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COBHAM – LUDDESDOWN

14th MAY 2025 to 24th June 2025

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

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

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***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.

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CRIMES OF NOTE: For beat code XC38

1. 16/05/2025 – Road Traffic Collision – Henhurst Road, Cobham near to Dabbs Place – Several calls reporting a car on its roof in the road, no persons seen. Police attend with dog, trail of blood from car into field but nothing seen. Registered owner of field located by Police via police checks and they overturned last night, no major injuries and vehicle recovered by Police.
2. 21/05/2025 – Robbery/Vehicle Theft – Walnut Hill Road, Gravesend – elderly victim driving up Walnut Hill when he stopped and got out to remove a log in the road, when four masked males jumped him and assaulted him.
3. 21/05/2025 – Vehicle theft – Wrotham Road, Meopham – Micro digger stolen from side of road.
4. 21/05/2025 – Sus event – Sallows Shaw, Cobham – Daughter has found some tools and a tool bag in her mother's front garden, been discarded overnight. PC HAMMOND attended and recovered, no reports of thefts burglaries in the area.
5. 21/05/2025 – Illegal encampment – Jeskyns Counrty Park – Travellers have pitched up in the gravel overflow car park. 5 caravans no reported issues or problems, PC Hammond attended and spoke with the travellers

who stated they would be gone by Monday (bank holiday) Police check in on the travellers over the weekend and PC HAMMOND attends with the park rangers for an enforcement notice to be read out. They are gone by Monday morning.

6. 23/05/2025 – RTC – Lawrence Drive, Cobham – hit and run smashing vehicle into a pole on Lawrence drive.
7. 24/05/2025 – Poss Burglary – White Post Lane, Sole Street, Cobham – alarm activated on house, two males on bikes with backpacks seen hanging around outside who fled when approached. Yet nothing reported to Police from homeowner.
8. 24/05/2025 – RTC – Church Road, Cobham – Vehicle shas rolled three times and driver is bleeding he did not see the ditch and rolled the car which is on its side, his arms are bleeding, his passenger is uninjured and a member of public has stopped to help. Driver breathalysed but not intox, vehicle recovered by police as blocking road.
9. 05/06/2025 – RTC – Henhurst Road, Cobham – Abandoned 999 call from a male stating he had crashed on Henhurst Road, but everyone is fine and no need for police. No vehicle seen when police attend.
10. 12/06/2025 – RTC – Henhurst Road, Cobham – motorbike rider has come off his bike he admitted he was going too fast, informant believes the rider was intoxicated but he got back on the bike and rode off. Informant tried to see where he went but could not and did not take index number.

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FUTURE ACTIVITY/ PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS: -

Operation Paradiso, an operation to target nuisance vehicles has re-commenced and officers have been attending hotspot areas for these nuisance bikes, including Cobham and Luddesdown. This operation will run throughout the summer. Please report any nuisance bikes in order we can identify hot spot areas and target these. Recently officers, seized a car on Park Pale, for no insurance and issued section 59 notices to motorbike riders they managed to stop and then move on.

Public engagements have re-commenced and are being held at the St John Centre, Wrotham Road, and Higham Library Villa Road, and Shorne Village Hall, I will keep these up once a month and send an MCV message to confirm (My Community Voice). I have also conducted foot patrol around Cobham and Shorne recently and hope to make this a regular thing too.

DAMAGE TO TREES WHITEPOST LANE – COBHAM/MEOPHAM

I 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. Police will support the council with any actions as necessary.

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***There are further 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 ¼' and then on 'site updates', there is another link for White Post Lane, this will show you all updates from planning.

NEW CCTV REGISTRY

Please see attached a new poster in relation to our cctv registry, please sign up and help to keep our communities safe!

DVLA

Police have been given devolved powers from the DVLA to seize a vehicle which must be untaxed for more than two months and 1 day or declared SORN and on a public highway. There are exemptions to a tax seizure however so I will have to check the criteria before having it towed away. This scheme operates under The Vehicle Excise Duty (Removal Immobilisation and Disposal) Regulations 1997. Having completed the training, I am now able to seize such vehicles, so please inform me should you know of any! I have now seized several vehicles using this power.

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DO YOU HAVE A SECURITY OR DOORBELL CAMERA?

Sign up to our CCTV Registry and help keep your community safe.

It's **free**, **secure**, and **quick** to register

Your camera footage could be used to support investigations, bringing criminals to justice, and making your area a **safer** place to live.

Please note:

- We do **not** have access to your cameras.
- We can only view the location of registered cameras.
- We always contact the camera owner to request footage.

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To register or learn more, go to **cctvregistrykentandessex.co.uk**

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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**
- 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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For more crime prevention advice or to contact your neighbourhood officer, call **101** or visit **www.kent.police.uk**

Call **999** in an emergency.

If deaf or speech impaired text '**police**' and your message to **60066**.

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