



West End

Neighbourhood Police Team News – July 2018

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West End Residents Registered – 1083.

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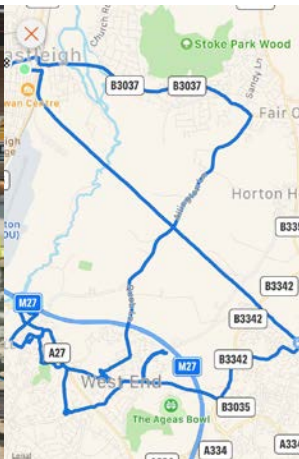
Can you help us reach more Hampshire residents, to raise their awareness?

Hampshire Alert is HAMPSHIRE WIDE – you will hear from your local neighbourhood team. Please recommend your neighbours, friends and family register.

Dear West Enders,

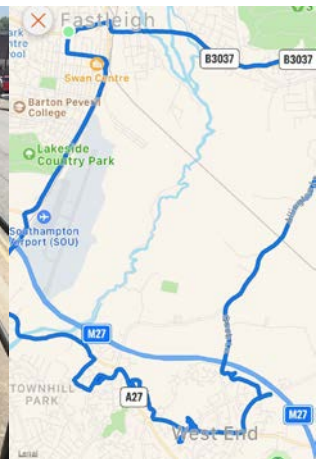
Well what a hot month it has been! For those of you that love the sun and heat – I hope you've enjoyed it so far and for those that struggle, I hope you've had a fan and been able to stay in the shade.

Neighbourhood Police Team Work –



Cycle patrols this month –
Using the train one way – 18 miles.

Cycling both ways – 13 miles.



We do our very best to be out and about around our required meetings and commitments, However, several times during July we have come into work and needed to scrap any engagements / plans we had for that day, due to urgent crime enquires that we were asked to assist with. Clearly we have to prioritise and sometimes, we are required elsewhere at very short notice.

As advertised, we attended both the Cops n Chat and the Police Drop In at Asda this month. Other routine work -

- We continue to attend the Early Help Hub joint agency safe guarding meetings, on a rotation basis, in Eastleigh.
- We continue to attend the ASB panel meetings, on a rotation basis, to work with other agencies regarding antisocial behaviour.
- We continue to staff the domestic abuse car, every Friday night, on a rotation basis. We accompany the domestic abuse advocate to see the victim after the offender has been arrested.
- We are continuing to work with Housing, we have several ongoing neighbour disputes being managed by us both.
- Continued patrols of ASB hotspots.
- Continued school patrols to educate and highlight the ongoing problems of nuisance and illegal parking.
- We are continuing to manage and work with a number of vulnerable individuals and families in West End, involving complex cross agency work.

Info / Advice –

Asda Car Park One Way - A resident of West End has raised the issue of vehicles driving into the Asda Car Park and ignoring the one way system and instead, driving against the car park directions. The concern is that a resident has been startled by a vehicle travelling the wrong way and is concerned about the possibility of a collision occurring. Please stick to the one way system.

Bicycle Thefts in West End.

As you will be aware, due to the alerts last year – we had a serious spike to bicycle theft last year. [In 2017 West End had 46 reported bicycle thefts – 41 of these were stolen from outside The David Lloyd Club, \(Then Virgin Active\) and The Ageas Bowl / Hilton Hotel site. All of these thefts took place, between May 2017 and Sept 2017.](#)

David Lloyd have now relocated their bicycle storage to right outside the gym. This is a great step forward. However, so far this year we have had 11 reported bicycle thefts, once again starting in May. [6 of these reports, have happened outside The David Lloyd Club, or The Ageas Bowl / Hilton Hotel site.](#)

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE DAVID LLOYD CLUB? – PLEASE BE VIGILANT! Report anyone hanging around the site to staff immediately - specifically the bike area. If you see anyone tampering with a bike, call 999 immediately – and give a description of the person.

Cyclists -

- NEVER leave your bike unlocked – even for a minute.
- Do not leave your bike in an insecure garden.
- Always lock your bike to something solid like a lamp-post or railings, preferably in a public area.
- Use a quality solid steel D-shaped shackle lock.
- Photograph your bike and keep a record of the make / model and frame no.
- Register your bike on www.immobilise.com a free online property database which the police use to check stolen property.
- If you have a quick release wheel, take off your front wheel and local it to the frame and back wheel.
- If you have a pump or detachable lights, take them with you when you leave your bike.
- Make sure you have adequate insurance cover for your bike.



Method 1 locks the front wheel and frame. Use a cable to secure the rear wheel.

Method 2 locks the quick release front wheel alongside the frame and rear wheel.



Shows bike with u-lock securing rear wheel and cable securing front wheel.

Summer Crime Prevention Advice

Don't let burglars have easy access to your home -

- During the warm weather people are more likely to leave their doors and windows open to ventilate their properties. Walk in burglaries do increase during the summer months, so don't be complacent, if you cannot see the door or window then it should be shut and locked. If you are out enjoying your garden, remember to shut and lock all windows on the front of your property.



Enjoy your summer holiday, but make sure your home looks lived in whilst your away -

- Use timer switches on lights to make your home look occupied in the evenings.
- If possible leave a car in your driveway or ask a neighbour to park their car on your driveway whilst you're away.
- Ask a neighbour to check on your home while you're away and move any post out of sight.
- Cancel any regular delivers such as milk and newspapers.
- If you have a lawn cut it before you go away and trim back any bushes or shrubs that burglars could hide behind.
- Lock away any valuable items such as pedal cycles – they may be safer in your home than in an outhouse or shed.

Enjoy day trips out in the warmer weather – but make sure you secure your car -

- Don't leave valuables in your car – even if you know that the bag on the front seat is empty, a thief may still try their luck.
- Remove your sat nav and its holder from your car, don't leave it in the glove box as this is the first place a thief will look and make sure you wipe away any suction markers from the holder.
- Remember to shut your windows and sunroof when you leave your car.
- Use an approved steering lock and gear clamp.
- Set your immobiliser and alarm if you have one fitted.

Burglars like to work undercover, keep hedges and bushes cut back this summer -

- Keep hedges and shrubs in your front garden below windowsill height to prevent a burglar having a 'screen' to work behind.
- Use gravel on paths and driveways to help deter burglars from approaching your property.
- Clever planting can also help – use prickly plants and shrubs close to vulnerable areas such as windows, fences, boundary walls and drain pipes.

Don't let burglars make easy work of your property, keep garden equipment and tools locked away -

- Keep your shed securely locked by using strong hasp and close shackle padlock. Use coach bolts or non-return screws to secure door hinges, hasp and staples.
- Always put away gardening equipment, tools and furniture away when you've finished using them. Register tools on www.immobilise.com
- Keep your garden fences in good repair and consider having trellis on the top to discourage anyone climbing over.

Make your valuables less attractive to steal -

- Mark garden furniture and DIY equipment with your postcode and house number (or name) by engraving or painting. For heavier metal items such as lawn mowers, use a hammer and set of punches.
- Photograph valuable garden plants and ornaments to help identify them in the event of a theft.
- Check your household insurance covers theft from your garden or outbuildings.

Upcoming Events –



Wednesday 8th Aug 10 – 11am - [Cops n Chat](#) at The Hatch Cafe, West End Parish Centre, Chapel Road, West End - Please come along and meet the team. Feel free to ask us any questions that you have relating to your local area. We can provide valuable crime prevention advice and leaflets, to assist you in keeping yourself and your property safe



Thursday 23rd Aug 6 – 7pm - [Police Drop In](#) at Asda, High Street, West End - Please come along and meet the team. Feel free to

ask us any questions that you have relating to your local area. We can provide valuable crime prevention advice and leaflets, to assist you in keeping yourself and your property safe.

Other Information –

If you need to make a report of an issue / incident - Please call 101. Please do not report incidents by replying to this alert or emailing an officer direct - we cannot take reports this way. An officer may be committed, on leave, or off sick and the message will sit in their inbox with no one else would be aware of it. It is important to ensure the call taker is aware you want to [make a report of the incident - not that you wish to pass a message to us](#). They can then create the report, so that the incident is available for every department, officer and staff to see. A decision will then be made as to whether an officer needs to be deployed and whether this needs to be urgently or not.

Or if you wish to report either, **criminal damage, theft or theft from a vehicle** you can do this online [HERE](#).

General enquiries can be emailed to - eastleigh.police@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

If you are a [Twitter](#) user then come and follow us, for up to date news and events that affect your community [@HedgeEndCops](#) we use the [#WestEndBeat](#) Or check out [Hedge End North](#) on the Hampshire Constabulary website.

**Kind Regards,
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