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Alcester Police SNTs. Latest Weekly Report. Sunday 9th February 2025

Based at Alcester Police Station, The Safer Neighbourhood team's primary roles are around crime prevention, problem solving both long standing or emerging issues of community concern and community engagement. We are supported at Alcester by colleagues from Patrol teams whose role is to respond to incidents and investigate crimes that occur in the area 24/7. The SNT is supervised by Inspector Hembry who leads on Neighbourhood Policing for Stratford District and Sgt Ebbs who also oversees neighbourhood Policing in the Shipston on Stour area. The Alcester SNT currently consists of 2 Police officers and 5 Police Community Support Officers, and our contact details are shown above.

Hello all.

This is our latest combined weekly report and prompt to see if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns for the Alcester Police Safer Neighbourhood Teams. Thank you to those that have contacted the Teams this week. If you would like to be removed from this local email circulation list, please let me know asap. This report will also be sent out on the Warwickshire Connected alert system.

For operational and privacy reasons not all the incidents that occur on the Alcester area are listed in this report, although they are recorded on police systems. Please remember to report any anti-social behaviour, suspicious activity or crimes to us as soon as possible - this can be done via the 101 and 999 telephone numbers or if not an emergency via our online reporting forms that can be found on our website. If you have any information or cctv footage that may relate to the incidents listed, please contact us.

Incidents of a public interest from the last week: -

BIDFORD

- Suspicious Circumstances / Drone/ Chestnut Way area. Drone seen above house. Caller concerned regards the motives of the drone operator. 10.20pm Sunday 2nd February. 0005 03/02/2025

OVERSLEY

- ASB. Oversley Woods. Report of quad bikes causing a nuisance in the area. Up to possibly 10 quad bikes in total. Some of the riders are wearing balaclavas. Causing a danger to dog walkers and pedestrians as well as damaging the land. Around 1.30pm Saturday 8th February. 0150 08/02/2025. This would be the same group seen in Coughton.

KINGS COUGHTON

- Fire / Suspicious Circumstances. Empty property found to be on fire. Dealt with by fire service and boarded up. Enquiries ongoing. 5pm Saturday 8th February. 0244 08/02/2025

STRATFORD BORDERS

- Suspicious Circumstances. Hillside Close. Two males with face covering seen acting suspiciously in the area. Eventually leaving with a motorbike. Around 5pm Sunday 9th February. 0064 09/02/2025

WELFORD

- Burglary. Barton Road. Premises entered and car keys stolen. Subsequently a Black Land Rover and a Blue Jaguar has also been stolen. 12.55am Monday 3rd February. 0006 04/02/2025

COUGHTON

- ASB. River area near to Ford. Several quad bikes seen driving in and out of the river and up the banks and verges. Caller concerned regards the damage and noise being caused. 1pm Saturday 8th February. 0146 08/02/2025

STUDLEY

- Theft. Store, Studley. Suspected male shoplifter detained by security and processed in store. 4pm Friday 7th February. 0255 07/02/2025
- Suspicious Circumstances / Drone. Holt Gardens / Watts Road area. Report of drone hovering over gardens where children were playing. Caller concerned with the motives of the drone operator. 1.30pm Saturday 1st February. 0078 07/02/2025
- Suspicious Circumstances / Drone. Rowland Avenue area. Drone seen to hover over house and garden. Caller concerned with the motives of the drone operator. 1pm Wednesday 5th February. 0276 05/02/2025

ULLENHALL

- Suspicious Circumstances. White Pump Lane. A black coloured saloon car possible a Vauxhall Zafira seen acting suspiciously in the lane. Two young white males in the car, dressed in black. Last seen just before 6pm Tuesday 4th February. 0272 04/02/2025
- Suspicious Circumstances. Ullenhall Street. Two males on a motorcycle seen to ride onto private driveway. One of the men waved at the house and they then left the area again. The registration plate was hanging off. 10.30am Monday 3rd February. 0123 03/02/2025

EARLSWOOD

- Suspicious Circumstances. Malthouse Lane. A group of about four males from a Silver Vauxhall Corsa have walked behind the houses in the road Area checked by police and Council CCTV. Nothing untoward found at the time. Around 8pm Sunday 2nd February. 0309 02/02/2025

This newsletter is not intended to record a comprehensive list of every reported crime in the area but includes crimes and incidents that the local community should be aware of. Staying vigilant and working together with the police and your local community keep crime out of your area.

Introduction to drone flying and the UK rules

<https://www.caa.co.uk/drones/rules-and-categories-of-drone-flying/introduction-to-drone-flying-and-the-uk-rules/>

A top-level guide to flying drones and model aircraft in the UK.

The UK's drone rules are based on the risk of the flight – where you fly, the proximity to other people, and the size and weight of your drone. The rules don't apply if you are flying indoors. Flights within buildings, or within areas where there is no possibility for the drone to escape into the open air (such as a closed netted structure) are not subject to aviation legislation.

The main rules and advice are covered in our Drone and Model Aircraft Code -
Key rules include:

- Never fly more than 120m (400ft) above the surface
- Always keep your drone or model aircraft in sight
- Never fly in an airport's flight restriction zone unless you have permission.
- Registration and flyer ID - If your drone has a camera (unless it is a toy) or weighs 250g or more then you need to register with the CAA. You need to renew this registration every year. This is a registration of you as the operator rather than the drone itself.

Anyone flying a drone weighing 250g or more needs to pass a test and get a flyer ID from the CAA. This is free and online. Regardless of whether you legally need a flyer ID we strongly recommend that you do the learning and test as it gives you valuable information on flying your drone safely. If you already have a flyer ID that is still valid, you don't need to re-do the test until it expires, although you are required to keep up to date with the new regulations. You can register, get your flyer ID and find more information at register-drones.caa.co.uk If you're not able to use the online service, you can call 0330 022 9930, Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm.

Privacy - Wherever you fly your drone, consider the privacy of others. Our Drone and Model Aircraft code offers advice <https://register-drones.caa.co.uk/drone-code/protecting-peoples-privacy>

Drone rules - The drone rules are based on risk and divided into three categories: Open, Specific, and Certified.

The Open category is intended for low-risk drone flights, for example because you are flying a lightweight drone or operating in the countryside. (Members of a recognised UK model flying associations (BMFA, SAA, LMA & FPVUK) will be operating under the terms of a specific authorisation and should confirm details with their association.)

The Specific category is for higher risk flights such as flying a heavier drone over an urban area. To be allowed to fly in this category you will need an operating approval.

The Certified category is for large drones which have to meet specific safety certifications along the lines of aircraft.

If your drone is under 250g then there are some variations to some of the rules. If your drone has a camera then you must register as an operator, but you do not have to complete the flyer ID test (although we strongly recommend that you do).

If you're flying a drone or model aircraft that's lighter than 250g, you can fly closer to people than 50m and you can fly over them, but you must not fly over crowds.

When you're thinking about how close you can fly, remember, you must never put people in danger. Even small drones and model aircraft could injure people if you don't fly them safely. You must also follow all the other rules for drone flying.

Protecting people's privacy (Points 20 to 25)

Making sure that you don't invade anyone's privacy when you're out flying. What you can and can't do with photos and videos.

20. Respect other people and their privacy - If your drone or model aircraft is fitted with a camera or listening device, you must respect other people's privacy whenever you use them. If you use these devices where people can expect privacy, such as inside their home or garden, you're likely to be breaking data protection laws. It's against the law to take photographs or record video or sound for criminal or terrorist purposes. Any photos or recordings you take may be covered by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

21. Make sure you know what your camera can do and the kind of images it can take
Knowing this will help to reduce the risk of taking photos or recording videos that invade privacy.

Make sure you know:

- what quality you can record
- how close your camera can zoom in
- if you can start and stop recording when you are flying

22. Make sure you can be clearly seen when you're out flying - This means people will know who's responsible for your drone or model aircraft.

23. Let people know before you start recording or taking pictures - In some cases, this will be easy. For example, if you're taking a photo of family and friends at a family barbecue. In other cases, this will be less practical, so you must be careful to respect everyone's right to privacy. Remember, you must never fly over groups, crowds, or any people who are not with you.

24. Think before sharing photos and videos - Avoid sharing anything that could be unfair or harmful to anyone. Think carefully about who could see your photos and videos – especially before posting them on social media. Apply the same common-sense approach that you would with images or video recorded on a smartphone or digital camera.

25. Keep photos and videos secure - Store images safely. Delete anything you don't need. If you record images for commercial use, you'll need to meet further specific requirements as a data controller.

<https://www.caa.co.uk/drones/>
<https://drone-laws.com/drone-laws-in-uk>
<https://skykam.co.uk/uk-drone-laws/>

<https://www.warwickshire.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/drones/drones/>