

Kenilworth Update February 2014

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In this months update you can read about....

News that St Johns Primary School win funding for Bike Theft Initiative

Thefts continue to take place from many vehicles left unlocked by owners



Abbey Fields View
September 2013

Details of recent crimes that have taken place in and around Kenilworth

Next Community Forum - Monday March 3rd at 7pm Senior Citizens Club, Abbey End

Rural Crime & Safety Event on Thursday 27 February at Warwickshire College

New Neighbourhood Watch scheme being established at Windmill Close

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WELCOME! to the **February 2014** edition of **Kenilworth Update**. We set things out so you can find things as easy as possible when you read your monthly digest of what is taking place in the town in relation to crime prevention, police performance and crime alerts. Our aim is to help you protect yourself and your property and by doing so help us make Kenilworth a great and safe place to live and enjoy.

There are five sections for **Kenilworth Update** so you can find the information/advice easily. These will appear each month and in each section we will provide the most up to date information we can to help you.



The Sections that appear in Kenilworth Update

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Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Update

This section will provide information on the objectives you want the police to be concentrating on within the Kenilworth area. These objectives are discussed, agreed and set at the Kenilworth Community Forum, which is a public meeting all residents are encouraged to attend. The section will also provide news and updates on other activities that Kenilworth SNT are involved in together with elements on police performance.

Crime Update

This section will provide the latest news related to crime affecting Kenilworth, what it might mean to you and what you can do to lower the risk of being a victim of crime

General Update

Information about things considered to be useful or important for residents to be aware of.

Advice Update

Each month we will concentrate in more detail on specific issues and give advice to residents as to how they can protect themselves and their property.

Live Update

Information about how you can contact your Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) and the options you have to keep up to date with what is going on in and around Kenilworth with Neighbourhood Watch and your SNT



Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Update

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The latest policing objectives for Kenilworth are set out below. The next time these will be reviewed is on **Monday March 3rd at 7pm** at the Senior Citizens Club, Abbey End. This is the next Community Forum where every member of Kenilworth's community is able to come along to participate by listening and speaking.

Over 50% of thefts from unattended motor vehicles in Kenilworth have been from unlocked vehicles!

St Johns Primary School & Kenilworth SNT

In the next (March) issue of the Kenilworth Update you will be able to read about how St John's School, together with the support of the local SNT and the Kenilworth Centre will be raising awareness regarding bike theft across the wider community. We are aiming to provide the details of when and where you can get your bike marked with a police approved bike tagging kit. This really is an excellent and proactive example of how partnership working within the community of Kenilworth can tackle and reduce crime.

VIGILANCE NEEDED

All residents are being asked to increase their vigilance as a thefts and burglaries have taken place in residential areas of the town. Please call the police if you see something suspicious.

Would you like to volunteer and put something back into the community where you live and that you enjoy?

Why not join Community Speedwatch.

They would welcome you and your call on **01926 512130**

We appeal to residents to make sure that they lock up their vehicles and do not leave valuables inside vehicles. This applies all the time, including overnight and on private drives. If we are to deter and reduce this type of crime we need vehicles owners to ensure that they play their part with these simple steps.

Kenilworth Community Forum Objectives for Policing were set on Monday 2 December 2013 and will operate until Monday 3rd March 2014

5 Speed enforcement & monitoring sessions in Dencer Drive

10 Anti Social Behaviour patrols at "Black Pad"

10 dedicated patrols of Guy Road and adjoining roads in order to address the overall hike in all crime in that part of the ward over the last 3 months

Keep up to date with Kenilworth's Safer Neighbourhood Team on Twitter:

@KenilworthCops

How to contact Kenilworth Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

You can call us on: **01926 684404**

You can email us at:
kenilworth.snt@warwickshire.police.uk

You can see us at **Abbey End Market** every Thursday between **10.30am and 12 midday**

The **Kenilworth Community Forum** took place at The Wardens on 2nd December. The objectives for policing were set by the public at this event and are shown above.



Crime Update

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Thefts, Criminal Damage and Burglary are all reasons to keep vigilant and protect your property

Cross Trainer Stolen from Powis Grove

Between 11am and 15pm on 15 January 2014, offenders unknown approached a home in Powis Grove, Kenilworth and stole a cross training machine from the side of the property. The incident number for this crime is 0307 of 15/01/2014.

Criminal Damage to a vehicle in Priory Road, Kenilworth.

Between 8pm on 14 January 2014 and 9am 15 January 2014 an offender unknown 'keyed*' two panels of a vehicle that was parked in Priory Road, this is the second time within one month. The incident number for this crime is 0256 of 15/01/2014.

* = The term Keyed refers to the practice of using sharp strong (usually) metal object to deeply score paintwork on a vehicle, typically this can be the end of a key, hence the term.

Criminal Damage to a vehicle in Harbourne Close, Kenilworth.

A vehicle that was parked in Harbourne Close overnight on the 16 January 2014 had paint stripper thrown over it causing considerable damage to the vehicle's paintwork.

Burglary – Arthur Street, Kenilworth.

A burglary took place in Arthur Street during the weekend of 18th January 2014. Offender(s) unknown entered an insecure property in Arthur Street via the rear doors and stole a games console, games, charger cables and CD's. The offenders used a pillowcase to take the items from the home address. The incident number for this crime is 0330 of 17/01/2014.

Damage to vehicle – Stoneleigh Road/Churchill Avenue, Kenilworth.

Between 6pm on 17 January 2014 and midday on 19 January 2014, offender(s) unknown have damaged a vehicle by ripping off the nearside windscreen wiper from the vehicle. The vehicle was parked between Stoneleigh Road and Churchill Avenue in Kenilworth. The incident number for this crime is 0154 of 19/01/2014.

Theft from motor vehicle – Scott Road, Kenilworth.

Between midnight on 20 January 2014 and 7.30am on 21 January 2014 offender(s) unknown have entered a vehicle that was parked in a service road on Scott Road and stolen a Makita drill, Dewalt drill and a Worx electric saw. The incident number for this crime is 0042 of 21/01/2014.

Burglary – Roseland Road, Kenilworth.

Between 7.50am and 7.35pm on 21 January 2014, offender(s) unknown have entered a home via the rear window in Roseland Road and stolen cash and a burnt orange coloured BMW M5 from the drive using keys.

Criminal Damage & Theft - Crackley Lane, Kenilworth.

Around 11am on Sunday 2 February 2014, offender(s) unknown have smashed the rear passenger window of a blue Ford Estate that was parked in a layby on Crackley Lane, Kenilworth. The offender has then taken a handbag that was in view on the rear seat in the vehicle. This report refers to Incident number 0168 of 02/02/2014



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Criminal Damage – Hodgetts Lane, Burton Green, Kenilworth.

Between 7pm on Sunday 2 February 2014 and 8.15am on Monday 3 February 2014, offender(s) unknown have smashed the rear window of a secured and unattended green VW Golf whilst parked on a driveway in Hodgetts Lane, Burton Green. Nothing was taken. This report refers to Incident number 0058 of 03/02/2014

Purse Stolen & Bank Cards Used – High Street, Kenilworth

Between 2pm and 2.45pm on 31 January 2014, offender(s) unknown have entered a dental surgery, in High Street, Kenilworth and have stolen a purse from an unattended handbag in the staffroom. The offender(s) have used the bank cards that were in the purse and obtained a substantial amount of money. The Incident number for this crime is 0235 of 31/01/2014.

Theft from motor vehicle – Bridge Street, Kenilworth.

Between 5.30pm and 7.05pm on 28 January 2014, offender(s) unknown have gained entry to an unsecured and unattended red Nissan Micra that was parked at the rear of Bridge Street and stolen from the boot a black bag containing a laptop, digital recorder and USB leads. The Incident number for this crime is 0283 of 28/01/2014.

Criminal Damage – Arthur Street, Kenilworth.

Between 3pm and 9pm on Saturday 25 January 2014, offender(s) unknown have slashed all four tyres of a grey Rover that was parked in Arthur Street, Kenilworth. This report refers to Incident number 0253 of 26/01/2014

Criminal Damage – Arthur Street, Kenilworth.

Between 2.30pm on 17 January 2014 and midday on 18 January 2014, offender(s) unknown have scratched deep circles into a bonnet of a vehicle that was parked in Arthur Street. This report refers to Incident number 0159 of 22/01/2014.

If you have any information in relation to any of these crimes and events please contact Warwickshire Police on 101 or alternatively you can provide your information anonymously by using Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111

Crimes over the last few weeks

Comment from the Editor

It has been a disappointing start to the New Year with so many incidents being reported via our Crime Alerts. However, when one looks at the majority of the crimes that have taken place it is clear that they are largely opportunistic with an element of unintended assistance from property owners. Leaving property on show in vehicles or not locking vehicles is asking for trouble and until the community gets a real grip of this, Kenilworth will be magnet for these type of crimes and those that commit them.

Its certainly an unwelcome development to see events of criminal damage taking place to peoples vehicles, in some cases the cost of this damage runs into several hundred pounds. The police's appeal for vigilance and information is crucial. If you hear anything about these events have a word with our SNT as soon as possible.



Advice Update

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Get Your Smartwater for a bargain price of £15

Order your **Smartwater** for the bargain price of £15, when it's usually more than £50.

Through Neighbourhood Watch you can obtain this product which is recommended by Warwickshire Police and Home Office. Help us deter crime and protect your property at the same time, order your Smartwater NOW!

You can get your Smartwater by contacting Crown Watch at crownwatch@me.com or by speaking to the Safer Neighbourhood Team on 01926 684404. Don't put it off or think crime can't happen to you, if we all do this small thing it will help make a big difference to our town and place it off the visiting list of potential criminals.

With continued criminal activity in January 2014 this product significantly deters criminals – get yours now!

Please heed our advice on Car Key Burglaries! Put Car Keys Away – Don't leave them on show or within reach

The temptation is to put your keys down once you get inside your home somewhere you can easily pick them up when you need them next. Often this means a table or shelf near the entrance to your home.

Unfortunately, it's very easy and convenient for 'fishing thieves' who can easily hook the keys up through the letterbox and be away in your cherished motor before you even know your car is no longer outside. If you own a high performance car some thieves are prepared to break in to your home to get keys so don't make it easy for them.

WHEN to call the police...

Crown Watch's advice on when to call the police and when not to call them but take note of events that you have noticed.

1. When you can see a crime actually being committed or when you can see someone being hurt or threatened - CALL the Police on 999
2. When you see a suspicious vehicle

Keep an eye on the vehicle and its occupants but do so without putting yourself at risk. If you can take a note of the vehicle registration number with the date and time you saw it. If the vehicle drives in, around and out then unless there is something clearly amiss there is no need to call the police at that time.

3. Scrap Metal Collectors

There is no doubt that some of these are unscrupulous but whilst they may annoy residents they are not committing any offence touring around. A visit to the Grove by these does not need to be reported to the police but keep garage doors closed - DO NOT advertise what you possess.

4. Providing information

Most things that you notice each day usually turn out to be innocent. If there is a real suspicious element to them you will usually sense it. So most things that you see and maybe concerned about are best logged and passed onto your neighbourhood Watch Co-Ordinator of the Safer Neighbourhood Team. **If you are in any doubt then call the police on 101 and talk it through with them.**

Kenilworth Update is produced by Crown Watch, one of the longest running Neighbourhood Watch schemes in Kenilworth and Warwickshire. Crown Watch serves the northern end of Windy Arbour, eastern end of Whitemoor Road and Tulip Tree Avenue. It publishes Newsletters and Crime Alerts to its Co-ordinators who circulate these to residents.

Since mid 2011 Crown Watch has been working closely with Kenilworth's Safer Neighbourhood Team to produce **Kenilworth Update**. The purpose of this is to encourage more people to set up and run their own Neighbourhood Watch schemes but also to inform people through an increasing range of channels what is going on in and around the town in terms of keeping our town safe. All of the work is done voluntarily.

Kenilworth Update is compiled by Fraser Pithie on behalf of Crown Watch.



General Update

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Please see below for details of a Rural Crime and Safety Event that is taking place at Warwickshire College, Moreton Morrell on Thursday 27 February 2014

Rural Crime and Safety Event

Thursday 27th February 2014

6.30pm to 9.30pm

Warwickshire College, Moreton Morrell, CV35 9BL.

Warwickshire Police in partnership with Warwickshire Horse Watch would like to invite you to this informative event providing expert advice on crime prevention and safety for farms, horse owners & rural businesses in South Warwickshire.

This is a unique opportunity to see the various and latest crime prevention devices available, gain expert advice on how to keep your property, equipment and livestock safe & secure, see how Warwickshire Police is tackling rural crime in your area and meet and discuss any local issues with your Safer Neighbourhood Team. Display from Warwickshire Fire & Safety Large Animal Incident Team and Warwickshire Police.

RSVP to Ian King on 01926 684279 or rcasevent@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk
Places limited, RSVP by Friday, 14th February 2014.

Warwickshire Police and Warwickshire Horse Watch would like to express their sincere thanks to Warwickshire College for hosting this event.



**There will be an opportunity
to get your saddles and
tack marked or micro
chipped so bring
them along**





Live Update

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You can keep up to date with the very latest of what's happening in Kenilworth via the Internet. We have a website that is updated 24 hours a day with the latest crime alerts. You can click on the subscribe button at the website to get immediate alerts via email to your PC and Smartphone. There is no catch and it's free!

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Kenilworth residents have already signed up for free 24/7 crime alerts sent to their PC and smartphones. Why are you waiting – sign up today and keep yourself up to date and informed.

We are now also on Twitter. Follow us to get the latest news via tweets that will link you to our website. We also retweet any messages from Kenilworth Safer Neighbourhood Team or other organisations where we think it appropriate or useful

Follow us (Kenilworth Update) on Twitter at: **@kenilworthwatch**

Follow Kenilworth SNT at: **@SNT_Kenilworth**

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Essential Services

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0800 111 999

No Electric
0800 056 8090

Water/Sewer
0800 783 4444

For general enquiries to the police and for non-emergency calls please dial

101

Where there is a danger to life or property or a crime is being committed please dial

999