

Sussex Alerts- Adur, Worthing & Horsham Police

February 2026

News

Appeals



We are appealing for witnesses and information after an assault in Victoria Park, Worthing on Saturday 14 February at around 11.40pm. Read more [here](#).

Court Results



A landscape gardener from Horsham who sexually abused a girl over several years has been jailed. Read the full story [here](#).

A man has pleaded guilty to the manslaughter of 80-year-old Anthony Scarrott from Worthing. More information [here](#).

Information and advice

WhatsApp Channel Launches



Finding you miss more of our stories and updates than you see?

Good news! On Saturday 14 February, we launched our new WhatsApp channel, bringing you a streamlined space to read our latest news. ❤️

To find our WhatsApp channel, search for 'Sussex Police' in the Updates tab.

To stay up to date with our updates, click into the channel and click on the crossed-out bell icon in the top right corner to enable and unmute

notifications.

Mental Health Matters

Male mental health still carries too much silence- but we can help change that.

On the 21st March 2026, Walk for a Bloke invites you to join a 25km walk from Worthing Pier to Brighton Marina, giving space for real conversations and support.

Let's walk together , talk openly and support those who need it most.

Get involved here: [Walk For A Bloke](#)



FREE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN SUSSEX

- Call NHS 111 and select the mental health option (available 24/7)
- Call the Samaritans on 116 123 (available 24/7)
- Text the word SUSSEX to 85258 (available 24/7)



Community Clean Up & Resident Engagement in Southwick

On Friday 20 February 2026, Ward Councillors, Adur District Council Officers, and our local PCSO joined forces for a productive morning on Butts Road, Southwick. Together, they collected litter and spent time engaging with residents about local issues and community pride.

In the afternoon, all partners were available at the Southwick Residents' Drop In, held at Southwick Community Centre. This session offered residents the chance to raise local concerns, receive fraud prevention advice, and ask any Adur District Council questions.

A big thank you to everyone who took part and to the residents who stopped to chat—your insights help shape a cleaner, safer, and more connected community.

Meet the Team

 Want to meet your local Neighbourhood Policing Team?

All our upcoming community events, drop-ins and engagement sessions are now listed on the Your Area page of the Sussex Police website.

Find out what's happening near you and come say hello:

Just visit the Sussex Police website and click here [Your area | Sussex Police](#)



We're here, we're local and we're listening. 🗣️

Protect your home this winter.



Burglary can have a real impact on your personal wellbeing and sense of safety. Here are 3 tips to help keep you home secure:



Lock up - always lock doors and windows when you go out, even for a moment, and regularly update key safe codes.



Make your home look lived in - consider using timer switches, and if possible, install an alarm or CCTV. A home that looks occupied is far less attractive to burglars.



Keep valuables, car keys and personal items out of sight, away from windows and well hidden.

We're here to help, but the public are our eyes and ears when we are not around so if you see or hear anything suspicious, no matter how small it may seem, please report it to us right away.

A few minutes spent securing your home, and one quick call if something doesn't feel right, can make all the difference.

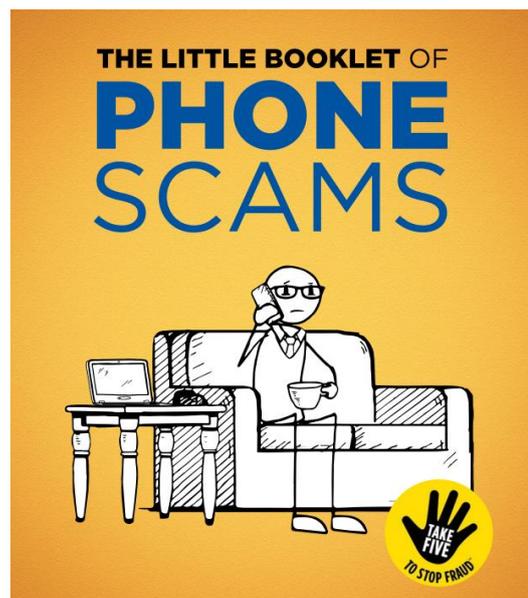
Fraud and Scams

Stop! Think phone fraud.

Phone fraud is when a fraudster calls or messages you, pretending to be someone you know or from an organisation you trust such as your bank or the police.

They then convince you to hand over personal details, make a payment, give them access to your computer or follow a link to a dodgy website.

Download our 'Little Booklet Of Phone Scams' to help spot the signs and keep you and your loved ones safe : <https://orlo.uk/NZTsL>



Fatal Five

Speeding is one of the biggest causes of serious collisions.

Follow these tips to make sure you are safe, as well as keeping the rest of the road safe:

- ✓ Anticipate hazards. Look out for hidden dips, bends and concealed entrances. Brake before bends, not while turning.
- ✓ Know the limits. Make sure you know the limits of the roads you'll be driving on.
- ✓ Always check speed limit signs on the road itself, not just navigation apps. Signs reflect the most up-to-date legal limits, while apps can lag behind or miss temporary changes.
- ✓ In icy weather, de-ice all windows, mirrors and lights before setting off. Anything on your windscreen and mirrors will block visibility and increases the likelihood of a crash.



Driving at the right speed in the right conditions isn't just good practice, it saves lives. Driving a little slower today, means you get home tomorrow.

Our new Fatal Five Unit will be working with partners, such as Community Speedwatch, to monitor roads around Sussex.

Stay safe.

How to report to us

Call 101 when you don't require an urgent response. In an emergency when life is threatened or there is immediate danger always call 999.

Connect with us face-to-face at a police station or contact the local policing team at www.sussex.police.uk/area/your-area

If you are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired, you can contact us using TypeTalk on 18000 or by sending a text to 65999.

Follow your local Police team on social media, find us on Facebook.

