

## **Kesgrave Annual Town Meeting**

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As of this month, Kesgrave no longer has a dedicated PCSO. Thank you to PCSO Tristan Clarke for his work over the last year. Neighbourhood policing will continue in the area by officers based at the local Safer Neighbourhood Teams at Heath Road, Ipswich and Woodbridge.

With regard to police engagement work in the area, I continue to have drop-in sessions at Kesgrave Library on a regular basis, offering advice, crime prevention information, bike security marking or just to speak about any concerns. It's also a good way for me to chat to some of the younger Kesgrave residents. I have been into some of the local schools to deliver various inputs to students, and I have more sessions booked in at Kesgrave High School later in the year. We attended the Kesgrave Fun Day last year, and we have tried to drop into as many other events going on in the area as we could. I have also been to visit various groups such as ACE Anglia when they have their periodic conference at KWMCC, and Project 21 at Millennium Hall.

Over the last year, we have had some anti-social behaviour reported in various locations across Kesgrave. When we believe that young people may be involved, we will liaise with the detached youth workers to let them know of possible hot-spot locations. If you feel that anti-social behaviour is occurring, please do let us know where and when so that we can work together to reduce the issue.

At present, there does not seem to be any specific crime trend which is a cause for concern in the area, hopefully this will continue.

Just as a reminder, there is a huge range of crime prevention information in the First Principle section of the Suffolk Constabulary website. Just go to [www.suffolk.police.uk](http://www.suffolk.police.uk) and click on the 'advice' tab. Many different incidents can also be reported to us online either by completing an online form or you can seek advice by using the online chat option. You can also contact us on the telephone via 101, but please always ring 999 in an emergency.

To keep up to date on what is happening in your area, please consider sign up to Police Connect. This is a free messaging service where you receive information via email, and you can choose the geographical areas and topics that are most important to you. It's easy to sign up on our website: [www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/police-connect-sign](http://www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/police-connect-sign). It's also worth keeping an eye on our local social media accounts on Facebook and Twitter. We will usually post about our upcoming local events, street meets and bike security marking sessions on these accounts.