

Alcester - Bidford on Avon - Welford on Avon - Kinwarton - Aston Cantlow - Temple Grafton - Salford Priors

## INCIDENT OVERVIEW

Incidents recorded for the Alcester South Safer Neighbourhood Team for December 2010:

<i>Incident Type</i>	<i>DEC 2009</i>	<i>DEC 2010</i>	<i>LAST MONTH</i>
Anti Social Behaviour	37	23	36
Burglary Dwelling (Houses)	9	3	7
Burglary Other (Out buildings)	7	6	8
Criminal Damage	19	11	23
Theft from Motor Vehicle	9	2	7
Theft of Motor Vehicle	1	0	2
Violence	14	11	10

\* FIGURES CORRECT AS OF SUNDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY 2011.

## CRIME IN YOUR AREA

This section looks at the crimes of public interest that have occurred on the Alcester South Safer Neighbourhood Team policing beat, crimes such as burglary, theft, auto crime and criminal damage:



### **BURGLARY.**

- Burglary Dwellings down significantly on both last year and last month, which is good, and shows the Community Priority of increased patrols to target acquisitive crime is working.
- Nothing of note to report.



### **AUTOCRIME.**

- Vehicle crime numbers like the burglary ones, down massively compared to the previous month and the same period last year.
- An address on Steppes Piece, Bidford, had its fuel drained from a vehicle overnight of the 16<sup>th</sup> December 2010. Inc 234 of 17<sup>th</sup> Dec.
- A resident whose vehicle was parked on The Leys whilst he was on holiday at the beginning of December returned to find someone had covered it with possibly paint stripper which



## THEFT.

- Sometime between 20:00hrs on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 09:00hrs on the 7<sup>th</sup> December 2010, unknown offenders have taken 3 hot tubs from a garden centre at Clifford Chambers. The tubs weighing the best part of a tonne each must have been removed on a low loader or similar vehicle. Inc 130 of 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 2010.
- Approximately 2000 litres of Kerosene heating oil was taken overnight of Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2010 from a farm near Barton. Inc 127 of 13<sup>th</sup> Dec.
- Overnight of the 9<sup>th</sup> December 2010, Bidford Cricket Club was broken into. Inc 152 of 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. A 42" LG TV and a quantity of alcohol were taken. Also taken was a silver/grey/blue giant Bolder gents mountain bike with distinctive red alloy wheels.



## CRIMINAL DAMAGE.

- A good month in terms of figures and incidents reported.
- Nothing significant to report this month.

## WE NEED YOUR HELP...

### Teenager arrested following violent incident in Bidford

#### Incident 219, December 7<sup>th</sup> 2010

A 16 year old boy has been arrested following a violent incident in Bidford on the afternoon of Tuesday December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Police were called to The Leys at about 16.00hrs following a report of a large group of teenagers fighting in the street.

One teenage boy suffered injuries to his lip.

The boy who was arrested was interviewed and has been released on police bail pending further inquiries.

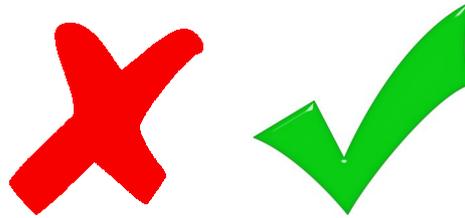
Anyone who witnessed the incident or has information which would help police with their inquiries is asked to contact Stratford police on **01926 415000** or Crimestoppers anonymously on **0800 555111**.

## INFORMATION AND ADVICE

With the recent spate of poor weather, here are just a few hints and tips if you are out driving in the snow.

- 1) If you are commuting to work, **get up at least 15 minutes early** to give you time to remove **all** snow from your car windows and de-ice thoroughly. Don't set off until your windscreen is completely clear.
- 2) Make sure you are carrying a **fully-charged mobile phone** in case you break down, become stranded or need to play solitaire while you wait for the emergency services to pick you up. Also try and remember to pack a drink and some sweets or biscuits in case you are stuck for any length of time.
- 3) Even if you are embarking on a regular journey, **check out route plans** to make particular use of major roads, which are more likely to have been gritted.

- 4) **Avoid wearing snow-covered mountain boots when driving.** These may be perfect for the journey from your house to the car. But once on the pedals, they'll slip like eels. If you need to change into dry shoes, do so - it might save you from an accident.
- 5) As you set off, if your tyres are making very little noise on the tarmac, it's because you're not on tarmac - you're on **black ice**.
- 6) If your car skids, depress the clutch and turn the steering wheel into the direction of the skid. When your car straightens, steer along the road. **Avoid braking sharply** - it will just lock up your wheels and you'll skid further.
- 7) Iced roads are not built for boy racers. Driving at **low speeds** is the key to keeping safe. Too much power is often the source of accidents on snow and ice.
- 8) Select second gear when pulling away, easing your foot off the clutch gently to avoid wheel-spin, and try to **maintain a constant speed**.
- 9) If possible, **avoid changing down gears** while going up a hill. When driving downhill, choose third or fourth gear to prevent skidding and always apply brakes gently.
- 10) If you do get stuck, straighten the steering and **clear the snow from the wheels**. Put that reusable shopping bag you always forget to take into the supermarket under the wheel to give the car some purchase. Once on the move again, try not to stop until you reach firmer ground.



For more info, check out the AA website.....

[http://www.theaa.com/motoring\\_advice/seasonal/winter\\_motoring.html](http://www.theaa.com/motoring_advice/seasonal/winter_motoring.html)



PC Hall with someone who wasn't driving to the conditions!!

### Domestic Oil Thefts.

Over recent weeks and months there has been a number of thefts of domestic oil as well as diesel thefts from commercial premises.

Unfortunately as the cost of crude oil increases these types of incidents are likely to increase costing the victim hundreds of pounds at a time. For more info in relation to securing your fuel stores please check out the link to Gloucester Police who have compiled a leaflet on how best to protect your oil and diesel.

[http://www.gloucestershire.police.uk/Crime Reduction/Oil Tank Security/item9641.pdf](http://www.gloucestershire.police.uk/Crime%20Reduction/Oil%20Tank%20Security/item9641.pdf)

For Stratford Crime Prevention contact PC Tony Lambert at Stratford Police station on 01789 414111 ext 4540 or 4539.

### ALCESTER SOUTH SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD PRIORITIES

The top issues raised at the Community Forum held at Great Alne Village Hall on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2010 were...

1. **Targeted foot patrols in known "hotspots" to tackle anti social behaviour in Alcester and Bidford on Avon.** Carry out an additional 15 patrols to target known areas where Anti Social Behaviour is an issue.
2. **Proactive patrols, using crime analysis, to target instances of acquisitive crime.** To carry out 15 additional patrols across the whole area especially the villages to prevent thefts, burglaries and other such crimes.

**Date of the next meeting is Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2011 at The Crawford Hall, Bidford on Avon at 7:00pm.**

## GOOD NEWS



**Paul ANDREWS**

**Arrested!!!**

## **Two arrested during morning raids in Stratford**

Police in Stratford executed a series of warrants across the district on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2010.

The early morning raids took place simultaneously at four addresses as part of an ongoing investigation into the organised theft of vehicle parts, tools and cycles.

The warrants were carried out at two private addresses in Alcester and Stratford and two commercial premises in the Snitterfield area.

Two people were arrested, a 24-year-old man from Alcester on suspicion of arson with intent to endanger life and a 48-year-old man from Stratford on suspicion of theft.

A number of items of property were also recovered during the operation and it is anticipated that further arrests will be made shortly.

Inspector Patrick Devereux, who led the operation, said: "This was an excellent operation which involved forty officers including a police dog handler, specialist search teams and vehicle examiners.

"We are committed to making Stratford a safer place and hopefully these and future arrests as part of this investigation will reduce criminal activity in Stratford district.

"This operation was assisted by the valuable information which the public provide to us and we urge anyone who has information about any possible offence taking place in their

- So far £1000 has been raised from our local partners for the "Alcester Gaming Project". A project that looks to provide Xbox and Play Stations for the youths of Alcester and hopefully other villages as a way of getting them all involved and ideally keeping them off the streets. See PCSO Morris for more details.
- A swan that had got disorientated and wrapped in fishing tackle was found on Kinwarton Road, Alcester and taken to the swan rescue centre in Droitwich.
- A male has been charged with the cultivation of cannabis in the Bidford area and possession of a fake passport.

## MEETINGS/EVENTS

- Police Surgery at The Pavilions, Conway Field, Alcester with PCSO Morris, Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2011 running 10:30 - 11:30pm.
- Police Surgery at The Pavilions, Conway Field, Alcester with PCSO Morris, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2011 running 10:30 - 11:30pm.
- Police Surgery at Great Alne Village Hall, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2011, 09:30 - 10:30, then Aston Cantlow Village Hall 10:45 - 12:00 and finishing up at Wilmcote Village Store from 14:00 - 15:00.
- Police Surgery at Great Alne Village Hall, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2011, 09:30 - 10:30, then Aston Cantlow Village Hall 10:45 - 12:00 and finishing up at Wilmcote Village Store from 14:00 - 15:00.
- Bidford Rural Cinema, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at Crawford Memorial Hall at 7:00pm. Tickets £2.50. "Made in Dagenham (15)"

- Broom Rural Cinema, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at Broom Village Hall at 6:30pm. Tickets £2.50. "Shrek Forever After (U)"
- Bidford Rural Cinema, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at Crawford Memorial Hall at 7:00pm. Tickets £2.50. "Another Year (12A)"
- Broom Rural Cinema, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at Broom Village Hall at 7:30pm. Tickets £2.50. "Inception (12A)"
- Bidford Parish Council Surgery, Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at the Parish meeting rooms, Bramley Way, Bidford running 10:00 - 11:30hrs.
- Alcester Neighbourhood Watch, next meeting is Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2011 starting 19:30hrs at St Benedicts School, Alcester.
- Alcester Town Council Surgery, 10:00am - 12 noon at Church House, Butter St, Alcester on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

**MONTHLY MESSAGE:**

**Wishing you all a very Happy New Year and all the best for 2011.  
Remember to be careful and stay safe.**

**CONTACTING US:**

If you wish to speak with an officer about a non-urgent matter, please use the list of contacts below:

Alcester South Safer Neighbourhood Team  
Alcester Police Station  
Priory Road  
Alcester  
Warwickshire  
B49 5DZ

To contact the Safer Neighbourhood Team about a non-urgent matter, please telephone:  
**01789 762207** or leave a Voicemail on **01789 444816** alternatively E-Mail us at:  
[alcestersouth.snt@warwickshire.police.uk](mailto:alcestersouth.snt@warwickshire.police.uk)

**Always remember, if it's an emergency or you can see  
something bad happening then call us on 999 or 112 ASAP**

FOR UP TO DATE NEWS ON WHATS HAPPENING AROUND ALCESTER, WHY NOT CHECK OUT THE SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD WEBSITE?

<http://www.safer-neighbourhoods.co.uk/your-neighbourhood/stratford-district/alcester-south>

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