

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 March 2011:

<i>Incident Type</i>	<i>MAR 2010</i>	<i>MAR 2011</i>	<i>LAST MONTH</i>
Anti Social Behaviour	52	21	28
Burglary Dwelling (Houses)	8	8	1
Burglary Other (Out buildings)	10	15	7
Criminal Damage	17	18	13
Theft from Motor Vehicle	2	1	2
Theft of Motor Vehicle	5	11	8
Violence	12	6	13

\* Figures correct as of Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 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.**

- Not the best of months in terms of burglaries both in terms of domestic properties and business premises.
- There have been a number of "Car Key" burglaries this month. This is where offenders break into a property to obtain the keys for usually a rather nice vehicle parked on the driveway.
- A number of garden sheds and garages in Clifford Chambers were broken into at the beginning of the month, with a number of garden power tools taken.



### **AUTOCRIME.**

- Thefts from vehicles up yet again this month, although the taking of vehicles appears static.
- Number plates and fuel make up the figures in vehicle crime this month.
- A set of number plates were taken from an address in Broom on the 28<sup>th</sup> March 2011 and the offender(s) used them straight away to make off from the local petrol station with fuel without paying.



## THEFT.

- No apologies for beating the diesel and heating oil drum. Thefts continue to be an issue. Please keep your eyes peeled for yours and any neighbours' tanks. For info on how to help protect your fuels reserves check out...<http://www.bidfordonavon-pc.gov.uk/pdfs/leaflet-oiltheft.pdf>
- Also, metal thefts continue to be a problem, so again please be vigilant.



## CRIMINAL DAMAGE.

- A slight rise in previous months.
- Overnight of 11<sup>th</sup> March 2011 offenders unknown, have damaged plastic panels around the trolley storage area at a super market in Alcester. Inc 97 of 12<sup>th</sup> March.
- Nothing much else of note.

## WE NEED YOUR HELP...

### Police appeal to trace witness following incident in Studley

#### Incident 125, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011

Police investigating an incident which occurred in Studley on March 3 are trying to trace a member of the public who may have witnessed it.

Officers were called to The Grove at about 11.25hrs where a man was believed to be causing damage to a vehicle and threatening a woman.

A neighbour came out to restrain the man, and another member of the public came to assist at which point the offender left the scene.

Police want to speak to the member of the public, a man, who also left before speaking to officers. They believe that he may have vital information about the incident and the offender.

A woman suffered slight injuries during the incident and two vehicles were damaged.

DS Iain Shearer would like to hear from anyone with information, particularly the member of the public who came to help, and can be contacted at Leamington CID on **01926 415000**. Alternatively anyone with information can contact Crimestoppers anonymously on **0800 555111**.

### Driver injured in collision on A435

#### Incident 203, March 29<sup>th</sup> 2011

A driver suffered serious chest injuries when the vehicle he was driving was involved in a collision on the A435 at Beoley yesterday afternoon, Tuesday March 29.

The collision occurred on Gorcott Hill at about 15.15hrs and involved a white Mercedes Sprinter van which left the nearside carriageway and overturned.

The driver was taken to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham and was detained overnight.

Officers investigating the incident would like to hear from anyone who witnessed it or saw the van, and the manner in which it was being driven, before the collision occurred.

Anyone with information is asked to contact PC Drew Ballantyne on **01926 415415**.

## INFORMATION AND ADVICE

### **Fuel Storage thefts....again!!!**

With the cost of petrol, red diesel and heating oil ever increasing, can we again take this opportunity to again remind people to keep an eye on their own supplies, whether this is a fuel tank in your garden for heating the house, or the fuel in your car.

The average cost of fuel taken in recent theft is about £800 so why not look at getting an alarm for your oil tank?

Below are a list of some companies who supply fuel storage tank alarms, some starting at only £100, so please take a look. *\*other companies are available and Warwickshire Police does not endorse any of these companies.*

<http://www.oilalarms.com/index.aspx>

<http://www.dovetechnology.com/home-oilalarms.htm>

<http://www.alarmsforfarms.com/>

<http://www.sonicsecurity.co.uk/Fuel%20Tank%20Alarm.htm>

[http://www.ultrasecuredirect.com/acatalog/Remote\\_Stand\\_Alone\\_Fuel\\_Tank\\_Wireless\\_Battery\\_Pet\\_Friendly\\_Security\\_PIR\\_System.html?gclid=CPizvPvn4qcCFdFX4Qodij5x9g](http://www.ultrasecuredirect.com/acatalog/Remote_Stand_Alone_Fuel_Tank_Wireless_Battery_Pet_Friendly_Security_PIR_System.html?gclid=CPizvPvn4qcCFdFX4Qodij5x9g)



**\*PLEASE REPORT ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS OR YOU THINK IS OUT OF PLACE\***



### **Car safety**

**Car crime can be a big worry for motorists. Protect your car by following our simple advice - it might just be enough to deter thieves from targeting your car.**

- Lock the doors and close the windows when you leave your car, however long you are leaving it for
- When parking at home, always use your garage if you have one and lock both your vehicle and your garage.
- If you don't have a garage, try to park in a well-lit, open place.
- When parking outside, always try to park your car in an attended car park.
- Look for a public car park which is part of the police approved [Park Mark scheme](#) and displays the
- Park Mark® brand.
- Some car parks also have 'Secure Car Park' accreditation - look for the sign
- Don't leave anything on display. Even an old coat or plastic bag can be a tempting target for a thief
- Remove the stereo if you can
- Don't keep valuables or important documents in the glove box. Leave the glove box open to show there's nothing inside
- Tuck in wing mirrors and put the aerial down to discourage vandals

- Never store your car's documents in the car
- Fit an approved immobiliser or steering lock can help secure older vehicles
- Have the windows etched with the car's vehicle registration number (VRN) and make a note of its chassis number
- Keep your car keys in a safe place, even in your house, so that someone breaking-in cannot steal your car too
- Get an alarm fitted. Alarms can deter thieves not only from stealing your vehicle, but also from taking items from it.
- Secure your wheels using locking wheel nuts
- Mark all equipment, e.g. car stereo, with your car registration number

### **ALCESTER SOUTH SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD PRIORITIES**

The top issues raised at the Community Forum held at the Crawford Hall in Bidford on Avon on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2011 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. 5/15 extra patrols done so far.
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. 3/15 extra patrols done so far.
3. **Enforce speed limits in Salford Priors.** To carry out 8 speed checks to help enforce the 30mph speed limit through the village. 3/8 checks done so far.

FIGURES CORRECT AS OF 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2011.

**DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING IS TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2011 AT ST BENEDICTS SCHOOL, ALCESTER AT 7:00PM.**

### **GOOD NEWS**

- PC Johnson seized a scooter from a youth in Bidford who was causing a nuisance around the area he lived.
- A mini moto was also seized on Arden Road, Industrial Estate, Alcester for again being used in an anti social manner.
- Good luck to Sgt Bob SHAW, soon to be team sergeant for the Alcester Team who is running the Flora London Marathon on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2011.

### **MEETINGS/EVENTS**

- Police Surgery at Wilmcote Village Hall, Wilmcote, with PCSO Ali Streatfield, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2011 running 13:45 - 14:15pm.
- Police Surgery at The Pavilions, Conway Field, Alcester with PCSO Morris, Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011 running 10:00 - 12:00pm.

- Police Surgery with PCSO Morris, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2011. Great Alne Village Hall 09:30 - 10:30, Aston Cantlow Village Hall 10:45 - 12:00, and The Village Store in Wilmcote 14:00 - 15:15.
- Police Surgery at Waitrose, Alcester with PCSO Andy Hyman, Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2011 running 10:00 - 11:00pm.
- Police Surgery at Waitrose, Alcester with PCSO Andy Hyman, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2011 running 10:00 - 11:00pm.
- Police Surgery at Wilmcote Village Hall, Wilmcote, with PCSO Ali Streatfield, Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2011 running 13:45 - 14:15pm.
- Bidford Rural Cinema. Crawford Hall, Bidford, on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2011 at 19:00hrs. "The Kings Speech" (15) Tickets £2.50.
- Alcester Town Council Surgery, 10:00am - 12 noon at Church House, Butter St, Alcester on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2011.

#### **MONTHLY MESSAGE:**

"It is going to be a year of major change for Warwickshire Police and all forces. The work that we have done last year and in recent years ensures that we are ahead of change and capable of meeting the challenges it will bring"

#### **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

#### **FOR GENERAL ENQUIRIES:**

If you wish to report lost/found property or for general enquires please call at Globe House in Alcester next door to the Police Station:

Open Monday - Friday 09:00 - 17:00

Globe House  
 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)

## YOUR SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM

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### **Changes to the Alcester South Neighbourhood Team**

When you look at the back cover of this month's Community Newsletter you will notice that three of the Team, PC Steve Monckton, PC Tony Hall and PCSO Martin Sanford no longer appear in the Team photos. This is because Steve has left the Force on a career break; Tony has been redeployed to another role while Martin is continuing as a PCSO but now with the Stratford Town Team. Further changes will take place at the beginning of May, with PC Doug Johnson and myself leaving the Team to take up new roles within the changing Force structure. Warwickshire Police is changing the way policing is delivered across the County in an effort to meet the challenges set by the reduction in funding. Let me assure you that the Force remains committed to tackling those issues that cause the communities of Warwickshire the most harm, such as violent crime, sexual offences, burglaries, etc. PC Pete Essex will soon be heading the Alcester South Team up, under the supervision of Sgt. Bob Shaw. They will continue to provide community-based policing for Alcester and the surrounding villages. **Sgt 128 Andy MOSS**

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