

## Friday 22nd August 2025

### Sussex Alerts – Eastbourne Police



#### **Vehicle break in Hampden Park and Ratton.**

Officers are investigating reports of vehicles being broken into in the early hours of the 18th August, in the Hampden Park and Ratton area's of Eastbourne.

If you have discovered your vehicle has been entered, or if you have CCTV of somebody acting suspiciously around your property in the early hours, we would encourage you to report this to us, either through 101 or via our website. Any information you have, no matter how small you may think, could be useful to our investigation. When contacting us, please quote serial number 1152 - 18/08/2025.

We would also like to remind residents that should you disturb or witness someone trying to enter yours or a neighbours property, you should call 999 at the time.

#### **UPDATES TO THE ABOVE appeal.**



#### **Man charged and remanded following community suspicions.**

Officers were called to reports of a man acting suspiciously around parked cars along Amberly Avenue, Eastbourne after residents were woken by the sound of car alarms around 0300 am on the 18th August.

Less than an hour later, a second call was received to reports of the same individual trying car doors on Friston Avenue, just yards away from the first call.

Officers responded to both calls, and a search of the area was conducted with support from Sussex Police Dogs Unit, who located a man matching the description given by residents reporting.

The man known to police, was detained and searched, and as a result was arrested on suspicion of theft from motor vehicle, and vehicle interference.

Following the swift actions of community reporting, investigations by Neighbourhood Police Community Support Officers; who identified the man, and joint work from our dog unit, and Neighbourhood Response Teams, police were able to link him to four offences in the area.

The following day, 19th August, he was charged and remanded to Court, charged with theft from motor vehicle.

The 59 year old man of Cornfield Road, Eastbourne entered a guilty plea at Brighton Magistrate's Court on 20th

August, for the offences of theft from motor vehicle, where he was issued a custodial period of four weeks as well as victim surcharges.

We would like to thank residents for their swift reporting of suspicious activities, which in turn led to the swift actions of local policing teams to not only locate and remand a suspect, but also prevent further offences and harm to local residents.

### **Keeping you cyber safe – free cyber security webinars.**

You don't have to be a computer expert to get up-to-speed and protect yourself from Cyber Crime.

Every week our dedicated Cyber Protect team delivers free, engaging, and interactive online webinars every week on a variety of topics covering the latest in Cyber Security:

- Online Safety for Beginners
- Keeping Children Safe Online
- The Dangers of AI
- Cyber Security for Businesses: Threats you must address in 2025
- Online Safety for Women and Girls
- Cyber Security for Charities
- Special Sessions (i.e. Crypto-currencies)



With the UK Economy losing around £27bn a year from Cyber Crime, the sessions for businesses and charities are essential to learn the latest cyber security measures such as phishing awareness, protecting against ransomware and business continuity.

Parents and guardians can learn all about keeping children safe online, with the sessions covering social media, parental controls, gaming, digital footprints, trackers, AI and much more.

**Each topic finishes with a Q and A providing the ideal time to answer any burning cyber security questions.**

You can discover more on each subject area webinar, along with a schedule of forthcoming webinars to sign-up for via our Event page here <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/police-south-east-cyber-77121396093?msocid=3703b8df4a7c6fcd262faed24b246e40#collections>

### **Up coming police community meetings**

#### **AUGUST (last remaining dates)**

Wednesday 20th August 11:00-12:00, Archery Recreation Ground, Willoughby Crescent, meet your ward officer and discuss any ASB issues in the area.

Wednesday 27th August 18:30-19:30 at Motcombe Park, Motcombe, evening with your ward PCSO to update on crime and ASB in the area and the work being conducted to help keep you safe.

Wednesday 27th August 16:00-17:00 stationed up outside the Co-Op, Rodmill on Framfield Way, resident and police meeting with local PCSOs to update on recently report crime, offer advice and support to local residents and business in the area.

Saturday 30th August 11:00-12:00 join us in Seaside recreational ground, community hour and meet your ward officers.

## SEPTEMBER

Monday 1st September, 12:00-13:00 outside Morrisons Daily (McColl 's), Willingdon Trees, (near Holly Park), meet you new ward PCSO, with updates on work around both ASB and anti-social driving.

Tuesday 2nd September, 19:00-20:00 at Meads Parish Hall in Meads Street, Meads Neighbourhood Panel 3 monthly meeting, open to all Meads residents, local officers will give an update of the crimes and police action in the Meads and Lower Meads area for the past 3 months, opportunity for communities to speak raise any concerns.



Friday 5th September, from 13:30 – 14:30 at Shinewater Community Gardens, officers will be holding a meeting to address recent ASB in the area and the steps being taken to deter and identify those involved.

Saturday 6th September, 10:00-11:00 community hour outside 4Seasons café, meeting with local PCSOs to update on recently report crime, offer advice and support to local residents and business in the area.

Sunday 7th September 14:30-15:30 parked up in Conqueror Hall car park, Harold Drive meet your ward officers for Kingsmere and Kings Park.

Saturday 13th September 10:00-11:00 Langney Shopping Centre, community hour with your ward PCSOs, report and obtain support and meet the team.

Saturday 13th September 16:00-17:00 at Longland Rec by the café, Old Town. Meet your local PCSO for crime updates, advice, support and reporting.

Sunday 14th September 16:00-17:00 inside The Tennis Café at Gildredge Park, community meeting with local PCSOs to update on recently report crime, offer advice and support to local residents and business in the area.

Sunday 14th September 15:00-16:00 join your ward officers in Tugwell Park to discuss any ASB and what actions are being taken.

Saturday 20th September, from 10:00-14:00, outside the Beacon Shopping Centre/Eastbourne Police POD, meet your 'HotSpot Policing Team' Engagement Day, as well as hear first hand about the work conducted in the last 6 months to keep you safe, and a chance to enter competitions to win HotSpot goodies.



**Everyone has the right to feel safe on a night out.**

Feeling unsafe on a night out?

Your Eastbourne Night Safety Marshals (NSM), continue to work alongside Police and local partners to help keep people safe.

Working each Friday and Saturday night between 8pm and 4am, the NSM are made up of teams of individuals who have been trained in identifying and helping vulnerable people, and are there to help provide an extra level of support on top of the extensive work already being done by Sussex Police and partner agencies to keep people safe during the night-time economy.

The marshals also complement the work of the Eastbourne Street Pastors, and schemes such as Best Bar None, bringing businesses together to work together to promote the town in a positive light.

If you or someone you know are a victim of crime or need assistance on a night out, speak to a police officer, bar staff, Street Pastor or Night Safety Marshal - always call 999 in an emergency.

### Contact Us

For non-emergency incidents or crime prevention advice, click [www.sussex.police.uk](http://www.sussex.police.uk), (If you report a crime online, we will assess it in the same way as a 101 call), or speak to us face-to-face at a police station or contact the local policing team at [www.sussex.police.uk/area/your-area](http://www.sussex.police.uk/area/your-area).

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

If you have a hearing or speech impairment, or other forms of communication difficulties.

Those with textphone can text 18001 101, or BSL users can use SignVideo to provide a Video Relay Service (here: <https://signvideo.co.uk/>), to report crime through a live online interpreter, who will contact the police on your behalf, when you do not require an urgent response.

In an emergency when life is threatened or there is immediate danger please use the textphone service 18000 or text us on 999, BSL users can call 999 BSL (here: <https://999bsl.co.uk/>) to use a British Sign Language interpreter. (For more information on textphone and Relay UK please visit: <https://www.relayuk.bt.com/how-to-use-relay-uk/contact-999-using-relay-uk.html>.)

