

Newsletter

March 2017

Hereford Rural North
Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)



****Please note the latest team changes****: PC Bart MCDONAGH has now taken the position of Safer Neighbourhood Officer for Hereford Rural North

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Please ensure all local newsletters and publications are kept up to date with current police contact details. **NO mobile numbers are available for the team.** To prevent having to make regular changes, some or all of the following should be published ***:

 **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.

Have you visited the West Mercia Police webpage recently? Find useful information about your area and Safer Neighbourhood team! www.westmercia.police.uk/myarea

Latest updates

Crimes and incidents of interest from 31st January to 28th February 2017

Sutton St Nicholas/Marden/Moreton on Lugg

Sutton St Nicholas – Extensive damage; including forced entry and graffiti to the wooden structured football pavilion at Amberley Gate. Arrangements were made for the windows and doors to be boarded up after entry had been gained inside the building and damage caused.

On 2 occasions, neighbours made reports to the owner of a disturbance. There are 9 rooms in the building and each one has damage to the plasterboard and windows. There is obscene graffiti on the walls. The plumbing pipe work has been broken and stuck into the walls. A urinal has been pulled off the wall as have the kitchen cabinets. It is estimated that the extensive damage will cost in the region of £1500-3000 to correct. Evidence inside of a bucket filled with deodorant cans used to ignite a fire. Description given - two figures kicking at the door and ramming at the door with a large stick. One was wearing a grey top and one was wearing a maroon/red top. Any suspicious incidents at this location should be reported to police immediately.

Sutton St Nicholas: Suspicious vehicle seen in cul de sac area Mercedes Vito van BV66HVT. After enquiries made regarding this registration number it is possible the plates could be cloned.

Marden: Theft from vehicle. Victim's vehicle was parked insecurely in Springfield Close. Offender(s) have gained entry and removed bank cards and personal documentation. Some of which was located in nearby field having been discarded.

Marden: Theft from vehicle. Victim's vehicle was parked insecurely in Little Paradise. Ofender(s) have gained entry and removed a box of chocolates and CDs from inside.

Dormington/Mordiford/Fownhope/Tarrington/Stoke Edith/Hampton Bishop

Tarrington: Suspicious vehicle seen in the area MW55UTE white transit van in early hours of morning.

Fownhope: Theft from secure shed took place between 10:00am and 12:15pm in rural location on 10th Feb. A number of tools taken from within.

Dormington: Theft of off-road vehicle Toyota Hilux RN04VSX from rural industrial yard.

Dormington: Theft of machinery from garden between 15th and 16th Feb. Motorised wheel barrow on hire approx value £5000-£8000 Hinawa dumper truck.

Credenhill/Breinton/Stretton Sugwas/Swainshill

Stretton Sugwas: Between 31st Jan and 1st Feb persons unknown have entered an open garden within the grounds of a rural property. Here, offender(s) have forced the padlock from a shed and made a search inside without taking any items.

Stretton Sugwas: Between 9th and 10th Feb – overnight, person(s) unknown have approached a secure commercial property by cutting a hole in the wire fence belonging to Swainshill Village Hall. Further damage caused to fencing towards Brockhall Garage and Ken's Tipper Hire. Theft of Hiab mini crane BX08HKG and White HGV Hino 300.

Credenhill: Theft of tools from secure transit van parked in Trenchard Avenue.

Credenhill: Suspicious incident took place at Credenhill Residential Home in early hours of 23rd Feb. Staff reported seeing 2 males outside, trying to get in through a window.

Brienton: Theft of vehicle. Victim parked their vehicle in Brienton Springs car park between 08:30 and 17:00 on 14th Feb. At some point within this time the vehicle has been taken by person unknown. Vauxhall Vivaro EY56YLR.

Burghill/Tillington/Lyde

Burghill: Theft of chainsaw from residential property in St Mary's Lane. Theft took place between 7th and 10th Feb from an insecure shed.

Burghill: Rogue Traders have been operating in St Mary's Lane under the name Right Seal Roofing carrying out driveway and roof cleaning. The following information was given to SNT by Trading Standards: Right Seal Roofing (and other variations) is a common rogue trader name

used on professional looking leaflets to obtain work and rip people off. ANYONE cold calling/leaflet dropping for home improvement, especially roof coatings/power washing etc will be a rogue trader. Trading Standards are always interested in receiving information even if the customer is happy with the result. The landline will be a hired number redirected to another mobile, just to give the impression the trader lives locally. Parish Councils should contact Trading Standards for further suitable No Cold Calling Zone areas to be created. Contact [Trading Standards on 01432 261987](tel:01432261987)

Burghill: Between 11th and 12th Feb offender(s) have accessed victim's Land Rover and removed the plastic air funnel situated on the passenger side of the vehicle. No damage caused.

Tillington: Unknown persons have attended Tillington Cricket Club where they have broken the bolt lock to access both lawn mower and roller storage. An untidy search has taken place with nothing stolen. They have then gone around the side of the cricket club and forcing the lock, accessed another storage room. Again, an untidy search with nothing taken. Persons have then forced the door to the bar, carried out a search and taken a freeview box to the approx value of £50, complete with cables and remote.

Holmer

Suspicious vehicle seen in housing area off Attwood Lane. 2 males described as wearing hi-vis clothing, looking into skips and around properties in the area. Using vehicle KX03VLR white VW van.

Bartestree/Lugwardine/Westhide/Withington/Whitestone/Preston on Wynne

Eau Withington: Theft of approx 500ltrs heating oil siphoned from the tank.

Whitestone: Theft of twin axle box trailer. Trailer was white with roller shutter doors at rear. 6ft x 10ft.

Bartestree: Suspicious incident of fraud/deception. Victim has noticed one of their televisions, linked to Sky, has stopped working. Without victim mentioning this to anyone or making attempts to contact an engineer, a male has appeared at the home address the following day to make repairs. The male was driving a silver Vauxhall Vivaro van without signage. He was a white male approximately aged in his 50's, dressed in black jacket, black utility trousers and wearing a black baseball cap. The male has spoken to a member of the household and said he was there to fix the TV. He stayed at the property for a while, repaired the TV before payment of £50 was given. It is now believed that the outside cables to the TV have been tampered with in order to deceive the owners that it is broken.

Reports of fraud can be made directly to [Action Fraud 0300 1232040](tel:03001232040) or speak to an online advisor at www.actionfraud.police.uk

Action Fraud is the UK's national reporting centre for fraud and cyber crime where you should report fraud if you have been scammed, defrauded or experienced cyber crime

Canon Pyon/Kings Pyon/Westhope

Kings Pyon: Theft of vehicle. Victim's vehicle was for off road use only, in a rural location. Vehicle was found abandoned having been hotwired, damage to central locking, front and rear number plates ripped off. CCTV from the area showed a white transit van with short silver ladders attached at 01:47 on 03/02/17 followed by the victim's vehicle 5 seconds later.

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

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If you would prefer to report a crime anonymously including drug related information you can also call
CRIMESTOPPERS 0800 555 111

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Fraud is carried out in many forms. It is conducted in face-to-face interactions, over the telephone, or online. The people who carry out fraud schemes usually do so through anonymity. This makes fraudulent actions much more successful, and it allows the person to continue to make illegal money in the future. For this reason, it is extremely important for all U.K. residents to report fraud whenever they encounter it. It is better to be safe than sorry, so you should report suspicious activity whenever you can.