

Parish Council monthly update

COBHAM – LUDESDOWN – SHORNE

29th MARCH 2024 – 29th APRIL 2024

Information provided

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CRIMES OF NOTE: For beat code XC24

1. 30.03.24 – Fire – Church Road – Cobham – Motorbike set alight in field near to Rail Link near the church. Two males seen running away. Kent Fire Brigade have extinguished. Bike must have been moved overnight by landowner. As not there when Police attend in daylight hours.
2. 31.03.24 – Fraud – Jeskyns Road, Cobham – Scammer has called informant pretending to be from phone company Talk Talk and convinced the informant to give details, informant reported to their bank and the bank managed to stop the transactions apart from £200. Action fraud referral.
3. 31.03.24 – Nuisance vehicle – Shorne Woods Country Park – 2 off road scramble bikes riding dangerously and at informant who they nearly hit. Informant has lost sight and they have left.
4. 31.03.24 – Fly-tipping – Copt Hall Road, Cobham – Large amount of glass, bricks and cement blocks left in road blocking the road, Highways to deal and will do so within two hours.
5. 02.04.24 – Burglary – The Street, Cobham – Informant states that people are in the back garden, they are bikers and bikes have turned up x 2 they entered the garden violently, informant has shouted and they are shouting back, sound foreign, males and a female, looks like a male is chasing the female, possibly tried to break into house, cars have turned up and they have left in cars and on bikes. Police take details and there is a large convoy of cars and bikes heading to Dover, Dover Port allow them onboard without stopping stating they have no staff. Attempt burglary with possibility of forensics on a door handle.



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6. 08.04.24 – Burglary – Sallows Shaw, Sole Street, Cobham. Car battery charger stolen from a garage attached to the house, the garage door was blown open in wind no forced entry. From ring doorbell footage, three youths seen leaving garage carrying battery charger.
7. 08.04.24 – Nuisance Bikes – Park Pale, Cobham – Multiple vehicles racing up and down.
8. 10.04.24 – Nuisance bikes – Park Pale, Cobham – motorbikes racing up and down is an on-going problem.
9. 11.04.24 – Nuisance Bikes – Park Pale, Cobham – Quads and motorbikes racing up and down.
10. 12.04.24 – Abandoned vehicle – Farmers field near to Thong Lane, Shorne – Burnt out bike reported beat PC has been to assess council will not remove as not fitting criteria for abandoned vehicle, there is no way of identifying this bike to check if stolen, this will be the landowner’s responsibility to remove.
11. 14.04.24 – Nuisance Vehicle – Gravesend Road, Shorne – Cars and motorbikes racing up and down the road. Police attend and area searched no trace.
12. 14.04.24 – Nuisance Vehicle – Claylane Wood, Watling Street – three motorbikes and five people riding on the fields and on the byways. Police have already checked, and they have land owners permission, if they are also using the byway to get between fields there is nothing we can do as cannot be there all day.
13. 14.04.24 – Nuisance vehicle – Mill Hill Lane, Shorne – three bikes in field and woods, Police attend and search area but no trace.
14. 14.04.24 – Nuisance Vehicle – Gravesend Road, Shorne – Cars racing up the Gravesend Road.
15. 19.04.24 – Animal Incident – Darnley trail, Cobham – The informant was riding her horse on the trail and was approached by three aggressive dogs, the elderly owners had no control, the dogs were eventually put on leads, the informant states they were so aggressive she would have been attacked if not on her horse. Police made local enquiries they are unknown and possibly live Strood side of the trail.
16. 22/04/24 – Nuisance Vehicle – Marling Way, Gravesend – Moped and a jeep chasing each other around Marling way nearly knocking each other driving dangerously.
17. 26.04.24 – Burglary – Henley Street, Luddesdown – Metal container in garden has had steel locks cut off and high value items taken such as sit on mower and power tools. Suspects may have parked in land behind garden. Attempt made to enter container a few weeks ago but no entry, extra locks added by owner, but they have cut these off.



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18. 26.04.24 – Suspicious Event – Bowesden Lane, Shorne – homeowner states a male knocked her door then walked away, he appeared to be filming her property and then others. When confronted he stated he was talking to a friend not filming and was fund raising for Great Ormond Street Hospital, he had a T shirt on with its logo.
19. 28.04.24 – Suspicious Event – Lower Road, Shorne - 5 males wearing balaclavas appeared to be trying to get informant to stop their vehicle, but informant managed to drive away.

FUTURE ACTIVITY/ PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS:-

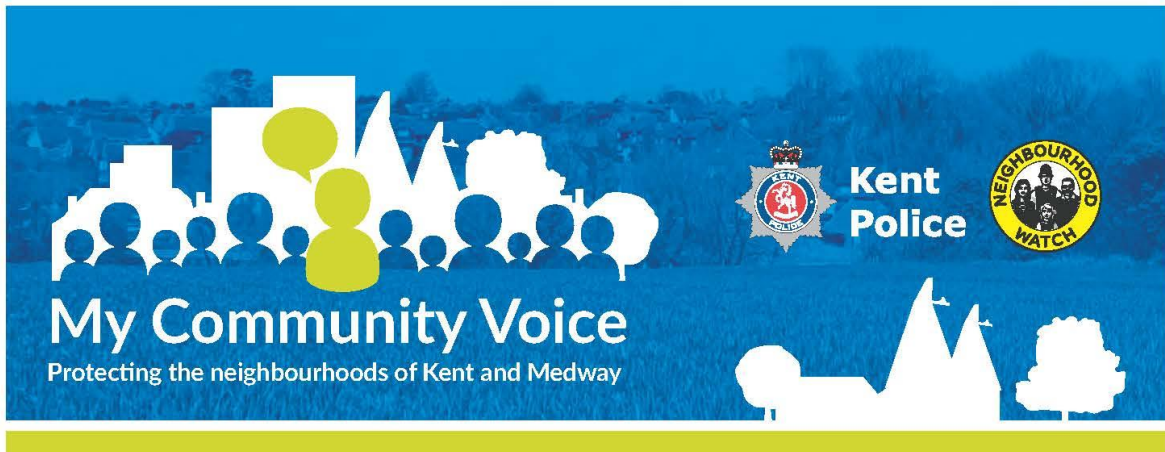
- **I will be taking part in a special operation to target overnight crime in the rural. Along with colleagues from the CSU we aim to patrol in unmarked/marked vehicles and disrupt as much criminal activity as we can, dates have not yet been arranged but I hope this will be undertaken soon. - UPDATE: Following a recent spate of burglaries, Officers from the Neighbourhood Task Force, Rural Task Force, and from our armed response units are patrolling the rural areas when on late shift demand allowing. Beat officers will be conducting similar patrols when available.**
- **I will be attending the 'Pop-up' Café in Shorne Village Hall at least once a month on the first Monday of each month to engage with residents.**
- **On the first Friday of each month, I will be at the St John Centre, next to the St John The Baptist Church, Wrotham Road between 10am and 12pm as part of a public engagement Local councillors are very welcome to attend with me to give residents the opportunity to also engage with their Parish Councillors. UPDATE: Next public engagement will be Friday 03/05/24 between 10am and 12pm.**
- **Operation Paradiso an operation to target nuisance vehicles will be commenced soon in the rural areas. Awaiting dates for this operation.**



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**Don't open
the door!**

John Quick thinking!

When traders turned up at John's house offering to fix his roof, he called the police because he knew his roof didn't need fixing. Turns out they were fraudulent traders.

John kept out the fraudsters, make sure you do too!



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