

## **Community Policing Update**

*Trimley St Martin Parish Council – April 2026*

Please accept my apologies for not being able to attend this meeting in person. I have provided the following update to introduce myself and share information about local policing activity.

My name is PC Arlene Ell, and I am a Police Constable with the Community Policing Team, based in Felixstowe. I cover Trimley St Martin as part of the Martlesham and Orwell Ward.

I joined the Community Policing Team in November 2025, having previously worked in Response Policing. Since then, I have been getting to know the area, building links with local residents, parish representatives, and partner organisations, and attending community events. My aim is to be a visible, approachable officer who residents feel comfortable talking to.

Community policing focuses on prevention, engagement, and early intervention, rather than responding only after incidents have occurred.

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### Contacting the Police

If you would like to contact me directly when I am on duty:

- Email: [Arlene.Ell@suffolk.police.uk](mailto:Arlene.Ell@suffolk.police.uk)
- Mobile: 07870 569035

Please note that crimes and requests for police attendance should continue to be reported through normal channels:

- 101 (or 999 in an emergency)
- Online reporting via the Suffolk Constabulary website

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### Local Matters

#### Speeding

Speeding remains a concern in the parish, particularly along Trimley High Road.

Later this month, I will be completing refresher training which will allow me to carry out occasional speed enforcement checks in the area. These will be conducted at varying times to help encourage safer driving.

Residents who may be interested in setting up a Community Speed Watch group can contact me for further information. This scheme allows trained volunteers to work alongside the police to raise awareness of speeding issues. All equipment and training are provided by Suffolk Constabulary, and Parish Council support is required.

These are alongside the dedicated speeding resources deployed by the constabulary.

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### Trimley Marshes

I have recently met with the site warden and established contact with the security team responsible for Trimley Marshes. I will be carrying out regular patrols, particularly during the warmer months, to help deter anti-social behaviour and ensure the area remains safe and welcoming for everyone.

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### Community Engagement

I am regularly in Trimley on patrol and attend local coffee groups, including:

- Tea & Chat, Trimley Methodist Church
- Café 10 at St Martin's Church

These sessions provide an informal opportunity for residents to raise local concerns, ask questions, and share feedback.

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### Trimley Annual Fete – 4 July

I will be attending the Trimley Annual Fete with colleagues. There will be a police stand, a marked police vehicle, and a range of information and family-friendly activities. I look forward to meeting residents on the day.

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### Crime Overview (Last 28 Days)

- 8 crimes recorded
- No reports of anti-social behaviour
- 3 road-related offences

Two of the recorded crimes involved a residential burglary and an attempted burglary, which occurred between 18 and 21 March. Residents are encouraged to remain vigilant and ensure homes are properly secured. Crime prevention advice is available on request.

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If you have any questions, concerns, or would like further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,  
PC Arlene Ell  
Community Policing Team  
Suffolk Constabulary