

On the beat in

Hereford Southside & Rural

Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter

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Two men charged with multiple Burglary and Violent Disorder Offences

Two men have been charged with multiple burglary and violent disorder offences in Hereford and will be appearing at crown court in October.

James Smith, 31, of The Bines, Clehonger, Hereford and Tyrone Ellis, 22, of no fixed abode, appeared before Kidderminster Magistrates' Court on Wednesday 18 September.

Both were charged with five counts of burglary non-dwelling, one count of burglary dwelling and one count of theft of a trailer relating to incidents in Hereford between December 2023 and March 2024.

They were further charged with offences relating to a violent disorder in Hereford on 15 April 2024.

Smith was charged with assault, possession of an offensive weapon, affray and two counts of criminal damage.

Ellis was charged with affray, possession of an offensive weapon and two counts of criminal damage.

They were bailed by magistrates yesterday to appear at Worcester Crown Court on Wednesday 16 October.

- The persons named above have been charged with offences and will be appearing in court

Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner visits South Wye Police Boxing Academy

On the 25th September, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner Marc Bayliss and his colleague Helen Davies, visited the South Wye Police Boxing Academy. They were VIP guests picking winners for the school projects, on work around the community values of Respect, Integrity and Tolerance. They also saw work relating to county lines and knife crime.

The school Project has been a great success so far, and the children that have taken part in the competition have done some amazing work, which made it a very tough choice to pick some winners.

We look forward to working with the schools and the community some more in the future.



Stolen Motorbike

Police are appealing to the public to help locate a Lexo Moto SE matte Black and Red motorbike, with registration WD73 ZGB, stolen from the area of SPRINGFIELD AVENUE Hereford on the 18th September 2024 between 4.30am and 6.00am

If you have any information about this motorbike, please contact the police quoting reference 00107_i_8092024.

You can email the safer neighbourhood policing team at herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.police.uk



Stolen Quadbike

Police are appealing to the public to help locate a green Yamaha quadbike, with registration VX24 AKJ, stolen from the area of Kentchurch, Hereford between the 12th & 13th September 2024.

If you have any information about this quadbike, please contact the police quoting reference 00124_i_4092024.

You can email the safer neighbourhood policing team at herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.police.uk



Shed Break In – Beattie Avenue

Did you see anything suspicious on Beattie Avenue in the early hours of Monday 9th September? A shed was broken into there at around 5am that morning. A Milwaukee angle grinder and a socket set were stolen.

The suspect is described as a white man wearing a beanie hat, carrying a black rucksack, wearing a yellow high vis jacket, and blue/black with trousers with high vis stripes.

Anyone who may have seen the suspect, or may have dash-cam or video doorbell footage which shows him is asked to contact the Hereford Southside safer neighbourhood team on herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.police.uk quoting incident number 00376_i_09092024

Hereford Fire Station Open Day

On the 31st August, Southside and Rural SNT attended the Hereford Fire Station open day taking along a police car and police van.

The Fire Station open day providing an interesting insight to the fire service for all, offering a range of tasks such as Demonstrations, Fire Engine Rides, A chance to use a fire hose and more!

Also at the open day was stands from various other charities/organisations such as; British Army, West Mercia Search and Rescue, Blood Bikers, Network Rail, Hereford Community First Responders and more!



Woodward Avenue Park

Recently complaints have been received from residents that back onto the play park in Woodward Avenue, that mud has been thrown from the park into / at their properties.

If you have any CCTV / ring doorbell footage, or information about the people doing this. Please get in touch with us at herefordsouthside.snt@westmercia.police.uk

Youths accessing derelict buildings

There has been a recent increase in reports where groups of youths have been accessing derelict/abandoned properties across South Hereford.

We would like to remind people that these are private properties and forcing access to these properties could be illegal.

There are also concerns over the structural integrity of some of these properties. A range of these are unsafe to be accessed by unauthorised persons.

Previously, police have attended and spoken to a group of youths who have been accessing the Three Counties Hotel. Police will continue to investigate these incidents and identify those involved.



Zombie Style Knife Ban

A change to the Criminal Justice Act 1988 means that from the 24 September it is now be illegal to be in possession of a 'zombie style' knife and machete.

It will also be against the law to manufacture, import, sell or supply these items.

What if I have missed the deadline to surrender my weapon?

If you are still in possession, your possession will be unlawful unless you have a defence. You can still surrender items to the police, but you may be liable for prosecution having possessed it.

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