Newsletter

POLICE

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Hereford Rural North
Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

CONCERNED ABOUT SPEEDING?

The Community Concern Speed Enforcement Programme was launched in September 2009 by the Safer Roads Partnership. It enables the Safer Roads Partnership to respond to the concerns raised by local residents and community groups about speeding in their communities.

Local residents worried about speeding vehicles should contact their local Parish Council or Safer Neighbourhood Team. The Parish Council or SNT can then raise the issue with the **Safer Roads**Partnership via the Contact Us facility on the website or in writing at PO Box 446, Worcester, WR2

4YR. Webpage www.srpwestmercia.org.uk

Around 20% of all sites that are operated by the **Safer Roads Partnership** are what are termed as 'Community Concern' sites. These are sites that have been launched in direct response from concerns by local people. Once the **Safer Roads Partnership** receives a request via the Parish Council, speed data is collected at the site to establish if there is a speeding issue and to determine the nature of the speeding problem if one exists.

If it can be shown that there is an enforceable speeding problem and the volume of traffic is above a certain level, site visits will be made to identify a safe and suitable enforcement location. Other checks are also made to progress the site as a speed enforcement location. Once operational, a Community Concern site generally runs for a minimum of six months. During this time further speed



data is collected to monitor speeds and the effect of speed enforcement on driver behavior. The **Safer Roads Partnership** will only exit a Community Concern site if speeds have been reduced.

Visit <u>www.srpwestmercia.org.uk</u> to make a report and find useful information.

If you or your community have concerns about the speed limit in a specific area, for example, you feel the speed should be reduced – contact the **Traffic Management Team Leader** for **Balfour Beatty**, currently Zhana VINCENT

Zhana.vincent@bblivingplaces.com

Zhana will be able to give more information on processes and time frames for this to happen.

If a change to the speed limit is to go ahead, it will require a change to the Traffic Regulation Order, and West Mercia Police will be consulted in due course.

Latest updates

Crimes and incidents of interest from 1st July to 31st July 2016

Swainshill

1st July. Reported theft from vehicle whilst left unattended at the National Trust car park. During the time of 12:30 – 13:15 persons unknown have gained entry to the locked vehicle and taken the victims wallet and e-cigarette.

Fownhope

9th July. Reported theft from vehicle. Persons unknown have entered vehicle which was parked on private driveway. Theft of victim's wallet containing various cards and money.

Bartestree

14th July. Local resident noticed a suspicious male parked in a white van outside their house. During the course of the day, the resident has noticed that the security light for their house had been ripped off the wall and been left on the porch.

Moreton on Lugg

24th July. Report of off-road bikes being used in an anti social manner on the highway (offence) involving 1 bike and 3 – 4 young persons.

Breinton

17th July. The victim has secured their bicycle to a small fence in the car park of the main church between 16:30 and 18:30. On return they have checked the saddle bag to find that their wallet had been taken as well as 2x LED lights from the bike.

Withington

18th July. Report of criminal damage to wooden structure known as the garden pavilion on playing field. Damage to wooden panels and the roof, which was forced off. Area is frequented by local youths.

Burghill

19th July. A local farmer reporting that overnight between 18th and 19th, unknown persons have gained access to their field via a secure gate. Multiple items taken including 12 tractor batteries and 6 man-hole covers from pallets.

Munstone

19th July. Local famer reporting that during unknown time and by unknown person(s) a gate leading onto one of their fields has been tampered with and that the securing chain and bolt clip has been taken.

Tillington

21st July. Report of a theft from home owner's front garden boundary. Items taken were 16 newly planted conifer hedges between 21:30 on the 20th and 06:30 on 21st July.

Haugh Woods

24th July. Vehicle owner reported that their car had been broken into whist unattended in the car park. Entry gained by smashing the rear passenger side window. A mountain warehouse 12L back pack was taken mainly green in colour containing a dog lead and toy which had been left on the back seat of the car. Incident took place between 10:00am and 12:30pm.

Mordiford

24th July. Vehicle owner reported that their car had been broken into whilst parked on the side of the road. Entry gained by smashing the passenger front side window of the vehicle. A rucksack was taken which was placed under the front seat of the car. Offender(s) have taken a rucksack containing the victim's purse. Incident took place between 10:30am and 13:20pm.

Sutton st Nicholas

26th July. Reported theft from owner's vehicle overnight. Vehicle was left insecure when persons unknown have taken the victims wallet containing cards and cash.

As you can see, there has been an increase in reports of thefts from vehicles. Here's what you can do to help prevent becoming a victim of this crime.

- Never leave anything on view
- Take audio sat nav equipment with you.
- Remove the sat nav cradle and wipe away the suction marks.
- Never leave the car with the engine running, or the keys in the ignition (think winter months)
- Fit self-locking screws to prevent number plates being stolen.
- Always lock your car and fully close windows and sunroofs.
- Fit anti-theft devices to steering wheels, fuel caps and wheels.
- Park in safe, well-lit areas or secure car parks.
- Never leave your mobile phone behind when leaving the car.
- Don't store items in the boot or under seats, take them with you.

If you have any information which can assist police with enquiries, please call **101** or email herefordrn.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Where we work

Hereford Rural North SNT is based at Hereford Police Station, Bath Street, Hereford HR1 2HT we work around the areas of : Checkley, Dormington, Mordiford, Hampton Bishop, Fownhope, Stoke Edith, Shucknall, Tarrington, Weston Beggard, Burghill, Holmer, Munstone, Pipe Cum Lyde, Shelwick, Tillington, Breinton, Credenhill, Stretton Sugwas, Bartestree, Lugwardine, Preston Wynne,

Westhide, Withington, Marden, Moreton on Lugg, Sutton St Nicholas, Bishopstone, Bridge Sollars, Bush Bank, Byford, Canon Pyon, Dinmore, Kenchester, Kings Pyon, Ledgemoor, Mansel Lacy, Mansel Gamage, Yasor, Yarsop, Wellington, Westhope and Wormsley.

Your team

PC Sarah CULLEN PCSO Elena EKANITE

How to get in touch



101 to talk to your local SNT or report a crime



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

If you would prefer to report a crime anonymously including drug related information you can also call **CRIMESTOPPERS**

