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& TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN WARDS

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Alcester Police SNTs. Latest Weekly Report. Sunday 12th October 2025

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 Jake Kibblewhite 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: -

STUDLEY

ASB. High Street. Report of cars being noisy by revving their engines etc. One of the vehicles is described as a dark coloured Audi that has an exhaust system that 'pops'. Reported on the 8th October as an ongoing issue. 0148 08/10/2025

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WOOTTON WAWEN

Burglary. North Drive. House entered and an untidy search made. Various items taken including jewellery and bank cards. Between 4th & 12th October. 0043 12/10/2025

HENLEY

ASB / Suspicious Circumstances. St Nicholas Road. Two males dressed all in black and wearing balaclavas on an electric scooter riding around the area, looking into cars. Two males stop checked by police and details taken. No offences disclosed at the time. 9.30pm Saturday 11th October. 0402 11/10/2025

EARLSWOOD

Attempt Burglary. Cloweswood Lane. Male on a motorbike has been approached by a group of four males with face coverings who have then demanded his bike. One of the group then produced a knife. A scuffle has then occurred between the bike rider and this group. The offender(s) left the area in a vehicle when a member of the public drove by. The bike was not stolen. Around 7.30pm Friday 10th October. 0388 10/10/2025

PORTWAY

Vehicle Crime X 2. Alcester Road. White Ford Transit and a Grey Renault Captur stolen at the same time without keys. Both work vehicles. Around 2.20pm Thursday 9th October. 0179 09/10/2025

Driving more safely in Warwickshire

Along with other members of the [Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership](#), we've been promoting a webinar recently: 'From Learner to Licensed: Parental Support for New Drivers.'

The online event was held on Wednesday (1 October) - attracting more than 350 registrations and 163 attendees.

It brought together experts and professionals to give insight and practical advice, helping families to understand the vital role they play in shaping how young people learn to drive safely and responsibly.

Building safe driving habits in young drivers starts with parents and guardians, not just during the learner phase but well beyond.

If you missed the webinar and think it would be useful, you can download the presentation and view the full recording here: <https://warksroadsafety.org/from-learner-to-licensed-parental-support-for-new-drivers/>

Find out more about the advice and support available from the Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership [on their website](#).

For the latest Warwickshire road safety news and events, please follow Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership and Warwickshire County Council on social media ([@WarwickshireRoadSafety](#) [@WCCSafeActiveTravel](#))

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Fireworks

Everyone should be able to enjoy fireworks safely, whether at an organised display or in their back garden. Here you'll find out the law around using fireworks as well as how to stay safe, and report those using fireworks in a dangerous or threatening way.

Fireworks and the law

What time can fireworks be used? - Fireworks can be used in the UK any time from 7am to 11pm.

Exceptions are:

- Bonfire night: 7am to midnight
- New Year's Eve, Diwali and Chinese New Year: 7am to 1am the following day

Categories of fireworks

- category one: 'Throwdown fireworks' including firecrackers, bangers and party poppers.
- categories two and three: 'Adult fireworks' available in shops
- category four: Professional display fireworks available from specialist suppliers

Who can use fireworks? - According to [The Fireworks Regulations 2004](#) and [The Pyrotechnic Articles \(Safety\) Regulations 2015](#):

- anyone over 18 can buy, carry or use category one, two and three fireworks.
- anyone over 16 can only buy, carry or use category one fireworks.
- anyone over 12 can buy Christmas crackers.
- only licensed professionals can buy, carry and use category 4 fireworks.
- unless part of an organised event by licensed professionals, fireworks cannot be used on the street or in a public place.
- it's an offence to throw or set off any firework (including sparklers and category 1 fireworks) in or into any highway, street, thoroughfare or public space.

What is the impact of firework misuse? - Used irresponsibly, fireworks can cause damage to property and do significant harm to people and animals. Not only is there a danger from fireworks exploding, but they can also pose a serious fire risk as well.

This is why members of the public may only use fireworks on private property, such as their back gardens, and only licensed professionals can use them in public places.

What you can do - If a local retailer is selling adult fireworks to people under 18, please report it to your local [Trading Standards](#).

If children are setting off fireworks in your area, our first advice is to ask them politely to stop. It's possible they're unaware that they are breaking the law. If you know their parents, perhaps ask them to intervene.

If you're having an ongoing problem with people setting off fireworks, please [report antisocial behaviour to us](#).

Preventing car and vehicle theft

Don't let thieves get an easy ride. Follow these simple rules to protect your vehicle from thieves.

1. Lock your vehicle - Locking your vehicle, even when filling up or parked on your drive, greatly reduces the possibility of it being targeted by an opportunist thief. Even if you have locked your vehicle, check you haven't left any windows or the sunroof open. It is actually illegal to leave your vehicle running unattended while you de-ice it or warm it up in cold weather. If someone takes it while it's left like this, your insurer won't pay out because you won't be covered. If your vehicle has wing mirrors that fold in automatically when locked, make sure you lock it properly. Criminal gangs are looking for vehicles like these where the wing mirrors are still out because it is clear to them that the vehicle has been left unlocked.

2. Keep the keys safe - Vehicles today are by and large more difficult to steal than ever, unless the thief can access your key or fob to clone them. Keep your keys safe, out of view when at home, and away from your front door. It's not uncommon for car keys to be stolen from inside your home by thieves fishing for them with a stick and hook through the letterbox. If you're selling your car and you meet up with a potential buyer, do not allow the keys out of your sight. Your keys may be cloned by thieves and used later to steal your vehicle.

Keyless entry - Cars with keyless entry unlock automatically when the key comes within a short distance of the car. This can be from inside a pocket or bag. If you have to push a button on your car key to open your car, you don't have keyless entry. Keyless car theft or 'relay theft' is when a device is used to fool the car into thinking the key is close by. This unlocks the car and starts the ignition. Thieves only need to be within a few metres of your car key to capture the signal, even if it's inside your home. This means that even if your car and home are secure, thieves can still unlock, start and steal your car.

How to protect your keyless entry car

- When at home keep your car key (and the spare) well away from the car.
- Put the keys in a screened or signal-blocking pouch, such as a Faraday Bag and check if the bag or pouch is still working every few months.
- Reprogramme your keys if you buy a second-hand car.
- Turn off wireless signals on your fob when it's not being used.

Additional physical security such as locks and immobilisers are still highly recommended. [Section six](#) on this page has more information about this.

3. Be aware of carjackers - The fact that you're in the car isn't always a deterrent to someone trying to steal it. In traffic, drive with the doors locked and when queuing leave enough space in front of your vehicle to enable you to get out of a tight spot. If your vehicle is bumped from behind, wait to pull over – somewhere safe and preferably where there are people. After all, you don't know the person who has collided with you; they could well be hijackers. If you're at all suspicious, consider calling the police. If someone threatens you, it's better to hand over the keys to the vehicle than become a victim of assault. Then call [999](#) as soon as possible and ask for the police.

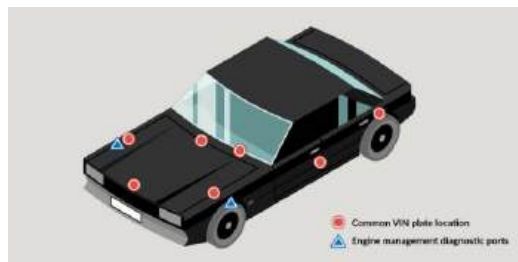
If your car is stolen, some modern vehicle alarm and tracker systems have the facility to isolate or shut down fuel systems, bringing the vehicle to a halt and leaving the thief high and dry.

4. Park responsibly - It's always advisable to avoid parking in dark and secluded areas. It's worth an extra five or ten-minute walk if it means your vehicle is left in a well-lit and busier street. And if possible, always try to park in illuminated and staffed car parks or those with a Park Mark safer parking award. To find one, simply check out [Park Mark](#).

5. Watch for illegal tow trucks - Thieves often attempt to lift vehicles from the street, literally. So, if you see a towaway crew acting suspiciously – especially if their vehicle isn't branded or if they're not in uniform – then please report it immediately. As with every report of suspicious behaviour made in good faith, we'll never blame anyone for calling us if it proves unfounded. Car parks with height-restricted entrances help prevent illegal tow trucks and removal vehicles. And fitting a [Thatcham rated](#) category 1 or 2 alarm system with tracking, immobilisation, anti-grab and movement sensors can help protect and trace your vehicle.

6. Fit good in-car security locks - Additional physical security can help to prevent your vehicle being driven away even if a thief gains entry. There are a range of security rated products tested by [Sold Secure](#) that can help, such as steering wheel locks, pedal boxes and gear stick locks. Some of these products, tested to Sold Secure Diamond, can even resist a small hand-held angle grinder. It's also worth speaking to your vehicle dealership about installing an aftermarket immobiliser approved by the manufacturer. Immobilisers prevent a vehicle from starting unless the correct fob, key or activation process is used. They can be personalised so that you're the only one who knows how to unset it via a number of dashboard controls.

7. Double-check electronic locking - Electronic devices can be used to jam the electronic signal from your key fob to lock your vehicle. Always manually check your vehicle has locked before walking away. If unsure, lock it manually, then scan the immediate area for anyone hanging around. If a potential thief who's watching feels they've been spotted, they'll probably move off.



8. Before owning, check for cloning - Changing the identity of a vehicle, known as vehicle cloning, can be as simple as adding stolen number plates. When buying a vehicle, always check the DVLA V5 document and make sure the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the vehicle is the same as on the document. Make sure you check more than one of the VINs as well as the engine numbers on the vehicle (see diagram). [Check a used vehicle you're buying](#).

9. Secure your port - Many modern vehicles are fitted with engine management diagnostic ports, which can unlock and start your vehicle. If your vehicle has this type of port, consider fitting a lockable cover.

Useful links - For more information about police preferred specification products that help to reduce the chances of vehicle crime please visit:

[Secured by Design \(SBD\)](#)

[Sold Secure](#)

[Thatcham Research](#)

Have a safe halloween



-  **Adults should always accompany children when trick or treating. Young people should never go trick or treating alone.**
-  **Do not knock on the doors of strangers - only go to people you know. Never go into a stranger's house.**
-  **Always keep to well-lit areas. Wear bright clothing and always carry a torch. Remember road safety.**
-  **Unless pre-arranged, do not visit elderly members of the community. Be careful not to frighten vulnerable people.**
-  **Keep your tricks within the law - anything that results in damage is an offence and will be dealt with as such.**

Sorry, NO trick or treat



Please do not knock on doors where there is a 'No trick or treat sign'



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