

AMESBURY MAJOR INCIDENT PUBLIC INFORMATION



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This information sheet contains information for the public in relation to the ongoing major incident in Salisbury and Amesbury and is updated regularly.

- The Counter Terrorism Policing Network, who are leading the investigation, have located a bottle which they believe to be the source of the Novichok
- On Wednesday 11 July, a small bottle was recovered during searches of Charlie Rowley's house on Muggleton Road, Amesbury
- Tests conducted by DSTL have confirmed the substance within the bottle is Novichok
- Inquiries are ongoing to establish where the bottle came from and how it came to be in Charlie's house
- Advice from PHE remains the same – the risk to the wider public remains low
- We continue to support colleagues from the Counter Terrorism Policing Network to progress the inquiry as swiftly and safely as possible.
- The way that we do this will look slightly different from Tuesday 16 July when private security guards will join Wiltshire Police officers on some of the cordons.
- This will free up some Wiltshire Police officers to get back to supporting day-to-day community policing.
- We've also been receiving support from other Forces in the country with scenes guarding and are very grateful for this.
- We would like to re-emphasise the PHE advice around picking up foreign objects and their advice is simple – 'If you didn't drop it, don't pick it up'.
- Continue to follow Public Health England's advice if you were in any of the five locations listed from 10pm Friday 29 June to 6.30pm Saturday 30 June.

The five locations are:

1. Queen Elizabeth Gardens in Salisbury
 2. A property at John Baker House, Rolleston Street, Salisbury
 3. A property on Muggleton Road, Amesbury
 4. Boots the chemist, Stonehenge Walk, Amesbury
 5. The Amesbury Baptist Centre
- Wash the clothing that you were wearing in an ordinary washing machine, using your regular detergent at the temperature recommended for the clothing
 - Wipe personal items eg phones, handbags and other electronic items with cleansing or baby wipes and dispose of the wipes in the bin (ordinary domestic waste disposal)
 - If your items are dry clean only, you should keep them double-bagged and securely fastened. Further details will follow.
 - None of these actions should damage your washing machine

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- Other items such as jewellery and spectacles which cannot go in the washing machine or be cleaned with baby wipes, should be hand washed with warm water and detergent and then rinsed with clean cold water
- Thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water after cleaning any items
- You don't need to seek advice from a health professional unless experiencing symptoms.
- Public Health England's advises that the overall threat to the public is unchanged and remains low. In addition they have confirmed that the areas that have been cleaned and released to the public over the past few weeks are safe and should be used normally
- Please keep up to date on Public Health England's website:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/phe-statement-on-incident-in-amesbury>
- We will continue to update the public as regularly as possible on our website and social media www.wiltshire.police.uk
- We have set up two dedicated phone numbers for anyone with concerns relating to this incident, staffed by police and public health officers. The Freephone number is **0800 092 0410** or if you cannot dial Freephone, call **0207 158 0124**.
- Anyone who may have information which could assist the investigation should please call Counter Terrorism police on **0800 789 321** immediately.
- The past few months have been unprecedented for Wiltshire Police and the local communities in Salisbury and Amesbury have shown huge resilience. It has been a very challenging time and we appreciate that there is significant interest in this investigation.
- We understand the level of concern and upset news of this incident is causing for local residents and businesses directly affected by the cordons across Amesbury and Salisbury.
- We sincerely appreciate the patience and support we have received from the public and hope this will continue as the investigation progresses.
- Thank you for your cooperation, support and patience during this difficult time.

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