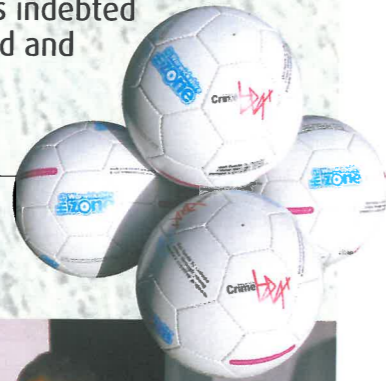


## Warwickshire Crimebeat Catches World Cup Fever!

Having steadily built its operational base and secured some brilliant sponsorship, Warwickshire Crimebeat Steering Group felt in Autumn 2009 it was ready to expand its field of operation. To achieve this we needed to spread the word of the availability of funds particularly in areas of maximum impact for community support. It is well known the tremendous contribution that our football clubs within the county make to supporting and developing our young people and the ambitions they have to engage youngsters not just in sport. Linking up with them would mean we would have almost 'at a stroke' enthusiastic and committed ambassadors who would know about Warwickshire Crimebeat, the availability of its funds and be able to direct them into the core of our communities.

500 match quality footballs were obtained, with the Warwickshire Crimebeat logo and contact details on together with the logos of our key supporters Positive about Young People and Warwickshire Police. We attended football matches and gave away footballs to forge the partnership between clubs and Crimebeat. The first match was at Nuneaton Football Club - Chairman, Ian Neale and the High Sheriff, Lady Kilmaine, kicked off the campaign. Next Leamington FC, Club Chairman Jim Scott, assisted by the new High Sheriff, Richard Hardy, did the honours. Then we were at Atherstone Town FC, Chairman, Howard Kerry, and Crimebeat Steering Group Chairman, Royce Farr, officiating. The enthusiasm of the football clubs has been phenomenal. Warwickshire Crimebeat is indebted to them for the brilliant support received and the increase in project applications. Now that's a result!



## Achievements 2009/2010

- Total projects supported since inception - **213** as of today
- Total funds allocated since inception - over **£110,000.00**
- Total projects supported during the fiscal year 2009/10 - **21**
- Total funds allocated during this financial year - **£11,742.67**

## Quotes from projects this year that fall within the Every Child Matters five outcomes

### Enjoy and achieve (Project / Hansel and Gretel)

*"We did not realise how supportive every single member of our school community would be. The children are now so excited about next year's play."*

### Stay safe (Project / Beat bullying cyber mentors)

*"Empower young people to do something positive about online bullying and also impact on other forms of bullying in school. It will specifically target out of hours bullying more effectively."*

### Positive contribution (Project / Croft junior)

*"We focussed our project on those closer to us, such as peers in school, family members and young people in our local community."*

### Economic well being (Project / Choices)

*"We know that some young people are making the wrong choices in life through peer pressure, crime and other issues. We decided to make a DVD showing that if you make the right choice in life then their standard of life will be more positive and crime really does not pay."*

### Being healthy (Project / Tell, tell, tell)

*"The project was about anger and sharing feelings instead of getting angry."*

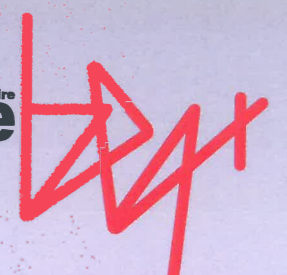
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## Celebrating Warwickshire's young community heroes

Six groups of young people who made a positive contribution to Warwickshire's communities have been recognised at the annual Crimebeat High Sheriff Awards ceremony.

The ceremony, presented by the High Sheriff of Warwickshire Richard Hardy, recognises the projects that are helping young people stay safe and offer positive activities to engage in within their communities. The six projects received their award at Hatton Country World on Thursday 24 June:

### Share your problem

A project to encourage children to share their problems to reduce angry feelings.

(Positive about Young People, Nuneaton)

### Choices

The young people aim to educate other young people using a DVD that demonstrates the impact of being involved with criminal activities.

(Positive about Young People, Rugby)

### Tell, tell, tell

The ethos of protective behaviours encourage children to access their support networks and highlight significant adults around them.

(Positive about Young People, Nuneaton)

### Famous for nothing

Young people who want the community to know that they respect their community and also promote anti bullying through graffiti artwork.

(Positive about Young People, Whitnash)

### Respect recorder group

The group's aim is to deliver a message of respect through performances in their community. Other students are encouraged to take part and continue the project.

(Rokeby Primary School, Rugby)

### Beat bullying cyber mentors

Twenty-four students were trained on the issues of cyber bullying and now peer mentor other young people experiencing bullying during and out of school hours.

(Kineton High School, Kineton)



Each project tackles a range of issues including bullying, drugs, graffiti or anti-social behaviour. They improve the lives of young people and make a positive impact on communities.

Crimebeat, a charity funded by the High Sheriff of Warwickshire and the private sector, is managed by Warwickshire County Council's Positive about Young People programme. It aims to reduce crime, the fear of crime and to create safer communities and a better environment. This initiative enables and empowers young people to make a real difference and also encourages them to feel part of their communities.

The High Sheriff of Warwickshire, Richard Hardy, said:

*"It cannot be stressed enough how important Warwickshire Crimebeat is in encouraging young people to engage in activities to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour within their communities.*

*I find the energy and imagination that goes into creating projects incredibly inspiring and all of those involved should be very proud of their achievements."*

Michael Maguire, Head of Warwickshire County Council's Positive about Young People programme, said:

*"As always, young people have been involved with some fantastic Crimebeat projects enabling them to make a positive contribution to their community.*

*It has been another bumper year and the groups nominated are just an example of the work happening across the county."*

Cllr Heather Timms, Warwickshire County Council's Portfolio Holder for children, young people and families, added:

*"It is wonderful to see young people embracing opportunities such as these and understanding the role they play in creating positive communities.*

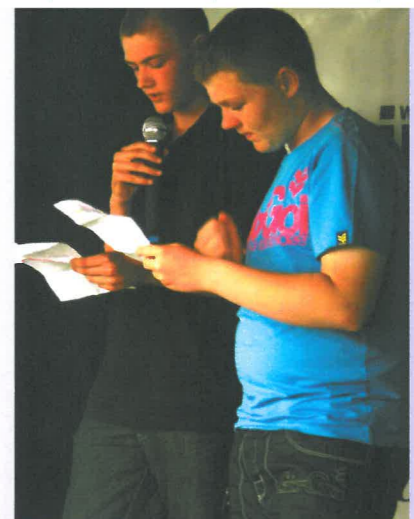
*They should be very proud of what they have achieved and I am sure the great work will continue."*

Warwickshire Crimebeat is continually looking for groups of young people to apply for funding. For more information contact: Mark Bolton, Operations Development Manager, on 024 7675 4174 or e-mail [markbolton@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:markbolton@warwickshire.gov.uk)

For more information regarding Warwickshire County Council's Positive about Young People programme or to find out how to apply for funding from Warwickshire Crimebeat, visit: [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/payp](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/payp)



Richard Hardy, High Sheriff



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