

# **Crawley Police Newsletter North**

March - May 2015

## Three Bridges Northgate Town Centre Langley Green Maidenbower & Worth Poundhill

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This newsletter has been dedicated to the scam, Op Edisto and information about The RideAlong Scheme.

## **Op Edisto**

## It's a scam!

Scammers are contacting residents in our area by telephone; they are pretending to be Police Officers to trick people into stealing their money.

They may say they are conducting an investigation and need to confirm your bank details ... this is the point where you HANG UP, WAIT for a dialing tone then call the Police.

NEVER give your bank details or bank card to anyone - the Police will never ask for them.

If you have been affected by this scam please call Sussex Police on 101 or 999 in an emergency and quote Op EDISTO. Stay safe and thank you.

Crawley Police would like to thank each and every one of you that has helped to deliver the leaflets around our district. **Your help has been invaluable!** 

### The RideAlong Scheme

The Ride Along Scheme gives the public a unique opportunity to accompany police officers as they carry out their day-to-day duties.

This is being piloted to enhance the public's understanding of the challenges faced by operational officers; and, participating officers have also benefited from spending time with the communities they serve.

This opportunity is now open to Crawley residents aged 16 and over. (Please note that 16 - 18 year olds may only participate up to 10pm).

Some vetting and checks will be required.

To apply, and read a review, please see over page...





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#### To apply you can either go to the Sussex Police website:

www.sussex.police.uk/help-centre/your-local-district/Crawley and go to latest news.

#### Or email:

#### RideAlongCrawley@sussex.pnn.police.uk

The Sussex scheme also provides an opportunity to incorporate the Best Use of Stop Search Code of Practice, where members of the public are given an opportunity to see stop and search in action and give feedback on stop and search activities. This will enable the police to gain valuable feedback from the community and improve practices, where appropriate.

## Below are some comments made by a Crawley resident who has already participated in the RideAlong Scheme...

The resident was kitted out with an "Observer" high visibility jacket, welcomed and briefed by the Duty Inspector, and then introduced to the two very experienced PCs who were going to show him the ropes that night. The officers were a bit muddy after having struggled with and arrested somebody earlier in a very busy start to their shift, and were planning to clean themselves up before they left the police station, in case later they had to walk across some unfortunate home owner's spotless carpet!

One police officer led the resident towards the Custody suite for a look around, but when they arrived at the entrance door an emergency, Grade 1, call came in, so no time to deal with sightseeing or muddy boots, it was off to the car park for the resident's first ever blue lights ride.

The resident observed how busy the officers were, the extent of their professionalism and compassion when dealing with people in trouble and the closeness of their seamless teamwork in action.

In summary, the resident said, that he was very impressed with the professionalism and dedication shown by all the officers. They quickly and quietly went about their business almost without a break, were friendly to everybody they met, and when there was a lull in proceedings they patrolled areas where there have been incidents in the past. He found it reassuring to know that even if you don't actually see the police in your street (through closed curtains or because you were looking the other way) they are there keeping a wary eye open.

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