

Friday 6th June 2025 Sussex Alerts – Eastbourne Police

Closure order for Eastbourne property

Police have secured a closure order on a flat in Berwick Court, Bourne Street, Eastbourne which was linked to several anti-social behaviour, disorder and drug related incidents.

The application for the closure was heard at Brighton Magistrates' Court on 3rd June, and was granted in full.

As a result, the address was closed on the same day as the court hearing and will remain closed for three months. The occupant was removed by police from the address and left to find alternative accommodation.

Neighbourhood policing Sergeant Adam said:



"Residents had been subjected to anti-social and violent incidents for several months, and we hope that the effect of the closure order can now give residents much needed respite from the impact and intrusion these incidents have had on their lives".

"Officers would like to thank residents who reported, and helped cooperate with police throughout, and our partners at Eastbourne Council for their support in this joint closure".

"We would always encourage individuals to report antisocial behaviour, reports from the local community help to build a map of crime in localised areas, which assist when handling matters such as court closure orders, as well as our day-to-day patrols."

If anyone has any concerns or information about anti-social behaviour, report to police online www.sussex.police.uk or call 101.

Someone's knocking at your door...

But could they be who they say they are?

Following reports of rogue traders, and doorstep scams this week in areas of Hampden Park, officers from your Neighbourhood Policing Team have been out delivering valuable crime prevention advice flyers in affected areas.

The leaflets which contain up to date crime prevention advice on not only the signs to look out for, what to ask or do when someone comes to you door, but also how to spot potential rogue traders and how to report if you have been a victim.

Our top tips:



-Make sure your back door is locked, burglars will sometimes work in pairs, where one will go to the back door when you are distracted at the front door. -You do not have to open the door, it is okay to not answer and ask them to leave. If you are able to, keep the chain on the latch when answering the door.

-Ask for ID, if you suspect the ID might be fake, take the time to establish their identity by calling their employer.

Typical excuses used by fraudsters can include, energy suppliers, 'water board' meter readers or the 'council' need to have access to your house, 'we've noticed your roof and guttering need repairs', a plain clothed 'police officer' needs to talk to you about a crime, the need to make a telephone call, use the toilet, or have a glass of water or even charity collectors trying to obtain personal information.

Remember it is your front door, you can just say no - never feel pressured to say yes and do your research, a passing trader can provide you with their details, where you can then look them up and seek advice from someone you trust.

Weekend ride out? - please ride respectfully

Whilst we appreciate many biker communities across the district drive safely and with consideration to others and the area that they are in; sadly we still continue to see a number of bikers driving in both an anti-social and dangerous manner around areas of <u>#Eastbourne</u>, particularly across Beachy Head.

The area which is an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and tranquillity, and a popular spot for many walkers, families and wildlife, is covered by a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO), which was put in place in 2023 by Eastbourne Borough Council and Sussex Police to help tackle anti-social driving on major routes around Eastbourne.



The PSPO is also designed to stop anti-social driving which includes; dangerous and aggressive driving, speeding, illegal manoeuvres, racing and excess noise from vehicles in areas including around Beachy Head, the seafront and Lottbridge Drove.

Under the PSPO, fixed penalty notices of $\pounds100$ or fines up to $\pounds1000$ could be the result for drivers failing to comply.

Whilst patrols under our Operation Downsway campaign continue, we still encourage local residents affected by ASB driving in the area to report incidents online or by calling 101 - all reports help to plan dedicated checks in areas and at times most affected.

Report online <u>www.sussex.police.uk</u>

What 3 Words – stay safe this Summer

Have you downloaded the what3words app to your phone yet?

By downloading the free **what3words** app and learning how to accurately find your location, you can be better prepared for emergencies.



what3words has given every 3 metre square in the world a unique identifier made of 3 words - making the location of any emergency (999) or non-emergency (101) incident very easy to describe and share.

To tell us the location of an incident using **what3words**, follow these steps:

1. Download the free what3words app

2. When you are at the location of the incident open the app and tap the arrow icon (iOS) or compass (Android) for your current location

3. Dial 999 (emergency) or 101 (non-emergency) and read the 3 words displayed at the top of the app screen to the call operator

Ensuring you can precisely share your location could save valuable time and even lives.

Stay prepared and download the free **what3words** app so we can help to provide direct assistance when it matters most, download the free app here www.what3words.com/products/what3words-app

Contact Us

For non-emergency incidents or crime prevention advice, click <u>www.sussex.police.uk</u>, (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 <u>www.sussex.police.uk/area/your-area</u>.

If you are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired, you can contact us using TypeTalk on 18000 or by sending a text to 65999.

