

New joint patrolling partnership between Thames Valley Police and the Civil Nuclear Constabulary

News story

The new partnership with police officers from the Civil Nuclear Constabulary (CNC) will increase the policing presence within the South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse local area.



L-R: Insp Nick Cain, Supt Dave Horsburgh, Chief Supt Graham Bell, Insp Chris Logan

The CNC is currently responsible for the protection of civil nuclear sites and has jurisdiction over the surrounding area of the Harwell Magnox site. Officers from each force will regularly patrol together to respond to calls received by Thames Valley Police, as well as undertake proactive duties and local neighbourhood patrols, whilst ensuring that the CNC's primary and critical role of protecting national infrastructure from any threat is maintained.

The initiative will give Thames Valley Police a greater range of resources to help keep the local area safe and enhance the already close and effective working relationship between both forces. The CNC officers bring a wealth of experience with them and are trained as medics, who can provide initial emergency medical care at a scene, should the situation arise.

Local Police Area Commander for South & Vale, Supt Dave Horsburgh said: "This enhanced collaboration will provide additional support to Thames Valley officers in protecting the public and increasing visibility provided by both forces to the local community. It will also enable officers from CNC to develop their proactive working relationships and utilise their valuable specialist skills within the local area.

"I know the public are often keen to see more officers on the streets and I

hope this provides some reassurance that we are listening to their feedback and putting practical solutions in place to address their concerns.”

Southern Divisional Commander, Ch Supt Graham Bell said: “I very much welcome this initiative, which will provide excellent opportunities for our officers from Harwell whilst also supporting our colleagues from TVP and through this, offer improved levels of cover for the local community. Although our priority remains the security of the Harwell Magnox site, I look forward to us supporting these joint patrols as often as possible.”

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