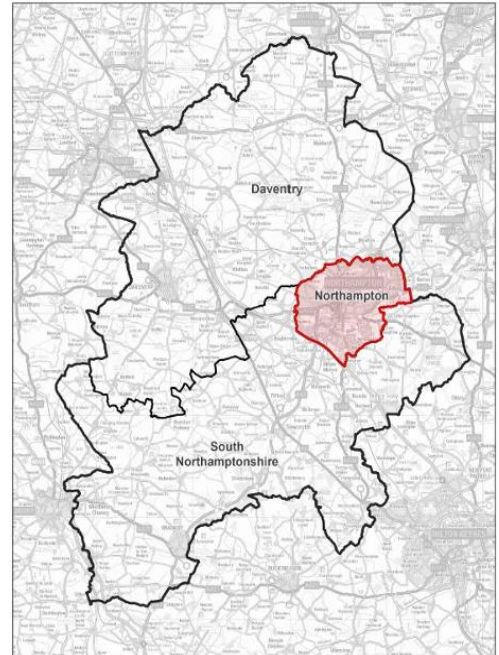


South Northants - Brackley Team Report 2025/2026

Introducing your Neighbourhood Team

			
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Summary

The South Northants Neighbourhood policing team is split into Brackley and Towcester areas, with officers representing each. Sergeant Michaela SIMONS covers the overall Brackley team with PC Matt O'BRIEN, PC Mark MITCHELL and PCSO Danni MORGAN covering Silverstone and surrounding villages and PC Owen STURGESS, PC Mo MIR, PC Sam DYSON and PCSO Colin BROOKS covering Brackley town and surrounding villages. The team have responsibility for 54 parishes within South Northants. A further officer will be joining the Silverstone beat in July.

Throughout most of the year the Local Identified Priorities survey (LIP), as completed by the public, have given us specific areas of concern to focus much of our work on. These have been rural crime, road safety and harm caused by drugs. You can contribute to the priority areas for the team by completing a LIP survey for your area. You can do this by either registering for Northamptonshire Talking or by using this link [Locally Identified Priorities Survey](#)

The team also now use the app GoodSAM. GoodSAM is a communication system designed for the emergency services. It allows people to share their GPS location with Police, live stream videos, chat to us via messaging, and communicate via two-way video consultation. This has been a significant benefit in more accurate initial reporting of incidents and adapting our response, especially to emergencies.

Further information can be found here: [GoodSAM | Northamptonshire Police](#)



Engagements

Over the past year we have worked with our secondary schools to deliver information sessions to students and staff and supported their careers and year 6 transition days. PCSO Danni MORGAN has taken on an additional role as Schools Officer to provide additional continuity to all primary establishments within the area.

We have been delivering our 'Cuppa with a Copper' open-door sessions in Brackley and Silverstone and these have been successful with many people visiting us for a chat or just to meet their local officers. We have listened to your feedback and adjusted sessions to allow for different timings for people unable to make previous sessions. If you feel that your village can host one of these events periodically throughout the year, then please get in touch with us via the details at the foot of this report.



Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

Anti-social behaviour can take many forms and is usually environmental, personal or nuisance related. This would include drugs use and supply, poor behaviour in vehicles, vandalism, neighbour disputes etc. We have access to specific Anti-Social Behaviour legislation and often use this alongside our partner agencies to intervene and resolve situations where a criminal burden of proof is not met or an appropriate course of action. Over the last year we have issued a number of advice and warning letters that begin an escalation process that could end in court if not adhered to. We have also implemented Acceptable Behaviour Contracts with adults and children where we seek to prevent behaviour worsening and a person entering the Criminal Justice system.

Generally, within South Northants anti-social behaviour incidents are low in numbers. We do see an escalation during school holidays which is not unusual however sometimes this can be a lack of tolerance in people reporting children and young adults for engaging in activity in locations actually designed for their use. Further information in respect of ASB can be found here: [Antisocial behaviour | Northamptonshire Police](#)

Road Safety

The team have a speed gun and have been out to locations throughout the year in areas where you have raised concerns about speeding. We can take enforcement action through points/fines however we also seek to educate via our PCSO's or Speed Watch Volunteers in generating letters to the registered owners of the vehicles advising of the speeding offence captured. If you think your community could support a Speed Watch scheme then information can be found here: [Community Speed Watch | Northamptonshire Police](#)

Prior to Christmas we focussed on drink and drug driving offences, delivering beer mats, table talkers, and posters to every pub across our area. These aim to target rural drink driving before it starts. Officers have also delivered letters to persons that have been identified to Police as being suspected of drink and drug driving. The letters set out the risks and consequences of this behaviour and if the person then goes on to commit an offence the letter will be added to any subsequent case in court as evidence of conscious choice to offend.

We are also willing to receive footage of vehicles acting in anti-social ways, such as speeding or drifting through residential streets. We will take action where appropriate and issue warnings under Section 59 of the Police Reform Act or prosecute.

We often get questions about the use of electric scooters – so before you consider buying one or using one on the road please check this information out: [Advice on e-scooter usage | Northamptonshire Police](#)



Drugs Supply and Use

Rural communities experience a different level of drug offending to urban areas but are at risk of children and young people being exploited by drugs gangs from larger areas.

Ketamine use is a significant issue amongst young people in rural locations, and this has significant long term and often permanent health concerns. Officers seek to promote Crime Stoppers and Fearless (aimed at younger people) campaigns locally and especially within schools. We are aware that many families will not want to speak out about this when their children are involved however we need your assistance in tackling the persons perpetuating this trade. You can contact us in confidence, and we will seek to support you and your child who may be using drugs rather than criminalise them.

In October we listened to your concerns regarding dealing within an estate in Brackley and as a result arrested a young male who was concerned in the supply of class A and B drugs. This investigation is ongoing however another similar case from earlier in the year in Brackley is now complete and will be passed to Crown Prosecution Service at the end of April for a charging decision.

In November we took a 'passive' drugs dog thorough several pubs in the area, speaking to the licensee's and their customers. This was welcomed and received positive feedback with no issues identified at that time.

Street Watch

We have a Street Watch scheme in Brackley that is seeking additional members. Street Watch enables local people to take an active role in keeping their community safe by patrolling their neighbourhood as part of an organised scheme, identifying potential issues, and engaging with local residents, encouraging them to report things like antisocial behaviour, vandalism, and suspicious behaviour to the police. As an example, you as a local resident, are more likely to be able to identify unusual behaviour, out of place vehicles or ongoing concerning trends and raise these. In doing so you may be able to have a real impact on issues affecting your area and support your local Police in tackling them.

Further information can be found here [Street Watch | Northamptonshire Police](#) and we are always happy to hear from people looking to set up further schemes, especially in the villages.



Community events

We are more than happy to attend any local events, fetes or festivals. We can bring along a Police car or van – the cell van usually goes down very well with local children.

We are always present at Summer Play days organised by SNYE and have recently attended the Kings Sutton Beer Festival.

We can bring along literature specific to a group's needs, such as fraud information etc.

We are happy to come along to your coffee mornings even if its just so you can meet your local officer.

As we are on the most southerly end of the county the team are often the closest for road traffic accidents, domestic violence incidents, public order situations and acquisitive crime in action however we will also endeavour to get to events as much as possible.

We often see local social media posts criticising Policing activities however please remember that an officer on foot patrol is a great sight to see but often a rarity due to other dynamic incidents that we are attending. We deal with a large amount of vulnerability and safeguarding incidents that we cannot provide public updates on. If you don't think that you are seeing or hearing us, then please be reassured that we are here but we do want to hear your feedback directly so please get in contact with us and let's have a conversation to see how we can help each other.



All Crimes, suspicious behaviour and incidents should be reported as below for an incident to be created:

To report a life-threatening incident or a crime happening at the time, call '999'

Otherwise call 101 or report online at www.northants.police.uk

To contact us for any non-urgent enquiry please email:

NT-SouthNorthantsBrackley@northants.pnn.police.uk

Please follow us on our team social media pages:

Facebook: Daventry and South Northamptonshire Neighbourhood Policing Team

Crimestoppers

Information about crime can be given anonymously to Crimestoppers, a non-police organisation:

0800 555111 or online <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

Crime Prevention

Information about crime prevention can found on the Northamptonshire Police Website using the following link: <https://www.northants.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/>

Thank you from South Northants Neighbourhood Policing Teams