



South Cambridgeshire

- Community Engagement Event
- 14th May 2026
- Inspector Simon Birch
- Sgt Robert Taylor
- Sgt Chris Daniel



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Agenda

- **Welcome – Insp Simon Birch**
- **Current force priorities and local priorities**
- **Meet the team**
- **Crime updates for past 12 months**
- **Activity updates for past 12 months**
- **Demand Hub – Reporting online**
- **Questions and speak with local officers.**



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Welcome

- Tonight is for us to update you on the previously agreed priorities.
- We will continue to listen, agree new priorities and provide feedback in 3 months time.
- This is a joint meeting with our Partners from the South Cambs Community Safety Partnership.



Cambridgeshire Constabulary Priorities.



- Domestic abuse (repeat victims and offenders)
- Child sexual abuse and exploitation
- Modern slavery and human trafficking
- Fraud (repeat victims and emerging trends)
- Serious sex offences
- Organised acquisitive crime
- Burglary
- High harm offenders
- Street-based knife crime
- Serious and organised crime with particular focus on groups involved in firearms, drugs lines, exploitation
- Call handling and timeliness

South Cambridgeshire Policing Structure



1 x Inspector

South Cambs Team

2 Sergeants

6 Constables

3 PCSO's

**Five - 24/7 Reactive
policing teams
approximately 1
Inspector, 5 Sgts
and 30 Officers.**

CID

**Specialist team
such as Traffic,
Firearms, dogs unit,
Rural community
action teams,**

**Operational
support including
drones.**

**Neighbourhood
Tasking Team**

South Cambs – Meet the team



Sergeant Rob Taylor



Sergeant Chris Daniel

South Cambridgeshire's Neighbourhood Policing Team has two Sergeants responsible for the day to day running of the team. They will set taskings, attend community events, liaise with partners, manage investigations and work proactively in the community to tackle concerns and emerging problems. With over 35 years combined experience and a number of specialisms the Sergeants are well placed to lead the team in tackling the concerns which most effect the communities, using a wide range of tools whilst utilising and promoting partnership working along the way.

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PC Bujar Mani

PC Bujar Mani has been with the force for over 15 years as both a PCSO and more recently a Constable. Mani has a wealth of experience in Neighbourhood Policing particularly within the South Cambs area. Mani has always been an approachable figure in the community and has the trust of the residents he serves.

Mani covers the Histon sector.

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PC Chris Smith

PC Chris Smith is responsible for the Sawston Sector and is the longest serving Constable on the team. With this Chris brings over 17 years of experience, a large amount of which sits in Neighbourhood Policing in the South Cambs area. Chris has an extensive knowledge of his geographic area which only this level of experience and dedication brings and is trusted by the community to listen and resolve their concerns.

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PC Chris Smits

PC Chris Smits is responsible for Northstowe, Swavesey and surrounding areas. Chris joined the force as a Neighbourhood officer, and he is passionate about community engagement and forging lasting relationships with the community. Chris is hard working and enthusiastic about Neighbourhood Policing.

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PC Tom Lazaro

PC Tom Lazaro joined at the same time as Chris and came straight into Neighbourhood Policing. Tom is a proactive individual with a focus on serving his local community to the best of his ability. He is knowledgeable about his area and will often be seen at community events and speaking with local residents. Tom is responsible for the Cambourne Sector.

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PC Tom Baugh

PC Tom Baugh is the newest member of the Neighbourhood team rejoining after a period of absence from the team. Tom has a wide range of experience as a PCSO before joining as a Constable. Once Tom resumes his role he will take on Orchard Park, Marleigh, Trumpington, Edington and Babraham areas including the Park and ride sites. Focussed on problem solving, Toms experience will be an invaluable addition to the team.

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PC James Lynch

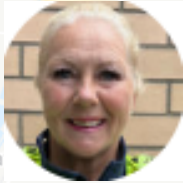
PC James Lynch is currently on secondment until later in the year during which time the rest of the team are looking after his area alongside the local PCSO. James is responsible for the Melbourn area of the patch.

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PCSO Karen Davey

Karen is PCSO for the Melbourn area. With many years of experience in Neighbourhood Policing and a part of the force for over 20 years Karen is often visible in her communities and engaging with local residents listening to their concerns and providing support to those who need it the most. Karen is well known in her area and is approachable and invested in providing long-term problem-solving solutions.

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PCSO John Coppard

John will be a familiar face to many in the South Cambridgeshire area as a long serving and knowledgeable PCSO he has forged relationships within all corners of the district. He will often be seen at Coffee with a Cop, bike marking and school talks alongside community meetings, joint housing visits and being out and about in the community addressing individual concerns. Whilst John works all areas in the patch he will often be seen in the Cambourne and Histon sectors.

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PCSO Chris Wiseman

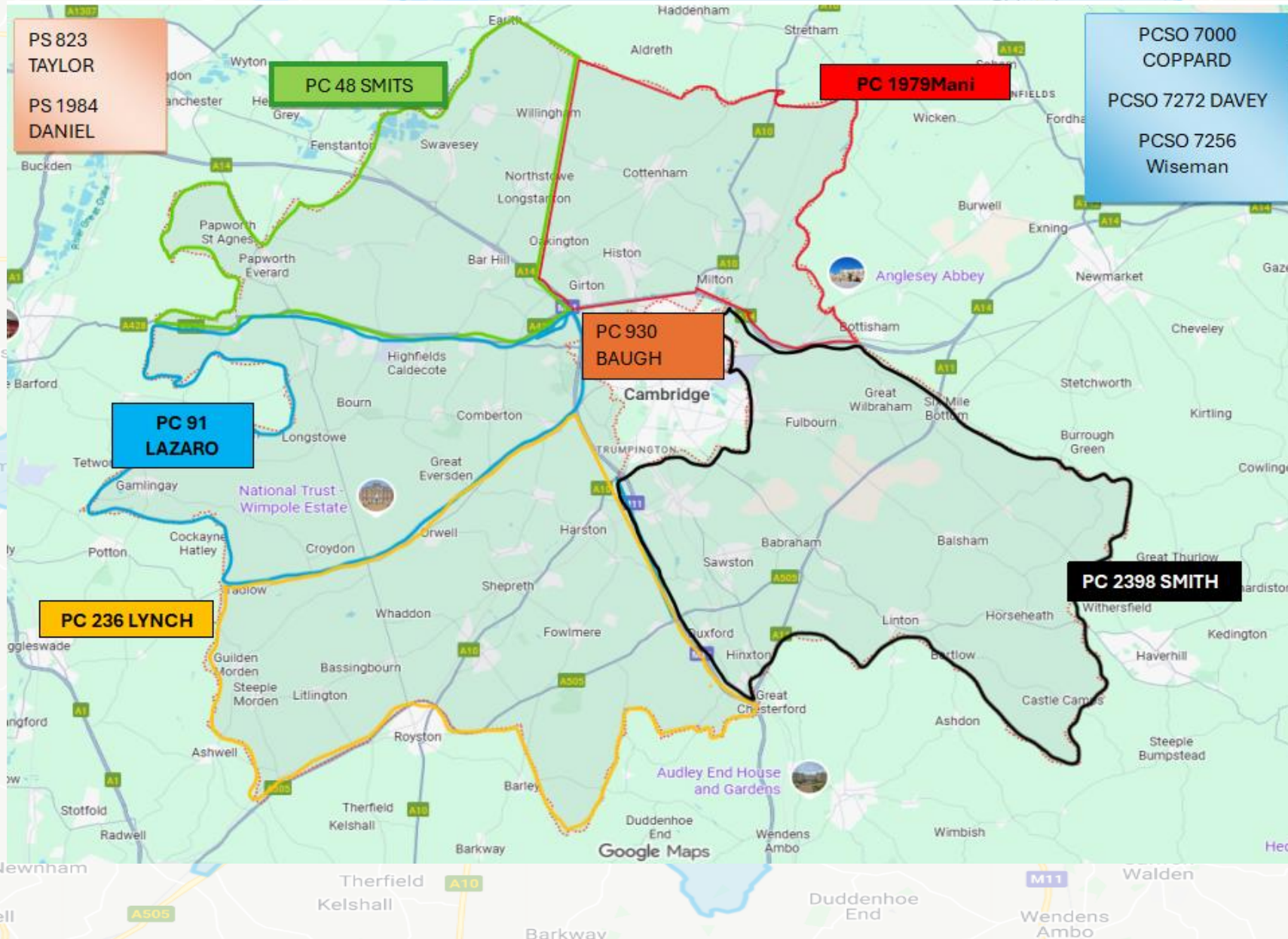
Chris has been a PCSO for over 17 years. More recently Chris has reduced his working hours to two days a week where he has taken responsibility for engagement with the local schools. Chris will often be seen providing vital engagement with schools and young persons to create lasting connections and build confidence in the police amongst the younger generation. Experienced and knowledgeable about the areas in which he covers Chris has an infectious dedication to Neighbourhood Policing.

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Crime Update – May 2025 – May 2026



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Crime Type	Recorded Crimes	Recorded Crimes LY	Numeric change	% change	Solved Crimes	Solved Crimes v LY
⊕ Violence Against the Person	3,052	2,757	295	10.7%	371	2.2%
⊖ Sexual Offences	308	343	-35	-10.2%	45	12.5%
⊕ Serious Sexual Offences	198	246	-48	-19.5%	19	-5.0%
⊕ Other Sexual Offences	110	97	13	13.4%	26	30.0%
⊕ Robbery	60	45	15	33.3%	8	14.3%
⊖ All Theft Offences	2,845	2,676	169	6.3%	313	0.3%
⊕ Burglary - Residential	417	319	98	30.7%	39	178.6%
⊕ Burglary - Community and Business	206	227	-21	-9.3%	13	30.0%
⊕ Vehicle Offences	642	598	44	7.4%	31	210.0%
⊕ Theft offences	1,580	1,532	48	3.1%	230	-17.3%
⊕ Arson and Criminal Damage	927	835	92	11.0%	82	10.8%
⊖ Drug Offences	328	150	178	118.7%	112	-2.6%
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Possession of Drugs	117	125	-8	-6.4%	83	↓ -17.0%
Trafficking of Drugs	211	25	186	744.0%	29	↑ 93.3%
Other Drugs offences	0	0	0	0.0%	0	→ 0.0%
⊕ Possession of Weapons	127	78	49	62.8%	37	32.1%
⊕ Public Order Offences	518	474	44	9.3%	116	36.5%
⊕ Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	280	222	58	26.1%	64	73.0%
Total	8,445	7,580	865	11.4%	1,148	8.2%

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Activity updates



Anti-Social behaviour:

8 CPW's (Community Protection Warnings) have been issued to high harm ASB offenders to get them to prevent their behaviour

4 CPN's (Community Protection Notices) have been issued following breach's of CPWS. Of which one person has continued to commit offences and has been moved to a different location

Work with a key individual to get him integrated within the community has resulted in no calls for service for the past two months

High visibility patrols around Northstow to prevent ASB with key individual given CPN and been arrested now with strict bail conditions

High visibility patrols around rural crime and Hare coursing following concerns from the rural community

High visibility patrols around Cambourne , ASB reduced calls for service . Also 1 young person arrested for violence offence who is believed to be one a larger group committing the ASB and bail conditions placed upon

Following reports of racial graffiti around Cottenham area 2 arrested and being dealt with for serious offense

Activity updates



Acquisitive crime updates

Recovery of Stolen property to the Value of £250,000

2 Arrested from an OCG for theft of Chocolate , over £7000 worth recovered

Stolen Plant recovered from Whitelsford

1 vehicle recovered following a theft of plant (Other vehicle we managed to locate out of force with stolen plant on board still)

1 young person arrested for a robbery in Histon / Impington Area

3 x shoplifters arrested for £11,500 worth of goods from one shop

4 arrested for theft from Milton recycling centre

Activity updates



Anti Social Driving, including speeding:

- 25 E-Scooters seized from all over the area
- 1 dispersal orders issued for both prevention and during car meets at Park and Ride sites.
- Babraham Park and Ride PSPO being written up (Now in public consultation)
- Speed checks carried out throughout various villages with tickets issued / words of advice given
- Guided Busway patrols to prevent anti social driving
- 1 vehicle seized following a fail to stop

Activity updates



Drugs:

1 arrested in Whaddon for possession with intent to supply class A and B (On Bail)

1 arrested in Melbourn for possession with intent to supply class B (positive outcomes)

14 Cannabis cautions given for possession of Cannabis

1 arrested for Cultivation of Cannabis (positive outcome)

1 warrant for drugs in Guilden Morden area , positive outcome

2 warrants executed in Melbourn , 3 arrested and one held on remand - enquiries still on going



Community Policing Survey

Have your say.

Its your neighbourhood and community.

You help set the priorities.

You say, We listen, We deliver.



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Demand Hub

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HefxXRkwpRk>

Reporting online



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Community Priorities May – July 2026



1. Tackling ASB on the Cambridge Busway. (Science Park to Swavesey)
2. Knife crime offences in South Cambs (education and detection)



**Please wait to be invited to
speak by the chair – thank you**



Your views...

