

Community Messages

09/08/18 - THEFT OF BIKE AND TOOLS

In the early hours of 09/08/18 at around 0400 - 0430 a burglary occurred at a garage in Buxus rd, Malinslee, Telford. A specialised black framed bike with a dropped seat along with various hand tools was stolen. These tools included a impact drill and a Makita drill as well as a heavy duty Titan road breaker. A male was seen riding off on the stolen bike in the direction of Sawbus avenue carrying a bag with the items taken sticking out. Male was in dark clothing. If anyone saw or knows anything or gets offered for sale any matching items stolen please ring police on 101 or crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 quoting the incident number of 66s 090818.

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/50179/THEFT-OF-BIKE-AND-TOOLS>

09/08/18 - theft of vehicle

Between Friday the 3/08/18 at 1400 and Wednesday the 08/08/18 a white Ford transit pickup registration number of DU18 YYG. Vehicle was stolen without keys from a work on Stafford park 4, Telford. Please call 101 or crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 and quote the log number of 218s 080818 IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/50175/theft-of-vehicle>

08/08/18 - New Law to Protect Emergency Workers Welcomed

A new law offering greater legal protection for emergency service workers is being welcomed in West Mercia as new figures show 579 assaults against police in the last year.

The Assaults on Emergency Workers Bill is expected to become law this autumn, following support in parliament. It will make certain offences aggravated when committed against emergency workers, giving courts the power to impose stronger sentences. It will also mean officers will be better protected from health risks as offenders who commit offences, such as spitting, will commit a further offence if they refuse to provide a sample for medical testing.

As part of his Behind the Badge campaign, PCC John Campion has backed the legislation from the start. He has campaigned extensively for more to be done at a national level to tackle violence against police.

Commissioner John Campion said: "This is a mammoth step and fantastic news for all emergency workers. I am pleased to see the government taking this seriously by passing this legislation which will protect police officers and other emergency workers and act as a deterrent for those who would commit these offences. We mustn't forget that behind the badge, police officers and other emergency workers are ordinary people doing extraordinary jobs. Our communities have an important role to play in ensuring this is recognised and we treat emergency workers with the respect they deserve. I look forward to seeing the positive impact the passing of this bill will have."

West Mercia Police Assistant Chief Constable Geoff Wessell said: "Our men and women are out in our communities day and night, often dealing with very difficult and challenging situations and putting themselves in harm's way. They certainly do not deserve to be subject to abuse, threats or assaults and I very much welcome the additional protection that this new bill gives them.

"I can assure them, and anyone who feels it acceptable to behave in this manner towards our officers, that all such incidents are taken extremely seriously and are fully investigated so that appropriate action can be taken."

Police Federation Chair, Sarah Cooper, said: "This represents a much needed boost to emergency workers who are subjected to horrific assaults in the line of duty while protecting the public. All too often those who assault emergency workers have faced little or no consequence for their actions. It is vital that those involved in the criminal justice system recognise that an assault of this nature should be treated as the serious offence it is, and that the available legislation is used to its maximum effect. Police Officers risk so much every day and it is imperative that they feel supported when the worst happens."

Home Office figures show that in 2017-18 there were 579 assaults recorded against West Mercia's police officers, of which almost 200 caused injury.

For more information on the Behind the Badge campaign visit <https://www.westmercia-pcc.gov.uk/working-together/behind-the-badge/>

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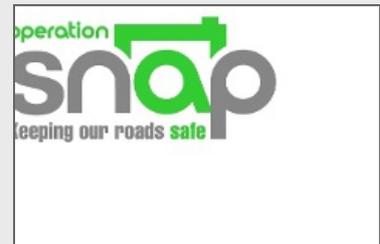
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<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/50147/New-Law-to-Protect-Emergency-Workers-Welcomed>

07/08/18 - Police urge motorists to 'Slow Down'

With a European-wide speed enforcement campaign taking place this week, West Mercia Police are urging all motorists to stay safe and keep speeds down. The campaign is run by TISPOL, the European Traffic Police Network - established by traffic police forces across Europe to improve road safety and law enforcement.



The campaign is running from 6th-12th August, to encourage motorists to think about their speed and to remind drivers to always travel within the speed limit.

It is estimated that across Europe speeding contributes to as many as one third of all collisions that result in fatality and is the most important contributory factor to road deaths. Speeding, as well as inappropriate speed can have a devastating impact on the safety of road users, increasing the risk of a collision and the severity of the consequences.

Over the past 3 years in West Mercia 96 people have been killed and 768 seriously injured in collisions where speeding or inappropriate speed has been recorded as a contributory factor.

Throughout the week long campaign local policing teams, special constables and community speed watch volunteers will be out and about in local communities taking part in a mixture of enforcement and educational initiatives.

Roads Policing Inspector Adrian Davis for West Mercia Police comments: "Supporting this Europe-wide campaign with local activities is an important way of raising the issue and highlighting the dangers of speeding. There are many local residents across our region whose quality of life is affected by people speeding through their community and families across the County that unfortunately know far too well the devastating consequences that speeding and collisions can lead to.

We'd like to take the opportunity during this campaign week to remind people of the consequences of speeding. Apart from the obvious consequences if you are involved in a collision, if prosecuted for speeding, the minimum penalty is a £100 fine and 3 penalty points. You could be disqualified from driving if you build up 12 or more penalty points within a period of 3 years."

Road users across Worcestershire, Herefordshire, Shropshire and Warwickshire can report incidents using footage from dashcams or other devices

As part of Operation Snap, members of the public can submit (**via a secure online form [click here](#)**) digital footage showing potential traffic offences. This can range from driving dangerously or carelessly to overtaking on solid white lines, using a mobile phone while driving, ignoring traffic lights or dangerous driving around other road users, such as horse riders and cyclists.

Your submission will be sent to West Mercia Police and Warwickshire Police where the evidence will be reviewed by one of our road traffic officers, who will enforce against any offences committed. Any footage submitted through the portal can also be used by us to help educate other road users and to advise on case results.

See the Frequently Asked Questions section (<https://www.warwickshire.police.uk/article/47353/National-Dashcam-Safety-Portal-NDSP-FAQs>)

For further information regarding the Safer Roads Partnership please visit the West Mercia Police Website, (Crime & Safety Section) Safer Roads Partnership

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/38869/About-Safer-Roads-Partnership>

(Message circulated to all areas).

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<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/50058/Police-urge-motorists-to-Slow-Down>

06/08/18 - criminal damage to sheds

Sheds on allottments on Randlay avenue were damaged between 20:00 on 040818 and 20:00 050818. Any person with any information please call 101 and quote incident number 852s 050818.

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/50016/criminal-damage-to-sheds>

Contact Details

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101 (In an emergency always call 999)

