# Local Policing Unit Newsletter



**Creamfields Special Edition** 

June 2024

## **Policing the Creamfields event**

This newsletter contains important information relating to the policing of the Creamfields music festival, which takes place from Thursday 22 August to Sunday 25 August 2024.

Throughout the weekend, Cheshire police will be here for you with a dedicated team of community officers addressing specific concerns of residents and dealing with any community policing issues arising directly from the event.

Over the weekend it will be 'business as usual' within the local policing areas of Warrington and Runcorn, so the dedicated team of community officers is above and beyond the normal service that residents would receive.

Our local policing units have been engaging with local residents, and as always any feedback received has been considered to help shape our policing approach at this event.

Our main priorities are to ensure the safety of festival goers and to minimise disruption for residents during the event, as well as deal with any crime or disorder associated with the festival.

We are also supporting Creamfields with their plans to deter trespassing and keep people safe once the festival comes to an end.

- There will be an increased police presence working in collaboration with Creamfields' security who will be enforcing trespassing laws and swiftly addressing any breaches of security.
- Officers will also be in and around the local community speaking to people about the dangers of trespassing after the event has finished.
- As with any large-scale event, we anticipate some level of disruption for residents, particularly on roads in the local area.
- However, we want to reassure residents that we will be doing all we can to minimise any impact.
- We will not accept any criminal behaviour which poses a risk to event attendees, staff or the wider community during or after the event - and will be working hard, alongside Creamfields, to make sure everyone can enjoy the festival safely and respectfully.



#### **Alcohol Free Zones**

Festival goers are also being reminded that the area around the site is an 'Alcohol Free Zone'.

We will take positive action against anyone found to be breaking the rules. Alcohol will be confiscated, and appropriate action will be taken.

#### Anti-social behaviour

This will not be tolerated. Officers will be utilising powers under the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 to deal with anyone causing a nuisance to the local community.

#### **Road congestion**

This year's event opens on Thursday 22 August and the majority of festival goers are likely to be heading for the site throughout Thursday and Friday morning, and then leaving on Monday. These are the times when residents can expect some congestion on local roads.

A detailed traffic management plan has been produced by the organisers of the event in consultation with Cheshire police to deal with the increased traffic over the weekend.

#### **Project Servator**

Project Servator aims to deter, detect and disrupt a range of criminal activity, including terrorism. Our officers are experienced and specially trained to spot the tell-tale signs that someone is planning or preparing to commit an act of crime.

There is nothing to suggest that Creamfields will be the target of this type of incident, but as local residents you can help us to make sure of it.

Please report anything that doesn't feel right, for example, an unattended item or someone acting suspiciously, by telling a police officer, using our online form, or calling 999 if it's an emergency.

### **Key Contact Information**

#### **Creamfields Resident Liaison Team**

Any issues arising over the event weekend or leading up to the event (such as noise, litter, traffic, etc) we recommend visiting **www.creamfields.com/residents** where you will find key information and relevant updates and contact details.

You can reach out to the Resident liaison team on residents@cream.co.uk or call 0207 688 8900

This is being staffed by the organisers of the event in the build-up and throughout the Bank Holiday weekend during the following times:

- Monday 5 Wednesday 21 August, 8am – 8pm
- The line will be operational 24hrs from 8am on Thursday 22 until 8pm on Monday 26 August.
- The line will open 8am 8pm,
   Tuesday 27 and Wednesday 28 August.

For any policing issues that arise directly from the event please report...

- Online at: www.cheshire.police.uk
- Call 101 (the police non-emergency number) and inform the operator that it is a Creamfields related issue.
- In an emergency always dial 999.
- Anonymously, to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

#### Social media channels

X and Facebook

- Cheshire Police @Cheshirepolice
- Warrington Local Policing Unit @PoliceWarr
- · Runcorn Local Policing Unit @PoliceRuncorn