

# Ashford C.S.U Newsletter

## Urban Southwest Ward



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September 2025

### 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 '[no trick or treat' sign](#) 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 [999](#) in an emergency. You can [report a non-urgent incident or crime online](#)

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](#)

### Drop-in surgeries:

- Singleton Environment Centre, Wesley School Road, Ashford, TN23 5LW – 27/10/2025 - 11:30 hours

Your local officer:  
**PC 14820  
Potticary**

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

**Anti-Social Behaviour -General, E-Scooters and Nuisance Motorcycles, Drugs**

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A prolific shoplifter was arrested following he stole a bottle of alcohol from a local shop, and he also threatened to spit and cause harm to staff. The shoplifter was located and arrested on the same day and swiftly put before the courts.

A S.59 warning notice was issued to an individual who was driving an anti-social manner on Brookfield Road, Ashford. S.59 of the Police Reform Act 2002 allows police to seize a vehicle if it's continued to be used in a way that causes alarm, distress or annoyance to the public following the warning being issued.

A driver was reported for driving otherwise in accordance with her licence as well as no valid third-party insurance when observed by officers driving in Tithe Barn Lane, Ashford. The driver will now face a court appearance with a likely outcome of a disqualified licence and a fine.

Kent Police have spent this month supporting Kent County Council over fly tipping at Chilimington. The Ashford Community Safety Unit will continue to support local partners in tackling and holding fly tippers to account.



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