

Herne Bay/Herne Wards newsletter



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With September coming to an end, we are now officially entering Autumn. CSU are already putting plans together to keep you safe throughout Autumn and Winter.

With that in mind, throughout September, we have:

- **You said, we did:** Following members of the community making several reports of speeding in areas around Herne Bay, our CSU officers, PC Melia and PC Roy have conducted speed checks in various locations across multiple days. We are pleased to report that only a handful of persons were recorded driving over the speed limit on both days. Those that were recorded in excess of the posted speed limit were dealt with appropriately. Checks on one individual led to an arrest for various other offences, which would have gone un-noticed if that person hadn't been speeding.
- **Targeted activity:** Following work with the local council officers who were investigating a fly-tipping in Herne Bay, research was conducted at an address in Canterbury Road, Herne Bay. Following investigation, a warrant was secured to search the premises. Neighbourhood Task Force officers from the Herne Bay Police Station executed the warrant on 05/09 and located a large cannabis factory within, 90 plants were seized as well as growing equipment. A true example of what can be developed from community policing.
- **Upcoming events:** The Canterbury Community Safety Unit are aware of the upcoming Halloween Town Take-over as well as the zombie crawl and other Halloween related events. This will be an exciting and enjoyable month around Halloween and our officers will be present and visible to reassure members of our community and ensure a positive experience for all.



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Community Engagement: We are committed to engaging with the Coastal Wards community. This includes holding regular community meetings, which are advertised via [My Community Voice](#). We want to hear your concerns and work together to find solutions.

We are committed to keeping you informed. We publish this monthly newsletter and provide updates on local crime trends and the work we are doing to address these issues on [My Community Voice](#).



Next month's engagements:

- Tuesday 7th of October 2025 10:00-11:30 – Salvation Army, 33 Richmond Street, Herne Bay, CT6 5LR.
- Saturday 11th of October 2025 15:30-17:00 – Costa Coffee, 6 The Boulevard, Herne Bay, CT6 6GZ
- Thursday 16th of October 2025 11:00-12:30 - HatHats Coffee, Heron Leisure Centre, Herne Bay, CT6 5NX.

Your local officers are;

PC James Melia

PC Jack Roy

PC Samuel Hodge

Good work story:

Kent Police received reports of persons attempting to steal a motorbike on the 7th of September 2025 in the early hours of the morning near Canterbury East Railway Station. Officers attended immediately after the call came in and located a male wearing a balaclava in the vicinity. A search revealed that the male was in possession of a balaclava, a screwdriver and bolt cutters. He was subsequently arrested and a case is being built to be submitted to the Crown Prosecution Service.

Theft of motor vehicles and theft of items inside motor vehicles is still a prevalent crime within the Canterbury District. Officers within the Community Safety Unit are responding to incidents and prosecuting those involved. Please keep vigilant, remember to keep your vehicles locked and secured and to remove valuables from inside your vehicles. We are still seeing reports where suspects have found unlocked vehicles and have stolen items from within.



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