

## New Malden Village Safer Neighbourhood Team NEWSLETTER MAY/2025

Police Sergeant Jon Edwards

### Message From Your Local Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

The local neighbourhood team have been working closely together with residents, partners and the council, tackling issues and concerns that get highlighted to us as ward priorities.

Hotspot areas within the ward are continuously patrolled by officers in uniform and plan clothes with the aim to reduce issues such as ASB, theft and street beggars that have known to cause a huge concern for both residents and local businesses.

Through this, officers have managed to carry out positive stop and searches and return some items back to their rightful owners. We continue to work closely with local staff and security staff to improve their crime prevention measures to reduce a recent increase of shoplifting.



## METROPOLITAN POLICE

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### **RESPONDING TO YOUR CONCERNS – YES SAID, WE DID**

**STREET BEGGARS** – Local residents and businesses on New Malden High Street had highlighted to the team that there had been beggars that had been causing a nuisance to locals. The team when on duty were able to engage with the individual and with strong words of advice and giving contact details of partnership groups for wellbeing support before moving them along from the area. The team will continue to factor in uniform visible and plain clothes patrols to tackling the ongoing ASB issues.

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CYCLE THEFT - Local residents and businesses within New Malden Village had highlighted to the team that there had been an increase of secured and unsecured cycle theft secured from outside shops and cycle stands. We have been working in partnership with the local council who have installed additional CCTV cameras and have cut back overgrown trees. The team will continue to factor in visible uniform and plain clothes patrols at hotspot locations to tackle an increase of cycle theft and with continue public engagement doing bike security marking events.



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### WESTBURY HOUSE SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT VISIT

The team will be visiting Westbury House School on the 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025, who will be having Careers Week. Officers will be doing short talk about police work and how to become one to 80 children key stages ages 4 - 6 and then 7 - 11

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Join us with your bike

#### FREE BIKE SECURITY MARKING

Date: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2025

**Time:** 3pm – 4:30pm

Location: Bike stands outside Lidl 31-35 Blagdon Rd, New Malden, KT3 4AH

### HOW TO REPORT!

You should call 999 if you or someone else is in immediate danger.

### NON – EMERGENCY 101

MET POLICE ONLINE REPORTING: https://www.met.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/

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> https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/report-phishing https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/