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Parish - Baschurch

Community priorities:

- 1. Speeding
- 2. Rural crime
- 3. Anti-social behaviour

Priority 1. - Speeding

PCSO Hogg has been in touch with Andrew Woodthrope in relation to the speeding concerns within the village and Cllr Woodthorpe also provided further details of the areas of concern, and the VAS data for the signs located in Baschurch.

The areas of concern are identified as follow:

- Shrewsbury Road Baschurch which tends to peak past the Spar towards Prescot mini roundabout
- B4397 Ruyton Road, Cllr Woodthorpe did mention that the council are trying to get a TRO to help reduce the speed limit there.
- B4397 Station Road near to the two VAS signs and a bit further along eastwards towards the level crossing.
- Walford near the college despite the pedestrian crossing and Walford Heath.

Shrewsbury Road/Newtown is a current Trucam location and surveys, and enforcement is completed when possible, but Station Road isn't at present, although I have since been informed that this was

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requested some months ago, we are waiting on Road safety team to set it up, so once it's done, we can enforce with the TruCam there as well.

Newtown has been highlighted as a problematic area for some time now which is why the focus has usually been there, recently Walford Heath and Station Road have been brought to our attention and so we have acted accordingly and begun providing attention to those areas also as you can see from the below data:

- 20th September 13:00-14:00 Newtown average, 56 vehicles checked, 2 vehicles recorded at 31mph and an overall average speed of 28.82
- 24th September 10:50-11:20– Walford,71 vehicles checked, 1 vehicle recorded at 35mph, a further 8 recorded between 31-34mph and an overall average speed of 27.04mph
- 24th September 11:25-11:46 Newtown, 54 vehicles checked, 2 vehicles recorded at 35mph, a further 4 vehicles recorded between 31-34mph and an overall average speed of 27.25mph
- Survey was conducted on station Road last week but as it was October those details will be
 provided on next month's report along with the results from the enforcement on Newtown the
 same day.

Since the schools have returned there has been an increase in concerns over the safety of the children at the beginning and end of the day. These safety concerns surround the parking outside the school premises including yellow lines and within parking restricted areas, as well as the perceived speed in which vehicles are travelling.

There were several reports relating to both Baschurch schools and in response to this a speed survey was completed outside The Corbet School.

• 29th September 14:30-15:30 – Eyton Lane, outside the schools. 45 vehicles checked none of which exceeded the 20mph limit and showed an overall average speed of 13.75mph.

Notices have been sent out reminding people of the parking restrictions and to ensure they adhere to them to avoid prosecution. We are sympathetic to the fact that those school car parks have recently been closed off to parents, but as we now approach the end of the first term, there has been plenty of time to find alternative arrangements instead of unsafe parking.

PCSO Hogg has also been in contact with the roads safety team, asking for statistics and for them to attend the locations with their devices, a reply was received to state that the request had been forwarded to the traffic management advisor, but she is still awaiting a response from them.

Priority 2 - Rural crime

There have not been any rural crime reports for Baschurch directly but there was unfortunately been a spate of rural burglaries within the Ellesmere policing area during September.

These incidents have mostly been concentrated on rural businesses / Farms in areas such as Petton, Kenwick, Elson, Ellesmere, Lyneal and in nearby Myddle.

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At a few of these locations' entry had been gained to the residential properties, two of which the intruders were disturbed by the resident and a swift police response was provided with an area search conducted.

Items that have been stolen include coal, edibles, tools and equipment, generally items that can be carried or easily transported.

There is currently a significant ongoing investigation and if you are aware of any information or require crime prevention advice, please contact the local team.

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Priority 3 – Anti-social behaviour

There has only been one report of ASB during September, this was a report of youths running around Baschurch Allotments causing annoyance, Police attended, the youths were identified via CCTV and subsequently due to their ages, they were spoken to in company with a parent and advised of their behaviour and to not attend the allotments again.

Emerging trends - Requests for information - Other.

The team have held a number of police surgeries throughout September in Baschurch and surrounding areas, They have been dissapointed with low numbers of visitors but will continue to provide this service for the community, please encourage people to come along and have their say.

Below are the upcoming scheduled dates for October:

8th October 2025 – Baschurch Village Hall Car Park, 17:00-18:00

12th October 2025 – Ellesmere Town Hall, 16:00-17:00

13th October 2025 – Welsh Frankton Village Hall Car Park, 14:00-15:00

14th October 2025 – Ellesmere Well-being Pop Up, 09:30-11:30

15th October 2025 – Ellesmere Our Space Coffee Morning, 09:30-10:30

16th October 2025 – Welshampton Parish Hall car park, 15:30-16:30

27th October 2025 – Ellesmere Town Hall, 16:00-17:00

31st October 2025 – Cockshutt Millenium Hall car park, 10:00-11:00