

Police hold surgery at Watford mosque

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Police have hailed the success of a neighbourhood surgery, which was held at a Watford mosque.

Officers attended the North Watford Mosque on Friday to meet worshippers, give out crime prevention advice and field questions.

There was over 250 worshippers at the mosque and more than 30 people signed up to neighbourhood watch schemes.

PC James Irlen from the North Watford Safer Neighbourhood Team, said: "Beat surgeries are held in all areas to give our residents an opportunity to meet us and find out what we're doing to keep the area in which they live safe, as well as letting us know what concerns they have so we can take that information away and try to resolve them.

"This is the second of its type we've had at the mosque and it's proving extremely beneficial. It was the most successful beat surgery I've ever conducted.

"We're doing lots of work in the area to build engagement between the public and the police, and the feedback from these events is really positive.

"We've received an invite from the Mosque to return and carry out another event, which we will arrange in the near future."

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