West Mercia Police

Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

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About your team:

Safer Neighbourhood Teams work with local people and partners to identify, tackle and solve issues that matter to the community where you live.

Making neighbourhoods safer by cutting day to day crime and anti-social behaviour is at the heart of keeping people in West Mercia safe. Thanks to an investment in mobile tablet style computers, these will enable officers to spend more time on patrol on the street and in neighbourhoods.

Officers will continue to come to people when they need them and provide a high quality service however you contact us - in person (on the street, at community bases and at partners and communities together [PACT] meetings), on the phone or online.

Where we work:

Kington and Weobley SNT is based at Kington Police Station, Churchill Rd, KINGTON

We work around the areas of:

Almeley, Brilley, Birley, Dilwyn, Eardisley, Eardisland, Huntington, Kington, Kinnersley,

Knill, Letton, Lyonshall, Monkland, Monnington, Nash, Norton Canon, Pembridge, Rodd,

Sarnsfield, Shobdon, Staunton-on-Arrow, Staunton-on-Wye, Stretford, Titley, Upper Hill,

Weobley, Winforton, Willersley, Whitney-on-Wye,

Get in touch

- 101 to talk to your local SNT or report a crime.
- kw.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk
- www.westmercia.police.uk

Only call 999 in an emergency, when a crime is in progress or life is in danger.

Your team:

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PCSO 40067 David BODEN 07970 176814

- P- phone 999 only if
- O- offenders r nearby
- L- life is at risk
- I- injury caused/threatened
- C- crime in progress
- E- everything else call 101

Please do not report crime via your local safer neighbourhood teams mobile phones.



For February our Priority is:

You said your priority was:	Anti social behaviour in Kington.
Date set:	January 2016
We undertook :	*High visibility patrols *Request the community to keep reporting *Deal robustly with youths involved *Prosecute for any offences.
	Evening patrols carried out by the safer neighbourhood team with a view to disrupting this behaviour, identifying persons responsible and dealing with the concern accordingly. During November regular high visibility patrols have been conducted in the area of Kington, paying particular attention to the High School, Recreational ground and housing estates. Two young adults were dealt with for possession of a Class B drug.
	 9th and 10th of February 2016 – Visible foot patrol. 31st of January 2016 and the 29th of January 2016 visible patrol carried out at the recreational ground and High school. Foot patrol of the area, no youths and no problems. 23rd of January 2016 passing attention at the Cricket Pavilion due to a number of youths gathering, details taken.

NEWS/APPEALS

(Please note that the below is not every incident/crime reported for Kington Safer Neighbourhood Team)

Weobley:

Ois Incident: 529S 280116

A garage in the Weobley area has been accessed via a large wooden door and a KTM 250, 2006 model in Black and ORANGE motor cross bike has been stolen, along with a chainsaw, hedge trimmer, and leaf blower and fishing equipment.

The motor cross bike has Number 71 in white with a red background.

Enquiries currently ongoing.



Kington:

Ois reference: 0238S 160116

The attacked property is a workshop for vehicle repair.

Offenders have entered the yard and accessed far side of the building and prized open a zinc metal sheet walls off the garage and gained entry.

Once inside various tools and motorbikes have been stolen, including a Child's KTM bike, 50 SX, 2012 in Orange.

A KTM 450 Enduro road bike registration number: AE60 HCP, Orange and White in colour. Enquiries currently ongoing,

Kington:

Ois reference: 0384S 240116

Victim owns a lock up situated on a business park just outside Kington where he stored a classic car.

Offenders have gained entry and stolen a Ford MK2 Cortina Lotus, white and green in colour. Enquiries currently ongoing.

Eardisley:

Ois reference: 0200S 280116

The attacked premise is a motor repair garage, located on a small industrial estate within the village.

Offenders have gained entry through the main door and stole four alloy wheels and a catalytic converter

that was removed from a van parked up outside the business premise awaiting repair.

Any information please telephone on 101 quoting the above incident number.

News from the Blues

One local male arrested for Burglary dwelling currently on remand. One male arrested for possession of Class B drug. One male arrested for assault. One male arrested for domestic assault.

PACT SURGERIES :

Thursday 10th of March 2016

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Pembridge Shop 11.00am – 11.30am

Eardisley Shop 12.00pm – 12.30pm

Lyonshall

George Car Park 2.30pm – 3.00pm

Eardisland 3.30pm – 4.00pm

Shobdon PACT Surgery: held in Shobdon Stores.

Saturday 12th of March 2016 9.30-10.30am.

Your Safer Neighbourhood Team is holding <u>FREE</u>Overt Property Marking events. Bring all your power tools, hand tools and pedal cycles to **Kington Cattle Market.**



On Thursday 18th of February 11:00am until 12:00

Or

Pembridge Village Hall Saturday the 20th of February 10:30 till 12:00.

Useful information:

Please find the links to the Fly Tipping prevention guides, currently viewable on the NFPG website. Always worth a read if you ever have the misfortune to encounter such waste.

Householder - <u>http://www.tacklingflytipping.com/Documents/NFTPG-</u> Files/NFTPGAdviceforHouseholders.pdf

- Businesses <u>http://www.tacklingflytipping.com/Documents/NFTPG-</u> <u>Files/NFTPGAdviceforBusinesses.pdf</u>
- Landowners <u>http://www.tacklingflytipping.com/Documents/NFTPG-</u> <u>Files/NFTPGAdviceforLandowners.pdf</u>

Police warning following scam phone calls across Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Shropshire.

West Mercia Police are continuing to urge people to be vigilant following a spate of scam phone calls across three counties, within the past couple of months.

The majority of offences took place in Herefordshire, with the Bromyard area being a particular target, however offences have also been reported in Kington, Ross on Wye, Ledbury and Marden, In Worcestershire offences have been reported in Evesham, Redditch, Knightwick and Warndon and in Shropshire an offence was reported in Bucknell.

Typically the scammers will target elderly or vulnerable people, pretending to be from the police, and telling callers that their bank card has been used fraudulently. Often the callers have stated that they are from the MET police, but they have been known to claim that they are from West Mercia Police, MI6 or the fraud squad.

Sometimes they will ask the caller to contact their bank, but remain on the line in order to obtain bank details, before sending a courier to collect the card. On other occasions they have asked the victims to transfer money to a secure police account, asking them to call back to verify that they are genuine, whilst holding the line. Sometimes they have told the victims to attend the bank to transfer money but told them that bank employees are involved in the scam, so not to mention it to them.

More recently callers have told victims that they are from Customs and Excise and that they have paid too much tax. In order to get this back they must pay an amount of money via a courier.

Fortunately on the majority of occasions, the victims have realised this is a scam and have not handed over any details, but on occasions, such as this time, in Hereford victims have been conned out of a substantial amount of money.

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Detective Chief Inspector Tim Bower said "West Mercia Police take these scams extremely seriously. The scammers will often target those who are elderly and vulnerable, having a hugely detrimental impact even if they are unsuccessful in obtaining money. The scammers will try a number of different tactics and we'd ask you to share the following advice, particularly with any elderly friends or relatives.

Never hand out any personal details over the phone. Remember that the genuine police or the banks, would never ask for your PIN, ask you to transfer money to them or send a courier to collect your cards.

If you do receive a call like this please hang up immediately and call 101 from a different phone. If there is a crime in progress, please call 999."

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Message from Police Inspector Bob Barnett - West Mercia Police

During 2015 I updated you on scams and home security. These are ongoing risks to you all, so in 2016 I shall continue with the same theme. Prevention is better than replacement! Your local Safer Neighbourhood Team can arrange a free crime prevention survey. To find details of your local team please go to: -

https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/2110/Herefordshire-policing-area and put your post code in.

The Police continue to need your help to tackle crime and its effects on us all. If you see something that you think isn't right, it's probably not! Call us on 101 if non urgent or via Crimestoppers on 0800 555111. Always use 999 if urgent – you have a crime being committed now or someone at risk now.

Telephone scams have continued across the county (and country!). A variation on the usual theme is that someone will telephone you and pretend to be from your GP surgery. They discuss your mobility needs and in some cases they have then moved onto offer to sell people mobility aids at a greatly inflated cost. If you are in doubt, do not buy anything over the telephone. Hang up and call your own surgery to make some enquiries to see if they have called you.

Please can you pass this message onto any elderly family members and friends and make them aware. If you are concerned about a call, ring us – using another phone (numbers above) and we can give you advice and try and catch these fraudsters.

Rural Crime continues to happen. If you see strange vehicles or people you don't know 'lurking' about the area you live and are concerned, try and get a registration number and description to pass to police. If you see torches at night ring us – we have patrols that can respond to try and catch the people and see what they are doing. Experience tells us they are poaching and will also steal things if the opportunity presents itself.

Could you Volunteer? West Mercia Police are currently recruiting a number of volunteers to a wide variety of roles. For more information contact me at: - robert.barnett@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Supermarket distraction scams have also continued at supermarkets. A picture paints a thousand words.....





For daily updates on incidents in your area register for our Dotmailer service via <u>www.westmercia.police.uk</u>

Useful Contacts

Victim Support	01432 347208		
Childline	0800 1111		
Domestic Violence Helpline	0800 7831359		
National Drugs Helpline	0800 776 600		
National Neighbourhood Watch Association	02079 630160		
Herefordshire Road Safety Hotline	01432 364582		
Website: www.westmercia.police.uk			
Hfd Neighbourhood Watch: www.communigate.co.uk/here/hfdsneiwatch/			