

# West Mercia Police

## SOUTH HEREFORD RURAL Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

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26<sup>th</sup> September - 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015

### About your team

Safer Neighbourhood Teams work with local people and partners to identify, tackle and solve issues that matter to the community where you live.

Making neighbourhoods safer by cutting day to day crime and anti-social behaviour is at the heart of keeping people in West Mercia safe. Thanks to an investment in mobile tablet style computers, these will enable officers to spend more time on patrol on the street and in neighbourhoods.


Officers will continue to come to people when they need them and provide a high quality service however you contact us – in person (on the street, at community bases and at partners and communities together [PACT] meetings), on the phone or online.

### Where we work

**Hereford South Wye Police Station,  
Goodrich Grove, Newton Farm, Hereford,  
HR2 7DB**

Covering: Aconbury; Allensmore; Ballingham; Bolstone; Callow; Dewesall; Dinedor; Garway; Grafton; Harewood; Haywood; Hentland; Holme Lacy; Kenderchurch; Kentchurch; Kilpeck; Kingstone; Little Birch; Much Birch; Little Dewchurch; Llandinabo; Llanwarne; Lower Bullingham; Much Dewchurch; Orcop; Pencoyd; St Devereaux; St Weonards; Tretire with Michealchurch; Thruxton; Treville; Wormbridge.

### Get in touch

 **101** to talk to your local SNT or report a crime

 herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

 [www.westmercia.police.uk](http://www.westmercia.police.uk)

 Herefordshire Cops /  @southsidecops

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

### Your team

(Part of the Southside Team)

**SGT Emma Freer 1348**

**PC Brian Hillstead 0397**

**PCSO Lowri Anderson 40247**



The rest of the Southside Team

PC Roger Bradley 164

PCSO Adam Westlake 6552

PCSO Christina Howard 6480

PCSO Jonathan Owen 40237

PCSO Hayley Cohen 40259

The West Mercia Police area and especially South Herefordshire remains low crime. That said a number of incidents have occurred and I would ask you to have a look at these to see if you could help with any information which may assist us in bringing the offenders to justice. Let me know if you need any crime prevention advice.

*For daily updates on incidents in your area register for our Dotmailer service via [www.westmercia.police.uk](http://www.westmercia.police.uk).*

*Should you wish to review crime and anti-social behaviour trends in your area over a longer period this can be done by visiting [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk).*

## General Policing

Between the above dates (**26<sup>th</sup> September and 22<sup>nd</sup> October**) there were **119** incidents reported to the police for the South Hereford Rural Area which were either, attended and dealt with by us, or response officers. **16** of these were "Grade 1", which means 999 emergency calls which is either life threatening or a crime in progress.

There were **20** crimes. These are broken down in to; **10** Theft, **1** Assault, **5** Misc, **2** Damage and **2** Burglary.

## Arrests

### Much Birch

On 4<sup>th</sup> October a 25 year old male was arrested for possession of a controlled drug with intent to supply.

### Callow

On 4<sup>th</sup> October a 19 year old male was arrested for drug driving.

### Garway

On 30<sup>th</sup> September a 32 year old male was arrested for assault.

## Incidents of Note

### Grafton

OIS 0154S 081015. Over night between 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> October a van was broken into at the travelodge. A satnav, CD player and Iphone were taken.

OIS 0097S 081015. Overnight between 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> October a van was broken into at the travelodge. Power tools were taken.

OIS 0176S 121015. Overnight between 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> October a van was broken into at the travelodge. Clothing and electrical tools were taken.

### Kingstone

OIS 0763S 031015. On 3rd October the Neighbour Hood Watch coordinator informed the police of suspicious activity of 3 males with a catapult in a rural location late at night.

### A49

OIS 0174S 300915. Between 0100hrs and 0400hrs on 30<sup>th</sup> September an articulated vehicle was parked in a lay-by. 2 large slashes were made to the vehicle sides. Nothing was stolen.

### **Orcop**

OIS 0329S 290915. Between 29<sup>th</sup> September and 30<sup>th</sup> September over night a trailer has been stolen from a rural property.

OIS 0567S 151015. Between 8<sup>th</sup> October and 15<sup>th</sup> October a Silver Mitsubishi Shogun has been stolen from a rural property.

OIS 058s 221015. At approx 4am on 22<sup>nd</sup> October, The residents of a cottage were awoken by their dogs who alerted them to a fire at a shed at their property. We are looking into the matter and keeping an open mind. If you have any information or saw anything suspicious please contact 101 quoting OIS 058s 221015.

### **Tram Inn**

OIS 0623S 131015. On 13<sup>th</sup> October a car was hit by a wheel that fell from a tractor and trailer. The tractor failed to stop. Damage was caused to the vehicle.

### **Rotherwas**

OIS 0231S 131015. Between 17:30hrs 2<sup>nd</sup> October and 07:30hrs 3<sup>rd</sup> October a trailer was stolen from Hereford Asbestos Services. The trailer was chained to another, the chain was also taken.

### **Marlas**

OIS 0514S 111015. On the 9<sup>th</sup> October plants were taken from a garden. This is an ongoing issue.

OIS 0378s 201015. Over the weekend of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> more plants were taken from a garden. This is an ongoing issue.

### **Wormelow**

OIS 0731s 201015. Between 08:00 and 19:00 on 20<sup>th</sup> October an attempt was made to break into a property. The offenders did this by trying to break the lock. Access was not gained but the lock was damaged. An attempt was also made to enter a shed. Access again was not gained.

## **Community Information**

### **Orcop**

OIS 0749S 131015. On the 13<sup>th</sup> October at 10:56pm we had reports of a Bungalow fire. The Bungalow was destroyed by the fire and sadly a 95year old woman died. The fire is not being treated as suspicious.

### **St Weonards**

It has been brought to my attention that vehicles are driving the wrong way along the one way system. If you see this happening, please can you inform me of the registration number and description of the vehicle? You can do this via email to the following address [herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk](mailto:herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk)

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**If you have any information regarding any of the above you can contact Hereford Police on 101, in an emergency please dial 999. Please be aware that any information provided within this letter 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. Herefordshire is a safe place to live!**

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## Where we will be ...

**ASDA, Belmont Road, Hereford. 24<sup>th</sup> October 11:30am – 1:30pm.** PCSO Lowri Anderson and PCSO Hayley Cohen will be there! Please come and see us if you have anything you would like to talk about.

**Mobile Police Surgery in Orcop 25<sup>th</sup> October 2pm-3pm.** PCSO Lowri Anderson and PCSO Westlake will be in the village in a marked car. Come and speak to us if you have any concerns or issues.

**Mobile Police Surgery in Orcop 8<sup>th</sup> November 11am-12pm.** PCSO Lowri Anderson and PCSO Westlake will be in the village in a marked car. Come and speak to us if you have any concerns or issues.

**Holme Lacy Parish Council Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> November 7pm at the Village Hall.** PCSO Lowri Anderson will be attending.

**Orcop Parish Council Meeting.** PCSO Lowri Anderson will be at Orcop Parish council meeting, **18<sup>th</sup> November 7:30pm at Orcop Village Hall.** PCSO Lowri Anderson will be attending.

**ASDA, Belmont Road, Hereford. 22<sup>nd</sup> November 12pm – 2pm.** PCSO Hayley Cohen will be there! Please go and see her if you have anything you would like to talk about!

**Allensmore Parish Council Meeting at 8pm, 26<sup>th</sup> November at Pattes Hall.** PCSO Lowri Anderson will be attending.

**Little Dewchurch Community Safety Evening, 27<sup>th</sup> November 7pm.** Details to be confirmed and I will be advertising in Little Dewchurch. PCSO Lowri Anderson and PCSO Fiona Witcher will be there. Please pop along for information on crime prevention, smartwater, Local Policing and more.

**More dates to be confirmed.** If there are any events you wish for us to attend, please get in touch. These can be anything from fetes to coffee mornings, mother and toddler groups to Flu clinics.

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## Last months round up ...

On 17<sup>th</sup> November PCSO Lowri Anderson attended the Flu Clinic in Much Brich to introduce herself. It was lovely to see you all!

Checks are Ongoing in Holme Lacy village on overweight vehicles and speeding.

On 1<sup>st</sup> October PCSO Lowri Anderson and PCSO Westlake provided a uniformed presence for the arrival of HRH the Duke of Kent via Royal Flight at Rotherwas Industrial Estate.

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# The Cold Mornings are coming

Don't become a victim, read the below advice.



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



Although vehicle crime is low across Warwickshire and West Mercia, cars are stolen from driveways every winter because owners leave them unattended, with the keys in the ignition, while they warm up and the windscreens defrost.

Some vehicle owners nip inside for just a few seconds to collect a bag or finish the last mouthful of coffee – but that's all the time an opportunist thief needs.

Insurance companies may not pay out for cars stolen in this way – and if your house keys are taken as well, you're making your home vulnerable.

Freeze out car thieves on frosty mornings:

- Clear windscreens with de-icer and a scraper
- Sit in your vehicle while the heater de-mists the windscreen

For more vehicle security advice, visit:  
[www.warwickshire.police.uk](http://www.warwickshire.police.uk)  
[www.westmercia.police.uk](http://www.westmercia.police.uk)

If you see anyone acting suspiciously, contact the police.  
Call: 101 (non-emergency)  
Remember, in an emergency always dial 999

# Do you know how to keep your children safe online?

Ask us for advice is not. We are happy to help.

## Do you know how to keep your children safe online?



## Do you know your ASL from your LOL?



More and more children are using the internet as a daily part of their lives and, as parents, it can be hard to keep up with the latest lingo and what they're up to online.



The internet is a fantastic place but just like any fantastic place it has risks. West Mercia Police has launched a new e-safety bulletin service, making it easy for parents and carers to stay up to date with the latest information and safety advice.



Signing up to the bulletin only takes a minute and is completely free. Visit:

[www.westmerciabulletin.org.uk](http://www.westmerciabulletin.org.uk)



Once you've signed up, you'll be able to download a handy free e-safety guide which you can download, print and share with your children.



Please sign up today and help us to make West Mercia the safest region for child internet safety in the UK.

[www.westmercia.police.uk](http://www.westmercia.police.uk)



# Are you Cyber SMART?

Follow these simple steps to stay safe online.

**The virtual world has real life consequences**


**S** **Strong** passwords are nonsensical and made up of a mixture of letters, numbers and punctuation.

**M** **Make** sure you update your software and your antivirus before using the internet.

**A** **Always** check for a  or  symbol in the browser window when banking online. The 'https' shows the connection is secure.

**R** **Remember** to shred documents containing personal details before throwing away.

**T** **Think** scams. If an online bargain seems too good to be true it probably is.



For more information about the #Be Cyber Smart campaign go to [www.warwickshire.police.uk/becybersmart](http://www.warwickshire.police.uk/becybersmart) or [www.westmercia.police.uk/becybersmart](http://www.westmercia.police.uk/becybersmart)

To learn about staying safe online visit [www.getsafeonline.org](http://www.getsafeonline.org)

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**ActionFraud**  
National Fraud & Cyber Crime Reporting Centre  
[actionfraud.police.uk](http://actionfraud.police.uk)

## Bonfire Night is upon us!

Stay safe this Bonfire season.



**Bonfire Night**  
**Remember! Remember!**

- X** It is illegal to sell fireworks to anyone under 18 years of age. Maximum penalty of £5000 and/or six months in prison.
- X** It is illegal to set off fireworks between 11pm and 7am (Bonfire night extended until 12 midnight).
- X** It is illegal to let off any firework in a public place and this carries a fine of up to £5000. Police may also issue an £80 Fixed Penalty Notice.
- X** All fireworks sold to the public must comply to British Safety Standard BS 7114.
- X** The police have the power to stop and search anyone suspected of carrying fireworks.
- X** The sale of bangers, mini rockets, fireworks that fly erratically (squibs, helicopters etc), aerial shells and maroons is illegal.
- X** Irresponsible use of fireworks can damage property, cause injury, scare people (particularly the elderly) and frighten animals.



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## One last thing ...



We are now on Facebook. Type Herefordshire Cops into the search bar and like us for all our up to date news and information.

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Your nearest public service counter is at Hereford Police Station, Bath Street, Hereford, HR1 2HT:

Opening hours of: Monday to Saturday: 8am to 8pm  
Sundays and Bank Holidays: 10am to 4pm

If you would like to receive this Briefing via email, please email [herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk](mailto:herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk)

Regards,

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