

Elmbridge Policing Team Newsletter

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BOROUGH COMMANDER UPDATE

Suspicious (adj.): *making you feel that something illegal is happening or that something is wrong*



In 2022, we had over 2000 calls reporting suspicious activity in Elmbridge. Of these we identified that nearly a third of these needed an immediate (blue lights) or prompt response. I would strongly recommend any resident to report suspicious activity to us – it may help us solve or prevent a crime.

If you think someone is about to commit a crime or just has call 999. Describe what is happening, whether the person or vehicle is still present, provide number plate details or clothing descriptions. Take a photo if it is safe to do so.

If you have any footage of suspicious activity you can upload it to our website by clicking the QR code here →



Inspector Bert Dean

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CRIME UPDATE

101 more crimes reported
28 more residential burglaries
39 more vehicles broken into
16 more vehicles stolen



198 more crimes solved (13% rate)
16 fewer commercial burglaries
107 fewer violent offences



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LOCAL AREA UPDATES

The team have been out and about. Our focus will always be where there is greater risk or greater impact locally. However a few local updates...

HERSHAM PC Jess Waddington



Working on a Criminal Behaviour Order in the area. Tackling ongoing loose dogs and ASB in a rural area. Charged suspect for theft of vehicle, obtaining community intelligence and focusing patrols based on this.

WEYBRIDGE PC Michael Thompson



Ongoing work tackling ASB and street drinking. Proactive burglary patrols in the area, foot patrols in Weybridge and engaging with local Residents' Association to build closer links.

ESHER & CLAYGATE PC Ian Hallam



Joint working with Trading Standards targeting illegal goods and underage sales. Engagement with local Esher businesses and the Youth Club in Claygate. Arrest of male who has been recalled to prison.



LOCAL AREA UPDATES

MOLESEYS PC Jamie Poil



Monitoring of partial closure orders in area. Engaging with residents in High Street and Beauchamp Road following reports of ongoing neighbour disputes. Patrols in Hurst Road and Walton Road following reported burglaries.

DITTONS & HINCHLEY WOOD PC Sanjar Najibi



Involved in a number of drug investigations and drink drive offences. Ongoing engagement with victims and community in areas of ASB and neighbourhood crimes.

WALTON PC Mark Hodgkins



Numerous arrests tackling drug dealing & County Lines. Arrested suspected burglar in Walton. Tackling ASB in Walton Town Centre.

COBHAM & OXSHOTT PC Andy Lawrence



Wider work in areas of Cobham regarding burglary patrols, engagement with residents and Residents' Associations. Problem solving frequent caller with medical need – to reduce the demand on us and signpost to correct agency. Proactive patrols targeting drink and drug drivers – many resulting in court hearings.



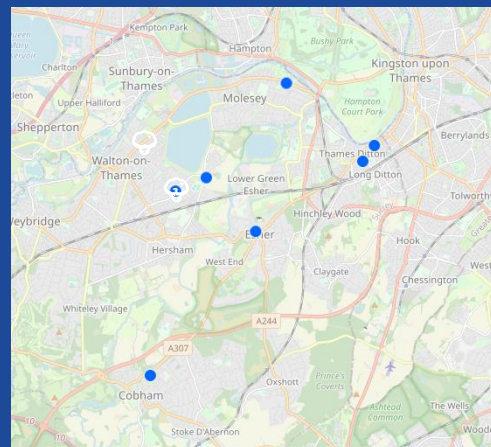
CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE

Shed breaks & Allotments

We've seen an increase in sheds being targeted at houses (for bikes) and on allotments (for tools). Report any suspicious behaviour!

Our advice

Alarm it | Lock it | Mark items within it | Remove items



Hyperlinks & QR codes to helpful websites for Crime Reduction tactics



WHAT TO LOOK OUT FOR IN JANUARY

Whilst in December we saw a number of distraction thefts at supermarkets  we have seen some distraction thefts at ATMs 

Criminals will seek to distract you when you are putting your PIN in

They will attempt to get your card and withdraw more money

Method

A person may be behind you or approach you and distract you (they may be holding something to make you think it is yours). Another person will take your card from the machine and swap it with a fake card or say it has been swallowed by the machine.

HOW TO CONTACT US

In an emergency (crime in progress, suspects on scene or just left...): Call 999

Non-emergency: Report online at www.surrey.police.uk, call 101 or report via Facebook Live Chat