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Halloween:

Next month is Halloween 🖫 🚱 🕃 & Not everyone enjoys or wants to take part in Halloween. Addressing any anti-social behaviour, concerns that come with this, we are giving advice not only to residents in our community but also shops and retailers who can assist us in reducing any behaviour linked to this time of year.

If you'd prefer not have trick or treaters call at your door, you can download and display our <u>'no trick or treat' sign</u> in your front door or window. It's a simple way to let others know you're not taking part. If you're taking young children out, Halloween can be a fun experience for children, and a few precautions can keep it safe:

- children should be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times
- it's best to visit homes of people you know
- if a house doesn't have decorations or a pumpkin outside, it's likely they're not participating, so it's best not to knock

If you have teenagers going out, older children may want more independence, but it's important they understand how to celebrate respectfully:

- avoid knocking at homes without decorations or pumpkins outside
- do not use alcohol or play a trick on someone using flour or eggs
- if a 'no trick or treat' sign is displayed, they should move on without knocking
- encourage them to stay in groups and never go into a stranger's home
- remind them that Halloween is meant to be fun, not frightening for others

Let's work together to make Halloween safe, respectful, and enjoyable for everyone, whether they're celebrating or not.

Need help? Please only call <u>999</u> in an emergency. You can <u>report a non-urgent incident or crime online</u> Alternatively, you can visit our advice pages for information and guidance on a range of issues.

- Trick or treaters welcome poster with advice
- No trick or treaters please poster with advice

Parish Meetings:

- Biddenden Parish Meeting- Biddenden Village Hall, TN27 8BB 07/10/2025 19:30
- Shadoxhurst Parish Meeting Shadoxhurst Village Hall, TN26 1HT 08/10/2025 19:00 hours
- Bethersden Parish Meeting Bethersden Village Hall, TN26 3AR 08/10/2025 19:30 hours

Drop In Surgeries:

• Woodchurch Hub, The Green, Woodchurch, TN26 3PA – 15/10/2025 - 10:00 hours

Your local officer:
PC 11307 Laker

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Acting on Community Concerns The top 3 concerns for the area are:

Anti-Social Behaviour - General, Road Safety Issues, Fly Tipping

An abandoned moped was located in Chilmington Green, Great Chart. The vehicle transpired to be stolen. Ensure you take steps to protect and deter motorcycle and moped theft - <u>Protect your motorcycle, moped or scooter from theft | Police.uk</u>

A vehicle was stopped on Tally Ho Road, Shadoxhurst for no insurance. It also transpired the driver was suspected to be under the influence of drugs and in possession of cannabis. The driver was subsequently arrested and taken to custody. The driver will likely face a lengthy disqualification and fine.

On the 3^{rd of} September 2025 PC Laker was conducting High Visibility Patrolling within Tenterden Town Centre. A call was received to a male collapsed on Highbury Lane, Tenterden and the Police and the ambulance were requested. PC LAKER attended and assisted Secamb with CPR following a suspected cardiac arrest. Other ambulance crews attended, and they were able to successfully gain a pulse, and the male was taken to William Harvey Hospital for further treatment. You can arrange free blood pressure checks on the link attached - Find a pharmacy that offers free blood pressure checks - NHS

