# Newsletter

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**South Wye Newsletter** 

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#### **Crime Trends**

### 1<sup>st</sup> – 31st December 2021

**Vehicle Crime** - There have been reports of vehicles having their wing mirrors hit off in Muir Close (5<sup>th</sup> Dec) and Stanberrow Road (16<sup>th</sup> Dec). <u>Incident Refs:</u> 00238\_i\_05122021 & 00149\_i\_22122021

**Theft of Wheels (Vehicle Crime)** - Reports received regarding the theft of wheels being stolen from vans that were parked at various locations:

An incident on HOLME LACY ROAD states that at 20:11 on 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec an unknown male has removed wheels from a transit van, male was wearing a mid-length coat and left the scene in a pick-up truck

An incident on THORN BUSINESS PARK reports that an unknown male wearing high-vis clothing was caught on CCTV by the van at 19:05hrs and left the scene driving a vehicle with chevrons on the rear

There was also an incident on HOLME LACY ROAD where the rear wheel was stolen and the wheel nuts were left in situ, this occurred between 17:00 and 06:10hrs

If you have any information that can help with enquiries please call 101 and quote <u>Incident Refs:</u> 00086\_i\_02122021, 00622\_i\_06122021, 00085\_i\_07122021

**Tools stolen** – Reports received regarding tools being stolen from vans which have been broken in to overnight and having various tools stolen in Hinton Crescent (11<sup>th</sup> Dec), Hawthorn Grove (11<sup>th</sup> Dec) and two vans on Ross Road (12<sup>th</sup> Dec) <u>Incident Refs</u>: 00258\_i\_11122021, 00180\_i\_11122021 & 00207\_i\_12112021

Police have a possible suspect for the above crimes

**ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour)** – A report from Tesco's Belmont stating that a group of youths had been in and purchased some eggs and within minutes had a complaint from a customer saying that a group of youths were throwing eggs in the car park at people and parked cars. No persons or vehicles were hurt/damaged. Incident Ref: 00681\_i\_13122021

CCTV was provided for evidence, the majority of the males have been identified, investigation continues

**ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour)** – A group of youths were attempting to light a hay bale near the containers sited at Belmont Football Pitch – Did you see these youths? Are you able to identify and name them? <u>Incident Ref</u>: 00388\_i\_30122021

If you have any information regarding the incidents above, or any crime, you can contact police on 101 or via our website <u>https://www.westmercia.police.uk/</u>

#### In an emergency please dial 999.

You can also contact Crime stoppers on **0800 555 111** to report any crime or criminal activity Anonymously.

Please be aware that any information provided within this newsletter is to inform you of incidents of note and to request possible assistance. We do not want to worry you in anyway.

Any incidents stated are infrequent and spread about a wide area, and are over a whole month.

### **Drugs Warrant**

South Wye SNT carried out a drugs warrant in the Newton farm area, an intense search of a property resulted in excess of £1000 worth of cannabis, multiple items of drug paraphernalia and a quantity of phones were seized. One male was arrested regarding drug related offences.



We as an SNT work on a term called "You said, We did" – You inform us, we do the work

You can help us deal with drug crime and the associated anti-social behaviour that goes with it. The public are our eyes and ears, and no one knows better than the residents what is going on in a neighbourhood or community.

If you suspect someone is dealing drugs or involved in drug crime, you can pass on information via the 'Tell Us About' section of our website: <u>www.westmercia.police.uk</u> or you can phone 101. Always dial 999 if you or your property is at risk or a crime is in progress.

If you aren't comfortable contacting us directly, you can pass on information anonymously to the independent charity, Crimestoppers, by calling 0800 555 111 or by visiting their website: <a href="https://www.crimestoppers-uk.org">www.crimestoppers-uk.org</a>

If you ever feel at risk, or a crime is in progress, please always dial 999.

For more information please contact a member of the SNT.

Thank you for your help. It is only by the police and the public working together that we can prevent and detect crime.

#### **Sexual Assaults**

During the month of December reports were received by Police regarding an unknown male making suggestive remarks to lone females which then elevated to sexual touching. These incidents occurred on St Martins Street, by ASDA, Great Western Way and two occasions on Belmont Road under the cover of darkness, the male wore the same clothing on each occurrence. Social Media pleas were made to the community appealing for information/CCTV/Dash Cam footage for information. The male was described as 6ft, dark tanned skin, possible 40's, slim, black messy beard, black hair, white/cream woolly hat, brown body warmer, long sleeved t-shirt under, white/grey trainers, Eastern European accent (male spoke to victims).

A few days into the New Year, a male was arrested in connection to these reports.

# Holiday Activity Fund (HAF) – Boxing Camp

In partnership with Hereford Council, South Wye Police Boxing Academy and SNT South Wye Police a Boxing camp was ran over the Christmas break for three days. The camp was arranged for children that fell into the vulnerable category and was also open to children that received free school meals. The camp ran for 3 days, each consisted of 4 hours of fun filled activities that gave all of the children an insight into boxing, fitness and healthy eating – the children were also fed a hot meal which ensured they all had full tummies.

#### **Parish Council Priorities - Speeding**

The main concern throughout our Parishes is that of Speeding, we as an SNT have been out in various parts of the County Speed Enforcement and monitoring – you may have seen us out and about!

With the weather changing please think about how you drive making sure you drive to the weather conditions.

For advice on winter driving please follow the link below.

https://www.theaa.com/driving-advice/seasonal/winter

#### **Property Marking**

The team continues to offer free security marking of property for anybody who may be interested in an extra deterrent to thieves. This is aimed primarily at things like tools, garden implements, mowers etc and involves us writing an identifiable mark on the item and then spraying it with a lacquer, thereby making it practically impossible to remove. This mark then acts as a deterrent to any potential thief and would also assist police in identifying the rightful owner of any property they may come across that is suspected to have been stolen. If you are interested in having any property marked in this way then please contact us.

#### **Neighbourhood Matters**



Have you signed up to the new police messaging service called Neighbourhood Matters? This has proved to be a popular service throughout the force and we would like all who haven't yet signed up to it to please consider doing so now. You can do so via the web site

www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk or alternatively the team here can sign you up on your behalf if you would prefer. Please contact us if you would like us to do this for you. The service is used by us locally to send out messages of all sorts, from reporting on certain activities that we have been up to, to informing people of local drop-in surgeries planned by us for the coming days. It also used by our headquarters to send out public safety messages of all sorts. You won't be bombarded with emails and we think that you'll find the service a useful way of keeping up to date with local police related matters.

#### How to Contact Us

to talk to your local SNT – see contact numbers at top of newsletter

Herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.police.uk

The https://www.westmercia.police.uk/ro/report/ – please use the West Mercia Police web site for all other forms of contact, including reporting a crime (not 999), anti-social behaviour, motoring

matters, queries etc.

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Only call 999 in an emergency, when a crime is in progress or life is in danger.



#### Where We Work

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## Area profile

Welcome to the site for Hereford City Southside and Rural Team. We are a small team and currently work from South Wye Station in Newton Farm. We feel privileged to work in an area of outstanding natural beauty like Herefordshire and strive to make it an even safer place to live, work in and visit. We are committed to serving our communities and targeting those that present most risk to our community, protecting those at risk and patrolling those areas deemed most at risk of harm. We are out on patrol as often as possible whether it is on foot, pedal cycle or car, to ensure we reach all corners of our area. Please approach us if you see us out and about and we will be more than happy to stop and chat. You can also reach us by phone or e-mail to discuss and concerns or issues.'

#### Keep Well and Stay Safe

