

## EAST BRIDGFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Over the past 12 months our Scheme has continued to operate under the control of three Joint Head Co-ordinators being Paul Bancroft, David Barnsdale and Derek Atkinson.

Including the Joint Head Co-ordinators, the Scheme has 27 Co-ordinators and provides cover for the whole of East Bridgford. There are currently four vacancies to cover remaining areas of the village.

Co-ordinators meetings are held every 6 months to discuss previous activities and the way forward. Articles are written for publication in the Village Magazine each month and the village website is kept up to date with messages. In June additional information was introduced in the village magazine articles which take in to consideration the amount of Anti social Behaviour activities which are reported to the Police.

Steve Mathias and Sally Charles our current Beat Manager and local PCSO have held successful monthly Beat Surgeries at the Methodist Church, although over the last few months these have not been attended by the Police. Any concerns from villagers have been fed back through Emails via Co-ordinators.

Villagers are actively encouraged to find out what is happening in and around their area by signing up to the Rushcliffe Community website which gives local updates on crimes, incidents and advice. The website which can be found at <a href="http://www.rushcliffecommunity.co.uk">http://www.rushcliffecommunity.co.uk</a> highlights any bogus activities and make people aware of local crime.

Crime levels in the village over the last year have been erratic, varying between 2 and 11 incidents a month. Average crimes over the year have decreased slightly from 5.8 incidents per month in 2010 to 5.1 for 2011, although the Rushcliffe Community Watch website is now up and running since last year.

For comparative purposes the 12 month moving averages are shown below:-

End of March 2009 5.2 crimes per month End of March 2010 5.8 crimes per month End of March 2011 5.1 crimes per month

The continuation of the Scheme is due to the ongoing commitment and dedication of our Street Co-ordinators and the strong support and encouragement received from the Parish Council.

P Bancroft Joint Head Co-ordinator April 2011