



On the beat in

Stourport-On-Severn

November
2025

What have the team been doing?

We conducted an operation aimed at tackling the illegal use of e-bikes and e-scooters.

The team identified a vehicle of interest in Stourport. Upon stopping the vehicle, a male was arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply Class A drugs. A full investigation is now underway.



On Monday 13th October 2025, officers from Stourport SNT conducted one of our regular foot patrols around the town. We were joined by Councillor John Thomas, Mayor of Stourport. It was a good opportunity to engage with the public and businesses alike. We were able to discuss local concerns raised to Stourport Town Council and share some of the work that we have been doing to address these. We work closely with all of our partners to approach problems collaboratively to help achieve resolutions in the most effective manner.

Officers from Wyre Forest safer neighbourhood team stopped a vehicle on York Street, Stourport this afternoon after a short pursuit. Checks were conducted on the vehicle which showed the vehicle was being driven without insurance, tax and MOT. The vehicle was subsequently seized and taken off the road





On Saturday 18th October, officers from the Safer Neighbourhood Team conducted a proactive stop on a motorbike on Dunley Road, Stourport.

Following a search of the rider, a large quantity of suspected Class A drugs was discovered. The male was arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply Class A drugs, and further searches were carried out.

The motorbike was seized, and the rider was reported for multiple offences, including:

No insurance, No tax, No MOT and Riding otherwise than in accordance with a driving licence

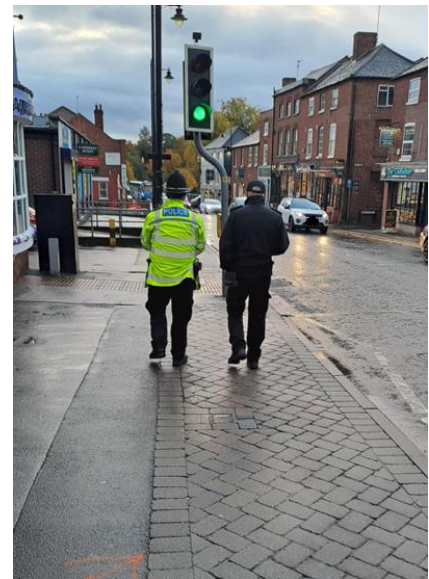
Investigations remain ongoing.



Friday 24th October, officers from Stourport Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) joined forces with Civil Enforcement Officers from Wyre Forest District Council (WFDC) to conduct joint patrols in Stourport Town Centre.

The operation was launched in response to numerous public complaints regarding illegal parking, which has been causing obstructions to the free flow of traffic and raising safety concerns for both motorists and pedestrians.

During the patrols, officers engaged with drivers, issued enforcement notices where appropriate, and provided education around responsible parking. The joint presence aimed to reassure the public and deter further incidents of inconsiderate or unlawful parking



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Good news

- Ongoing work is continuing to be carried out by Stourport SNT with the support of our Operations Patrol Unit (OPU) of Roads Policing against nuisance vehicles that are being driven in and around the Stourport area. A vehicle and a moped have been seized by OPU for traffic offences which were found on the Walshes estate.
- 11th October- A Vehicle was reported for traffic offences on Bridge Street for stopping a vehicle within pedestrian crossing limits
- On 12th October, A silver Vauxhall Corsa was seized on Hartlebury road for no Tax.
- Stourport SNT welcome any information of any nuisance vehicles being driven around the Stourport area.
- On Friday 24th October SNT conducted a search of an address on High Street, and several offensive weapons and imitation firearms were seized. An investigation is underway.
- On 30th October SNT officers located a male wanted for failing to appear at Crown Court. The male was arrested.
- On 31st October SNT Officers located a male wanted for failing to appear at Kidderminster Magistrates court. The male was arrested.



West Mercia Police invite residents to join an officer from their Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) on patrol and experience first-hand how they work to resolve issues and concerns in the local area.

The Ride Along scheme is re-launching in Herefordshire, Shropshire and Worcestershire and offers members of the public an insight into front-line policing.

SNTs are made up of police officers, special constables, police community support officers and volunteers, supported by additional officers and staff from the wider area. They are dedicated to serving your community and resolving issues that matter the most to residents.

Successful applicants will accompany an SNT officer for their shift and experience what a day on duty might look like.

Chief Inspector Matt Sanders, who is leading the scheme, said:

"We are very excited to re-introduce the Ride Along scheme to the public.

"It is a fantastic opportunity for the residents of our three counties to have a real insight into how we police their towns and cities. We hope the scheme will strengthen relationships between police and the public and allow for one-to-one conversations while out on patrol in your area."

The Ride Along scheme is open to anyone aged 18 or over, and you must live in Herefordshire, Shropshire or Worcestershire.

Whether you are considering a career in policing, would like to know how your local area is being policed, or simply have an interest in policing, you are invited on shift.

- For more information head to our website

Top 3 prevention advice for this newsletter are:

Protecting your home during darker nights



1. Low front boundary; keep hedges and walls at the front of your house low (under one metre) so burglars have nowhere to hide.

2. Secure side gate: keep side gates always locked. Open gates mean burglars can easily access your home without being seen by passers-by or neighbours.

3. High side and rear boundaries with trellis and spiky

defensive planting; keep hedges, walls and fences around your back garden high (over 1.8 metres). Add lightweight trellis to gates and fences and plant some prickly plants to make it harder for burglars to climb over.

4. Gravel driveway and path; gravel driveways and paths make it harder for burglars to go undetected.
5. Security light: install an outside security light so that intruders can't approach without being seen.
6. Intruder alarm system; install a burglar alarm system.
7. Secure your shed; always keep your shed locked and secured, and make sure it is anchored down to prevent it from being lifted to gain access. Often sheds contain valuables such as power tools and bicycles.
8. Never leave tools lying around; never leave tools lying around as they can be used as a way of breaking into your home.

Bonfire Nights



Are you heading to a fireworks display or bonfire this season?

Please mind where and how you park and make sure it's legal and not blocking people's driveways or general access to properties.

If noise is a problem unfortunately we have very limited powers to deal with it (the prosecuting body is your local authority) - there's more advice on our website.

As long as people follow laws on fireworks and their usage we also can't help with pets being distressed but the RSPCA has advice: rspca.org.uk/adviceandwelfare/

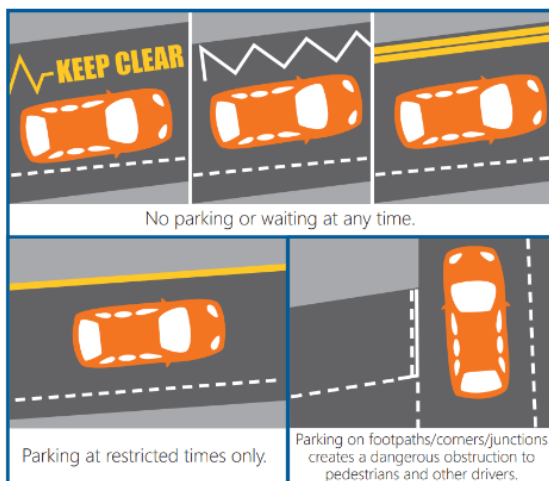
Please do contact us if there's a risk of harm to a person or damage to their

property or there is a vulnerable person present (999 for emergencies, 101 for non-emergencies)

Fireworks

- It is illegal to sell fireworks to anyone under 18 years of age. Maximum penalty of £5000 and/or six months in prison.
- It is illegal to set off fireworks between 11pm and 7am - Bonfire Night 7am to midnight.
- It is illegal to let off a firework in a public place and carries a fine of up to £5000 or a £90 Fixed Penalty Notice.
- All fireworks sold to the public must comply to CE standards.
- The police have the power to stop and search anyone suspected of carrying fireworks.
- The sale of banger, mini rockets, fireworks that fly erratically, aerial shells and maroons is illegal.
- Irresponsible use of fireworks can damage property, cause injury, scare people (particularly the elderly) and frighten animals.

Parking



Most people park legally and sensibly and if they park on the pavement, it is only by a few inches, leaving enough room for a double buggy, large wheelchair or guide dog and owner to get past. We have been receiving an increase in reports for inconsiderate parking near to schools, crossings and junctions. Please take time find a considerate parking location and avoid obstructing the highway. We have increased joint patrols with WFDC Civil Enforcement Teams to address this.

Appeals for information

- A business was broken into on Barracks Road, off Sandy Lane at 23:45 on 10th October. The roof had been cut to gain access, and a large amount of Makita and Bosch power tools were stolen. Please can businesses check their CCTV to see if anything has been captured. Any info please contact police quoting log 00650_I_10102025 or ring crime stoppers on 0800 555 111.
- We continue to appeal to residents in the community to report all instances of crime and anti-social behaviour to assist us with building a picture and to target our activity to address the issues of most concern to our community.
- Members of the public can report and submit digital footage showing potential traffic offences via a secure online form. West Mercia Police's road traffic officers review each submission and take the appropriate action.

Visit westmercia.police.uk/operation-snap/ for more and to submit footage

Police Surgery dates November

- 4th November- 12pm-1pm- Stourport Library, New Street, DY13 8UN
- 7th November-1pm – 2pm- B&M Store, Lombard Street, Stourport, DY13 8BX
- 10th November – 10am – 11am TSB, High St, Stourport
- 11th November 6pm-7pm- Walshes Community Centre, Linden Avenue, Stourport.
- 12th November- 2:30pm-3:30pm- Lickhill Community Centre, Lickhill Road, DY13 8RW
- 15th November- 1pm-2pm- B&M Store, Lombard Street, Stourport, DY13 8BX
- 18th November 11am-12pm- St Michaels Parish room, Church Drive, DY13 9DD
- 22nd November – 6pm-7pm- Queens Road Stores, Queens Road, Stourport, DY13 0BH
- 24th November- 12pm-1pm- Areley Kings Village Hall, Areley Kings, DY13 0NB
- 28th November – 3pm-4pm- Lidl Store, Vale Road, Stourport DY13 8YJ

Sign up to Neighbourhood Matters



Neighbourhood Matters enables residents, businesses and community groups to keep in touch with local policing teams. You can choose exactly what type of alert you wish to receive and how you receive them; whether that be by email, text or telephone.

Sign up now at: www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk

Follow us on social media:    

Current statistics on calls to police and crime recording for your neighbourhood can be found at www.police.uk or follow the link below:

www.westmercia.police.uk/area/your-area/west-mercia/north-worcestershire/stourport

If you wish to discuss further, please contact a member of your safer neighbourhood team.

How to report an incident

For crimes in progress call 999.

For non-emergencies report online: www.westmercia.police.uk/report

If you are unable to report online, you can contact the police via the 101 non-emergency number.

Contact the team

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