includes malicious comms etc)
- 55 incidents reported- this includes 10 domestic incidents, 7 concerns for safety
- Incidents of note:
 - Atworth- 29/06/23 Unknown person has stolen the IPs quad bike and 2 x 10 litre containers of unleaded petrol.
 - Beanacre- 21/06/23 Two males arrested for shoplifting. Value £468. The two males are linked to other thefts OFA.
- There have been 4 bicycle thefts- one in Melksham East, one in Bowerhill, two on the outskirts of Melksham town.

Melksham Rural South–ED13

Seend, Great Hinton, Poulshot, Bulkington, Keevil, Steeple Ashton

- 29 Crimes Reported – 14 classified as violence (includes malicious comms), 7 criminal damages
- 16 incidents Reported- 3 ASB 2 of which are neighbour related
- Incidents of note:
 - Steeple Ashton- 25/06/23- Dwelling burglary, forced entry, cash & jewellery taken
 - Post Office Seend- 05/07/23- Unknown suspect has put a screw in the back gate leading to a Post Office and Cafe from the outside of the gate, screwing it shut and preventing it from being opened. Thought to be related to a local dispute.
 - Lower Foxhangers Marina- 25/06/23- Electric bike stolen
 - Greenacres, Semington- Police car tyres deliberately punctured whilst dealing with an incident
 - Seend- 04/07/23- Sash window tried- potential attempt burglary

What have we been up to?

- x3 drug warrants executed
- X1 Cannabis farm located in Melksham, suspects arrested, charged and remanded.
- 82 intelligence submissions submitted for June (Total for 2023 so far being 386)
- X2 Melksham addresses linked to ASB and drugs have had their tenants removed through multi agency working with Housing.
- We have worked with Year 5/6 pupils on our area for Junior Good Citizens teaching the children all about safety in emergency situations and life skills.
- We have undertaken OP AIDENT- against Modern Human Slavery with 30 sites visited in Melksham Bradford on Avon and Trowbridge

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Next Steps...

Over the coming month SGT RUTTER will be working alongside Melksham Town Centre businesses to promote a new working initiative- Shop Watch; driving down business crime and theft by closer clearer communications.

PC COOMBS and PC HOSKEN are focusing on Town Centre ASB around Greggs and Costa Coffee.

PC COOMBS and PCSO ROLPH are focusing on speeding and road safety in Bowerhill

PC MILLER and PCSO CULLIFORD are focusing on rural police presence, ASB in Poulshot and a drug warrant.

Useful Links

For more information on Wiltshire Police's performance please visit:

- PCC's Website - <https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/>
- HMICFRS Website - <https://www.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmicfrs/police-forces/wiltshire/>
- For information on what crimes and incidents have been reported in the Trowbridge Community Policing Team area, which Melksham is part of, visit <https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/wiltshire-police/>

Get Involved

Keep up to date with the latest news and alerts in your area by signing up to our **Community Messaging service** –

www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

Follow your CPT on social media

- [Trowbridge Police Facebook](#)
- [Trowbridge Police Twitter](#)
- [Melksham Police Facebook](#)
- [Bradford on Avon Facebook](#)

Find out more information on your CPT area at: www.wiltshire.police.uk and here www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk

The screenshot shows the Wiltshire Police website. At the top left is the Wiltshire Police logo. To its right is a search bar with the text "How can we help you?". Below the search bar is a navigation menu with five items: "Report", "Tell us about", "Apply or register", "Request", and "Feedback". Below the menu is a breadcrumb trail: "Home > About us > CPTs". The main heading is "Trowbridge CPT". The content below the heading reads: "CPT Trowbridge covers the areas of Trowbridge, Melksham, Bradford-on-Avon and surrounding areas". It then provides contact information: "To contact your CPT about a community-related matter, such as a school visit, then please email TrowbridgeAreaCPT@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk. Please note that this mailbox is not monitored 24/7." It also states: "You are unable to report crimes of any type via email and please do not report any situations that require an urgent response. In the case of an emergency please contact 999 and for non-urgent crimes and incidents, please call 101 or [Report a crime here](#)". Finally, it says: "You see a map of [crimes in the Trowbridge area](#) by visiting www.police.uk".