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Targeted Activity

- Four simultaneous section 8 search warrants were executed at addresses in Farnworth, Bolton by NCT (Neighbourhood Crime Team), TAU (Tactical Aid Unit) and other Bolton specialist departments. Five males were arrested on suspicion of conspiracy to steal motor vehicles and handling stolen goods. Four males were charged for conspiracy to commit theft of motor vehicles. Two were remanded in custody – Josh JACKSON (15/08/91) and David SHEPLEY (18/06/79), two were released on tagged court bail – Connor FISHER (22/01/03) and Christian JACKSON (24/11/80), and one was put on pre-charge bail – Luke ROTHWELL (28/05/91).
- The week commencing Monday 3rd February was Hate Crime Awareness Week for Greater Manchester. No one should face hate, violence or abuse because of who they are, who they love, where they're from, what they look like or what they believe. If you've been a victim or witness of hate crime, report it and get support at www.letsendhatecrime.com

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Problem Solving

- A Section 34 Dispersal Order was implemented across Farnworth Town Centre on Saturday 1 February. This was authorised in response to increasing reports of anti-social behaviour (ASB) and large gatherings in the area. We want to ensure that those visiting and working in the area can do so without experiencing ASB or disorder.

The order was authorised to avoid large groups gathering and engaging in ASB. It remained in place from 19:00 – 01:00 on Sunday 2 February.

Engaging Communities

- The Bolton Neighbourhood Teams are hosting monthly drop-in surgeries in your area. Sign up to Bee in the Loop for more information on upcoming events in your area.
- Bolton Neighbourhood officers attended a Community Action Day in Horwich along with councillors, the fire service, Bolton Council enforcement, Horwich Clean-up Brigade, and the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.



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Good News

Bolton South neighbourhood team

Officers from Bolton South neighbourhood team secured a two-year CBO (Criminal Behaviour Order) against a prolific shoplifter frequenting in both Bolton town centre and Breightmet Retail Park.

Tackling illegal tobacco and illicit vapes

Bolton's Neighbourhood Teams joined partners on Monday 3 February to seize nearly one hundred canisters of nitrous oxide in addition to cannabis, illegal tobacco, and illicit vapes in a day of action. The group, which included local officers, trading standards, immigration officials, the fire service, and specialist sniffer dogs carried out the searches at six premises on Derby Road, Bolton, including restaurants, shops, and takeaways.

The activity was carried out to ensure that work was being conducted legally and within the confines of their licenses. This included dealing with reports of illegal activity that have come in from the local community, such as ASB, suspected drug-related criminality in the area, and more.

Immigration officials checked the legality of workers, police dogs checked for illegal tobacco and cash hordes, and the fire service checked to ensure buildings were adhering to the appropriate health and safety rules.

The day resulted in numerous positive results, including the recovery of 97 canisters of nitrous oxide gas from two vehicles which were identified by the sniffer dog team. In addition, a quantity of cannabis in snap bags was located, as well as illicit vapes which do not conform to UK standards. All were seized by police and trading standards.

Bolton West neighbourhood team

A section 8 search warrant was executed by the West Neighbourhood Team at an address in Westhoughton, as a direct result of intelligence received. During the search, boxes of cannabis / large amounts of THC vapes and a large amount of cash and designer watches were seized from the property with the occupant arrested and subsequently bailed.

Other News

Sergeant White visited Bolton Wanderers in The Community on Friday 31 January. This is a group for children aged 8 to 17 years old from Farnworth and the surrounding areas, where they can play football and develop new skills. This is an excellent opportunity for children to attend free of charge – you are welcome to just turn up and register your interest. Both sessions take place at St James' High School, Lucas Road.

- Wednesday – ages 8 to 11, from 4pm – 5pm.
- Friday – ages 12 to 17, from 5pm – 7pm.

For more information visit https://orlo.uk/BWiTC_9215V

Upcoming events / activities

- Bolton West PACT Meeting @ The Hub Westhoughton. 26th February 6pm – 7:30pm.



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