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“Welcome to my first PCC newsletter of 2024. This edition brings you the latest news from my office, including how our Nottinghamshire campaign about consent went global, as well as recipients of my latest Community Chest funding.

**PCC Caroline Henry**



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## **New scheme launched to respond to antisocial behaviour**

People who commit antisocial behaviour or low-level crimes will be swiftly made to pay back the community in a new scheme being launched this month.

Immediate Justice will see offenders in high-visibility jackets picking up litter, removing graffiti or working in positive community projects such as soup kitchens or food banks in your neighbourhoods, right across Nottinghamshire.



The Home Office funded project is being led by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Nottinghamshire, working in partnership with Nottinghamshire Police and each of the local authorities across the city and county with referred offenders supervised by Red Snapper.

## **How to report antisocial behaviour**

To report antisocial behaviour in your neighbourhood, call Nottinghamshire Police on 101 or contact your local authority.

To report antisocial behaviour online to Nottinghamshire Police please [click here](#), or scan the QR code above.

In an emergency, you should always call 999.





# Latest news

## Nottinghamshire's A-Z of Consent conversation goes global

A thought-provoking sexual violence awareness campaign created in Nottinghamshire is now being taught in schools in Sierra Leone.

The A-Z of Consent, which can be seen emblazoned on trams, buses and tram stops across Nottingham, uses eye-catching images and messages, all based on different letters of the alphabet and each one designed to spark conversations on sexual consent.



## Incident inspired youth worker to help others stay safe

Being threatened while playing with her children in a park was what inspired a youth worker to educate others on the dangers of carrying a knife.

Amara, who is now a project lead for detached youth work with Al-Hurraya, was in a park in Aspley earlier this year, when she was confronted by a young person holding a knife.

Amara and her team now spend three nights a week out on the streets, doing four-hour shifts designated to ensuring young people are safe and feel safe in the area they live in. The detached youth work is funded by our Violence Reduction Partnership.

## Shop Watch radios help tackle youths climbing on roofs

I am really pleased to see the hugely positive effect our Shop Watch radio scheme is having on businesses in the Trent Bridge ward. Hearing directly from business owners on how having these radios to hand is helping them to report antisocial behaviour and prolific shoplifters directly to other businesses as well as the police is fantastic.

Alongside the Shop Watch Radio scheme we have also been able to invest in laptops for PCSOs to keep them out on the streets for longer, which is now being rolled out to all PCSOs at Nottinghamshire Police, among other initiatives.



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## Community Chest

A brand-new project in Stapleford is set to empower young people from mixed-race backgrounds to find their way in life.

'Mix and Blenz' has been launched by Chayah Development Project, and aims to help youngsters follow their dreams while solving issues that some mixed-race families within Nottinghamshire communities may face.

The project has been boosted by £10,000 of funding from my Make Notts Safe Community Chest grant.

Chayah are one of 12 organisations to have secured funding with more than £72,000 being distributed after applications for the latest round of the Community Chest opened in September.

## Crime-busting new CCTV cameras coming to Bingham

A busy market town is set to be made even safer by the addition of seven new CCTV cameras.

Bingham in Rushcliffe, which boasts a popular assortment of retail outlets, bars and restaurants will see the installation of CCTV covering the marketplace, main precinct, and central car park in a bid to tackle antisocial behaviour, vehicle crime, and violence against women and girls.

The new CCTV cameras will also give people an added peace of mind when they are out in these public spaces.

Rushcliffe Borough Council is due to install the cameras in the next few months, as part of our latest Safer Streets scheme.



## Coming together to tackle violence

The Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire Violence Reduction Partnership held its latest Stakeholder Reference Group event on December 12.

Partners from across the county came together to assess the continued work being done to keep people safe from serious violence.

Among the topics discussed was the success of the SpeakUpNotts survey which had more than 600 people take part, as well as an update on the Another Way project which launched earlier in 2023.





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## Bank Account Fraud

If transactions you haven't made show up on your bank statement bank account fraud has occurred. This could happen as a result of identify theft, when cards or bank account information has been stolen.

### Tips on how to protect yourself:

- Don't throw out anything with your name, address or financial details without shredding it first.
- If you receive an unexpected email or phone call from what appears to be your bank or building society asking for your security details, never reveal your full password, login details or account numbers.
- If you are concerned it is someone pretending to be your bank or credit card company, ask the caller to give you a main switchboard number for you to be routed back to them. Alternatively, hang up and call your bank back on the phone number printed on your statement.



- Check your statements carefully and report anything suspicious to your bank.
- Don't leave things like bills lying around your home.
- If you move house, always get Royal Mail to redirect your post.
- If you are expecting a bank or credit card statement and it doesn't arrive, tell your bank or credit card company.



## Have your say on police funding

I am responsible for setting the police budget and the amount raised each year from the council tax precept for policing. I have a challenging decision to make in 2024 given rising financial costs faced by households, partner agencies and the police service itself.

To take part in my online consultation, please scan the QR code on the front page or [click here](#).

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