

# Cuckoo Oak and Ironbridge Newsletter - 17 September 2018

## Community Messages

### 21/09/18 - PCC: Parking Changes for Telford Would Benefit Communities

Police and Crime Commissioner, John Campion is calling for communities in Telford and Wrekin to support for a change that would deliver better parking enforcement in the area and free up police time.

The Commissioner has agreed to offer up to £200,000 to Telford and Wrekin Council, over the course of four years to support the implementation of a dedicated civil enforcement team.

The local authority has started a consultation on proposals to transfer responsibility for parking enforcement from West Mercia Police.

Commissioner John Campion said "I would encourage the public to support the proposals which would deliver a better service for communities, freeing up considerable resource, and giving the police the time to focus on the most serious priorities, which will keep our communities safe. Dedicated civil enforcement teams are already the norm, across most of the country, and I have worked hard with the council to progress this change, for the benefits of local residents and communities."

The consultation is open until Sunday 15th October, take part here: [www.telford.gov.uk/parkingenforcement](http://www.telford.gov.uk/parkingenforcement)

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<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/51567/PCC-Parking-Changes-for-Telford-Would-Benefit-Communities>

### 19/09/18 - Community information, Albrighton

Missing: Nicole Harris 15 years Old

Police searching for missing Telford girl Nicole Harris have released a CCTV image of her.

15 year old Nicole was last seen in Albrighton on Saturday (15 September). CCTV shows her at the junction of High Street and Lyncroft just after 10pm on Saturday night. Shortly before the last sighting of her on CCTV she is seen at the entrance to the Shrewsbury Arms pub.



Officers are becoming increasingly concerned for her welfare and are appealing for the public's help to find her.

Although the last sighting of Nicole is in Albrighton, it's thought she could have been given a lift to be anywhere in the region.

Detective Inspector Lee Holehouse said: "It's been almost five days that Nicole was last seen and we're becoming increasingly concerned. She has not made contact with any of her family or people she knows since Saturday night and clearly the longer she is missing the more we are concerned for her safety.

"It may be someone has stopped and given her a lift and I would ask anyone who was driving through Albrighton on Saturday evening to get in contact, particularly anyone who has dashcam footage as they may have driven past her without realising."

Nicole is described as white, around 5ft 3 inches tall, slim build, with long straight dark brown hair and brown eyes. It's believed she was wearing a yellow vest top, a blue tracksuit top, blue jeans with flowers on and blue Adidas trainers at the time of her disappearance.

Anyone who has information is asked to contact West Mercia Police on 101 quoting reference 0857s 150918.



<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/51495/Community-information-Albrighton>

### **19/09/18 - Burglary at Residential premises**

Wem SNT

Burglary at Residential Premises

A raid on a vacant dwelling and sheds near Newtown, Wem, was reported on Tuesday 18th September. A fishing rod, lawnmower and strimmer were among the items stolen from the shed. (Incident reference: 0162s 180918).

If you have smart water please put this on all your valuable items and for more information on smart water please visit this link:<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/smartwater-offer>

Furthermore, keep everything secure, ensure all doors are locked including out buildings and that buildings are well light. If you find anything suspicious or you have any information regarding this incident please contact the police on 101 or for emergencies please call 999.

PCSO 40333

Wem safer neighbourhood team

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/51448/Burglary-at-Residential-premises>

### **17/09/18 - West Mercia PCC and Worcestershire council come together to tackle road safety**

**Police and Crime Commissioner John Campion and Worcestershire County Council are giving members of the public the ownership to improve the safety of their roads as part of a joint campaign.**

Last weekend, at Sander's Park in Bromsgrove, both organisations asked the county's residents to let them know where they want the focus to be as part of the 'Roads Focus' campaign. The Commissioner and council want to give the public ownership to highlight where their concerns are. Be it installing white gates at the entrance of a rural village, putting up more signs to highlight young or elderly people crossing, introducing speed enforcement in a village or asking for other measures to discourage speeding.

During a week of action, which will take place in November, the Commissioner and the council will start implementing some of the changes that have been suggested by the public.

Those wanting to highlight concerns in their area, who won't be at the event this weekend, can still share their suggestions via <https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4560444/Roads-Focus> until the end of Sunday 7 October.

Over the course of the campaign, more work will be carried out to improve the safety of Worcestershire's roads and general road safety advice will also be given to ensure people remain focused when using the road - be it as a driver or pedestrian.

PCC John Campion said: "I am committed to improving road safety, which is why I am pleased to be working with Worcestershire County Council on this very important issue. With this campaign, we want to start by asking people where they have concerns. We hope to resolve some of those and see more people feeling safer within the communities they live in and on the roads they use."

Councillor Alan Amos, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Highways at Worcestershire County Council said: "The safety of Worcestershire roads is one of our top priorities as a council, and working together with the Police and Crime Commissioner, we're looking forward to making our highways a better place for all road users. This campaign is an opportunity for us to get the views of local residents to identify potential hazards, enabling us to identify areas for improvement across the county, subject to funding and resources available."

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<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/51339/West-Mercia-PCC-and-Worcestershire-council-come-together-to-tackle-road-safety>

### 17/09/18 - PCC encourages more to take up offer of Smartwater

For the attention of all Parish Councils and Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators and other interested parties.

**In a bid to reduce crime and build a safer West Mercia, Police and Crime Commissioner John Campion is calling on more councillors to supply crime deterrent Smartwater in their area.**

Back in June, the Commissioner announced his **'We Don't Buy Crime - Leading From the Front'** project, which seeks to reduce acquisitive crime throughout West Mercia, and offered to contribute 25% of the cost for councillors looking to supply Smartwater in their area.

Smartwater, a water-based solution that is unique to each bottle, allows property to be marked and enables the police to identify the owner of the property, and potentially the offender. Councillors were also offered free signage to let offenders know that if they commit crime in this area then they are likely to get caught and not profit from their crime.

John Campion said: "So far, I have had six councillors put in an application for Smartwater which would cover approximately 3,500 homes. It would be great to add even more homes to the 30,205 that are already protected with Smartwater. We have already seen great successes with Smartwater proving to work, and I would like to see this continue across the rest of our communities.

"Many people that have used Smartwater, and are now living in a **'We Don't Buy Crime'** town, are feeling more reassured and commented on how there is now a more enhanced community spirit.

"This offer will not only contribute to reducing crime but it will provide a further opportunity for us all to work together and make our communities feel safer."

There is also a video you can use about a case study in Cleobury Mortimer, where Smartwater has been very successful - <https://youtu.be/OIYr4JKAmE>

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(Message circulated to all CMS West Mercia areas)..

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/51335/PCC-encourages-more-to-take-up-offer-of-Smartwater>

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