



PLR December Update



Key Information

Neighbourhood Beat Bus and Community Surgeries

Up-to-date information about our beat buses and events can be found on: [Your area](#) | [Northamptonshire Police](#) (northants.police.uk) under 'Meetings & Events' tab

Latest News

Up-to-date information about general force news, witness appeals, campaigns, court cases and appeals for wanted people, can be found on: [Latest news](#) | [Northamptonshire Police](#)

Report a crime

Information about the different ways you can contact the police or report a crime, can be found on: [Contact us](#) | [Northamptonshire Police](#)

PLR Changes

- If there has been a change of PLR, you need to notify NCALC and complete the form [here](#)
- Please note that there is only **one** PLR contact for each council or meeting, regardless of size. If you would like to add additional people to the mailing list to receive the monthly update and other communications, you can contact NCALC.
- You should also notify your PCSO if there has been a change of PLR and provide the contact details of the new PLR or an interim contact detail (eg the Clerk or a Councillor)
- If you have a change of email address, you need to inform NCALC and your PCSO, so we can ensure we can still reach you. You can find contact details at the end of this update.

Northamptonshire Talking

We aim to send all PLR digital communications through our [Northamptonshire Talking](#) platform. It is essential all PLRs register on the platform using their council email address so that you can be added to the PLR group. The system uses location based messaging, therefore all communications you receive will be relevant to your area and your council.

Group Join QR Code





It does matter

Northamptonshire Police launched a social media campaign on November 25 to help encourage victims to report non-contact sexual offences.

The campaign called It Does Matter aims to raise awareness of crimes such as indecent exposure, voyeurism and upskirting, which have previously been overlooked as forms of violence against women and girls (VAWG). Victims of these offences often do not believe



that what has happened to them is serious enough to report to police. What might seem like low-level offending can often lead to much more serious crimes such as rape and sexual assault.

In recent years, the murders of three women, Sarah Everard, Zara Aleena and Libby Squire were carried out by men with histories of non-contact sexual offending.

The It Does Matter campaign aims to encourage victims to report these offences so that police can take action against the perpetrators before the offending escalates.

To report non-contact sexual offences you can do so via the [Force website](#) or by calling 101. Always dial 999 in an emergency. Further information is also available at www.itdoesmatter.org.uk

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.





Live facial recognition (LFR) Cameras

Over the upcoming weekend, Northamptonshire Police will be using 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.

A specialist van is being loaned to the Force by neighbouring Bedfordshire Police equipped with LFR cameras, and will be operating on Friday, December 5 in, Northampton, and on Saturday, December 6 in Wellingborough.

LFR is a biometric technology which uses video cameras to detect faces and match them with a pre-loaded so-called watchlist of suspects typically wanted on suspicion of committing a crime, having an outstanding court warrant against them, wanted on recall to prison or subject to an order that would leave them liable to arrest, such as a Sexual Harm Prevention Order.

In the upcoming deployments, the watchlist loaded on to the cameras will be the highest risk sex offenders as well as anyone circulated as wanted for arrest.

Northamptonshire was the third Force in the UK to deploy live facial recognition technology when it was used for the first time at the 2023 British Grand Prix at Silverstone and then again for the next two years after that.

However, this is the first time police have used the technology in a town centre setting and specifically to target, disrupt and potentially arrest those wanted for predatory behaviours and violence against women and girls.

You can find out more about Live Facial Recognition Technology by visiting this link on the [Force website](#).





2025 drink and drug driving campaign

**DRINK
& DRUG DRIVING.**
TOGETHER WE CAN STOP IT.
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Officers from the Force's Roads Policing and Safer Roads Team will be leading the month-long National Police Chiefs' Council's crack down which aims to keep our roads safe over the festive period.

Operation Limit aims to educate road users on the consequences of driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and to support this year's annual campaign, the Force will be driving home the message of choice.

In addition to the online campaign, the Roads Policing and Safer Roads Teams will be carrying out extra patrols throughout December and into the New Year, with the support of colleagues from Response, Neighbourhood Policing, and the Special Constabulary. There will also be proactive operations and roadside checks across the county held at various times including in the early morning when drivers could still be impaired from celebrations the night before.

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.

During last year's campaign, 94 road users were charged with drink driving, 39 were arrested for failing a roadside drug test, while one was arrested on suspicion of both. This compared to 97 and 37 respectively for the same period in 2023.





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As in previous years, drivers charged with drink driving during the winter campaign will again be named on the Northamptonshire Police website and shared on its social media accounts.

To report suspected drink or drug driving in confidence, call Northamptonshire Police on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. In an emergency when life is in immediate danger, always call 999.

Or for more information visit www.northants.police.uk/dontdrinkdrive

**Remember this Christmas for
the right reasons**



Good memories



Bad memories

DRINK & DRUG DRIVING.
DON'T TAKE THE RISK.

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Positive warrant outcomes

Joint warrants executed by neighbourhood policing officers, His Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC), Trading Standards and North Northamptonshire Council, uncovered a large quantity of illegal goods.

Last month (November 26), several warrants were executed by the partnership at business premises in Market Street, Cambridge Street and Victoria Road in Wellingborough.

As a result, HMRC seized 203,000 non-duty paid and counterfeit cigarettes, as well as 40kg of hand rolling tobacco. The estimated unpaid excise duty for these products is estimated to be £120,000.

Trading Standards also seized counterfeit clothing, children's toys and more than 3,500 illegal vapes, whilst the Environmental Health Team at North Northamptonshire Council served notices on several businesses in relation to their waste disposal processes.

Police also recovered a machete, a quantity of Nitrous Oxygen Systems which is a Class C drug, cannabis vapes, non-UK compliant prescription medicine, and more than £7,000 in cash and fireworks.

Wellingborough Neighbourhood Policing Sergeant Glenn Thompson said: "This enforcement action across several business addresses, in conjunction with our partners, was only possible due to the large number of community intelligence from members of the public concerned about the supply of some of these products.

Anyone wishing to share intelligence or suspicions about criminal activity like this can report non-emergency crime to 101, online at www.northants.police.uk/RO or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

Reports can also be made to Trading Standards via the Citizens Advice Consumer Service on 0808 223 1133 or online contact the consumer service - [Citizens Advice](#).



Contact details

The next monthly PLR Update will be sent out at the beginning of January, 2026

For further information, to provide feedback or suggest articles for this update, please contact:

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