



Whitstable newsletter

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As the Winter is well and truly here, PC POWELL and PC HART remain committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of our community. This past month, the focus has been the following priorities:

- **Youth Engagement:** We understand the importance of keeping young people safe and engaged during the summer holidays. Working with our colleagues in the Child Centered Policing Team we have been actively involved in local youth programs, creating, and maintaining positive relationships with young people.
- **Anti-Social Behaviour:** We are committed to tackling anti-social behaviour that impacts our neighbourhoods. There has been a marked improvement in the areas where these efforts have been focused over the summer, with a reduction of antisocial behaviour reports for the areas that we have focused on.
- **Speeding and Road Safety:** We are committed to making our roads safer for everyone. We will be conducting speed checks in residential areas and enforcing traffic laws. Our commitment to Road Safety continues by joining local youth groups and educating them also working closely in 2025 with Speedwatch.



How You Can Help

- **Report Suspicious Activity:** If you see something suspicious, please report it to the police immediately. Your information can help us prevent crime.
- **Utilize My Community Voice:** My Community Voice is a valuable tool that strengthens the bond between Kent Police and its community. By providing real-time updates on local crime trends, safety advice, and police activities, it empowers residents to make informed decisions and feel more secure. This platform also encourages active participation, allowing community members to share concerns, provide feedback, and collaborate with police to address local issues. Ultimately, My Community Voice fosters a safer, more informed, and engaged community.

Drop In surgery

Your local officers are;
PC Jordon Powell
PC Gareth Hart



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Whitstable, like many other towns, faces the ongoing challenge of retail crime. To combat this issue we have implemented a number of strategies aimed at deterring offenders and bringing them to justice.

Key initiatives include:

- **Increased patrols:** High-visibility patrols in and around shopping areas serve as a deterrent to potential criminals and provide a reassuring presence for businesses and shoppers alike.
- **Close collaboration with retailers:** Building strong partnerships with local businesses is essential. Regular meetings and communication channels allow for the sharing of intelligence, identifying emerging crime and implementing targeted crime prevention measures.
- **Proactive operations:** The police conduct regular operations, such as shoplifting prevention initiatives to disrupt criminal activity and apprehend offenders.
- **Partnerships:** Effective policing relies heavily on a strong partnership between the police and the community. By working together, we can identify and address local crime issues more efficiently. Community members provide invaluable insights into their neighbourhoods, helping us to understand local concerns and tailor our strategies accordingly. In return, the police offer expertise, resources, and protection. This collaboration fosters trust, reduces fear of crime, and ultimately creates safer communities for everyone. To engage as much as possible with us, please consider spreading awareness of www.mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk

Good Work

Excellent collaborative work from PC POWELL and PC HART working with PC MELIA and PC ROY of Herne Bay and fellow CSU officers from Canterbury. This allowed for the effective arrest of a volatile shop lifter in Whitstable, the offender had committed the theft moments before PC POWELL was alerted by Canterbury CCTV Control where the offender was. Due to the swift actions of all involved offender was located and arrested shortly after. Without the effort of all involved this arrest could have proved difficult as there were multiple people involved and the location of arrest was complex.

Christmas Message

We would like to wish you all a wonderful Christmas, enjoy spending time with your friends and family. We look forward to seeing you in the New Year around Whitstable.

PC POWELL & PC HART

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