



Mid- Sussex District Burglary Dwelling and Vehicle Crime Alert

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Introduction

Your Sussex alert will now include burglary and vehicle summary to help inform residents, raise awareness of recently reported crimes, and help keep our communities safe.

Please find below full details of burglary and vehicle crime alerts

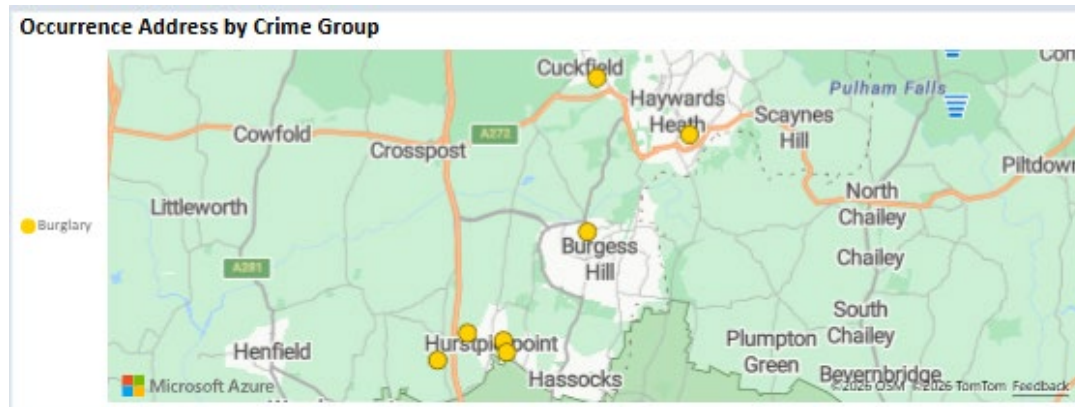
Local crime data from the Power BI dashboard provides an overview of key patterns including heat maps that highlight hotspot areas, trends showing the most common days and times offences occur, and specific locations where crime is repeatedly reported.

It also includes information on Modus Operandi (MO), meaning how the crime was conducted, such as the offender's methods or approach.

Some data may be removed from this report where there is an operational need, or where there is a risk that personal information may be identified.



Burglary Dwelling Overview-



Occurrence Locations & Modus Operandi

On this occasion seven recorded entries for Burglary-. some entries have been removed due to the risk of sharing personal details)

Start Date	Start Time	Occurrence Summary	Occurrence Full Address
25 Aug 2026	04:07	BREAK TO GARDEN SHED	London Road ALBOURNE BN69BL
23 Aug 2026	03:00	SHED BROKEN INTO	Hassocks Road HURSTPIERPOINT BN69QH
20 Aug 2026	12:15	RES BURG	Warden Court Cuckfield HAYWARDS HEATH RH175DN



16 Aug 2026	03:59	GARAGE LIGHT BROKEN	Langton Lane Hurstpierpoint HASOCKS BN69EY
15 Aug 2026	00:00	BREAK INTO GARAGE NEXT TO PROPERTY	Marchants Close HURSTPIERPOINT BN69UZ

We are continuing to investigate these burglaries and if you see anyone acting suspiciously around a property, please report it to us on 101 or 999 if you are witnessing a burglary in progress.

Burglary Prevention

With windows open, gardens in use and many people heading away for weekends or holidays, summer can create opportunities for opportunist thieves. A few simple steps can help keep your home safe.

Keep your home secure

Lock doors and accessible windows when you leave the room or head out. If you want fresh air, consider using window restrictors so you can ventilate safely.

Don't forget side gates, patio doors, and garages – these are often overlooked during the summer months.



Motion-sensor lighting can still be an effective deterrent during the evening and overnight.

Protect what's outside.

Bikes, garden tools, BBQs, and ladders are often left out in warm weather. Store them away or secure them when not in use to help prevent theft and stop them being used to gain access to your home.

Make technology work for you If you have a doorbell camera or CCTV, check it's working properly and covers key access points. Heading away? Enable alerts so you can keep an eye on your property while you're gone.

Going on holiday?

Wait until you get home before sharing holiday photos on social media.

Ask a trusted neighbour to collect your post, move your bins, or keep an eye on your property.

Use timers or smart plugs to switch lights on in the evening to make your home look occupied.

Keep your property looking lived in

Trim hedges and shrubs that could provide cover for someone trying to access your home, and avoid parcels being left on your doorstep by using a safe place or trusted neighbour.

A few simple precautions can make all the difference, helping you enjoy the sunshine with greater peace of mind.

For advice on keeping your property secure <https://www.sussex.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/protect-home-crime/window-security/>
Further advice on keeping your shed and/or garage safe and secure can be on our website <https://www.sussex.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/protect-home-crime/secure-shed-garage/>

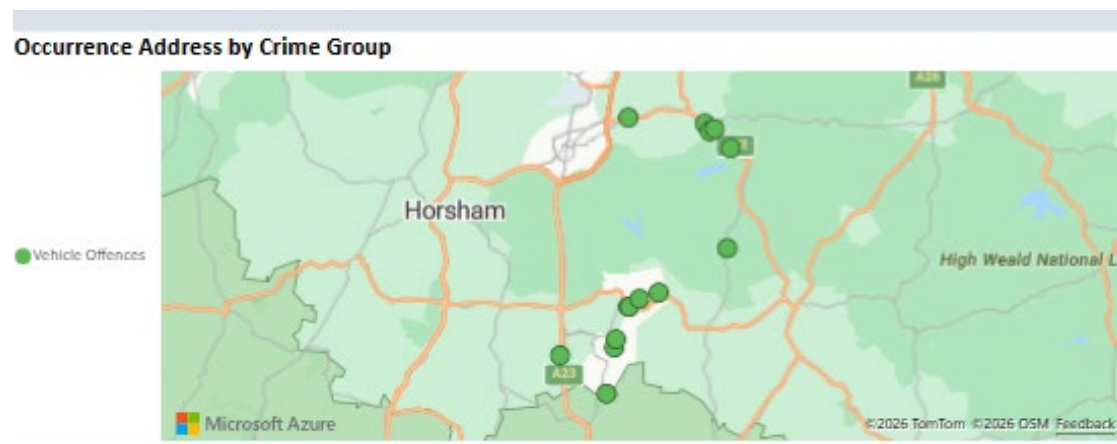


Support

If you have been a victim of burglary, you can contact Victim Support who can give you the emotional support and advice you need.

It doesn't matter how long ago the crime took place – they are always on hand to support you. You can find out more here <https://www.victimsupport.org.uk/>

Vehicle Crime Overview



Occurrence Locations & Modus Operandi

On this occasion (sixteen) reports -of vehicle crime have been reported during this period,

Start Date	Start Time	Occurrence Summary	Occurrence Full Address
27 Aug 2026	21:25	SMV -	Spronketts Lane Bolney RH17 5SA



26 Aug 2026	03:30	TFMV	Road Only Luxfords Lane EAST GRINSTEAD United Kingdom
24 Aug 2026	09:00	TMV VRM	Goldcrest Drive SAYERS COMMON BN69EH
22 Aug 2026	07:28	FOUND MOTORBIKE	Farriers Lea HAYWARDS HEATH RH164FS
22 Aug 2026	18:03	SMV FORD TRANSIT	Christopher Road EAST GRINSTEAD
21 Aug 2026	14:00	CAR DAMAGED & CLOVEBOX SEARCHED	Freeks Lane BURGESS HILL
21 Aug 2026	04:43	DAMAGED CAUSED TO CAR WINDOW	Elm Court Newlands Crescent EAST GRINSTEAD RH191LW
21 Aug 2026	19:00	SMV M/B CP56ULX	Farriers Lea HAYWARDS HEATH RH164FS
20 Aug 2026	14:38	2 VEHICLES STOLEN BY THIRD PARTY	Archer Court Crescent Road BURGESS HILL RH158EH



20 Aug 2026	14:00	NUMBER PLATES STOLEN	Copthorne Common Road COPTHORNE RH103SL
20 Aug 2026	01:15	THEFT OF MCY-	Gower Road HAYWARDS HEATH RH164QP UK
17 Aug 2026	00:00	TFMV	Orchard Way EAST GRINSTEAD RH191SW
17 Aug 2026	01:20	THEFT ATTEMPT	Cowslip Drive LINDFIELD RH162BX
14 Aug 2026	14:00	NUMBERPLATE STOLEN	Parklands Road HASSOCKS
14 Aug 2026	11:00	TFMV -NUMBER PLATES STOLEN	Poynings Road BN45 7AP

SMC- Stolen Motorcycle

SMV-Stolen Motor Vehicle

TWOC-Take without consent.



Vehicle Crime Prevention

A few simple steps can help keep your vehicle and belongings safe:

Lock it every time.

Even if you're only popping away for a few minutes, always lock your vehicle, close all windows and sunroofs, and take your keys with you.

Keep valuables out of sight.

Phones, handbags, wallets, sunglasses and even charging cables can tempt thieves. If you can, take them with you. If not, lock them away before you arrive at your destination.

Park smart

Choose busy, well-lit areas where possible. At home, park in your garage or on your driveway and make sure your vehicle and garage are both locked.

Protect your keys.

Keep car keys away from doors and windows at home. If you have a keyless vehicle, consider using a signal-blocking pouch to help prevent relay theft.

Add an extra layer of security.

Steering wheel locks, alarms, immobilisers, and GPS trackers are all effective ways to deter thieves and improve the chances of recovering a stolen vehicle.

Don't leave paperwork behind



Avoid storing your insurance documents or vehicle registration paperwork inside your car, as these can be used to help commit further crime.

Never leave dogs in a hot car

Even with the windows open or parked in the shade, the temperature inside a vehicle can rise to dangerous levels within minutes. If you're heading somewhere your dog can't come with you, it's safest to leave them at home where they'll be cool and comfortable. A few moments before you walk away could save you a lot of time and expense later. Stay safe and enjoy the sunshine!

We continue to urge residents to report crime to us via the channels below or via Crimestoppers at <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/> or by calling 0800 555 111.

Reporting and contact us.

For non-emergency incidents or crime prevention advice, visit www.sussex.police.uk (all online reports are triaged and assessed in the same way as a 101 call).

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

Visit us face-to-face at a police station or contact the local policing team online [Your area | Sussex Police](#) where you can also find locations and opening hours for local stations/contact points.

Use the 'Contact Your Neighbourhood Policing Team' form within the Your Area section of our website above to get in touch with your local policing team*. We aim to respond to neighbourhood enquiries from residents, community groups, and businesses within 72 hours.



(*Please do not use this form to report crime or anti-social behaviour (ASB)) If you are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired, you can contact us using the TypeTalk service (to register visit [Relay UK - homepage](#) | [Relay UK](#) on 18000 or by sending a text to 65999.

Thinking of Joining Neighbourhood Watch in Sussex

Neighbourhood watch is the largest volunteer-led crime prevention charity in the country, there mission is to support people and communities to be connected, active and safe.

Use the QR code to sign up to your Neighbourhood watch scheme.

