

It's starting to look a lot like Christmas!



## Christmas is coming!

With the festive season up and coming, the Community Safety Partnership has been very busy preparing for the winter break and the busy schedule for the New Year. It has been a productive year for the CSP and it looks to

continue into the New Year. There is plenty to look forward to and we would like to thank everybody involved for all their hard work. Merry Christmas.

## Community safety consultation

The CSP would like to thank everyone that took part in the community safety consultation so far. We have had over 150 responses with a positive outlook all around.

The majority of the responses reflect the figures that have been provided by the Police and our analyst.

The CSP's priorities are anti-social behaviour, domestic abuse and acquisitive crime.

72% of the responses said that acquisitive crime was either 'not a very big problem' or 'not a problem at all'. The Police have confirmed that burglary is at its lowest in 20 years!

Anti-social behaviour has also reduced over the last financial year and 74% of

the responses agree that this is not a problem.

Domestic abuse is the main issue where the responses do not reflect on the statistics provided. 90% of the responses believe that domestic abuse is not an issue. However, the Police have had a huge increase in the reporting of domestic abuse.

Domestic abuse is one of the toughest areas of crime to tackle and the CSP will continue to work on this next year.

The CSP will also continue to promote their brand in order to help show the residents the positive work that all the partners have done to tackle key issues.

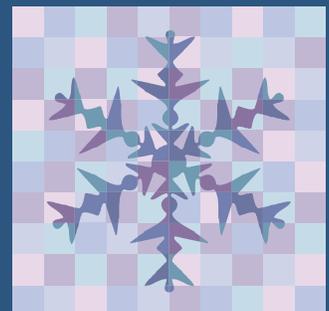
A further detailed report will be published in the future.

### Upcoming events:

- CHRISTMAS
- Firebreak
- Senior Safety Roadshows

### Our Partnership Promise

*To provide a meaningful platform for public and partners together, to address local problems, reduce crime and optimise quality of life in the Borough.*



## Domestic Abuse Awareness Fortnight



The Community Safety Team in Brentwood High Street

Domestic Abuse Awareness fortnight took place between Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

A number of things were done during the two week period throughout Brentwood to help raise awareness of domestic abuse.

Chief Inspector Denise Morrissey of Essex Police spoke on Phoenix Radio on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November to increase our profile and promote the good work the CSP is doing to raise awareness in Brentwood.

The CSP agreed to set up a stand in Brentwood High Street and to hand out information as well as talk to people about domestic abuse. This stall was set up at both Lighting Up Brentwood and Lighting Up Shenfield, reaching a potential audience of over 15,000. The

information available helped to sign post to support agencies and to educate people about what domestic abuse is.

All members of the CSP were given wrist bands, badges and other items to wear throughout the fortnight to spark conversation and to continue to raise awareness.



## Firebreak

The Young Persons Firebreak project was a huge success. 12 students from Brentwood schools all took part in the week long course. Not only has it had a positive effect on the students, the feedback received from the schools, students and the Essex Fire and Rescue Service has all been excellent. See below for more information regarding our future courses.



## PMNW

'Prison Me? No Way!' took place in both Shenfield High School and Brentwood County High School. The Mayor attended the morning session at Shenfield and thought the experience was fantastic. The event included high impact workshops, role plays, drama, and even entertainment. It is delivered to a full year group and highlights factually the possible consequences of becoming involved in anti-social or criminal behaviour. This includes knife crime, cell van, child exploitation, online protection, offender insights and much more.

## Crimestoppers

Crimestoppers is an independent UK registered charity that operates the anonymous **0800 555 111** phone number for anyone with information about crime who for whatever reason do not want to go to the police.

The phone number is for anyone with information about crime, who doesn't want to go to the police and reveal their identity. You will not be asked your name, your call is not traced or recorded and you do not have to go to court or give a statement.

For more information, visit [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

## Fearless

Fearless is the Crimestoppers brand for young people. It's the main way that 11-16 year olds will be introduced to the valuable service that Crimestoppers provides.

The Fearless team provide presentations and workshops which educate young people about crime that affects them. The main theme of the sessions is to highlight the choices and consequences related to crime which they'll face when growing up. For more information, visit [www.fearless.org](http://www.fearless.org)



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Effective Partnerships*

## What's up next?

**Christmas** is only around the corner, but there is no rest for the CSP. All of the partners will still continue to tackle our priorities and meet the needs of the public.

**Firebreak** has a proven track record for reducing anti-social behaviour and re-offending rates, whilst assisting with young people's personal and social development as shown in previous projects run across Essex.

The programme aims to promote a culture of safety and citizenship by providing a range of vital life skills whilst undertaking the disciplines of the Fire Service. Through the achievement of the above, the Firebreak project aims to allow young people the opportunity to develop personal, social, mental and physical skills, by providing them with the opportunity to participate in this type of cultural and diversionary activity.

Firebreak is taking place between the 19<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 2015.

**Senior Safety Road Shows** will be taking place in 2015. The CSP will be visiting various residential homes, coffee mornings and other elderly groups to continue to help these residents feel safe.

*Thank you for reading this  
newsletter!*



## Newsletter

Thank you for reading our newsletter. This will be the first of many and will be sent to you directly or can be found online at [www.saferbrentwood.com](http://www.saferbrentwood.com)

If you have any requests for what you would like to see in the newsletter please email Daniel Cannon.

Thank you!



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