



Durham Constabulary

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PUBWATCH SCHEME WELCOMES 40TH MEMBER

The Consett Pubwatch scheme has just welcomed its 40th member in the shape of the totally-refurbished Travellers Rest pub in the town's Forster Street.

The pub, run by owner manager Simon Cartmell, has been virtually rebuilt from the ground up using reclaimed materials. Now it has re-opened, it has become part of Pubwatch.

Pubwatch is a national scheme which aims to achieve a safer social drinking environment in all licensed premises throughout the UK, helping to reduce alcohol-related crime.

In Consett licensees meet once a month to discuss incidents with licensing officials, police and guest agencies. Together they can ban individuals from the members' premises. The individual is informed and their name and identity circulated to the member premises. There are currently 44 individuals excluded from the Consett Pubwatch premises, with bans ranging from 6 to 18 months.

The chair of the Consett Pubwatch is Alan Marshall, licensee of the Duke of Wellington, Medomsley Road, Consett contactable on 01207 506978.

PC Alan Patterson, of the Consett beat team, said: "We're delighted to welcome our 40th member to Consett Pubwatch. This partnership working with licensees makes a real difference to our efforts to curb alcohol-fuelled crime and disorder in the Consett area."

Note: PC Patterson and licensee Simon Cartmell are happy to be photographed at the refurbished pub – contact PC Patterson direct to make arrangements. Tel: 0345 60 60 365 ext 664 2438.

For further details about the scheme, contact the chair of Consett Pubwatch Alan Marshall, licensee of the Duke of Wellington, Consett, on 01207 506978.

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