

Police drop in 'Surgery'

Talk to a Great Yarmouth Gay Liaison

Officer in confidence

PC Emma Story and PCSO Cibebe De Matos will be holding a fortnightly police drop in 'surgery' for issues facing the minority communities in the Great Yarmouth area, including anyone from the LGBT community. The drop ins will be held on the following dates: Tues 30th Sep from 10 am to 1pm, Tues 14th Oct 10 am to 1pm and Tues 28th Oct from 10 am to 1pm and fortnightly thereafter. The drop ins will be held at the 'Comeunity' Centre, 143 King Street, Great Yarmouth.

Norfolk Constabulary Gay Liaison Officer

PC Val Green is a Gay Liaison Officer with Norfolk Constabulary.

She wants to know about issues which affect the local LGBT community and wants to encourage the reporting of homophobic incidents. Help Norfolk Constabulary to help you, tell Val what is happening. If you want to speak to Val please contact her at A/PS 831 Val green, Diversity Sergeant, CDC and partnerships, Norfolk Constabulary, Jubilee House, Falconer's Chase, Wymondham, Norfolk, NR18 0WW. Tel: 01953 423804, 0845 456 4567 or email: greenval@norfolk.pnn.police.uk

True Vision - report-it.org.uk



Norfolk Constabulary's own definition of a homophobic incident is 'an incident that is deemed to be homophobic by the victim or anyone else'. This means that even a witness of a homophobic incident can report it to the police, even if the victim is reluctant to. Reporting a homophobic crime doesn't mean that the police will pursue it even if you don't want them to. You can now report anonymously and even without going to a police station. True vision packs are available in gay venues and services across the county. They contain information on how to get help and a simple reporting form which you fill in and post back. You can give as little or as much info as you like and the police will not contact you unless you ask them to on the form. True vision will give a clearer picture of the extent of the problem we have in Norfolk and give the police more evidence to back up giving resources to help combat hate crime. You can even report on line at www.report-it.org.uk

Norfolk Constabulary On Cruising Website!

Do you use cruising sites in Norfolk? Have you been the

victim of a crime but are too afraid to come forward? Is there anything you would like to ask the police about cruising and the law etc? If you answer yes to any of these questions then we have a way for you to contact us in complete confidence and anonymity. Norfolk Police takes any form of hate crime seriously and would always ask that people report it to us. We understand that this might be difficult for some people, especially if your partner or family does not know you use cruising sites or that you may be gay or bisexual. We have now set up a page on The Cruising Ground website (www.thecruisingground.com) where you can ask questions or give information. Once on the site you click on 'gay cruising', 'Britain (excluding Ireland)', 'Police Information and Advice' then 'Norfolk Constabulary'. This will take you into Norfolk's page.

Norfolk Constabulary is committed to stamping out hate crime. We would urge anyone who has been a victim to report it. If you don't report it we can't help. **You can also do this by;** Reporting it directly to a police station. Call main number 08450 456 4567 (if it's an emergency call 999) or on our website www.norfolk.police.uk

News @ TEN has been informed by Norfolk Constabulary that there have been reports made to the police of sexual activity in the male public toilets in Tombland and Chapelfield gardens. The Police will have to act upon these reports and will be monitoring the areas for the foreseeable future. Norfolk Constabulary advise all regular users of the toilets for sex to avoid both locations.

Are you lesbian, gay, bi or trans – or do you think you might be? Do you think that there ought to more things for lesbian, gay, bi or trans people to do? Do you think that local councils, the police and health services ignore people who are lesbian, gay, bi or trans?

A small group of people who work for organisations concerned with lesbian, gay bisexual and trans people are trying to change all this. But before there can be any pressure for change, we need to know a bit more about the local population and its needs. Please complete the following questionnaire to help us. It is confidential unless you want to identify yourself. If there are any questions you do not want to answer, please ignore them. Feel free to continue on a separate piece of paper if you want to. Once you have filled it in, please cut it out & send it back to:

TEN, Freepost ANG8231, Norwich, NR1 1YX (no stamp required)

Please give us the first part of your postcode (eg NR1; IP22)	
Please tell us your age	
How do you describe your sexual orientation?	Lesbian <input type="checkbox"/> Gay <input type="checkbox"/> Bisexual <input type="checkbox"/> Straight <input type="checkbox"/>
How do you describe your gender?	Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/>
Is this the same as the gender assigned to you at birth?	Yes/No
Are you in any form of employment?	Yes/No
Do you have any form of disability?	Yes/No
If so, please tell us simply what it is	
If you have a religion how do you describe it?	
How do you describe your ethnic origin?	
Do you use any “gay” facilities or services that are aimed specifically at gay men, lesbians or trans people? If so, please tell us which they are and how frequently you use them.	
Do you use any facilities or services that are “gay friendly”? If so, please tell us which they are and how frequently you use them.	
If you do not use any “gay” facilities or services please tell us why.	
What sort of services or facilities for gay men or lesbians do you think should be provided in Norfolk?	
And whereabouts in Norfolk should what you have suggested be provided?	
If what you have suggested were provided would you use it?	
Do you want to be kept informed about this project as it develops? If so, please give us your name and either a phone number, an email or an address where we can contact you.	