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Introduction



Over the past month I have had the pleasure of attending several School Summer Fetes and Village events. It has been nice to meet so many of you and the response has been very positive.

Due to the nature of this job, I have also been deployed to other events such as Deal Carnival and Deal Regatta, but have spent as much time within the district as possible.

Can I encourage all residents and businesses with CCTV at their properties to proactively sign up to the Kent Police CCTV Registry. This can be actioned at Home - Connect Kent and Essex (cctvregistrykentandessex.co.uk) This is a fantastic database managed by Kent Police allowing officers to make requests for CCTV footage when crimes take place within the area.

Email – 11454@kent.police.uk

Your local beat officer:
PC 11454 Bowler

Incidents of Note

1st July 2024 – Theft From Motor Vehicle – The Street, Sholden. Front number plate removed from vehicle overnight.

14th July 2024 – Burglary – Church Street, Eastry. Shed

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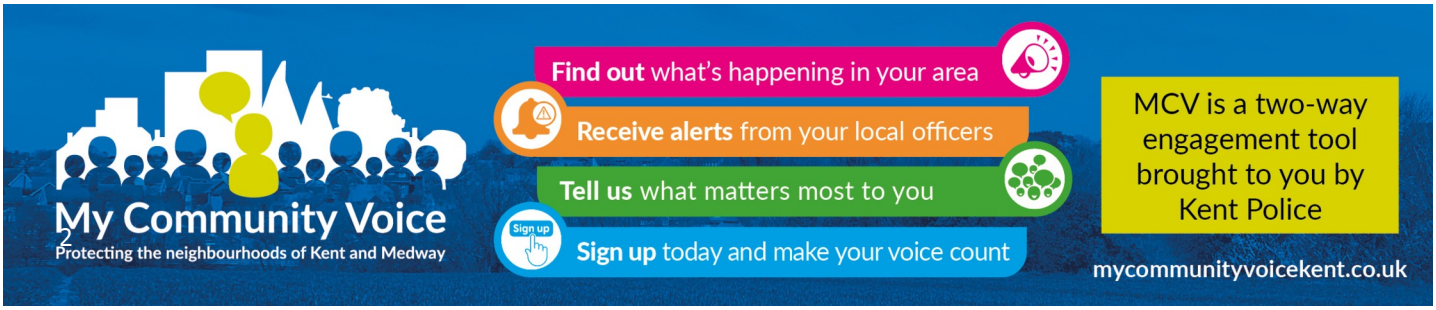
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entered overnight and tools and fishing equipment taken from within. Crime reference – 46/117012/24 refers,.

16th July 2024 – Jubilee Road, Worth – Reports of a quad bike being ridden on the road and on to RSPB land. I attended this and located the suspected rider. Strong words of advice given and no reported issues since.

There continues to be reports of nuisance motor vehicles around Tilmanstone and Betteshanger primarily late at night. These calls are attended by local patrols and we encourage continued reports to Kent Police by 101 or Kent Police Website. Any identified offences will be dealt with.

Can I please encourage everyone to sign up to My Community Voice website. This will enable me to send updates of recent issues as well as letting residents know when I will be attending local events and engagements. This can be completed at - Home Page - My Community Voice Kent



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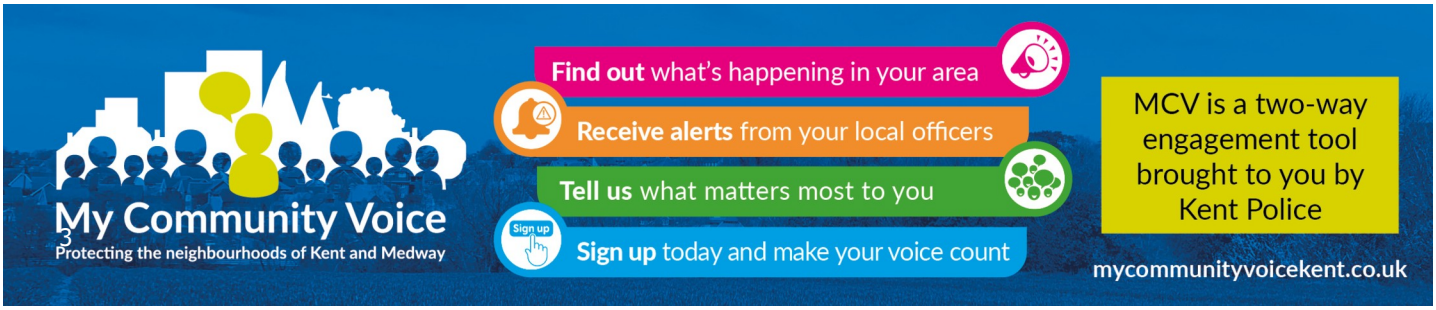
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Rogue Traders: It is worth noting we are seeing an increase in Rogue Traders across the district. Please consider the following if you are looking to get any



maintenance work completed on your property:

- Research different companies and compare quotes so you know how much you would be expected to pay for a job. Rogue traders will often charge extortionate prices for simple jobs.
- Be wary of leaflets that are posted through your door offering services. Rogue traders will often have incorrect business addresses, and be only contactable by mobile numbers. Ask for identification and take vehicle registrations down and do not be afraid to ask for references.
- Make sure a quote is obtained in writing for the exact work to be completed. Do not give traders an opportunity to subtly damage your property to charge extra (take pictures before and after a quotation if physical inspection is required). Rogue traders like to bill you for items you have not requested. Avoid paying money up front and insist in a bank transfer from your bank to theirs using a sort code and account number; do not give them your card details. Avoid paying in cash.
- If you feel something is wrong, do not continue with the work. Trust your instincts. Ask a friend or relative for advice and take your time to make a decision. Rogue traders will try and pressure you into a sale.

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