



**News**

April 2022

April has been a very proactive month for the NH25 & NH26 Beat Teams. The ongoing issues of ASB, Drugs and inconsiderate parking/speeding being top of the list. However, it has also been a month tinged with great sadness and the loss of a much loved and respected Chief Constable.

**A TRIBUTE TO SIMON COLE**

With great sadness the force is paying tribute to former Chief Constable Simon Cole QPM, who died this week.

Simon, 55, had recently retired and had served in policing for 30 years. He was found dead at his home address in Kibworth Harcourt on 30 March.

The matter has been referred to the Coroner.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of Simon's family and friends at this difficult time.

Temporary Chief Constable Rob Nixon said: "It is hard to put into words how devastating this news is for the entire force who loved and respected Simon. Our hearts go out to his family at this difficult time and we will support them as much as we can.

"I know Simon had a great impact on many of the communities of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland and his death will be a great loss to many of the people he worked with.

"All we can do is pull together and mourn the loss of a greatly respected man."

A public book of condolence is being established via the force website.



**Proactive work from the team #YouSaidWeDid:**

**YOU SAID:** Reports of a Cannabis grow

**WE DID:** Your local Neighbourhood team attended a factory unit on Fleming Rd, Hinckley to execute a drugs warrant following information received from our community.

Upon gaining entry, officers located an industrial sized 'cannabis grow' With plants being grown throughout the entire building.

The plants were ready to be processed and had an estimated street value Of £2m!

An Albanian male was located on the premises and promptly arrested. He remains in prison awaiting trial.

Several days were spent at the location clearing the contents and ensuring it was all destroyed.

This was a substantial find and will now no longer make it onto the streets. and those involved will clearly be suffering a significant financial loss!

Further enquiries are being undertaken to identify others involved.

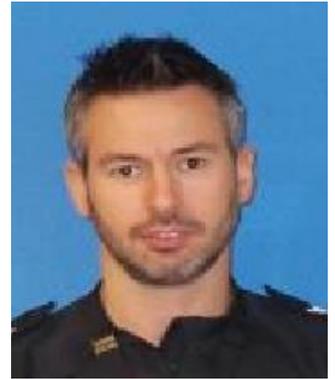


## Your Beat Team

Your local beat team for Hinckley are based at Hinckley Police Station and Wykin House. We work a variable shift pattern 7 days a week between 8am and 3am. We focus on problem solving and partnership working across the area and are keen to hear your views matters to you.

Both the Greater Hinckley and Hinckley Town Centre Beat Teams are managed by PS 2100 James Cross

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