

# Parish Council monthly update

## COBHAM – LUDDESDOWN

**31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2025**

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**Information provided by: PC 11085 Joanne HAMMOND – Gravesham Rural Beat PC**

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**The PCs for your area are PC 11085 Joanne HAMMOND and I can be contacted on 07980 923681 or via email 11085@kent.police.uk**

**AND**

**PC 14831 Joe DALLARDA who can be contacted on email: 14831@kent.police.uk and Mobile: 07970 983179**

**\*Please note:** The Gravesham Electoral Changes Order 2022 has defined new ward boundaries, therefore Cobham, Luddesdown and Istead Rise come under the same ward now  
Known as Police beat code reference XC38. I will only reference crimes of note for Cobham and Luddesdown.

**CRIMES OF NOTE: For beat code XC38**



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1. 31.12.24 – Poaching/Lamping – Commority Road, Vigo – Two vehicles nominated by Police to ANPR believed to be used for poaching intel reports submitted.
2. 02.01.2025 – Burglary – Cobham Hall, Cobham – Tractor stolen 3 males were on site in a grey range rover two males started the tractor the other stayed in the vehicle. Tractor was left at end of driveway. Suspected vehicle used in crime stopped and seized by police and a suspect arrested for theft.
3. 10.01.2025 – Burglary – Railway Station, Sole Street, Cobham – Suspect has broken in to the office at the station, a taxi was called but wouldn't take the person as he had no money, so he broke into the station was seen by informant to be throwing things around, they had told informant earlier they could not get home. British Transport Police attend and arrest suspect for burglary.
4. 10.01.2025 – Vehicle theft – New College of Cobham – Vehicle stolen from parking area between 09/01/2025 and 10/01/2025. This vehicle was later located by Police and owner informed.
5. 24.01.2025 – Vehicle Crime – Henley Street, Luddesdown – Informant gave way to an oncoming vehicle and as he passed by in his car he heard a loud bang, his rear windscreen had been shattered and a ball bearing found in rear of his vehicle. No index for offending vehicle.



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## **FUTURE ACTIVITY/ PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS: -**

Operation Paradiso, an operation to target nuisance vehicles will be re-commenced as soon as officers become available, this is to tackle nuisance vehicles causing problems for rural residents. Paradiso will be running sporadically throughout the year targeting hot spot areas for nuisance bikes.

Public engagements being held at the St John Centre, Meopham will recommence in the coming weeks, unfortunately I have not had the availability to hold these lately.

## **DAMAGE TO TREES WHITEPOST LANE – COBHAM/MEOPHAM**

Due to the large number of calls to Police from concerned residents regarding the trees that have been damaged/cut down along White post Lane/junction Copt Hall Road, I just wanted to reassure residents that Police have collated all the calls and are conducting enquiries, three crime reports have been raised and if anyone has any cctv/mobile phone footage of this incident taking place that would help Police with enquiries please email myself or Joe DALLARDA in order we can add these to the report, it may also help us identify the suspects who used chainsaws to damage to the trees.

I also wanted to assure you the planning enforcement team at the council have been made aware of all information Police have and have been involved in site visits and will take any actions open to them regarding the site on White Post Lane.



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For updates on actions taken by or being taken by the Council Planning Enforcement Team, please use the Gravesham Borough Council website, look under planning then planning enforcement, click on in 'this section page 1/4' and then on 'site updates', there is another link for White Post Lane, this will show you all updates from planning.

## GOOD WORK

On the 13/01/25 chickens were stolen from a garden on The Street, Cobham, this was the second time these chickens had been stolen as previously located and returned by PC HAMMOND. PC's MATT GASH and PC JOE DALLARDA were attending an unrelated call in the Gravesend area when they located a stolen vehicle in a garage, next door they could hear a strange noise, they entered the garage believing there to be live animals inside and located the stolen chickens, which were collected by the owner. The officers had an idea who may be responsible for this theft and conducted checks on a tagging device, it placed the suspect in the location of the theft at the relevant times, the suspect was then traced and arrested by PC Joe DALLARDA.

On the 28/01/2025 PC Josh INGLE located a stolen vehicle in the Northfleet area, after carrying out checks it was found to be a vehicle which had been stolen from the New College of Cobham and the owner was informed.

Land belonging to a farmer based in Higham located off Thong Lane, Shorne, has been plagued with off road bikes and other vehicles, churning up the land damaging it and the crops. Two suspects for this have been identified by PC's Luke CARTER and PC Billy PIGGOT and will be dealt with appropriately.

PC's Luke CARTER and ADAM MUMFORD located a stolen ride on lawnmower in a farmer's field which had been stolen from the primary school, in Higham, they rode the mower back to the primary school and handed over to the caretaker.



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**Not  
sure?**

**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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## Protect **your** mobile phone



### Record your phone's unique IMEI number in case it gets lost or stolen

- Type \*#06# into your phone to find its IMEI number
- Keep the number somewhere safe, or register it online at [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com)
- Security mark your phone with a UV pen or forensic marking solution
- When out, store valuables securely in a zipped pocket or bag
- Don't leave valuable items unattended or on display



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