



Kenilworth Update

March 2020

**All the latest from your
Safer Neighbourhood
Team**



Including a personal message about Covid-19 from Warwickshire's Chief Constable, Martin Jelley, QPM

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From the Sergeant...

Hello! I'd like to introduce myself - I've recently taken over as Sergeant for Warwick and Kenilworth Safer Neighbourhood Teams (SNT). I am excited at this opportunity and look forward to meeting many of you over the coming months. Welcome to our 'new look' Newsletter. The newsletter will give a monthly overview so you can see what's happening in your area. Plus what the team are doing, both in terms of activity and performance, to keep you and your property safe. One of the things I am keen on improving is communication.

The teams all have social media accounts and this is a brilliant way of providing relevant, up to date information. I encourage anyone, who isn't already, to utilise this and follow and engage with your local teams. I appreciate not everyone has access to the internet or uses social media so would welcome any other suggestions of how best to engage with our communities. I've been blown away by the sense of community and care that residents are taking of their elderly and vulnerable neighbours in this time of uncertainty. It makes me proud to be a Warwickshire resident.

Sergeant Danielle Bristow

Your Beat Manager is PC Anna Brown who is responsible to me for ensuring the Policing Priorities are delivered and that the Safer Neighbourhood Team is fully engaged with the community it polices. Please drop us line by email or call us by telephone and leave a message and the team will get back to you concerning any issues you may have. See page 3 for all the details on how you can contact Kenilworth's SNT.



**Kenilworth Safer
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(SNT) Update**

How to keep up with Kenilworth's Safer Neighbourhood Team

We are on Twitter: [@KenilworthCops](#)

We are on Facebook: [@kenilworthandwarwickruralpolice](#)

On patrol around Kenilworth...

Our Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) continues to out and about amongst your community. The recent prolonged wet weather has led to Kenilworth's ford flooding several times.

On Sunday 16 February a vehicle entered the flooded ford and a male occupant left his vehicle and made off on foot. The individual was pursued into the town centre by the members of our SNT and subsequently arrested on suspicion of traffic and criminal offences.



PCSO Craig Ricardo & PCSO Rachael Clayton

On Saturday 8 March two vehicles were witnessed speeding towards the town centre from Abbey End. The vehicles were seen travelling at speed and going the wrong way around the island at the clock tower causing many vehicles and some pedestrians to take evasive steps to avoid collision and possible serious injury. One of our SNT Officers attended within minutes to deal with the incident while instructing the town CCTV to monitor the two vehicles making off towards Balsall Common. Consequently, a Police response vehicle was able to quickly pursue and stop the vehicles. This was teamwork at its best with our SNT, our town's CCTV and a reactive police response vehicle. Combined the actions of those concerned kept people safe while apprehending offenders.

Update on our priorities

Kenilworth's SNT have conducted 8 patrols in Anti-Social and Drugs hot spot areas

14 high visibility foot patrols have been conducted so far and have been well received by members the community many of whom have been engaged with the team.

13 school parking patrols have been conducted both warning notices and Traffic Offence reports have been issued. We have engaged with members of the community in relation to safe parking around schools along with re-education.

Parking advice literature has been sent out to some schools and nursery's to be circulated with newsletters where there has been a particular problem.



Warwickshire Police Update

Details about your Safer Neighbourhood Team

The Kenilworth SNT Area covers:

**Kenilworth
Burton Green**

How to contact Kenilworth's SNT

By email
Kenilworth.snt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk

By telephone
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Warwick Rural
East SNT

Warwick
Central SNT

Warwick Rural
West SNT

Monthly Message from Kenilworth's SNT Beat Manager...

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce our team to the community for those who don't already know who we are. The team is currently made up of myself PC Anna Brown as Beat Manager, PCSO Craig Ricardo and PCSO Rachael Clayton. We deal with local issues specifically long-term ongoing neighbour disputes, school liaison, foot patrols, identifying crime trends and working towards reducing them, and assisting adults at risk. As a team we are very keen to be approachable and proactive. There have been a few break in of vans parked in residential streets, I encourage owners of all vehicles to ensure they are left locked and secured when unattended. Please consider additional security measures such as steering locks and faraday pouches for keyless entry motor vehicles.

There are ongoing road improvement works on Beehive Hill, these measure are being introduced by the council to reduce the speed of vehicles along this road and assist with parking problems along this road. Could we please remind everyone to be considerate when driving near to schools and be cautious of children in the area, also ensure when parking they are not parking on or near zig zag lines to ensure the safety of pedestrians using the crossing. Upcoming events to be confirmed, Kenilworth SNT drop in Police Surgery will continue every Thursday whilst the market is still operational. If anyone has suggestions of suitable venues for further drop in session during day or evening times the please contact us and let us know.

PC Anna Brown



Kenilworth Community Update

RECENT EVENTS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE....

If you think you may have seen or heard anything suspicious or have any information about this incident then please call Warwickshire Police on 101 or alternatively you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111

Three commercial vehicles (vans) were broken into with the contents stolen.

One van was parked on a drive at **Roseland Road**, offenders stole the contents of the van being power and construction type tools. *This was incident 48 of 3 March 2020*

A second van was broken into at **Dudley Road** between 21.30hrs on 2 March and 0630hrs on 3 March 2020. Offenders attacked and cut into the passenger side of the van and stole a range of power tools and cordless tools and cordless tool batteries. *This was incident 112 of 3 March 2020*

At approximately 0220hrs on Tuesday 3 March 2020 offenders attacked a third van parked at **Fishponds Road**. The rear doors of the van were cut and a number of power and cordless tools were stolen. *This was incident 123 of 3 March 2020*

Please be aware that between 1700hrs on Sunday 15 March and 1600hrs on Monday 16 March 2020 offenders have accessed the garden of a property at **Brookside Avenue, Kenilworth** through a side gate. The offenders have then smashed the rear door and entered the property. Once inside the property offenders have made an untidy search. It is not clear at this stage what items have been stolen. *This was incident 294 of 16 March 2020*

This month's CRIME PREVENTION advice...

Putting Kenilworth's Crime Statistics in perspective

We are conscious that as we keep the community informed with timely and regular crime alerts, it can easily build a perception that our town is a crime hotspot when compared to other places.

The first thing we would say is that most other places are no different from Kenilworth, but many are not fortunate to receive timely and regular crime alerts when incidents have taken place. This often means incidents are taking place, but some communities don't get to hear about them, certainly not as frequently, Crime statistics from the Office of National Statistics (ONS) show that the 2018/19 crime index, that's the crime rate per 1,000 population, was 95 for the United Kingdom as whole and 101 for England and Wales.

The crime rate in Kenilworth between January 2019 to December 2019 was **53**, that's about half the national average crime rate reported for the 2018/19 year. It's positive news, and we believe that because our community has been extra vigilant, receives up to date crime alerts and engages with its Safer Neighbourhood Team we all, each one of us, have contributed to reducing the crime rate.

It may also interest you to know that the crime rate has fallen in Kenilworth over the last three consecutive years from 70 in 2017 to 67 in 2018 and now to 53 for 2019. So Kenilworth is NOT a crime hotspot – far from it. Nevertheless, we'd encourage all residents to think about their home, property and security and look for those opportunities that may inadvertently exist for criminals.



Coronavirus (Covid-19)

A Special Message to all those living and working in Warwickshire from Chief Constable Martin Jelley

These are extraordinary times for the country but I can only applaud and praise the way in which partners and volunteers across our county are pulling together. We have a strong partnership culture in Warwickshire which has now positioned us well to work together, co-ordinate our efforts and support each other as we prepare for the challenging weeks and months ahead.

Warwickshire Police has a range of plans and measures prepared to deploy if required and we have good, well-tested business continuity arrangements which will ensure we can continue to respond to emergency calls for service. Outside of Warwickshire we are also working in close partnership with regional colleagues and West Midlands Police.

We will always prioritise our response to ensure those most at risk or in need receive our help. However I would also urge people to be mindful of the increasing pressures that will grow and continue to be placed on all emergency services. **Always call 999 in an emergency but if your contact is not urgent please consider the alternative ways to contact the emergency services or get the appropriate and timely guidance you need, such as logging onto our websites.**

We all have a social responsibility in these unprecedented times and I would ask people in Warwickshire to show care and consideration for each other, while making the appropriate personal preparations and to do so in a proportionate and conscientious manner. While we have already seen a community-minded response to helping people, we have also had some incidents of hand sanitiser being removed from within hospitals and medical centres. This is shameful and unacceptable behaviour and prevents skilled professionals doing their job.

It is at times like these when caring for each other is of vital importance. Seeing the huge efforts and actions of the emergency services, health care colleagues and local authority partners, coupled with the support from the county's local volunteers, I know that we are a strong county which will pull together effectively going forwards. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, our residents and businesses around the county, for supporting us in our efforts to protect and keep people safe in Warwickshire."

Chief Constable Martin Jelley

Don't fall victim to opportunists – be sure who you are opening the door to

In the current climate with more people spending time at home, we would like to take this opportunity to remind our communities of our advice around people calling at your door. There may be some individuals seeking to trick their way into your home and although their stories can be very convincing, they are often not genuine.

Check to see who is at the door by using a door viewer or looking through a front window.

If you feel uncomfortable or are concerned with the person's presence, call 101 or 999 if a crime is in action.

If you're unsure about the caller's identity, telephone the organisation the caller claims to represent, but don't allow them to give you the number as it may be false - genuine callers won't mind waiting.