



Jane's Watch

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Dear Residents

We begin the 1st report of the year with the reported crime statistics for 2016. Overall across the whole of the beat area, (not PC Reid's new extended area), 163 crimes were reported, which disappointingly is the highest number since the year 2000. Whilst the Home Office has changed the way in which crime statistics are recorded it is still a very unwelcome increase. Local to the parishes of this magazine there has been some decreases but others remain similar to 2015/2016. The figures are detailed below:

	2015	2016
Cliddesden	19	8
Dummer	13	7
Ellisfield	10	11
Farleigh Wallop	3	3

Whilst crime has remained low within these parishes in mid – November to mid January, parishes around us did not fair so well, Preston Candover saw two dwelling and a non-dwelling burglary during the evening of December 12th 2016. Two young men wearing hoodies were seen in the village and subsequently three motor mowers have been stolen. If you were in Preston Candover during that day / evening and saw anything unusual, please help us and call PC Reid direct.

Also in Weston Corbett we have had three reported cases of sheep worrying, All dog owners are urged to please keep their dogs under control / on a lead when near livestock. Be aware that farmers can lawfully **shoot** any dog found worrying livestock on agricultural land, so please if near livestock keep your dog on a lead.

You may also be aware that the new Police & Crime Commissioner Mr. Michael Lane is seeking your views on an increase in the precept that Residents pay for policing in the county. If you wish to either support or not support this idea please click onto the PCC website at <http://www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk>

Mr. Lane is also holding meetings on:

- Friday February 10th at Sparsholt College, Winchester
- Saturday February 11th at New Forest Outdoor Centre
- Wednesday February 15th Riverside Centre, Newport, IoW
- Friday February 17th Netley Police Training Centre, Hamble
- Thursday February 23rd at Gill Nethercott Centre, Whitchurch

Each meeting starts at 9am and goes on until 4pm. The aim is to give all those Residents who live and work in rural communities the opportunity to share their views on Rural Crime. It is also intended to help set the future rural priorities that will eventually form part of a new Rural Crime Strategy for Hampshire and Isle of Wight. This is a great chance for your views to be heard. We urge anyone who wishes to have their say on the policing of this area to visit one of these venues and have your say. The website has more details available.

Many thanks as always for your support, help and vigilance.

Happy New Year!

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