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Alcester Police SNTs. Latest Weekly Report. Sunday 17th November 2024

Based at Alcester Police Station, The Safer Neighbourhood team's primary roles are around crime prevention, problem solving both long standing or emerging issues of community concern and community engagement. We are supported at Alcester by colleagues from Patrol teams whose role is to respond to incidents and investigate crimes that occur in the area 24/7. The SNT is supervised by Inspector Hembry who leads on Neighbourhood Policing for Stratford District and Sgt Ebbs who also oversees neighbourhood Policing in the Shipston on Stour area. The Alcester SNT currently consists of 2 Police officers and 5 Police Community Support Officers, and our contact details are shown above.

Hello all.

This is our latest combined weekly report and prompt to see if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns for the Alcester Police Safer Neighbourhood Teams. Thank you to those that have contacted the Teams this week. If you would like to be removed from this local email circulation list, please let me know asap. This report will also be sent out on the Warwickshire Connected alert system.

For operational and privacy reasons not all the incidents that occur on the Alcester area are listed in this report, although they are recorded on police systems. Please remember to report any anti-social behaviour, suspicious activity or crimes to us as soon as possible - this can be done via the 101 and 999 telephone numbers or if not an emergency via our online reporting forms that can be found on our website. If you have any information or cctv footage that may relate to the incidents listed, please contact us.

Incidents of a public interest from the last week: -

BIDFORD

- ASB. Waterloo Road / Laxton Way area. Silver Vauxhall Vectra Estate seen / heard racing about the area. Callers concerned for other road users. 10.40pm Wednesday 13th November. 0352 13/11/2024

WELFORD

- Vehicle Crime. Headland Rise. Black BMW 330 stolen without key. Stolen between 10pm 4th and 5.45am 5th November. 0026 05/11/2024

STUDLEY

- Suspicious Circumstances. Allen Close. Male seen in back garden of premises. No further offences disclosed at the time. 4.40pm Monday 11th November. 0231 11/11/2024
- Vehicle Crime. Hardwick Lane, Outhill. Grey Hyundai I30 stolen without key. Stolen overnight 8th & 9th November. 0061 08/11/2024

MAPPLEBOROUGH GREEN

- Burglaries X 3. Haye Lane. Offender(s) have entered at least three outbuildings along the road, including sheds and washroom. Overnight 9th & 10th November. 0126 10/11/2024

WOOTTON WAWEN

- Burglary. The Dale. Premises entered and car keys stolen. An Audi was seen to make off from the area. 1.20am Monday 11th November. 0016 11/11/2024

LYE GREEN

- Vehicle Crime. Car Park of Hotel. Offside wheels on Land Rover Defender stolen. Vehicles left on logs. Between 7pm and 9pm Saturday 9th November. 0305 09/11/2024

Look out for each other this festive season.

Christmas lights start being turned on across the county this weekend – yes you read that right!

There's lots of great events going on across the county over the next few weeks and we'll have both uniformed and plain-clothed officers present to help keep you safe.

You can help us help you by staying alert and reporting any concerns to us. By working together, we can keep each other safe and deter those who might look to do us harm.

While we're not issuing this advice based on intelligence of an increased threat to Warwickshire, the national Counter Terrorism threat level remains at substantial.

This is why we're asking you to trust your instincts, if something doesn't feel right then report it to police or event security. You will never be wasting our time.

Sextortion

'Sextortion' is the short name for 'financially motivated sexual extortion'. It is a type of online blackmail where criminals threaten to share sexual pictures, videos, or information about you. They may be trying to take money from you or forcing you to do something else you don't want to.

Anyone can be a victim of sextortion. However, young people aged between 15 to 17, and adults aged under 30 are often most at risk.

How to recognise sextortion

Sextortion can be committed by individuals, but organised crime gangs are usually behind it.

Criminals often target people through dating apps, social media, webcams, or pornography sites. They may use a fake identity to befriend you online. If a person you've just met online chats to you in a sexual way, or asks for sexual images, it might be an attempt at sextortion.

You should be wary if someone you've met online:

is trying to start a relationship with you very quickly (they may even send you a sexual image first)
has sent friend requests to lots of people, not just you.
repeatedly asks you to do sexual things that you're not comfortable with
tells you they've hacked your account or have access to your contacts.
Sextortion attempts can happen very quickly, or they can happen over a long time. You should never share sexual images or information about yourself if you are not comfortable.

Tips for protecting yourself.

If you are chatting to new people online:

Review your privacy settings. Criminals are less likely to target you if they can't see who your friends and family are.

If you're not comfortable speaking to the person or being contacted by someone you don't know, end the chat quickly.

If you have any doubts about the person or are worried you are being targeted, report it. Alternatively, see 'Useful links' further down this page for further advice on staying safe. This includes knowing how to report or remove images from the web.

What to do if you've been targeted

If you are a victim of sextortion, it's not your fault. There is help and support available.

Don't panic, help and support is available.

Stop all communication with the offender immediately.

Don't pay, even if you are tempted, as there is no guarantee that this will stop the threats.

Save the evidence:

make a note of usernames, email addresses, phone numbers and bank account numbers.

Collect URL links to where your images or information is being shared online.

Most social media sites have rules against sharing intimate content without consent. You should be able to get the material removed.

If you have paid the person, consider telling your bank. They may not be able to get any money back, but it helps us and the banks to know it's happened.

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Report it.

We understand that it might be difficult to report this type of crime to us. We're here to listen and support you in any way we can.

You can report intimate image abuse to us:

online
by calling 101

if you have a hearing or speech impairment, use our textphone service on 18001 101.

if you are under 18, you can report sextortion, or any other form of online child sexual abuse, to the National Crime Agency's Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) Safety Centre

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre>

Useful links

Adults

Revenge Porn Online gives free, confidential help to victims living in the UK. -

<https://revengepornhelpline.org.uk/>

Stop NCII (Non-Consensual Intimate Image Abuse) is a free tool to help detect and remove images from being shared online. <https://stopncii.org/>

Samaritans is a free, confidential listening service for any issue. <https://www.samaritans.org/how-we-can-help/contact-samaritan/>

Get safe online provides factual and easy to understand information on online safety. -

<https://www.getsafeonline.org/personal/blog-item/growing-up-and-the-internet-sexting-exploitation-and-other-dangers/>

Children and young people

Report Remove allows you to confidentially report sexual images and videos of yourself and get them removed from the internet. - <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/report-remove/>

Childline gives free, confidential support for young people under the age of 19. -

<https://www.childline.org.uk/>

Young Minds is a mental health charity for children and young people with 24 hours a day, seven days a week text support. - <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>

Child Exploitation and Online Protection Command (CEOP) Education gives advice for parents, children, and young people on staying safe from sexual abuse and online grooming. -

<https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/>

Other help

National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) can help if you've been the victim of phishing or hacking or need advice on protecting your data online.

Action Fraud – Romance Fraud can help if you think a partner, you met online is trying to get money from you but isn't threatening or extorting you. This is known as 'romance fraud'.

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HELP STOP KEYLESS CAR THEFT



Thieves can steal your keyless car by hijacking and amplifying the signal from your starting device in order to start your vehicle. Help to protect your vehicle.

- Make sure your car is properly locked and keep your key away from doors and windows. This will reduce the chance of criminals amplifying the signal
- Some keys have a function allowing them to be turned off. Check your manual to see if yours does and then use it
- Use some kind of physical barrier such as a steering wheel lock, driveway parking post or wheel clamp. This will deter many criminals
- Fit a tracking device
- Keep your keys in a Faraday bag to block the signal
- Remove the batteries from your spare keys

And remember, be on the lookout for people acting suspiciously and report it by calling 999.

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