

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, Brillley, 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.

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 www.westmercia.police.uk

 /  @NHfdShireCops

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

Your team:

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Mobile 07977 098394

PCSO 6115 Dick ALLFORD
Mobile 07968 462523

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.

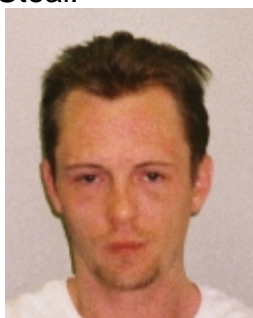
Bogus traders issued seven year Criminal Behaviour Order for conspiracy to steal from vulnerable woman

Five men have been sentenced at Worcester Crown Court on Wednesday 31 August 2016 after a vulnerable woman paid thousands of pounds for odd jobs and gardening work on her home, which was never carried out.

The offence happened between 11 September 2013 and 17 January 2014 within the Kington area of Herefordshire, when the men repeatedly contacted the elderly vulnerable victim in her 80s. They told her that she owed them money for work carried out on her home. No work had ever taken place. She was made to meet them at various locations, as well as her home address, where she handed cash to them. In total she paid around £33,000.

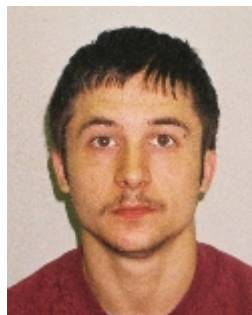
A police investigation was launched and five men were arrested and charged in connection to the investigation. They appeared at Worcester Crown Court at earlier hearings where they entered guilty pleas to various charges.

Joseph Carter, aged 29, formally of Addison Court, Hereford, will serve two years in prison having pleaded guilty to conspiracy to Steal.



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Steven Lock, aged 22 of Pembridge, Leominster was sentenced to one year imprisonment, suspended for two years, a supervision order for 12 months and 200 hours of unpaid work after entering a guilty plea to money laundering.



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Kieron Tisdale, aged 25 of no fixed abode, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to steal. He was sentenced to one year imprisonment, suspended for two years, 100 hours of unpaid work and a supervision order for 12 months.



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Danny Warner, aged 46 of Cheaton Close, Leominster, Herefordshire was sentenced to one year imprisonment, suspended for two years, and 250 hours of unpaid work having entered a guilty plea to conspiracy to steal.



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Shane Warner, aged 23 of Buntingsdale Road, Market Drayton, Shropshire, who had pleaded guilty to money laundering was sentenced to nine months imprisonment.



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Detective Sergeant Kirsty Smith of West Mercia Police said: "It is shameful that these men picked on a vulnerable member of our society and we are pleased that they have been put brought to justice. We are pleased that the courts also saw fit to issue these criminals with Criminal Behaviour Orders which we believe will further help protect our community."

At court yesterday all five men were issued with a Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO), which will last for seven years. The CBO means the men must not:

- 1. Make unsolicited visits without prior permission from the occupier on any residential property anywhere in England or Wales, with a view to carrying out any business, or cause/allow persons to do so on your behalf.**
- 2. Accompany another person or persons on any unsolicited visits to any residential property with a view to conducting business.**
- 3. Be present on any residential premise where business activity is being or has been canvassed during an unsolicited visit by anyone for the purpose of requesting payment.**

DS Smith added; "It's sad but true that very often victims of crimes such as this don't report the incident to police or even tell their family and friends, this can be for various different reasons.

"As such it's imperative that we all look out for those vulnerable members of our communities and I'd urge family, friends and neighbours to keep an eye out for suspicious activity and immediately report any concerns to us. We would much rather be called to something that turned out to be a legitimate business call than to miss an opportunity to prevent someone from becoming a victim."

West Mercia Police offer the following advice on how to protect yourself and your loved ones from bogus traders:

- don't be forced into making a quick decision on the doorstep
- get at least three quotes from local reputable companies who have reputations to maintain, and if possible seek recommendations
- only deal with firms with genuine verifiable telephone numbers and addresses - beware of companies that only use mobile phone numbers and accommodation addresses
- anyone who signs a contract on the doorstep following a visit that was not arranged (unsolicited) does have 7 days in which to cancel it by law.
- all cancellation rights must be provided in writing to the customer at the time the contract is agreed, usually on the doorstep - it is an offence not to do so
- if you don't want to speak to the trader don't open your door to them - it can be hard to distinguish the good traders from the cowboys so it might be easier to keep the door closed
- do not allow uninvited callers into your home
- refuse to be taken to the bank to withdraw money - if you ever feel intimidated by them, close the door and call the police

More advice can be found on the West Mercia Police website.

PACT SURGERIES :

Thursday 6th of October 2016

Weobley Shop
9.30am -10.30am

Pembridge Shop
11.00am – 11.30am

Eardisley Shop
12.00pm – 12.30pm

Lyonshall
George Car Park
2.30pm – 3.00pm

Eardisland shop
3.30pm – 4.00pm

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**Shobdon Pact Surgery held in Shodon
post office and stores:**

Saturday 15th October 2016- 09.30-10.30am

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Kington safer Neighbourhood team will be in
attendance at Kington annual show on
Saturday 10th September 2016

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Your Safer Neighbourhood Team is
holding FREE_Overt Property Marking
events.

Bring all your power tools, hand tools
and pedal cycles to
Kington Cattle Market.



On
Thursday 15th of September
11:00am until 12:00

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For September our Priority is:

You said your priority was:	Anti social behaviour in Kington.
Date set:	August/September 2016
We undertook :	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *High visibility patrols *Request the community to keep reporting *Deal robustly with youths involved *Prosecute for any offences. <p>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.</p> <p>During September regular high visibility patrols will be conducted in the area of Kington, paying particular attention to the High School, Recreational ground and housing estates.</p> <p>Saturday the 20th of August and Sunday 21st of August high visibility patrol at the recreational ground between 11:00 hours and 14:00 hours and 20:00 hours and 21:00 hours.</p> <p>Saturday the 27th of August 2016, a young male was dealt with for criminal damage after causing damage to the shelter within the recreational ground.</p> <p>Sunday 4th of September high visibility patrols in the recreational ground between 10:50 hours and 11:20 hours.</p>

NEWS/APPEALS

Kington:

Ois reference: 0712S 300816

A vehicle parked and left unlocked in Church Street, Kington has had a wallet and an Ipad stolen from within.

A timely reminder to us all, to never leave valuables on show in your vehicle and to lock all windows and doors.

Norton Canon:

Ois reference: 0352S 030916

The location is a farmyard in a very rural location. It is situated on the opposite side of the road to the main house. This is where sometime between 20:00 hours on the 1st of September and 12:00 hours on the 3rd of September 2016, Person(s) unknown have opened the farm gate next to the main road, and a further two gates through the yard, and have stolen an Ifor Williams Horsebox stored on the yard, model number: HB506.

After Wednesday 31 August, we will stop sending out community alerts on this system. In its place will be the one delivery service, the **Community Messaging Service (CMS)**. This new service comes with lots of new and interactive features, and those signed up to the CMS will receive messages of their choosing direct via email.

It's easy and straight forward to sign up and takes just a few minutes. Anyone can sign up, so click on one the links to the [Warwickshire Police website](#) or the [West Mercia Police website](#) and register your details now!

Remember; from the 31 August 2016 both the VC Relay and DOT Mailer services will no longer be receiving alerts, so get switched on to the CMS today!

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

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

SHOPPERS BEWARE

1 THE FRAUDSTERS NORMALLY WORK AS A TEAM AND FOLLOW THE SHOPPER AROUND THE STORE



2 THE FRAUDSTERS OBSERVES THEM PAYING AT THE TILL AND GET THE SHOPPERS PIN

3 WHEN THE SHOPPER LOADS THEIR CAR THE FRAUDSTER DISTRACTS THEM AND THE OTHER FRAUDSTER STAKES THE CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS



THE CARDS ARE NORMALLY USED WITHIN 10 MINUTES OF THE THEFT AND THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT WITHDRAWN



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Lighten up!

Leave a light on and keep your home safe and secure

safe & secure

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SERVING. PROTECTING. MAKING THE DIFFERENCE.

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.communicate.co.uk/here/hfdsneiwatch/