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A quick guide to reporting crime

Police emergency - call 999 if:

There is danger to life

A crime is happening now or has just happened

You have immediate concerns for safety

There is a dangerous incident on the road/motorway

You see something suspicious that needs attention

Not an emergency – call 101

Crimes that are not in progress

Non urgent information

Criminal damage/theft/theft from vehicle (can be reported at

<https://www.hampshire.police.uk>)

General information & advice

<https://www.hampshire.police.uk>

Calls to 101 are now free

Crimestoppers

If you don't want to talk to police you

can call 0800 555 111 anonymously

This is NOT an emergency service

<https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

Reporting Fraud and Scams

Call Police on 101 quoting:

'Operation Signature'

Keep up to date at Action Fraud

<https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/>

Tel - 0300 123 2040

Citizens Advice Consumer Service

Tel - 0808 223 1133

www.citizensadvice.org.uk

Postal and competition scams

www.thinkjessica.com

Doorstep Callers/Rogue Traders

Never employ passing tradesmen

Know your rights e.g. 14 day cooling

off period. Contact Citizens Advice

Consumer Service Tel - 0808 223

1133 or www.citizensadvice.org.uk

Tell Trading Standards if you have

been called on by doorstep callers

with as much information as you can

If intimidated or threatened call 999

Chairman's Report

Another winter has long gone and we are now faced with longer days and hopefully lots of warm weather when many of us go on holiday. Being away from home though presents its own problems of security. I am sure most of you will ensure that all doors and windows are securely fastened, but how many of you will tell your neighbours or family of your travels. It is also helpful to tell the police. I am not sure that they will have an officer checking your property every day but they can be made aware via your neighbours and family.

Business has been a little slow since the spring newsletter, but we still have great hopes for an extension at Hartland village and an increase at Ancells Farm which, pre-covid, was one of our largest areas. I have only refurbished two signs since the last newsletter and have received few communications about others. Keep them in mind as they are a visible reminder of our presence, and membership of a watch system could result in lower insurance costs. Please let me or our secretary know if you are aware of anyone who might be interested in joining us or starting a new scheme.

I wish you a happy, peaceful and crime free summer.

David Bunclark - Chairman

FLEET & DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

2025 Annual General Meeting

will be held at

All Saints Junior School

Lea Wood Road, Fleet

Hampshire GU51 5AJ

on

Thursday 23 October at 7:30 pm

In addition to the usual agenda items, this year's AGM will include a presentation by the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Air Ambulance.

All members of the Fleet and District Neighbourhood Watch are invited to attend the AGM.

Any member who wishes to put forward an item for inclusion in this year's agenda or who would like to propose an amendment to the NHW Constitution is requested to contact the Chairman in writing by:

Friday 5 September 2025.

We look forward to seeing you on 23rd October.

Police Report

From: PC Terence Read - your local Bobby

It's been some time since my last report for which I must apologise. For those of you that follow FaceBook or subscribe to the Hampshire Alerts, you will have seen that we have been busy.

We have managed to make inroads with the constant parking issues throughout the district. Many residents have been suffering inconsiderate and illegal parking near schools. You may have seen us arranging joint trips with the Hampshire County Council Enforcement Team. I found them very useful and somewhat infuriating but we will continue to tackle these issues. We have established a very good relationship with the County Council and will aim to maintain this and use them whenever we can. If you live/attend/pass a school and see a problem, let us know about it. We will then be able to pass this on to the team to ensure that they visit at the appropriate times.

We have conducted a few Court issued warrants at local addresses to try to tackle any drug issues. All warrants are only able to be obtained if we have sufficient information/intelligence. We rely on you to provide us with that information, so if it is a problem for you then please let us know. You may think that we are not doing anything with that information but I can assure you that we are and we will.

We have conducted joint visits to some stores within the Town Centre where significant amounts of illegal vapes have been seized and taken off the shelves. I will always look to our partners to assist with issues within stores. So again, any information please let us know and we will act upon it.

We have set up a Cross Border Shoplifting and Organised Crime Group information sharing group between ourselves, Thames Valley Police, Surrey and British Transport Police. This helps us to share information with our neighbouring Forces to tackle these individuals and groups.

We have also conducted an operation to target the Delivery Drivers within the Town Centre. We established during the many stop checks of these drivers that the majority of them were conducting their business legally and had the correct insurance. One of the drivers was found to be committing immigration offences and was arrested and later deported. His vehicle was seized for not having any insurance.

The team continue to target vehicles that are uninsured. We have taken a total of eight so far. All vehicles not having the necessary insurance will be seized. We all have to pay insurance for our vehicles despite premiums rising yearly. One of the reasons for this rise is to cover the fact that some vehicle owners insist on not having insurance. We are all paying the price for this so we make no apology for seizing these vehicles.

We have been able to attend a variety of Community Events. Edenbrook bike track held another event which many of the cycle groups and individuals attended. I was able to bike mark 25 bicycles for visitors both young and old. This will assist us to return the bike to its owner if it is stolen or found.

We attended the Freedom of the Parish Parade in Odiham where the Royal Air Force was given this honour after 100 years of aviation at RAF Odiham. The event was well attended and enjoyed by residents and visitors alike.

We have held coffee mornings at the Harlington Centre and at Church Crookham Community Centre. We intend to make these a three-monthly event and will try to ensure that the timings are varied to allow us to speak to all who wish to talk to us.

I have given you a flavour of the hard work that your Hart South Neighbourhood Team has been doing on your behalf. The district remains a low crime area; however, we remain forever vigilant. We know that with the summer period comes a rise in Anti-Social Behaviour. We know that during warm weather periods many of you will enjoy having barbecues and social events of your own. Not all of these events will pass without incident. During this period we will be struggling even further for resources as many of us will be diverted to deal with the increased summer demands on our already stretched Response Teams. Despite this we will continue to look for opportunities to engage with you, to deal with the Anti-Social Behaviour and to tackle crime as best as we can. Look out for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight Constabularies #SaferSummer campaign.

I hope that you all have a safe and enjoyable summer and once again I request that you continue to report things to us. You can do this via the 101 telephone number or via the website. Your information is key.

As always, respectfully yours

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E-newsletters - please sign up now

As with all of our recent editions, this Summer 2025 newsletter will only be distributed by email.

How do I receive E-newsletters?

It is easy: you can either sign up as a subscriber free of charge on the NHW website (fleetnhw.co.uk) or send your email address to the editor, his contact details are on the last page. You will then receive regular quarterly emails with the NHW E-newsletter attached.

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HAMPSHIRE AND IOW NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

These incident reports are produced for us by our team of NHW Police volunteers so we can see burglary, theft, vehicle crime and criminal damage incidents in our local areas.

The information given to us is strictly limited so we do not compromise future police investigations. **Please encourage your neighbours to report** any information on the incidents below (quoting the reference number) and all other crimes and suspicious events to the police by calling **101** or using online reporting at www.hampshire.police.uk.



Beat:	Ref No:	Type:	Date & Time:	Notes:
Odiham	44250143475	Theft from vehicle	02/04/2025 15:41	Front number plate stolen from car - Burgess Close, Odiham
Odiham	44250144645	Criminal damage	03/04/2025 11:01	Damage to vehicle - High Street, Odiham
Fleet West	44250146622	Criminal damage	04/04/2025 11:44	Eggs thrown at property - Tavistock Road, Fleet
Church Crookham West	44250148557	Theft from vehicle	05/04/2025 13:32	Roof rack stolen from parked car overnight - Annettes Croft, Church Crookham
Fleet Pondtail	44250152539	Theft from vehicle	08/04/2025 07:36	Van broken into overnight while in hotel car park - Fleet Road, Fleet
Church Crookham West	44250154379	Theft from vehicle	09/04/2025 09:30	Flashing roof beacon stolen from van overnight - Brokle Close, Church Crookham
Crondall	44250157293	Burglary Business	10/04/2025 19:25	Break into business premises - Crondall Road, Crookham Village
Church Crookham West	44250157817	Theft from vehicle	11/04/2025 08:15	Tools stolen from company van - Ferndale Road, Church Crookham
Fleet Courtmoor	44250157852	Theft from vehicle	11/04/2025 08:37	Car broken into overnight - Rufford Close, Fleet
Fleet Courtmoor	44250158320	Theft from vehicle	11/04/2025 13:23	Car broken into overnight - Basingbourne Road, Fleet
Crondall	44250158375	Burglary Business	11/04/2025 13:40	Site broken into and items stolen - Redfields Lane, Church Crookham
Fleet Central	44250166888	Theft from vehicle	17/04/2025 05:20	Attempted break into parked lorry - Fleet Services, M3 Southbound
Fleet Central	44250166891	Theft from vehicle	17/04/2025 05:47	Attempted theft from lorry, seals cut on shipping container - Fleet Services, M3 Southbound
Fleet Pondtail	44250169144	Burglary Business	18/04/2025 16:01	Group of youths wearing hoods attempting to break into disused petrol station - Kings Road, Fleet
Fleet Central	44250172795	Criminal damage	21/04/2025 14:16	Bricks thrown through unused property windows - Church Road, Fleet

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Beat:	Ref No:	Type:	Date & Time:	Notes:
Fleet Central	44250174868	Criminal damage	22/04/2025 19:25	Play equipment vandalised - Oakley Park Pavilion, Albany Road, Fleet
Fleet Central	44250175306	Theft from vehicle	23/04/2025 06:46	Vehicle broken into overnight - Hotel car park, Fleet Road, Fleet
Crondall	44250179569	Criminal damage	25/04/2025 14:34	Rear window of vehicle smashed, possible with ball bearing - Pankridge Street, Crondall
Fleet Pondtail	44250182643	Criminal damage	27/04/2025 17:57	Rear windows of food storage building smashed, glass jars smashed and graffiti on walls - Fleet Road, Fleet
Fleet West	44250184303	Criminal damage	28/04/2025 17:22	Door booted in by youths who then ran away - Tavistock Road, Fleet
Fleet West	44250184431	Criminal damage	28/04/2025 18:46	Youths seen smashing windows - Victoria Hill Road, Fleet
Fleet Central	44250186619	Theft from vehicle	30/04/2025 01:17	Computer bag and contents stolen from parked car - Fleet Services Area, M3 Southbound
Fleet North	44250198550	Theft from vehicle	07/05/2025 14:52	Van broken into overnight - Elvetham Bridge, Fleet
Fleet West	44250199167	Criminal damage	07/05/2025 21:37	Front window smashed with a ball bearing - Copse End, Fleet
Fleet North	44250201847	Theft from vehicle	09/05/2025 13:38	Motorbike stolen - Woodlark Mews, Fleet
Crondall	44250207098	Burglary Business	12/05/2025 21:30	Petrol stolen from shed - Redfields Lane, Church Crookham
Fleet Pondtail	44250209422	Theft from vehicle	14/05/2025 10:07	Van broken into overnight - Hotel car park, Fleet Road, Fleet
Fleet North	44250210212	Theft from vehicle	14/05/2025 15:57	Hole drilled into side of van overnight, nothing taken - Hotel car park, Cove Road, Fleet
Crondall	44250218125	Burglary Business	19/05/2025 13:29	Building under construction broken into and boilers stolen - Featherfall Road, Crookham Village
Fleet Pondtail	44250218158	Theft from vehicle	19/05/2025 13:48	Motorbike stolen from station car park. Tracker installed on bike and indicates location - Fleet Railway Station, Fleet
Odiham	44250220177	Theft from vehicle	20/05/2025 15:22	Purse stolen from parked vehicle - Robert Mays Road, Odiham

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Fleet North	44250223407	Theft from vehicle	22/05/2025 13:14	Van broken into and power tools stolen - Cove Road, Fleet
Fleet Central	44250223627	Theft of vehicle	22/05/2025 14:54	Motorbike stolen - Fleet Library, Fleet Road, Fleet
Fleet Pondtail	44250223877	Criminal damage	22/05/2025 16:37	Car keyed - Bramshot Drive, Fleet
Fleet Pondtail	44250228873	Burglary Business	25/05/2025 23:23	Break into business premises - Fleet Road, Fleet
Crondall	44250229552	Criminal damage	26/05/2025 14:54	Male throwing large stones at passing vehicles, damage caused - Crondall Road, Crookham Village
Crondall	44250229903	Theft	26/05/2025 19:46	Items stolen from stored caravan - The Street, Crookham Village
Fleet Central	44250233504	Theft from vehicle	29/05/2025 00:33	Large quantities of rum stolen from parked lorry. Suspect vehicle later apprehended on motorway and arrests made - Fleet Services, M3 Motorway
Fleet Pondtail	44250235437	Burglary Business	30/05/2025 08:39	Attempted break into business - Waterfront Business Park, Fleet
Fleet Central	44250238718	Criminal damage	01/06/2025 11:51	Damage to vehicle paintwork - Fleet Road, Fleet
Odiham	44250240362	Burglary Business	02/06/2025 14:00	Equipment stolen from outbuildings - Alton Road, Odiham
Fleet Central	44250245083	Theft from vehicle	05/06/2025 01:37	Items stolen from inside van, CCTV available - Albert Street, Fleet
Fleet North	44250247302	Burglary Business	06/06/2025 10:27	Break into office and containers overnight - Ively Road, Farnborough
Church Crookham	44250249286	Criminal damage	07/06/2025 12:49	Door damaged by heavy kicking - Jubilee Drive, Church Crookham
Crondall	44250252770	Burglary Business	09/06/2025 21:58	Tools stolen from container - Golf Course, Heath Lane, Crondall
Crondall	44250255014	Criminal damage	11/06/2025 08:35	Damage to parked car - Burrow Gardens, Crookham Village
Fleet Courtmoor	44250256710	Theft of vehicle	12/06/2025 07:02	Car stolen overnight - Wickham Place, Church Crookham
Fleet North	44250258720	Criminal damage	13/06/2025 04:44	Damage to gate spikes - Shire Avenue, Fleet
Fleet West	44250260589	Criminal damage	14/06/2025 04:03	Theft of drinks from Leisure Centre - Emerald Avenue, Fleet
Fleet Pondtail	44250261013	Burglary Business	14/06/2025 13:17	Cash stolen from store till - Aldershot Road, Fleet
Odiham	44250264429	Theft from vehicle	16/06/2025 15:38	Number plate stolen from vehicle - Long Lane, Odiham
Fleet Central	44250265156	Theft of vehicle	17/06/2025 02:55	Motorbike stolen - Connaught Road, Fleet

Beat:	Ref No:	Type:	Date & Time:	Notes:
Crondall	44250265268	Theft from vehicle	17/06/2025 07:03	Car broken into - The Borough, Crondall
Odiham	44250265313	Theft from vehicle	17/06/2025 07:56	Van broken into overnight - Runnymede Drive, Odiham
Odiham	44250265559	Criminal damage	17/06/2025 13:35	Vehicle vandalised - Buffins Corner, Odiham
Fleet Pondtail	44250266777	Theft from vehicle	17/06/2025 22:05	Van broken into and tools stolen - Hotel car park, Fleet Road
Fleet North	44250266968	Theft from vehicle	18/06/2025 02:26	Items stolen from parked trailer, 3 males ran off when disturbed - Fleet Services, M3 Southbound
Fleet North	44250267204	Theft from vehicle	18/06/2025 08:43	Van broken into - Hotel car park, Cove Road, Fleet
Fleet Central	44250269618	Criminal damage	19/06/2025 13:10	Deliberate damage to children's play equipment - George Road, Fleet
Fleet Courtmoor	44250272357	Criminal damage	20/06/2025 19:48	Door lock glued - Wickham Place, Church Crookham
Church Crookham East	44250274531	Criminal damage	22/06/2025 11:10	Fence panel damaged and large hole made in panel - Lingmala Grove, Church Crookham
Church Crookham West	44250274872	Criminal damage	22/06/2025 16:02	Car keyed overnight - Brandon Road, Church Crookham
Fleet North	44250279226	Theft from vehicle	24/06/2025 23:06	Rear number plate stolen from car - Elvetham Heath Way, Fleet
Church Crookham East	44250281410	Theft of vehicle	26/06/2025 07:34	Camper van stolen, later found burnt out in a field - Tweseldown Road, Church Crookham
Fleet North	44250285757	Criminal damage	28/06/2025 15:10	Damage to car following altercation with cyclist - Elvetham Heath Way, Fleet
Fleet Courtmoor	44250287008	Criminal damage	29/06/2025 12:23	Damage to property whilst away - Basingbourne Road, Fleet
Crondall	44250289214	Criminal damage	30/06/2025 17:22	Damage to moving car by man wielding a piece of wood. Car was approaching a road junction - Crondall Road, Crondall
Crondall	44250289411	Criminal damage	30/06/2025 20:02	Windscreen of moving car smashed by rock thrown by male on the side of the road - Crondall Road, Crondall

Neighbourhood Watch Committee - Future Vacancies - Volunteers Wanted

The members of your Neighbourhood Watch committee have served on the committee for many years, one for over 25 years! Most of the members are also in their 80s and they have served long past their preferred retirement dates. So here is the chance you have long been waiting for - please volunteer to fill one of the following forthcoming vacancies:

- ♦ Secretary
- ♦ Treasurer
- ♦ Editor

These roles are not onerous, we have committee meetings every few months plus an annual general meeting. There is some correspondence involved between meetings, but let's be realistic: if a bunch of 80+ year olds can do it, it would be a doddle for a few younger computer savvy volunteers! So please volunteer soon for one of these vacancies.

*** We also need someone to climb a ladder to occasionally help our chairman put up NHW signs ***

Buying and selling tickets – your safety guide

We have all experienced that mixture of hopefulness and elation that comes with trying to get tickets to a must-see live event. Because there's a unique thrill in screaming our hearts out at an epic concert or being there as your team completes a nail-biting last-minute comeback. But that promise of an unmissable moment can quickly turn sour if you fall victim to an online ticket scam from an unregulated site, on social media, a fan forum or auction platform. Don't let your excitement lead to disappointment. Here's your checklist to safer buying online. Use a regulated platform

Do your homework: Purchase tickets only through a legitimate and regulated platform. If you are unsure of a website's legitimacy, you can check it by using Get Safe Online's Check a Website tool.

Cover yourself: Ensure platforms offer fan protection with a guarantee should anything go wrong. Regulated ticket marketplaces such as viagogo offer a money-back guarantee. Buyers are guaranteed to receive valid tickets in time for the event and if an issue arises, viagogo will step in to provide comparable replacement tickets or a refund.

Resist the hard sell and social media: Getting in-demand tickets can feel like a race against time but don't let individual sellers pressure you into a quick purchase. It is best to avoid buying tickets on social media where many sellers are unverified, increasing the risk of scams or counterfeit tickets. Plus, social media platforms often lack buyer protection, making it harder to get a refund if something does go wrong.

Choose 24/7 support: Buy tickets from a regulated site that offers 24/7 customer support to make sure help is always available if you experience issues, like trouble accessing your tickets. Round-the-clock support also provides peace of mind, knowing you can quickly resolve any unexpected problems.

Verify the venue and date: If the event is taking place at a venue unknown to you, then confirm its existence through online maps and look for independent reviews. Once you have done so, search the original live event announcement or schedule on the artiste or team's website to make sure dates and location align.

Price check reality: If a deal seems too good to be true, it probably is. Avoid suspiciously cheap tickets.

Protect your information.

Avoid transfers; pay with credit card: Unless you're dealing with a trusted or regulated platform, avoid bank transfers. Direct payment methods do not provide protection or allow you to track your order, they also limit your ability to recoup your money in the case of a scam. Credit cards offer better protection.

Stick to the platform: Don't share your contact details with anyone outside of the company you're purchasing tickets from and be wary of any sellers asking you to take the transaction off the platform. Any transactions that take place off the platform will not be protected, nor will any information you share.

Secure sites only: Make sure the website uses a secure connection (https) before entering payment details.

Don't display details: Visible barcodes, QR codes and order numbers can lead to your information, or the security of your ticket, being compromised. Protect your ticket, cover up any visible information. Be vigilant.

Save your receipts: Keep copies of all confirmations and payments.

Monitor your statements: Watch out for any unauthorised charges.

Report fraud immediately: If you suspect fraud, report it to your bank and to Action Fraud at actionfraud.police.uk/reporting-fraud-and-cyber-crime or if you prefer, on 0300 123 2040. If you are in Scotland, call Police Scotland on 101.

By following these tips, you can protect yourself from online ticket scams and enjoy the show without worry. Trust your gut and know a little caution can go a long way.

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