

Operation Falcon continues to get results.

Police officers involved in Operation Falcon received welcomed news recently with regard to the sentencing of two drug dealers who had been operating in Bracknell Forest. Vincent Soloman, 19, of Stockwell South London, pleaded guilty and was sentenced last week in respect of possession of Heroin with intent to supply and possession of a lock knife. Soloman was sentenced to two years and two months in a young offenders institution in January 2007.

In an unrelated incident Gareth Harding, 23, of Winnington Road, Enfield, Middlesex, was sentenced in January after pleading guilty to possession of heroin and crack cocaine with intent to supply.

He was given a 12-month community order, 9-month drug rehabilitation order, 12-month supervision order and ordered to attend a drug intervention programme.

Harding was sat in a motor vehicle in the Birch Hill area of Bracknell when he came to the attention of police on the afternoon of 21 July 2006. He was found to be in possession over £2,000 worth of heroin and crack cocaine, £340.00 cash and a mobile telephone.

Harding, who was remanded in custody awaiting sentence, admitted being in possession of controlled drugs, as well as supplying drugs in the Bracknell area over a period of three weeks.

Detective Inspector Nick Evans said 'Operation Falcon has been very successful in targeting those travelling from the South London area into Bracknell to sell Class A drugs. Drug dealing in Bracknell Forest is simply not acceptable and those dealing need to be warned that it will only be a matter of time before they are caught'.

Jillian Hunt, Drug and Alcohol Action Team Co-ordinator for Bracknell Forest said: 'Operation Falcon has enabled us to crack down on drug dealing in Bracknell and the sentencing of Soloman is another success. It is great news that Soloman will remain behind bars.'

Cllr Peter North, Executive Member for Public Protection and Services, added: 'Operation Falcon is proving very successful at targeting prolific drug dealers and removing them from our Borough. I congratulate the police for their excellent work.'

We still have comparatively low levels of drug dealing locally and this attracts new dealers. These are not local men, they travel here to sell drugs and spread misery. They deserve their prison sentences.'