

## **Devon and Cornwall Police Update – Sector Inspector Arron Clarke**

### **Resourcing:**

Torpoint NBM PC Steve WILSON is moving on to a different role outside of the sector and is being replaced by PC Jodie Llewellyn. Steve has done some fantastic work in Torpoint and is leaving some big shoes to fill.

All stations within the sector have good representation with Neighbourhood and Response officers parading on most shifts. This is key to ensuring that we can respond promptly and that all our communities continue to see officers out and about in their areas.

We welcomed 2 new patrol sergeants, along with a new Neighbourhood sergeant taking over in December. There are a lot of new faces around which is supporting new ideas and new approaches. It's an exciting time for the sector with new officers joining our Patrol Teams on almost a monthly basis.

### **Summer Policing:**

It is fair to say that we are already busy with Summer demand and we fully expect this to increase further as summer and the school holiday take hold. We anticipate ASB down at the waterfront and I hope to use some additional funding to address the issues, a plan is being created that will complement our summer policing approach.

### **Crime:**

We have no specific crime series or patterns of concern that I feel I need to mention here. Sexual offences has seen rises which is replicated nationally. A greater emphasis on VAWG is being linked to an increase in reporting and it is something we are monitoring closely. Our crime has increased YOY slightly but it is recognised that it was one of the lowest increases within the Cornwall sectors. Whilst this is promising there is clearly more to do and we are all working exceptionally hard to deliver this.

### **AOB**

I know our contact centre has been experiencing issues with call times and I urge you all to explore the alternatives ways of contacting us such as Email and Webchat. It is something the force are addressing but it takes time to get people in place so please pass that message back to constituents when ever you can. Equally we continue to see issues being raised on Facebook but yet people are not reporting this to us. Please, please emphasis to people that they need to report matters to us and not just post on facebook. It's incredibly frustrating when we see posts and the criticism that often follows – for us to see that nothing has been reported.