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I am just about to enter my last year of Police service and to say that times have changed since I joined would be a vast understatement. The Police service is rightly more customer focused than it used to be and we listen more carefully to members of the public. We aim to deliver the right service the first time.

I know that a lot of village people would still like to have a village bobby living amongst them in the Police house, that this is no longer the norm has certainly been one of the major changes since I joined. Today we work as part of a team where we all concentrate on the issues that concern us. It is often better that two or three of us hit a problem rather than leaving a lone Policeman to cope. Crime across the area has continued to fall and this is surely good news.

The PACT (Partners and Communities Together) has undergone a slight shake-up but has emerged as strong as ever and has been very well supported. Please continue to attend to make sure your views and concerns are listened to.

There are still issues within the village that centre around speeding and you may have seen officers conducting speed checks of late. Several people who were reported for offences do live in the local area.

Nuisance youths is always an issue and is one of the three PACT priorities, a lot of time has been spent investigating crime in Southam usually on a Friday night, which is being caused by youths some of whom live in Harbury. I suppose the issue of nuisance youths is never going to go away but as always I appeal to parents to make sure that they know where their children are and if possible assist them in behaving.

As always it is a pleasure to work in Harbury. Thank you for your support.

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