



## Down, but not out

**It's business as usual at Age Concern in Warsop, despite having to deal with the aftermath of a break-in at the High Street premises and the mindless damage that was caused.**

This has cost a lot of time and effort for the Age Concern volunteers who work so hard to support the elderly in the community, not to mention the cost to the charity of the clean-up and extra security.

So, how can you help? Obviously any information leading to the identification of those responsible would be helpful. But more importantly, your support would be most welcome. So next time you are out shopping, why not pop into the café for a cuppa or tasty snack, buy some raffle tickets or browse in the charity shop, to help replenish funds. Or do you have a few hours to spare to lend a hand? New volunteers for the café, lunch clubs or shop are always welcome.

We may have been battered but we are not beaten and will carry on regardless.

### Readers Letter

**Warsop seems to have a lot of orphans, the yobs who again kicked in the door at age concern, appear to belong to no one.**

**Who do they think pays for a replacement door, not the rate payers, but the money raised by the loyal band of volunteers, who work tirelessly making meals and tea and coffee for the elderly.**

**I am sure there are some well behaved kids in warsop. But the antics of a few puts the blame on the rest.**

**Some questions for the parents of warsop. Do you know where your children are tonight? Do you know what they are doing? Do you know who they are doing it with?**

**If the answer to any of these questions is no, I think that you should, otherwise you are not a good parent. In fact, it might be your children smashing in the door of the age concern building. Because if you do not know where they are, how can you be sure, they are not involved.**

**Having children is easy, bringing them up to respect other peoples property is the hard bit.**

**Allan mclean - father of five..**

# Warsop Police Update

**As the Beat Manager for the Warsop Birklands region, I encourage all readers to get behind the volunteers that are working hard to keep Meden Baths alive and sign the petitions when you get the chance.**

The swimming baths has a vital place within the community. Not only is it a place for the local children to burn off some of their excess energy and keep them off the streets, it has also helped thousands of families in the area to learn how to swim. Losing the baths will mean our nearest pool will be the 'new' Rebecca Addlington centre, some 5 miles away, which doesn't make it very local or accessible. During the school holiday periods it must be so refreshing for parents to pack the kids off to the baths for a few hours whilst they get a small break from the kids saying how bored they are, yet somehow I can't see how the people of Warsop, Meden Vale, Church Warsop and Warsop Vale will benefit from this closure.

The main problem we are currently facing is anti-social behaviour by a select group of youths, congregating in large groups and causing problems outside a number of properties, both residential and business. Their poor behaviour comes in the form of abuse, noise, stone throwing, door knocking, window knocking, leaving litter outside the address and during the recent cold months, snowballing. We are currently in the process of placing a number of individuals on Acceptable Behaviour Contracts which are policed in conjunction with the Anti-Social Behaviour Team from the council. In addition, we are also gathering evidence on a couple of individuals with a view to obtaining Anti-Social Behaviour Orders (aka ASBO's). These orders can be very powerful for the Police and Council should they be granted by the courts. They can restrict areas that individuals are allowed to go into. They can put individuals on curfews, stating what time they must be inside their home address and they can also stipulate who they are not allowed to associate with. Within reason, you can put anything on these orders that you believe will stop the individual from causing Anti-Social Behaviour. Should the individual fail to adhere to these rules they will breach the ASBO and will be arrested for it and put before the courts to give an explanation. If the individual constantly breaches their order they can be sent to prison for a significant length of time.

Another way that we are attempting to tackle the Anti-Social behaviour is by employing Operation Animism. This operation is aimed at tackling certain streets in the area that are suffering from ASB and dealing with it appropriately by Police Officers, Police Community Support Officers and Neighbourhood Wardens. In recent weeks a quantity of alcohol has been seized and young females have been taken home in a drunken state. These girls have subsequently been placed on Acceptable Behaviour Contracts.

We as a team are also seeking the help from our partner agencies, Fire & Rescue, Council, Youth Services, in an effort to put together more diversionary measures for the local children. Pc Booter has recently set up some football coaching on a Friday evening for children aged between 12 and 16 years of age at the Meden Leisure Centre and is also looking into the potential of bringing Oz Box to the centre. This, he tells me, is a form of non contact boxing training.

I also need to inform you that we are currently employing the services of a civil enforcement officer (a bit like a traffic warden) who will be in the area hunting for illegal and inconsiderate parking offenders. One of the community priorities for the Warsop area is poor/illegal parking on Sherwood Street and Church Street and I have asked the officer to patrol the area at every available opportunity. He has the powers to issue on the spot fines ranging from £50 to £70 for offences such as, parking on either single or double yellow lines, parking on white zig zag lines situated near to pedestrian crossings, parking longer than the 30 minute bays on High Street/Sherwood Street and parking in the Ambulance Bay on the High Street. These are a few of the offences that you may commit whilst in a hurry to do your shopping so please be warned.

Another crime that has sickened me over the past 2 weeks is the fact that 'Age Concern' on the High Street has been broken into on

3 separate occasions. The people that work at these premises do so on a voluntarily basis and the money they raise goes towards good causes. Yet, on these occasions the money has gone back into the building to repair the damage that has been caused. If anyone has information about these burglaries they can ring me in confidence as I am extremely keen on arresting the offender(s) for these crimes.

**Again, can I inform you of our up and coming Beat and Street Surgeries.**

On the 1st March 2010, Pcs0 Gilbert, Council Warden Geoff Lomas and I will be holding a Beat Surgery in the Warsop Library between 10am and 11am. On the 23rd March we will be joined by your local councillors as we conduct a Street Surgery on Longdon Terrace between 7pm and 8pm.

Pc Dave Booter, Pcs0 Gina Fletcher and Council Warden Phil Bennett will be holding a Beat Surgery on the 1st March between 10am and 11am at the Charity Shop, Ossington Close, Meden Vale. They will also be joined by the local councillors as they hold a Street Surgery on Portland Crescent during the 23rd March between 6pm and 7pm.

**Police Constable 242 Wayne Bennett**  
Warsop Birklands Beat Manager

*Meet your Neighbourhood Policing Team*

**WARSOP BEAT TEAM**

				
PC 2658 Dave Booter	PC 242 Wayne Bennett	PCSO 7297 Dee Eyre	PCSO 9637 Matt Cooper	PCSO 8123 Georgina Fletcher

### Contact Details

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- Warsop Police Station's telephone number is **01623 420999** ext **3270** and is staffed by **Wendy Patterson**, Monday to Friday, between 10am and 2pm.
- **Mansfield District Council**  
- **Anti Social Behaviour Team**  
Web: asb@mansfield.gov.uk tel: **01623 463377**  
**Please remember that if you are reporting a crime you need to contact Mansfield Police Station on 01623 420999 or in the event of an emergency to ring 999.**

### Crimestoppers

is also free and anonymous to use on **0800555111**

## Domestic Violence Don't Suffer in Silence THERE IS HELP FOR YOU

- **Women & Children**  
Nottingham 24 hour freephone domestic violence helpline:  
**0808 800 0340**
  - **Men**  
Mens Advice Line:  
www.mensadvice.org.uk  
**0808 801 0327**
- In an emergency, please phone the Police: 999**

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**Warsop Fire Station**

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