

## Thames Valley

### Neighbourhood Watch Association (TVNWA)

### AGENDA: 2026 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

### COMMITTEE REPORT



#### **Background:**

The TVNWA Committee is made up of a number of Area Representatives from across the Force Area. Over the last year this has included: Aylesbury Vale (Val McPherson); Bracknell & Wokingham (Paul Adkins); Milton Keynes (Nick King); Oxford (Katy Cockram who replaced the late Maggie Lewis), and West Berkshire (Angela Money), as well as new Treasurer Tracey Martin. The Committee currently functions without the formal officer roles of chair and secretary.

#### **Support:**

We are grateful to Matthew Barber, the Thames Valley Police & Crime Commissioner, for financial support which underpins our administration and work across the Force Area.

Key expenditure over the last 12 months has included a double-sided new leaflet featuring crime prevention advice and NW membership sign-up details to support existing and new Watch schemes; hi-viz street-signs and cable-ties; give-away items including branded personal alarms; packs of crime prevention literature, and a wide range of room and venue hire for meetings. These items are funded to support our Watch Coordinators and members, as well as helping engage with the wider public. Thankyou to the PCC.

#### **Some examples of our work:**

##### **West Berkshire (Angela Money):**

“There are now 682 approved schemes. 68 currently have no Coordinator so I am contacting residents in those areas to see if they can take on this role.

Highlights in my area have included a recruitment event at the Volunteer Centre in the Corn Exchange; holding regular Newbury/West Berkshire Neighbourhood Watch meetings, and there are plans to have a stand at the forthcoming Speen Fete.”

##### **Oxford (Katy Cockram)**

“Since I took over the role of Membership Support Administrator (MSA) for Oxford in November 2025 I have worked on updating the Oxford database and approved 2 new schemes. I can confirm there are a total of 155 Neighbourhood Watch schemes with another 2 new schemes in the process of being approved.

I have met with the Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) Single Points of Contact (SPOCs) for Neighbourhood Watch to introduce myself and discuss how we and the Neighbourhood Police can work together. As well as link up Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators with their PCSO SPOC in order that they can work together locally.

I have also delivered the new style Street Signs and window stickers to NHW Coordinators. If you would like any please contact me on [katynhwoxford@gmail.com](mailto:katynhwoxford@gmail.com)

If NHW coordinators in Oxford would like to be involved in Neighbourhood Watch week in 2027 please let me know.

### **Milton Keynes (Nick King)**

“Over the last 12 months we added about 40 new schemes, each with a new and approved volunteer Coordinator. National Neighbourhood Watch Week (the first week of June) remained our most successful and high profile period of MKNW and Police partnership activity, which resulted in a record 14 new schemes opened over June and July last year.

A closer, collaborative partnership was shown in December with joint event working with the MK City Council Safer Communities Team: again, a valuable opportunity to be visible in a variety of different communities.

Our relationship with the local neighbourhood Policing teams, from Inspector level to PCSO level, is working well. Not only working side by side sharing events together, leafleting and door-knocking to promote the Police Alerts emails and Neighbourhood Watch, but also our new initiative where a Police officer emails a welcome/thank you message to each new Watch scheme Coordinator.

Finally, in December our project “*Operation: Safer & Stronger Communities*” was successful receiving funding support from the MK Community Foundation. Thank you to them.

### **Princes Risborough & District (Val McPherson)**

Started 5 new schemes within the area. Every two months we have a TVP/NW meeting with our colleagues in Wycombe and our Inspector to discuss updates on crime issues across the Buckinghamshire area.

We join our local Neighbourhood Policing Team on “Have Your Say” (HYS) meetings which are held once a month. Last year and into the beginning of this year we have had stands outside our local Tesco and M & S supermarkets. We held our AGM/Community Event in June last year which was well attended and planning the next in June 2026.

Aylesbury: joined local Neighbourhood Police (town team) for HYS in Waitrose and Nat West & Friars Centre promoting crime prevention and NW.

South Bucks & Chilterns: started over 25 schemes since September 2025 to now. 5 of these are large area schemes mainly due to increase in burglary and car thefts.

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## **TREASURER’S REPORT (Tracey Martin)**

For the year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026, the Association received £25,247.91 in income, mainly from the PCC grant, and spent £3,661.64, resulting in an overall surplus of £21,586.27. All three funds remained in surplus at year end, with total reserves increasing to £41,166.10, fully supported by the bank balances shown.

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