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Hereford Southside & Rural

Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter

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Drugs Warrant

A warrant was executed by officers including members of the Southwye SNT at a property south of the river during **County Lines Intensification week**. A quantity of items were seized such as drug paraphernalia and items relating to drug dealing. The outcome of the warrant lead to the arrest of two suspects and a further suspect who was released under investigation.



Classroom Compromised



Over the first weekend in February, a small group of youths climbed the school fence and gained entry to a classroom at a local primary school. Fortunately, the school captured the incident on CCTV. The individuals climbed over the fence, entered a locked building, and caused minor disruption by spilling water, though no further damage was reported. They also posted videos of their actions on Snapchat.

If you live near a school and observe something suspicious, please call 101 or if it's an emergency

please dial 999 before a serious incident occurs.

Coffee with a Cop

Members of the Team are holding **Coffee with a Cop** session at various locations across the Southside over the coming months.

These sessions are designed to give members of the community the opportunity to drop in at an advertised venue, enjoy a coffee with the team, and have a friendly, informal chat. They provide a welcoming environment where the public can speak with Officers about any concerns or issues they may have.



The next event is at **The Forge, Garway** on Saturday 28th March 09:30 – 12:30.

Are you involved with a group that would benefit from a visit? Invite the team to your club or event – it's all about being part of the community

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Speed Enforcement – Parish Priorities



South Wye SNT have been actively conducting speed enforcement across the area, focusing on locations raised as priorities by Parish Councils who identified speeding as a significant issue for their communities.

Allensmore - Locks Garage - 50 vehicles were monitored in a short time to which the average speed of 36mph was recorded in the Speed limit of 40mph.

Callow/Haywood Lane - 22 vehicles were monitored with an average speed of 35mph. Officers issued one driver with a ticket due to speeding - 49mph was the recorded speed.

Wormelow - 15 vehicles monitored with an average speed of 28mph.

More Parishes will see Police activity as they update us with their priorities for quarter one of 2026



Police Surgeries at Local Coffee mornings

Pop along and share your concerns with your Local Team

23rd March at 09:30-11:30 Newton Farm Community Association, 21-23 The Oval
10th April at 10:30 – 12:00 Belmont Community Centre, Eastholme Avenue
14th April at 10:30 – 12:00 Our Lady Queen of Martyrs RC Church, 101 Belmont Road

You Said We Did - Suspicious Activity – Arrests Made

Following reports of suspicious activity at a residential address — including numerous short-stay visitors, groups of youths gathering behind the property, curtains remaining closed, and concerns regarding drug-related behaviour — officers attended the location to carry out enquiries.

During the visit, arrests were made, and individuals were taken into police custody as part of the ongoing investigation. Increased patrols will continue in the area to reassure the community and deter further incidents.

If you notice similar activity in your neighbourhood, please report it via 101 or online at www.westmercia.police.uk. Always call 999 in an emergency.



Lidl's Pop Up



Your local Safer Neighbourhood Team will be at Lidl's at Belmont Road on **Wednesday 8th April 2026 at 11:00.**

Please take this opportunity to raise any concerns you may have and to find out what we are doing to tackle the issues that matter to you.

Everyone is welcome and it would be great to see you there. For more information, please contact: PCSO Hayley WARNE on hayley.warne@westmercia.police.uk

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