

Friday 8th August 2025

Sussex Alerts – Eastbourne Police



Man charged with attempted murder

We have charged a man with attempted murder following a violent assault in College Road.

The 33yo man, of College Road, Eastbourne, who has also been charged with committing grievous bodily harm and possession of an offensive weapon in public place, appeared at Brighton Magistrates Court on Tuesday (5 August). He was remanded in custody to reappear at Lewes Crown Court on 2 September.



We were called at 5.45am on Monday (4 August) to a report of two men having been assaulted by a suspect armed with a hammer. One of the victims was unconscious. Both were taken to hospital and have since been released.

Detective Constable Mike Symons said: "This is a fast moving investigation and we have arrested and charged a man.

"We want to reassure the community that there is no risk to the wider public. We are asking any witnesses to the incident to come forward.

"Please report online www.sussex.police.uk or phone 101 if you have any information which could assist our investigation."

Community concerns around e-scooters



As a result of community reporting around both anti-social and dangerous driving involving e-scooters across areas of Eastbourne, in the coming weeks officers from your Neighbourhood Policing Team will be conducting targeted patrols to not only educate, but enforce seizures of such vehicles should they be witnessed by officers being used illegally.

We understand the effects anti-social behaviour and driving can, and does have on communities, and we continue to encourage residents to report incidents of ASB driving to us online or by calling 101 - all community reports help to direct these types of proactive patrols and activities to address your concerns.

As a reminder for owners of e-scooter:

For owners of such scooters please be advised; it's not currently possible to get insurance for privately owned e-scooters, which means it is illegal to use them on the road or in public spaces, such as parks, street pavements, and shopping centres.

If you use a privately-owned e-scooter in public, you risk the vehicle being seized under S.165 Road Traffic Act 1988 for having no insurance.

If you cause serious harm to another person whilst riding an e-scooter, the incident will be investigated in the same way it would if you were riding a motorcycle or driving a car.

More advice and awareness for owners, or those looking to purchase an electric scooter, please visit our website here: <https://www.sussex.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/rs/road-safety/advice-escooters/>

Safety Marshals to start daytime patrols.

The Safety Marshall will operate day patrols, as well as night, from 11 August until 28 September.

Currently Safety Marshals conduct night patrols of Eastbourne (with teams also based in Brighton, Crawley, Worthing), helping to make the streets safer during the evenings by reducing anti-social behaviour and keeping our night-time economy safe.



The team are funded by the Home Office Hotspot Action Fund via the Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner. The highly trained team are currently deployed on Friday and Saturday evenings to identify issues before they escalate and protect vulnerable people. They patrol in high-visibility uniforms, with body worn cameras to capture evidence and radio links to the police.

From 11 August until 28 September, Sussex Police are funding additional marshals to patrol during the day too.

These additional patrols will run shifts from 8am-4pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. This supports the national Home Office initiative, Safer Streets Summer, which focuses on increased visible police patrols and officers working directly with businesses and the community to tackle issues.

The day marshals will support local businesses and communities in reducing both business crime and anti-social behaviour. The marshals will be working collaboratively with local business crime reduction partnerships to reduce harm to businesses and shop workers. They'll be patrolling hotspot areas where crime occurs at a higher rate.

Chief Superintendent Katy Woolford said: "We're delighted to expand the Night Safety Marshals to cover day patrols across our towns for the next seven weeks. This will no doubt help to make Sussex safer for residents, businesses and the communities."

Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner Katy Bourne said: "Our Safety Marshals have proved to be a great asset for our booming nighttime economy. It is therefore great news that funding provided by my office will secure additional patrols from the marshals in the daytime too, meaning more residents, visitors and businesses will benefit from their work in keeping our streets safe.

"Sussex boasts a fantastic mix of coast, culture and history, so it is no surprise that during summertime it is an extremely popular place to be. This extra support over one of our county's busiest periods will, no doubt, be extremely valuable."

Find out more about the Safer Streets Summer initiative online here:

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/news/sussex/news/news/summer-initiative-cracks-down-on-town-centre-crime-and-anti-social-behaviour/>

Contact Us

For non-emergency incidents or crime prevention advice, click www.sussex.police.uk, (If you report a crime online, we will assess it in the same way as a 101 call).

Call 101 when you do not require an urgent response. In an emergency when life is threatened or there is immediate danger always call 999.

Speak to us face-to-face at a police station or contact the local policing team at www.sussex.police.uk/area/your-area.

If you have a hearing or speech impairment, or other forms of communication difficulties.

Those with textphone can text 18001 101, or BSL users can use SignVideo to provide a Video Relay Service (here: <https://signvideo.co.uk/>), to report crime through a live online interpreter, who will contact the police on your behalf, when you do not require an urgent response.

In an emergency when life is threatened or there is immediate danger please use the textphone service 18000 or text us on 999.

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For more information on textphone and Relay UK please visit: <https://www.relayuk.bt.com/how-to-use-relay-uk/contact-999-using-relay-uk.html>.

