

Newsletter

MARCH 2017

**Shrewsbury Rural North & District
Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)**

About your team

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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



Shrewsbury Rural North & District is based at Pontesbury Police Station, Minsterley Road, Pontesbury, SY5 0QH. We work in the Parishes of Pontesbury, Minsterley, Great Hanwood, Longden, Westbury, Ford, Great Ness & Little Ness, Bicton, Alberbury, Montford Bridge, and Bomere Heath, we also cover the Shrewsbury Town council areas of Bowbrook, Gains Park and Bicton Heath including the Royal Shrewsbury and Redwood Hospitals.

How to get in touch

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

 shrewsburyrn.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

 www.westmercia.police.uk

 /  @ShrewsburyCops

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

PONTESBURY POLICE STATION OPENING TIMES

WEDNESDAY'S - 4 pm To 7 pm

The Police Station is staffed by volunteers. Sometimes due to circumstances beyond our control we may not be able to have the station open to the public. If the station is closed and you need to speak to a member of the team please contact us using the details above.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team will also hold Police Surgeries : <https://westmercia.police.uk>
Occasionally due to circumstances beyond our control we may not be able to get to the Surgery or Meeting. If officers are not at the location and you need to speak to the team please contact us using the details above.

CURRENT PARTNER AND COMMUNITIES TOGETHER PRIORITIES (PACT)

The SNT team deal with a multitude of diverse issues and problems on a daily basis. It is currently agreed that the team will focus on the following issue as a matter of priority.

To see updates on our current priority please Visit :

<https://westmercia.police.uk>

COMMUNITY CONCERN – SPEEDING MONTFORD BRIDGE

Issue - Drivers, particularly in the mornings are reported to be travelling in excess of the 30 mph speed limit through the Village of Montford Bridge.

Suggestion - SNT along with other Colleagues will carry out high profile patrols in the area to deter speeding drivers.

Action -

Update : Update : 31/03/17 - High Profile Patrols are being carried out.

The Team have been busy as usual out in the community meeting as many of you as we can. Particularly focussing on the vulnerable and elderly in the area.

We have had the pleasure of attending Bicton primary School and along with the council awarding them their Safer School Accreditation. It was a really good assembly on Red Nose Day as well. We have also been in to Pontesbury Primary School this month to talk to year 6 children about Respect, Responsibilities and Consequences.

Crime on the area remains low as does ASB, however we have been suffering from shed breaks, please ensure all your equipment is locked away and is as secure as possible. If you need advice please talk to us.

This month of course has seen the Terrorist incident in London. if you **THINK** some thing is suspicious, be that an object, vehicle or a person.

PLEASE REPORT IT YOU ARE NOT WASTING OUR TIME.

CRIME and ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

ALBERBURY & CARDESTON PARISH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	
0	1	1					No ASB reported this month, 1 assault enquiries on going. 1 burglary to a shed tools stolen enquiries ongoing.

FORD PARISH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	
0	2	1					No ASB reported this month , 2 assaults no complaint, 1 x burglary quad bile stolen enquiries ongoing. There has been a report of youths causing a disturbance on the play park again. SNT will carry out some enquiries.

GREAT HANWOOD PARISH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	
0	1						No ASB reported this month, 1 assault no complaint.

LONGDEN PARISH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	
4	1						4 ASB reported this month, not youth related. 2 assaults reported person's identified enquiries ongoing.

PONTESBURY PARISH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	4 ASB reported this month, 1 youth related SNT dealing, Youths are gathering in the wood opposite Longfield terrace, they are trespassing, parents please advise your children. 1 assault enquiries ongoing. 1 x criminal damage to a vehicle person identified enquiries ongoing. 1 x theft of mobile phone enquires ongoing.
4	1		1	1			

MINSTERLEY PARISH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	3 ASB reported 1 youth related SNT dealing. 1 attempted burglary enquiries ongoing. 1 x theft from store person arrested and charged. 1 x theft of a hanging basket. 1 x assault no complaint
3	1	1		1			

WESTBURY PARISH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	1 ASB reported this month, not youth related. Possession of a blade article person arrested enquiries on going. 1 x theft of a sat nav from a vehicle enquiries on going. 1 x burglary enquiries ongoing.
1	1	1	1				

BOMERE HEATH PARISH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	2 ASB reported this month not youth related. 2 x assaults person arrested. 1 x theft from store enquiries ongoing. 1 x burglary to outbuilding broken into nothing stolen. 1 x theft of transformers from building site.
2	2	1		2			

GREAT NESS & LITTLE NESS PARISH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	No ASB reported this month and No crime
0							

MONTFORD BRIDGE PARISH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	4 ASB reported this month 2 concerning dogs, SNT and other agencies are dealing. No crime reported.
0							

BICTON PARISH (Village)

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	No ASB reported this month. 2 x assault and 1 x criminal damage person identified enquiries ongoing. 1 criminal damage to a building damaged caused by a cross bow bolt.
0	2				2		

BICTON HEATH

ASB	VIOLENCE	BURGLARY	VEHICLE CRIME	THEFT	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	DRUGS	15 ASB reports this month, not youth related. Enquiries ongoing with persons identified for offences.
15	4	2	1	4		2	

PLEASE NOTE THESE ARE NOT OFFICIAL FIGURES AND NOT ALL INCIDENTS OR CRIMES ARE RECORDED. HOWEVER, IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION IN RELATION TO ANY OF THE ABOVE INCIDENTS PLEASE CONTACT THE SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM.

ShrewsburyCops – Tweets



Please have a look at a sample of Shrewsbury Cops tweets for March 2017, excellent source of information letting you know what is going on. Also see our facebook page

- Shrewsbury Police Retweeted ShrewsburySamaritans
 - Please RT. We work closely with Shrewsbury Samaritans and they do amazing work.
- Last chance for us to tweet Sgt Coles 'arresting' The Joker. Not many cops have done that in their time!
[/hashtag/Retirement?src=hash](#)
- SNT"s from Shrewsbury advise do not buy tv"s from cold callers in vans in car parks, they do not work.[#WatchWhatYouBuy](#)
- Thank you [@stumccall1972](#) helping us find our new HOST outreach vehicle! [@TheBusk](#) [@shrewsburyark](#) [@arksoutreach](#) [#newcar](#) [#smc](#) [@ShropCouncil](#)
- Rural North SNT - What a Lovely Sunny Day it is today to be out and about on Patrol
- Rural North SNT Been working with Multi Agencies today to try and help deal with some Community Concerns at this time [#WorkingTogether](#)
- Rural North SNT : Longden Village & Longden Common Patrol This afternoon [#RuralLife](#) □
- Rural North SNT: Today Talking to Yr 6 at Pontesbury Primary about Respect, Responsibility & Consequences @PPS_Shrewbury [@PontesburyPC](#)
- Rural North SNT: We are @ Bicton Primary School today regular Safer School Meeting with Parents, Children & Council colleagues [@ShropCouncil](#)
- Extra armed and regular patrols will be taking place in Shrewsbury following the events in Westminster. 1/2
- Rural North SNT - Conducting Reassurance visits to victims of Domestic Abuse this morning [#ProtectingPeopleFromHarm](#)

LOCAL TEAM NEWS

Community Messaging Service (CMS)

Register to receive messages from our Community Messaging Service

Watch schemes encourage communities to work together to protect themselves and their property, which in turn can help to prevent crime and reduce the fear of crime. Therefore, contributing to our vision of protecting people from harm. Watch schemes work in two ways:

- Join a local watch scheme or start a watch scheme
- [Sign up](#) to receive crime alerts, crime prevention advice and community safety information.

Warwickshire Police and West Mercia Police support the activity of thousands of members of watch schemes.

Remember if you have any information that may assist the police and the community please inform the police as soon as possible.

- In case of an emergency or a crime in progress, dial **999**
- For non urgent incidents and crimes that are not in progress, dial **101**

Warwickshire Police and West Mercia Police have developed a Community Messaging Service. We encourage all members of our community to sign up to receive our community alerts.

The aim of these messages is to inform all members of the community, about what is happening in their area and how they can better protect themselves and their property from harm.

To sign up please click '[Register for your "My Account"](#)' at the top right of the website page.

By signing up to this community message service you are **not** signing up to National Neighbourhood Watch, any other locally run Neighbourhood Watch Scheme or any other recognised watch scheme.

Message to our communities following incident in Westminster

The thoughts of all who serve within West Mercia Police are with everyone affected by the events in London yesterday afternoon.

This is a stark reminder that the people who serve within the emergency services risk their lives in order to protect the public and we pass our sincere condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of PC Keith Palmer.

We feel it is important to emphasise that there is no specific intelligence relating to any threat to the communities that we serve and we regularly review our security measures to ensure we are doing all we can to keep you safe.

It is important that the police and the public work together to combat terrorism. If you have any information about suspicious activity or behaviour you can report it in confidence by calling the Anti-

Terrorist Hotline on 0800 789 321 or by using the secure form at www.gov.uk/ACT. In an emergency situation call 999.

Issued: 9.45am, Thursday 23 March, Alexa Neville, Corporate Communications

Statement a week on from terrorist incident in Westminster

A week on from the terrorist incident in Westminster the Chief Constable of West Mercia Police Anthony Bangham and Police and Crime Commissioner John Campion have reaffirmed their ongoing commitment to public safety.

Chief Constable Anthony Bangham, said: "A week ago today our country was shaken by the events in Westminster. This will, no doubt, have caused our communities to reflect and some people may feel fearful. To those people I would like to reassure you that we are committed to keeping you and your family safe and there is no intelligence to suggest a specific threat to our communities.

"Community policing remains at the very heart of all we do and our local policing approach is supported by an armed capability, available 24 hours a day across the force area, to both prevent incidents and respond swiftly where we are needed.

"Last week's events were also a stark reminder of the risks those who serve within the police service take every single day in order to protect the public and I never fail to be humbled by the bravery of police officers both within our own force and nationally.

"Time will not heal the pain caused to the family and friends of PC Keith Palmer, Aysha Frade, Kurt Cochran and Leslie Rhodes and the thoughts of all of us at West Mercia Police remain with them."

Police and Crime Commissioner John Campion said "The commitment and dedication demonstrated by West Mercia officers and staff is something that I see day in, day out. I would like to reassure the public that they work extremely hard to keep our communities safe. The Chief and I are committed to ensuring that resources are provided to tackle all types of crime. These resources are prioritised accordingly to ensure that all that is needed is done to prevent threats to our communities. Our thoughts remain with the victims of the attack in Westminster. We will be forever indebted to those that make the ultimate sacrifice to keep us safe."

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



The aim of a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme is to bring together like minded neighbours who wish to create a strong friendly community where crime and anti-social behaviour is less likely to occur.

By being a member of a Watch scheme you will be a valued link between your community and the Police.

There is no lower or higher limit on how many members there can be in a scheme.

The police will not run the scheme, as to how that is done is up to the members, however the Police will provide help and advice.

You may decide to have regular meetings of your members; if so Police staff will do all they can to attend and support those meetings if requested.

Being a coordinator or a member can take as much or as little time as you wish; all we ask is that if you have a concern or become aware of any unusual or suspicious activity you report it to Police via the 101 number.

It has been proved that where there is a NHW scheme in place, crime and ASB decreases and the area becomes a safer and more pleasant place in which to live.

NHW members are valued by the Police for the time and work they do to lessen crime and help keep Shropshire a low crime area.

For more information please visit www.westmercia.police.uk and www.ourwatch.org.uk

Or come and have a chat with our Police volunteer Arthur Jones at Pontesbury Police Station on Wednesdays between 4pm and 7pm.

Visit our Team Calendar and Events page

At

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk>

for Any Updates

Our Surgeries are a Priority. Occasionally due to Operational reasons we may not be able to get to the advertised surgery. If you need to speak to us (non emergency only) please call 101 or email the Team on shrewsburyrn.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

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**PLEASE NOTE, IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO REPORT CRIMES OR INCIDENTS VIA EMAIL TO INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS
IF YOU NEED TO REPORT AN INCIDENT, PLEASE CALL 101 FOR NON-EMERGENCIES, AND 999 IN AN EMERGENCY**

Starting on 04 Apr 17 at 19:30 for 30 minutes until 20:00

Alberbury with Cardeston - Parish Council Meeting - Alberbury Village Hall

Starting on 10 Apr 17 at 19:30 for 30 minutes until 20:00

Pontesbury - Parish Council Meeting – Pontesbury Public Hall

Starting on 11 Apr 17 at 20:00 for 30 minutes until 20:30

Bicton - Parish Council Meeting - Alberbury Village Hall

Starting on 25 Apr 17 at 19:00 for 30 minutes until 19:30

Ford - Parish Council Annual Meeting – Village Hall

Starting on 05 Apr 17 at 09:00 for 4 hours until 13:00

Police Surgeries

09:00 Minsterley Post Office

10:00 Westbury Post Office

11:00 Ford Service Station

12:00 Hanwood Post Office

13:00 Longden Post Office

Starting on 05 Apr 17 at 16:00 for 3 hours until 19:00

Pontesbury Police Surgery - Pontesbury Police Station

Starting on 06 Apr 17 at 09:00 for 4 hours until 13:00

Police Surgeries

09:00 RSH Hospital

10:00 Bicton Heath Co-Op

11:00 Alberbury Village Hall

12:00 Bomere Heath Post Office

13:00 Nesscliffe Post Office

Starting on 12 Apr 17 at 16:00 for 3 hours until 19:00

Pontesbury Police Surgery - Pontesbury Police Station

Starting on 26 Apr 17 at 16:00 for 3 hours until 19:00

Pontesbury Police Surgery - Pontesbury Police Station