

# Warwickshire Police

## Rugby Rural Central Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

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November 2016



Long Lawford – Church Lawford - Wolston – Binley Woods – Brandon  
Bretford – Ryton on Dunsmore – Kings Newnham – Little Lawford

### **Crime Overview**

This section looks at the crimes of public interest that have occurred on the Rugby Rural Central Safer Neighbourhood Team policing area. Below is a brief summary of some of the incidents that have been reported to us in the month of October:

**Anti Social Behaviour** – There have been 8 separate reports of ASB in the Rugby Rural Central area.

- 1st October 2016-0297 – Townsend Lane, Long Lawford – Report that 2 youths were climbing on the bus stop.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016-0175 – Redhill Road, Long Lawford – Group of youths making a lot of noise and being rowdy
- 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0161 – Priory Road, Wolston - Group of youths congregating in the area.
- 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0011- Tee Tong Road – Group of youths in the street.
- 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0380- Featherstone Crescent, Ryton on Dunsmore – Youths jumping out and scaring people.
- 24<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0295- Priory Road, Wolston – Youths congregating leaving a mess.
- 29<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0427- Manor Estate, Wolston – Group of youths being rowdy after leaving a party.
- 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016-0364- Round Avenue, Long Lawford – Group of youths setting off fireworks.

**Burglaries (Dwelling)** – There have been 1 report of Burglary Dwelling in the Rugby Central area.

- 8<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0281- Rugby Road, Binley Woods – House entered via a side window and items stolen from within.

**Burglaries (Non Dwelling)** – There have been 2 reports of Burglary (Non Dwelling) in the Rugby Rural Central Area.

- 26<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0123- Bretford Road, Brandon – Offenders have entered on insecure barn and taken 4 pedal cycles.
- 30<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0296- School Street, Wolston – Garage door has been forced and items stolen from within.

**Criminal Damage** – There have been 2 reports of Criminal Damage in the Rugby Rural Central Area.

- 11<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0184- Garratt Close, Long Lawford – Damage caused to a window of a car.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2016-0090- A428, Bretford – Vehicle window smashed on parked vehicle.

**Theft** – There have been 6 reported thefts.

- 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0320- Rugby Road, Binley Woods – Male has taken items from within the shop without offering payment.
- 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0117- Coventry Road, Church Lawford – Caravan stolen from a secure location
- 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0306- Woodlands Road, Binley Woods – Push bike stolen from a lamp post by cutting through a lock.
- 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0339- Coronation Road, Church Lawford – Registration plates stolen off a parked vehicle.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2016-0280- School Street, Wolston – Males have entered the store and removed items without offering payment.
- 29<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0371- Avondale Road, Brandon – Bike stolen from next to an outbuilding.

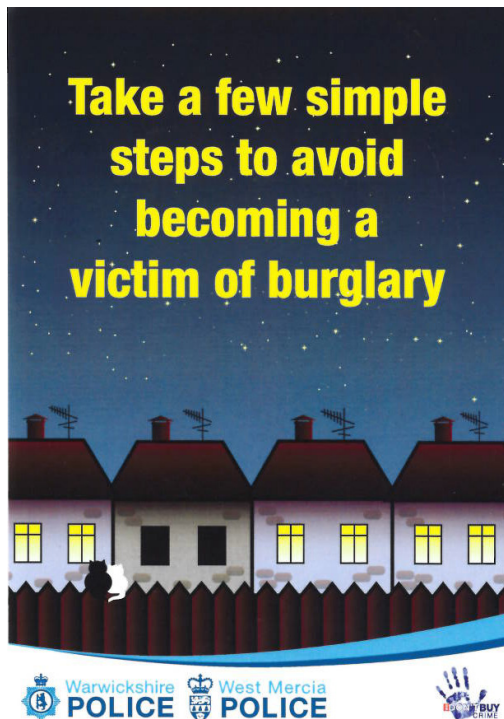
**Vehicle Crime** – There have been 6 separate reports of vehicle crime.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016-0404- Rugby Road, Binley Woods – Vehicle broken into and items stolen from within.
- 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0184- Rugby Road, Binley Woods – Van broken into and items stolen from within.
- 7<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0367- Rugby Road, Binley Woods – Theft of a spare tyre from a vehicle on a driveway.
- 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0148- London Road, Ryton on Dunsmore – Car stolen with keys.
- 25<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0055- Warwick Road, Wolston – Car damaged by smashing the rear windscreen.
- 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016-0381- High Street, Ryton on Dunsmore – Car stolen without keys.

## Appeals News and Updates/Information and Advice

### Nuisance Youths

There have been concerns raised to the team about children playing in resident's driveways and front gardens across the area. Can we ask parents and guardians that if they allow their children to play out in the village to speak to the child about staying safe and about trespassing on property. This is also a chance to speak to your child regarding road safety and especially with dark nights.



### Get your home protected from Burglars

- Set a timer switch to turn your lights on when it gets dark – unlit houses area give away that no one is home.
- Lock your doors, patios and downstairs windows – even when you are in. Make sure you double check them again before you go to bed.
- If you have a burglar alarm, make sure you set it when you go out and also when you go to bed.
- Don't leave car keys, ID cards or valuables near windows, doors or letterboxes, where burglars can reach through to steal them.
- Lock your garden gates and side entrances. Don't leave tools lying around in the garden which could be used to break in to your home.

## Help us Fight Doorstep Crime

### What is distraction burglary?

Distraction burglary is where criminals call at your house posing as officials or asking for your help with something. They make up a story to get in to your home. Generally targeting older people, they have just one intention: **to steal!**

### How do they operate?

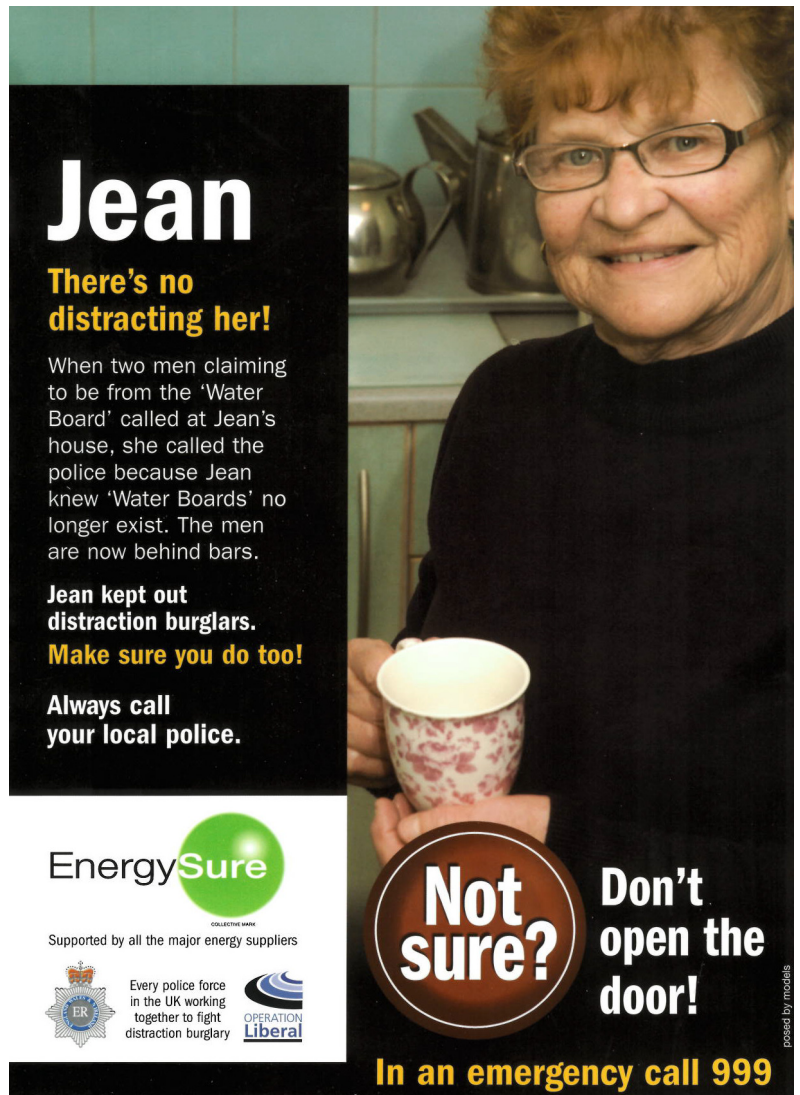
- Some work alone, but often they work in groups of two or more, usually one person will knock at your with a convincing excuse that seems genuine or urgent.
- The talker will persuade you to let them into your and keep you occupied whilst others sneak in and search your house to steal cash and valuables.
- They can be men, women or children and sometimes a combination, smartly or casual dressed.

## Remember

A genuine caller will happily wait outside while you check on them by calling their organisation and or calling a family member or neighbour.

A few tips to keep you safe

- If you're not sure who is at your door, don't open it! Check the identity of the caller by calling the company they are purporting to be from. Use the telephone numbers listed in your local directory or provided independently by your service provider. Do not use any telephone numbers provided by the caller, they may also be bogus.
- Telephone a neighbour or friend nearby to come along and check out the caller before you open the door to them.
- Don't keep large quantities of cash at home; put it in the bank or post office where it is safe.
- Keep doors locked and windows secure at all times. Only put the door chain on to answer the door.
- If somebody asks for your help, needs to make a telephone call, has lost a ball in your garden, needs a drink or request a pen and paper for example, refer them to a younger neighbour or assist them through a closed door. Or call a friend or neighbour to come and assist.
- If you suspect a bogus caller has visited you, even if you didn't let them in, call the police straight away. We need to know!



**Jean**

**There's no distracting her!**

When two men claiming to be from the 'Water Board' called at Jean's house, she called the police because Jean knew 'Water Boards' no longer exist. The men are now behind bars.

**Jean kept out distraction burglars. Make sure you do too!**

**Always call your local police.**

**Not sure? Don't open the door!**

**In an emergency call 999**

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## Priorities

New Policing priorities have been set for the Rugby Rural Central Team at September's Community Forum. The two priorities set are;

1. Anti Social Behaviour – To reduce the use of off-road vehicles in and around Brandon Woods, Brandon. The team will commit to 15 dedicated patrols.
2. Anti Social Behaviour – To reduce the use of off-road vehicles in and around Long Lawford. The team will commit to 15 dedicated patrols.

Although these are currently the main SNT priorities, we will continue to monitor any issues that have been raised previously.

## News Stories

### **SNT work with Friends of Brandon Woods**

Rural Central Officers have worked with Friends of Brandon Woods this past month. This has been one of our policing priorities set at our last community forum in September. The team have been patrolling the woods and this in turn has reduced the number of calls. The Policing team have also been putting messages out to the media advising that motor vehicles should not be using this area. The team have also provided Friends of Brandon Woods with Section 59 warning signs. This warns vehicle owners that under the provisions of the Police Reform Act 2002 the police have the power to seize any mechanically propelled vehicle used in a manner to cause alarm and distress to the public.



### **Vehicles seized in Brandon and Ryton on Dunsmore**

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016, PC Stamp and PCSO Havelock were on patrols of Brandon when they checked a vehicle to find that it had No TAX for a period of 4 months. The vehicle was stopped in Bretford and seized under section 29 of the Road Traffic Act. The owner of the vehicle will have to pay a recovery fee and storage as well as getting the vehicle taxed and taxed from the time that it had expired. The pair then patrolled



Ryton on Dunsmore when another vehicle caught their attention. The vehicle was stopped on High Street and found that it was collecting scrap metal. The officers asked



to see their waste carriers licence to which they could not provide. The vehicle was then checked on the Police National Computer and found that it had no tax or insurance. The vehicle was then seized under section 165 of the road traffic act. The owners were also reported to Rugby Borough Council for collecting waste without the relevant documentation.

## Officers Support Operation Leviathan

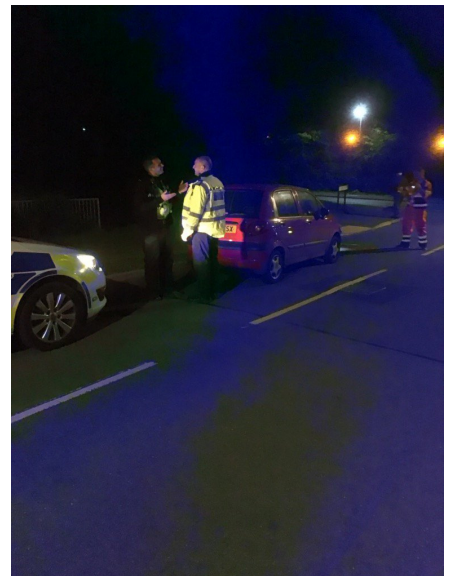
On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October, PC Stamp, PC Baker and PCSO Havelock. from the Rugby Rural Safer Neighbourhood Teams, were joined Warwickshire Police's Rural Crime Co-ordinator, Environmental Agency Officers and members of the Angling Trust. They came as part of Operation LEVIATHAN, the largest multi-police force and multi-agency operation to ever target illegal fishing and fish theft.

Officers visited Coombe Abbey, Newbold Quarry, Makins Fisheries, as well as some smaller private lakes in the Rugby Rural area. Officers checked seven fishing licences, issued one male with a cannabis warning and one male that had a discrepancy with his MOT. Op LEVIATHAN designed to increase the public's confidence that Police and other agencies take poaching in all of its form very seriously.



## Vehicle seized in Long Lawford

On the 4th October PC 1556 STAMP was on patrol on High Street in Ryton On Dunsmore when he saw a car parked on the side of the road, Instincts caused PC 1556 STAMP to check the car and whilst speaking to the keeper of the car who was sat inside, it was revealed that the car no insurance and had been driving around the rural areas without insurance for a number of months, this car was a danger to law abiding road users so the car was seized and the driver reported to court.



## Vehicle Seized in Wolston

At around 1900hrs on Friday 4th November rural officers were patrolling the country lanes in and Wolston when they stopped a vehicle, further checks on the vehicle revealed that the car was being driven with no TAX, no MOT and no valid Insurance; rural officers continue to proactively patrol the rural areas day and night and will deal with any offences including dealing with people who drive illegally.



**GOV.UK**  
Vehicle enquiry

**BETA** This is a new service - your [feedback](#) will help us to improve it.

**Registration number:**  
[Redacted]

**X Untaxed**  
Tax due: 01 August 2016

**X No MOT**  
Expired: 30 September 2016

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**999** – In an Emergency



**101** – To report a Crime



**01788 853851** – To contact the team directly (Not for reporting Crime)