



“Have your say” days

At the recent “Have Your Say” event (where residents give Partnership Officers their views of life in the area where they live) in Abbey ward, some residents complained of underage drinking in the local area. Officers from the City Council’s Community Safety Team joined the local Police Officers at Morrison’s supermarket, to advise adults not to purchase alcohol for under 18s. The Partnership Booklet “A Parent’s Guide to Alcohol” was given to many parents and alcohol unit calculators were handed to several adults.



Josie Dabbs from the City Council’s Community Safety Team, PC Andy Plant with Izzabell, Jay, PCSO Adam Poole and mum Kerry Bourne at Morrisons.

Many people do not realise that it is an offence to purchase alcohol for under 18s that could result in a fine of up to £5,000. The only exception is in a licensed premise and the young person is over 16 years and eating a meal with an adult. Underage drinking not only has serious health implications for young people, it leaves them vulnerable and is often a major contributory factor to anti-social behaviour, which impacts all members of the community.

If you would like a copy of the booklet “A Parent’s Guide to Alcohol”, please contact the Safer Gloucester Partnership on 01452 396984 or email: cdpartnership@gloucester.gov.uk.

Alcohol Seizure

Ironically, shortly after leaving Morrisons, the same police officers were called to Paygrove Lane Park where they seized a large amount of alcohol from a female aged 16 years. The girl explained that a friend over 18 years old had bought it for them with money the group had pooled together.



Alcohol seized from 16 year old

In total there were 96 units of alcohol - the equivalent advised weekly limit of 7 fully grown women.

Safer Gloucester Partnership is looking at ways of combating such behaviour by contacting off licences and raising awareness with young people of the dangers of alcohol consumption.

Partnership Report and Future Priorities

Safer Gloucester Partnership will shortly be publishing a report of its activity over the period of the 2008 – 2011 delivery plan on the Partnership website www.safergloucester.co.uk.

The delivery plan stating priorities for the Partnership for 2011/12 will also be on the website, together with details of the Partnership structure and action groups.

Information about the progress of the Partnership activity will be given at the Community Safety Panel meeting in the North Warehouse on September 14th at 1900 hours.

Recycle With Care

Safer Gloucester Partnership is using Bluetooth technology to spread the message of recycling safely in order to avoid identity theft.

There have been instances recently of residents in the Barton area having their recycling boxes searched for details with the purpose of stealing identity. Safer Gloucester Partnership set a message on a special portable Bluetooth device in order to pass a warning to residents. Police officers took the machine as they travelled around Barton and a message was transmitted to anyone with Bluetooth switched on on their phone advising residents to take care with recycling personal paperwork.

Many utility and other bills through the mail contain personal information such as name, address, telephone number, possibly mobile telephone numbers and even details of loans and bank details. Bills relating to the renewal of car insurance may contain information on the vehicle you drive: make, model and even registration number.

When recycling these bills we should make every effort to ensure that it is as difficult if not impossible for a thief to make sense of the information. Always shred all bills and destroy the envelopes separately, removing any labels that can be reused. Check the insides of all envelopes to ensure that there are no small notes or compliment slips left behind.

Don't Lose Your Sat Nav To Car Thieves

With satellite navigation systems becoming more popular with motorists, they are also becoming more popular with criminals.

Where your sat nav is portable, keep it safe by taking it, together with the support cradle and suction pads, with you when you leave the car. Also, remember to wipe away any marks left by the suction pad on the windscreen or dashboard. Don't leave the equipment in the glove compartment – thieves will usually check there first.

Don't leave anything on view in your car – thieves are opportunists and it only takes them moments to break into it.

Lock all doors and windows when leaving your car – don't forget the sunroof!

Never leave the keys in your ignition when you leave the car unattended – even when you are paying for petrol.

Burglary Leaflet

Safer Gloucester Partnership have commissioned artist Chris Altham to design a burglary leaflet with an attractive and amusing cartoon picture on the front cover. The purpose of the design is to raise awareness of the serious issue of burglary together with the appropriate crime prevention advice without raising the fear of crime.



Checkout the Safer Gloucester Partnership website's projects or advice and information pages and see if you can spot the errors in the "Burglary made easy" page – then of course look at the "Burglary made hard" to find the security information you need for a safe and secure home!

Let's Come Together

Gloucestershire Advisory Support Panel in association with Gloucestershire Constabulary are organising Let's Come Together - a community sports and fun day for all the family. The event will take place on Wednesday 1st June 2011 from 3pm – 7pm at Gloucester Academy, Estcourt Campus, Estcourt Road, Gloucester. The event promises to be a fantastic **FREE** fun event with 5-A-Side tournament*, netball tournament*, bungee run, sumo suits, gladiator jousting, climbing wall, 2-on-2 football cage, music and food. And if you are not too keen on sport there will be a quiz - with prizes!

There will be a Safer Gloucester stand with crime prevention advice and information and a quiz for adults around home security and for children about personal safety.

Don't miss out – it promises to be a great event. If you would like to enter a team in the football or netball tournaments please contact Dean on 07828712432 or Natasha on 07921816419 or email Letscometogetherjune@yahoo.co.uk. Teams must be registered by 27th May.