

SUMMARY OVERVIEW – 3E INTERACTIONS, WARNINGS AND FIXED PENALTY NOTICES RELATING TO COVID-19 REGULATIONS



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Period covering 31 December 2020 - 26 January 2021

This report covers the period from **31 December 2020 to 26 January 2021**. From the 29 December 2020, the Government announced a third national lockdown with associated restrictions placed upon the public.

As this is the third national lockdown which we have all experienced, we now expect the public to have a good understanding about what they can and cannot do. Whilst our policing approach remains one of engaging with communities, explaining the law and encouraging people to adhere to the rules ('3E interactions'), we will move quickly to enforcement action where we see people blatantly breaking and flouting the law and issue fines where it is appropriate to do so.

The message from the Government, the NHS and Public Health England is clear – stay home, protect the NHS and save lives, only leaving home to go out in line with the limited exceptions permitted by the law.

During this timeframe (31/12/20 – 26/01/21) Wiltshire Police created **1,213 COVID-19 logs** - an increase of 537 logs (+79%) from the last period, which includes online reports relating to COVID-19. Of these, Wiltshire Police received **29 (+6) calls for assistance** to help enforce the face covering legislation from businesses and concerned members of the public.

Wiltshire Police have issued **104 COVID-related FPNs** during this period. The overwhelming majority of these were issued in relation to people being in groups of more than two, in either an outdoor or indoor space, contravening the current lockdown restrictions.

Wiltshire Police have so far issued **three FPNs** to individuals not wearing a face covering in public. Wiltshire Police have, in total, issued **three FPNs** to individuals who were required to self-isolate either after testing positive or being advised by Track and Trace.

During this time frame Wiltshire Police have engaged in **76 3E's interactions**, 49 of those were with large groups, 13 for people not wearing masks and 14 for people failing to isolate. Additionally Wiltshire Police have issued **339 COVID warnings**.

Please visit www.gov.uk/coronavirus to keep up to date with the restrictions in place and how they may impact you and your families.

Stay Home, Protect the NHS and Save Lives