

Sandwich & Woodnesborough newsletter



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Welcome to the May 2026 edition of the Sandwich & Woodnesborough Newsletter.

With the warmer weather here, it's been great to spend more time on foot patrol and see so many of you out enjoying the area. This time of year, always brings a great atmosphere, and with the upcoming World Cup just around the corner in June, we're expecting an extra buzz across the Dover District. Whether you're planning to watch matches at home, with friends, or out and about locally, we want everyone to enjoy the occasion safely and responsibly. We'll be continuing to work closely with partners and local venues to ensure a safe and welcoming environment for all. If you are planning to drink alcohol, please can I remind everyone to plan your journey to and from celebrations over the festive period; arrange a taxi, or a lift from friends or family. Do not put yourself or other road users at risk.



This month's community engagements:

Thursday 18th June 2026 at 10:00-11:00 hours
Age Concern, Sandwich.

Friday 19th June 2026 at 1000-1100 hours
Eastry Coffee Morning, at Eastry Village Hall

Monday 22nd June 2026 at 12:45-14:00 hours
Jubilee Centre, Sandwich

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Statistics for Sandwich and Woodnesborough

There were 150 calls to the Sandwich and Woodnesborough between 1st May and 31st May 2026.

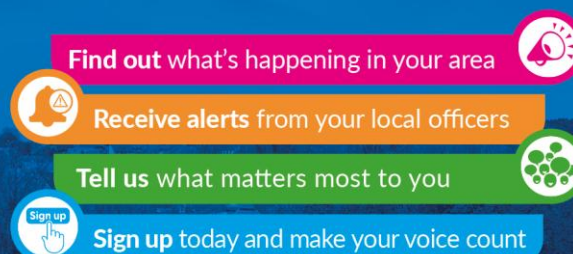
09/05/2026 – Strand Street, Sandwich – Report of Criminal Damage to front door of a property. The investigation is still ongoing.

14/05/2026 – Dover Road, Sandwich – Report of youths entering a building site and climbing on the scaffolding. Youths have been identified and spoken to by school's officer to educate them on the safety concerns and dangers of going onto the site.

18/05/2026 – Beacon Lane, Woodnesborough – Report of business broken into overnight, fuel and tools stolen from the location. Enquires are still ongoing.

24/05/2026 – Sandwich Industrial Estate, Sandwich – Over two consecutive nights, reports of persons seen on building site overnight. Patrols attended, no damage was caused or property stolen.

30/05/2026 – Sandwich Bay – Report of a suspicious vehicle entering the private estate. When challenged the occupants of the vehicle left the area.



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Rural Burglary Prevention Advice

There have been several burglaries reported in the rural areas of the Dover District.

Rural areas can be attractive to offenders due to isolation and limited natural surveillance, but there are simple steps you can take to protect your property:

- Secure your property: Ensure doors, windows, gates, and outbuildings are locked when not in use. Fit good-quality locks and consider additional security such as alarms and sensor lighting.
- Protect tools and machinery: Mark valuable items with a forensic marking kit or property marking system and keep a record of serial numbers. Store equipment out of sight where possible.
- Use lighting and CCTV: Motion-activated lighting and cameras can act as a strong deterrent and help identify offenders.
- Be aware of vehicles: Report unfamiliar vehicles or people acting suspiciously, particularly in more remote areas. Take note of registration numbers where safe to do so.
- Join local schemes: Consider joining or setting up a rural or farm watch scheme to share information quickly with neighbours and police.
- Limit visibility: Avoid leaving ladders, tools, or keys accessible, and try not to advertise when you're away from home.
- Report information: If something doesn't feel right, trust your instincts and report it. In an emergency call 999, otherwise report via 101 or online.

Working together and staying vigilant helps keep our rural communities safe.

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