



# Warwickshire Police

## Rugby Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

*December 2020 News*



### Welcome



Welcome to Decembers edition of Rugby Safer Neighbourhood teams newsletter. Christmas time will soon be upon us and the team will be out and about more than ever in the build-up of the festive period. The team have had a busy month, with warrants executed, knife, drugs and vehicle safety operations. In this edition we will be promoting advice on seasonal crime prevention and an insight what the team has been up to. Please make use of the links in order for enquiries to be dealt with by the most appropriate service. Crime statistics can be found on Warwickshire Police website via link <https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/crime-map>



# Community Engagement.

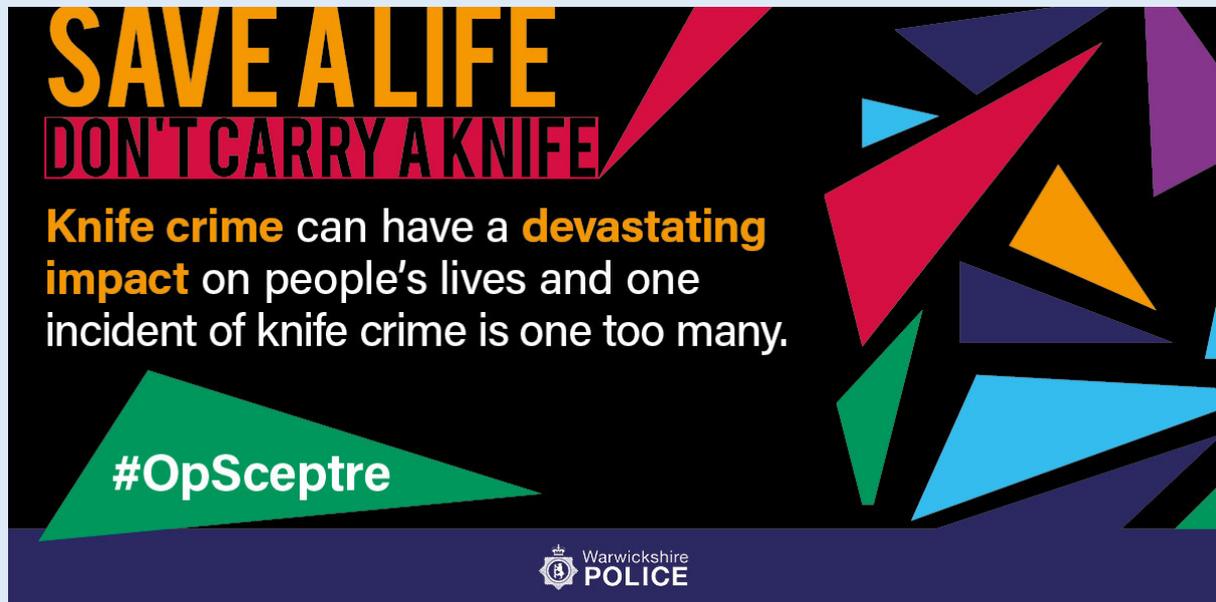
## Rural Outposts

Thanks to the rural PCSO's the teams now have outposts in a number of villages. The villages have kindly let the team to have access to village halls which will help the team by allowing them to do paperwork, check emails within the community rather than doing it back at Rugby Police Station. This will help the team to spend more time within these communities. Residents are also able to come and chat with the team when they are there.



## Knife Crime

Members of the team have been engaging with a number of community groups about the dangers and consequences of carrying knives. SNT have also educated youngsters on the law and have completed a number of searches of parks and open spaces for hidden weapons.



- To carry a pointed or bladed article in a public place, such as a knife or offensive weapon of this description is an offence against [Section 139 Criminal Justice Act 1988](#).
- Carrying a pointed or bladed article on school premises is an offence against [Section 139A Criminal Justice Act 1988](#)



## Vehicle & Road Safety

Rugby Town North officers PC Sahota & PCSO Gus have been helping staff and students at a local school with a video regarding road safety and gave advice to parents on school parking.



As the darker nights draw in, and more of us are taking to commuting on a bicycle it is imperative to be seen by motorists. PCSO Seal who regularly patrols using a bicycle can be seen in the below pictures highlighting the difference it makes using a bright reflective vest.



PCSO Shilton and PC Fenton - conducted speed checks on Crick Road Rugby where 67 vehicles were checked, 4 were going over the 30 speed limit. Strong words of advice given to a driver in relation of his position during overtaking cyclists.

Speed checks completed on vehicles on Overview Way, Rugby. Traffic Offence Report submitted for a vehicle carrying too many passengers by the Town North team.

PC Sahota PC ketley PCSO Gus & PCSO Miller have been busy contributing to the day of action. They have also looked for traffic offences around schools and issued fines to motorists committing offences.

PCSO Banks & Seal conducted speed checks throughout the rural villages and distributed slow down wheelie bin stickers.



## Information.

*Don't let online  
crime ruin your  
Christmas*

**#Be Cyber Smart**



**S** Safeguard your payment. Never transfer money directly into the seller's account. Pay by card on a secure payment page, by cheque or cash in person.

**M** Make sure payment pages are secure and you can see  and  or  in the browser window.

**A** A credit card, rather than a debit card, gives you more chance of getting your money back if there are problems.

**R** Remember Wi-Fi in public places is not always secure - even if you have to enter a code.

**T** Think. After you have finished your online shopping or banking session remember to log out.

For more information visit  
[www.warwickshire.police.uk/becybersmart](http://www.warwickshire.police.uk/becybersmart),  
[www.getsafeonline.org](http://www.getsafeonline.org)



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# It's currently **against the law** to ride an **e-scooter** in any **public place**

We understand that buying an e-scooter can be tempting, especially as you can get them from many popular retailers.

## However the current law is clear

You can buy one but it is illegal to use a **PRIVATELY OWNED** e-scooter in **ANY** public space including roads, pavements, parks, town centres or canal towpaths for example. The only place an e-scooter can be used is on private land.



# SPIKED?



**NEVER**  
**LEAVE YOUR DRINK**  
**UNATTENDED**

**NEVER**  
**ACCEPT DRINKS**  
**FROM STRANGERS**

**THINK SAFE**  
**DRINK SAFE**



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Don't give criminals an easy ride by leaving your car running



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## Take a few simple steps to avoid becoming a victim of burglary

Set a timer switch to turn your lights on when it gets dark – unlit houses are a give away that no one is at home.

Lock your doors, patios and downstairs windows - even when you are in. Make sure you double check them again before you go to bed.

If you have a burglar alarm, make sure you set it when you go out and also when you go to bed.

Don't leave car keys, ID cards or valuables near windows, doors or letterboxes, where burglars can reach through to steal them.

Lock your garden gates and side entrances. Don't leave tools lying around in the garden which could be used to break in to your home.

**If you have information about a burglary phone the police on 101.**



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# Anti-social behaviour in the park?



Report it online:  
[www.warwickshire.police.uk](http://www.warwickshire.police.uk)

#Not999GoOnline

In an emergency, always call 999



## Self service - make sure you're not a victim

Most purse thefts are opportunistic - don't give thieves a helping hand!



## Neighbour disputes.

We would all like to live in peace with our neighbours, but unfortunately that is sometimes not how things work out. Here's what you can do if you are having problems. Unless a crime has been committed or someone is in immediate danger, the police are unlikely to intervene in neighbour disputes. However we'll put you in touch with the groups and organisations who can help.



### **Examples:**

#### **I'm having a dispute with a neighbour about our property boundaries.**

If you can't find an amicable solution with your neighbour, we suggest seeking the advice of a solicitor to resolve this. You could also contact your bank, building society, or whoever holds your deeds, to confirm the boundaries.

The following resources may also be of use:

- The Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) [www.rics.org](http://www.rics.org)
- The Land Registry [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

#### **I'm having a dispute with a neighbour about their CCTV camera pointing at my property**

Many people are installing closed circuit television (CCTV) as a home security measure as it has proved to be an effective tool in fighting crime. Cameras used for limited household purposes are not subject to the Data Protection Act 1998.

However, if the footage covers areas beyond this, such as neighbouring streets or other properties, problems may arise. There could be issues regarding privacy and harassment if you are being recorded in your home.

In the first instance, speak to your neighbour to see if it's possible to reposition the camera so that it does not point at your property. If this is not successful, and you want to take further action, we recommend seeking legal advice from a solicitor.

- To find a local independent solicitor visit The Law Society web site [www.lawsociety.org.uk](http://www.lawsociety.org.uk)

This information is provided courtesy of [Ask the Police](#)

### **My neighbour plays music to an excessive level**

A noise complaint can be made to your local council on line.

**Warwick District Council:** [www.warwickdc.gov.uk](http://www.warwickdc.gov.uk)

**North Warwickshire Borough:** [www.northwarks.gov.uk](http://www.northwarks.gov.uk)

**Stratford on Avon District Council:** [www.stratford.gov.uk](http://www.stratford.gov.uk)

**Rugby Borough Council:** [www.rugby.gov.uk](http://www.rugby.gov.uk)

**Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council:** [www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk](http://www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk)

If you live in a rented property or local housing then please contact your landlord or the housing association who will be able to provide relevant support and guidance.

Further advice on what to do to resolve a neighbour dispute can be obtained from the Gov.UK website [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

This independent website also offers advice [www.problemneighbours.co.uk](http://www.problemneighbours.co.uk)

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**Warwickshire Rural Watch**  
*closing the gate on rural crime*

**Contact us!**

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☎ **101** – To report a Crime

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