



# Newsletter

## Welcome Kettering

Welcome to the Northamptonshire Talking newsletter designed to keep you up to date on how this platform is being used to keep you and your communities safe.

Over **50,000** people have signed up to the platform. Northamptonshire Police want to thank you for the huge role you are playing to help them tackle crime and protect people, by responding to their messages and providing vital information.

## Meet your local team

You can find out who your local team are by entering your postcode on the [contact page](#), which will take you through to your area. Your PCSO's are your community contacts who can offer support and advice about local crime concerns. The teams also hold regular community surgeries and beat buses which give you a chance to meet your team in person. These are advertised in advance and you can see them on your local area page.

### Your PCSOs:

PCSO Loveday	PCSO Bowes
PCSO Cotter	PCSO Meszes
PCSO Horea	PCSO Goodes
PCSO Chachulska	PCSO Scott
PCSO Mottley	PCSO Ellerby
PCSO Brown	PCSO Coles- Schools liaison officer

## Q4 Engagement Statistics

From **September to December** your Neighbourhood Policing Team held or attended **83** community surgeries, community events and beat buses.

Community engagements play a huge role in strengthening ties between communities and the police. They give you a chance to meet your local teams, ask advice and guidance on your concerns, and stay up to date with important issues.

**37** | Community surgeries

**15** | Community Events

**31** | Beat Buses

# KETTERING UPDATES



## Recreational drug use concerns

Neighbourhood officers continue to follow up on concerns from residents about recreational drug use in Weekley and Geddington. If you have concerns about drug dealing within your community please report it to us on 101, online at [www.northants.police.uk/ro](http://www.northants.police.uk/ro) or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111. You can also reach out to your neighbourhood officers from the [local area page](#).

## Police surgeries

Police surgeries are held regularly across Kettering and are advertised in advance on the [local area page](#). Key concerns currently being raised at these surgeries are around e-scooters, drug consumption and dealing. E-scooter patrols have been conducted in Ise, and officers are asking for any information you may have that can help us tackle what is important to you in your community.

If you're interested in organising a crime prevention event in your community, you can contact officers from the [local area page](#).

## Speed enforcement

Following community concerns surrounding speeding in key streets across the Kettering area, neighbourhood officers have carried out a series of speed enforcement activities in the following areas:

- Warkton Village
- Brickstock Road, Grafton Underwood
- Whitehill Road, Desborough
- Polwell Lane, Burton Latimer
- New Road, Geddington
- High Street, Cranford and Rectory Hill
- Pytchley

If you're concerned about speeding in your area, you can contact officers from the [local area page](#).

## E-scooters

Members of the public are once again being urged to make themselves aware of the rules on using privately-owned electric scooters after an increase in their use across Northamptonshire since the start of the New Year. E-scooters are classified as Personal Light Electric Vehicles, which means they are treated as motor vehicles and therefore subject to all the same legal requirements such as insurance and licensing. However, privately owned e-scooters cannot currently meet the legal criteria and therefore remain illegal to use on roads or ridden on pavements, in parks or in other public areas, and owners risk prosecution if caught flouting the laws.

# GENERAL UPDATES

**DRINK  
& DRUG DRIVING.**  
**TOGETHER WE CAN STOP IT.**  
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## It does matter

The 'It Does Matter' campaign launched on November 25 last year, aimed at raising awareness of, and encouraging victims, to report non-contact sexual offences, which have previously been overlooked as forms of violence against women and girls (VAWG). Over the period, Northamptonshire Police used Live Facial Recognition (LFR) cameras for the first time in three town centres to help proactively target those at risk of committing offences against women and girls, resulting in six arrests and checks on further individuals. Alongside the campaign, the proactive policing initiative Operation Kayak, was also promoted, working closely with pubs and clubs, street pastors, Northampton Guardians, and volunteers who work on the Safer Nights Out Van (SNO van), to ensure the vulnerable are looked after and safeguarded. Tackling violence against women and girls is a priority for Northamptonshire Police and this awareness raising campaign is part of wider work to protect and safeguard those at risk of abuse and sexual assault. Read more [here](#).

### Drink and drug driving campaign

On December 1 2025, the annual month-long winter drink and drug driving campaign launched. Alongside Operation Limit, the campaign aims to deliver a clear message on the consequences of driving while under the influence of alcohol and drugs across social media channels. In addition to the online campaign, the Roads Policing and Safer Roads Teams also carried out extra patrols throughout December and into the New Year, with the support of colleagues from Response, Neighbourhood Policing, and the Special Constabulary. Drink and drug driving is one of the main contributors in collisions and is one of the fatal five driving offences, alongside careless driving, not wearing a seat belt, excessive speed, and using a mobile phone whilst behind the wheel. Across the period, court results were released for those charged with drink driving. Read more [here](#).

### Tackling knife crime

During the Sceptre week of action in November 2025, departments from across Northamptonshire Police came together to tackle and highlight the issues of knife crime, visiting schools, youth groups and holding knife amnesties as part of a national week of action. During the week, 198 knives were recovered from amnesty bins/handed in, and 37 weapons sweeps were conducted, finding 16 weapons. Read more [here](#).

