

Staffordshire Smart Alert Messages

Date	Message/Incident	Details
17.3.17	Review Your Home and Vehicle Security	<p>Residents are being urged to review car and home security measures following several reports of burglary overnight where the cars at the property are believed to have been the target. Thieves are targeting homes with vehicles, not always high value, that are parked at the address. After breaking into the house, they are searching for the car keys and then stealing the car. We have seen an increase in the number of incidents being reported over the last few weeks, and offences are occurring across the county.</p> <p>Officers are reminding residents to ensure their properties are left secure at all times and that items of value and keys are securely stored away out of view.</p> <p>For more information about crime prevention and home/vehicle security visit: www.staffordshire.police.uk/crimeprevention.</p> <p>Anyone with any information, is asked to contact Staffordshire Police on 101. Alternatively, you can contact Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.</p>
17.3.17	Possible Witnesses to Incident	<p>On the 16/03/2017 at 1700hrs on the A51 Lichfield (near Beacon Park) a Black BMW convertible was seen driving erratically. This BMW hit a small dog and narrowly missed a pedestrian and then left the scene. Did you witness this? Were you traveling down the A51 at the time of incident? Have you got any dash cam footage? Please get in touch any information you have could be important.</p>
20.3.17	Feedback on Local Policing Priorities	<p>This is an opportunity to influence policing priorities for Staffordshire. Thank you to those who have already contributed. If you have already provided feedback there is no need to do so again. If you have not yet given feedback on the proposed priorities for policing please take a few minutes to take part as follows.</p> <p><i>In May 2016 Staffordshire's Police and Crime Commissioner Matthew Ellis (PCC) was elected for a second term.</i></p> <p><i>The PCC would be grateful for your views on the policing priorities in his refreshed 'Safer, Fairer, United Communities' strategy. It is quick and easy to do. Simply click on the link below to record your views. It should only take a few minutes.</i></p> <p><i>Thank you in anticipation for your help and support. These priorities will be a key influence on policing in Staffordshire so it is important that residents have their say.</i></p> <p>Smart Alert - Safer, Fairer, United Communities Consultation</p>
21.3.17	Off Road Bikers Reminded to be Lawful and Considerate Cont...	<p>We are reminding vehicle owners to be mindful and lawful when riding off road vehicles. As the weather improves and daylight hours increase, we receive calls from residents complaining about off road motor bikes, quad bikes and other illegal motor cycles. Riding off road bikes is enjoyed by lots of people, but they can only be ridden on private land and with the land owner's permission. Such bikes are noisy, and sometimes dangerous, and more often than not are likely to be uninsured. Riders are reminded to wear suitable protective clothing including helmets when riding these vehicles. Officers are reminding parents to ensure they know where their children are and what they are doing, and to make them aware of the potential danger of riding these vehicles.</p>

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21.3.17	<p>/Cont... Off Road Bikers Reminded to be Lawful and Considerate</p>	<p>If offenders are caught on public land, or land where they do not have the owner's permission, they face prosecution and, in some cases, parents will be held accountable for their child's actions. Section 59 warning notices can also be issued to offending riders and their vehicles. If the rider or vehicle is seen again, the police can seize and destroy the vehicle. Anyone with information about persons responsible, including details of the vehicles involved, <u>should contact us on 101 or anonymously via crime stoppers on 0800 555 111.</u></p>
26.3.17	<p>Beware Opportunist Purse Thieves</p>	<p>Police received a report yesterday regarding a purse theft at Beacon Park Lichfield. A member of the public reported being in the park during the day and noticed their purse had been stolen at 18.00. Please do not leave handbags unattended and secure all valuables wherever possible.</p>
31.3.17	<p>Secure your Vehicle</p>	<p>We are reminding people to be extra vigilant and to ensure their vehicles are left secure at all times. Wherever possible, vehicles should be garaged or parked on private driveways and in well-lit areas. Owners are asked to ensure all valuables and tools are removed overnight and when unattended. Lets not make it easy for them! Please be on your guard and report any suspicious activity to us on 101 or 999 if a crime is taking place. For more information and advice about crime prevention or information about your local policing team visit the Force website at www.staffordshire.police.uk/crimeprevention</p>
5.4.17	<p>Man charged following vehicle pursuit</p>	<p>At around 7:00pm last night a routine police patrol in Lichfield attempted to stop a blue Ford KA driving in the Purcell Avenue area of Lichfield. The driver made off at speed and following a short pursuit the man driving stopped and ran into a nearby house, followed quickly by officers. The suspect was quickly arrested and the car recovered by the police. The 27-year-old man was taken into police custody on suspicion of dangerous driving, driving whilst disqualified and failing to stop for the police. Duane Gair of The Pines, Lichfield, has been charged with failing to stop, driving without insurance, driving without due care and attention and driving whilst disqualified and will appear before magistrates on 21st April.</p>
5.4.17	<p>Rural Police Mobile Surgery</p>	<p>Lichfield Police local neighbourhood officers will be visiting the following locations in the mobile police vehicle on 6th May 2017 at the times listed below should any member of the public wish to attend and discuss any issues or concerns they may have.</p> <p>09.00 - 10:00 Doctor's surgery car park Exchange Road Alrewas 10.30 - 11:30 Co-op car park Lichfield Road Kings Bromley (A515) 12:00 - 13:00 Adjacent to St Mary's Church Bellamour Way Colton 13:30 - 14:30 Car park of Swan with two Necks Brook End Longdon 15:00 - 16:00 Car park of Armitage with Handsacre village hall Shropshire Brook Road Armitage</p>
6.4.17	<p>Caravan owners advised to check security</p> <p>Cont...</p>	<p>We are urging caravan owners and businesses selling caravans to review their security measures as the weather improves and caravans are being brought out for the year. If you sell caravans you are reminded to check CCTV cameras and security lighting are working and being used effectively as a deterrent to would-be caravan thieves. Site security fences and gate locks/barriers should be routinely checked to ensure they are working, and caravan alarms should be activated and wheel locks secured at all times.</p>

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6.4.17	<p>/Cont... Caravan owners advised to check security</p>	<p>If you store your caravan at home you should use all of the security measures possible to ensure your caravan is not an easy target for thieves. Motion activated security lighting near to the caravan is a deterrent, along with CCTV. Caravan alarms and wheel locks also make it difficult for offenders. Do not be tempted to store valuable items inside your caravan as they can be easily stolen and expensive to replace. It is nice to be able to hook-up and get away quickly with your caravan but be alert to anyone hanging around your property for unknown reasons and ensure your caravan cannot be hooked-up quickly and driven off by anyone other than you.</p>
7.4.17	<p>Home Security Systems</p>	<p>We have been made aware of companies cold calling people selling alarm and security systems. Our advice would be to never purchase items from cold callers/door step traders or indeed over the phone. If you are considering purchasing a security system, our advice is always to contact either the National Security Inspectorate (NSI) on 0191 296324 www.nsi.org.uk, or the Security Systems and Alarm Inspection Board (SSAIB) on 01628 637512 www.ssaib.org.uk both organisations hold a register of approved installers. Your nearest approved supplier will be advised based on your postcode. An approved supplier can visit you at an agreed time to assess your needs and advise on the most suitable system. Please report any suspicious callers or rogue traders to us on 101.</p>
10.4.17	<p>Shed and Garage break-ins across Lichfield</p>	<p>We are urging residents to be extra vigilant and to review security on sheds, garages and outbuildings following a number of shed and garage break-ins over the weekend Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 April. We are reminding residents to ensure sheds, garages and outbuildings are secure at all times and secondary locking devices fitted to items of value stored within. High value mountain bikes have been stolen along with power tools and garden machinery. If you have any information, please contact us on 101 and ask to speak to the Lichfield local policing team.</p>

Information added to the Parish Council website:

- latest fraud alert from the City of London Police and National Fraud Intelligence Bureau regarding a phishing and banking trojan scam
[Law Abiding Citizen Phishing Alert](#) (601 KB)