# Hughenden NAG Newsletter NUMBER 5

Welcome to the newsletter from the GREATER HUGHENDEN PARISH NAG. The 2016 Neighbourhood priorities have been chosen, they are:-

1) SPEEDING/ROAD SAFETY. 2) LITTER/DOG FOULING. 3) ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR/CRIMINAL DAMAGE. 4) PARKING. 5) BURGLARY/THEFT.

# Greater Hughenden Neighbourhood.



Hello and welcome to this edition of the NAG Newsletter for the GREATER HUGHENDEN PARISH.

#### NAG overview

#### Pavements are for People.

I would like to thank those householders who have cut their hedges where they are alongside footpaths so that they don't encroach onto them causing pedestrians to walk in the road or muddy verge. However it is evident that some householders have not realised the problem their hedges cause so I will ask again that you check to ensure your hedges are cut back, especially where the footpath is used by schoolchildren. Similarly I would remind drivers that they are only permitted to park on footpaths if they do not obstruct them for pedestrian use. Often parents are using the footpaths with a pushchair and toddler in hand or perhaps a double buggy so a clear width of 3ft or 1m is essential to avoid pedestrians having to step into the road to get round your vehicle. Remember it is an offence to obstruct the pavement and persistent offenders will be reported to the police.

Stan Jones

#### Reducing Speeding Motorists

The Hughenden NAG understands about speeding on our roads. We try to reduce speeding vehicles by using Mobile Activated Vehicle Speed reduction equipment, MVAS for short. These devices accurately measure and record the speed of vehicles travelling towards a display device, which indicates to the driver whether they are exceeding the speed limit on the road. This display is done in one device by flashing the speed limit when the limit is exceeded. The other device indicates the actual speed of the vehicle and, if that is over the limit then it displays the speed in red if not then in green. Neither of these devices can record the car registrations but the data gathered can help decide where and when traffic speed watch exercises should be carried out. Data from the device is analysed and reports are created to show the percentages of the vehicle speeds together with the maximum recorded and their times. For further information the raw data is sent to TVP for their assessment of traffic flows etc. Both these devices use batteries and require regular recharging on a weekly basis. Hughenden NAG are proposing to purchase further MVAS equipment and will require more trained volunteers to assist in this operation. If you are prepared to help, please contact PC Lee Turnham and you will be provided with more details and if you decide to join in training will be provided. John Marchant

## Community Speed Watch Figures - 13th April to 19th May

Hughenden Valley on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April – 33 drivers exceeded the speed limit.

Great Kingshill on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April – 80 drivers exceeded the speed limit.

North Dean on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April – 9 drivers exceeded the speed limit.

Great Kingshill, Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May – 47 drivers exceeded the speed limit.

Widmer End on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May – 76 drivers exceeded the speed limit.

## Crime update from Thames Valley Police 13th April – 19th May

Great Kingshill Dwelling burglary

Theft of wallet Theft in dwelling

Making off without payment (taxi)

Hughenden Valley Theft from motor vehicle

Drug possession (cannabis)

Walters Ash Making off without payment (fuel) twice

Widmer End Shoplifting

#### Personnel Change - PC Caroline Merriman to Major Crime Dept

Here is a brief message from PC Merriman whom we wish well in her new role.

"I would just like to let you all know that I am leaving Princes Risborough Neighbourhood Team. It's all been a bit sudden and I would have liked to have seen so many of you before I left, unfortunately this hasn't been possible. Thank you so much for making my job so enjoyable and making me feel so welcome. I have met some lovely people over the past two years and I am sad to say good bye. I am going to pastures new and reverting back to being a Detective on the Major Crime Department, which will be an exciting new challenge. Thanks for all of your support."

If you wish to receive newsletters and crime alerts from Thames Valley Police, then please sign up to the alert system on the following link. www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk/

If you need to contact the Neighbourhood Team then please dial Thames Valley Police on the non-emergency number, **101**, and ask the police operator to put you through to the Princes Risborough Police Office or e-mail your Neighbourhood Team on Princesrisboroughnhpt2@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk