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Hereford Southside & Rural

Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter

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We are happy to receive calls from Members of The Public, however, please do not use these to report crimes and/or incidents. For more information on reporting a crime/incident please go to www.westmercia.police.uk and select 'Report' or call 999 (Emergency) / 101 (Non-Emergency)



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Operation Jetwing – Shop Theft

On Wednesday 14th May, officers from Hereford Southside & Rural SNT, along with officers from Hereford Rural North SNT conducted an operation to combat shop thefts in South Hereford. This consisted of plainclothes officers in shops such as Asda and Tesco as well as uniformed PCSOs conducting engagement at other stores.

Throughout the day, both teams engaged and educated a lot of people and the stores around shoplifting and how best to prevent it.



Criminal Damage - Seven Sites, Kingstone

We are appealing for information after an incident of criminal damage at The Kingstone Seven Sites Sports Field occurred on Tuesday 3rd June 2025, between 6pm- 7:30pm. A bench on the field has been greatly damaged as seen in the picture below.

If you have any information that will help us in our investigation, or have witnessed this incident, please contact the local safer neighbourhood team using the following email:-

herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.police.uk





Criminal Damage – Coldstone Cross, Kingstone

We are appealing to residents in the COLDSTONE CROSS area of KINGSTONE after an incident of criminal damage.

On the 29/05/2025, between 21:10PM and 06:15AM on the 30/05/2025, a Hyundai Tucson was damaged, with the rear lights smashed and damage on the body work of the car.

We are appealing to see if any residents have any CCTV which may have caught the incident, or to see if any residents have any information that can help towards our investigation.

If you do have any information or CCTV footage, please send this to your local safer neighbourhood team on the following email- herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.police.uk

Dementia Matters

As part of Dementia Week (Monday 19th May to Sunday 25th May), PC Johnson from Hereford Southside & Rural SNT joined a local event and talked about the 'Herbert Protocol' which is a form that carers, family or friends of a vulnerable person, or the person themselves can fill in. It saves the worry of trying to recall the information during the stressful time of someone going missing. It also saves time for the police, allowing the search to start sooner.

The initiative is named after George Herbert, a war veteran of the Normandy landings, who lived with dementia. He died whilst 'missing', trying to find his childhood home.

It contains a list of information to help the police if the person goes missing, including:

- medication required
- mobile numbers
- places previously located
- a recent photograph

To find more visit the link https://orlo.uk/88f3l

or search 'West Mercia Police Herbert Protocol'

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Summer Crime Prevention Advice

As the weather warms up, so do our efforts to tackle the potential rise in opportunistic crimes across our local communities. Officers will be factoring this into their patrol activity as they work to keep neighbourhoods safe and prevent crime.

As part of this work, we're encouraging everyone to be mindful of home security during the warmer months.

For many of us, sunny weather means firing up the barbecue and enjoying time with family in the garden. But while you're outside, your home may be left vulnerable. An open door or window is often all it takes for a burglar to slip inside unnoticed.

Criminals know the price of everything but the value of nothing. If given the opportunity, they will take what they can, with no thought for the emotional or financial impact on you and your loved ones.

So, please remember to always close and lock doors and windows, even if you're just in the garden. A few simple precautions can make a big difference in keeping your home and belongings safe

For more crime prevention advice: https://orlo.uk/G0GTV or search 'West Mercia Police Crime Prevention Advice'

Dogs Die In Hot Cars

Many people think it's ok to leave their dog in the car if they're parked in the shade or the windows are open. But a car can become as hot as an oven, even when the weather doesn't feel that warm. When it's 22 degrees Celsius outside, the car could reach an unbearable 47 degrees within an hour. It's very dangerous and will cause your dog suffering and harm.

For more information, see RSPCA advice on their website: https://www.rspca.org.uk/adviceandwelfare/pets/dogs/health/dogsinhotcars



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