Sussex Alerts- Brighton & Hove Police

Friday 31st January 2025

January is here — I don't know about you but the festivities from December seem like a distant memory now! Nevertheless, we are ready and raring to go for another exciting year here on division in Brighton and Hove!

Our PCSO's have had a busy start to the year with planning and attending community meetings across their wards, including Kemptown, Woodingdean and Regency. These community meetings are a fantastic opportunity for our PCSO's to meet the individuals in their respective wards, as well as gaining a better understanding of any issues or problems that may arise.

If you would like to get in touch with your PCSO, or arrange a meeting in your ward, you can contact us here – (add link)

I touched on this last year but our monthly ward updates on Sussex Alerts seem to be being received well and are going from strength to strength! If you haven't already signed up, you can do so easily by signing up here - https://sussexalerts.co.uk/ Please share the link with your families and friends locally and help us to reach everyone in the community with the information that matters to them.

We know knives are often responsible for the more serious and life-threatening injuries and our aim is to get them off the street, so they are not used in the first place! With that in mind, I would like to remind everyone that we have a knife amnesty bin at John Street Police Station. It is somewhere you can dispose of knives safely – no questions asked.

You can find your local police station/amnesty bin here: Find a police station | Sussex Police

NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING WEEK OF ACTION?

That's it from me, Happy New Year!

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Chief Inspector

News

Investigation continues into death of a man in Brighton



Police are continuing to investigate the death of a man at a property in Brighton on Thursday (16 January).

Emergency services were called to Upper Hollingdean Road at around 10am, after concerns were raised for the welfare of a man.

Read more here - Investigation continues into death of a man in Brighton | Sussex Police

London man jailed for raping a woman on Brighton seafront



A London man who raped a vulnerable woman on Brighton beach has been jailed.

You can learn more about this here - <u>London man jailed for raping a woman on Brighton seafront</u> | <u>Sussex Police</u>

Two sentenced following Brighton arson series



Following three deliberate fires at locations across Brighton, a man and a woman have been sentenced.

Two further individuals are also due to be sentenced next month for their involvement in one of the offences.

You can read more here - Two sentenced following Brighton arson series | Sussex Police

Information and Advice

Rise in drink and drug drivers arrested in Christmas campaign



The consequences of drink or drug-driving could include the following:

- A minimum 12 month ban;
- An unlimited fine;
- A possible prison sentence;
- A criminal record, which could affect your current and future employment;
- An increase in your car insurance;
- Trouble travelling to countries such as the USA;
- You could also kill or seriously injure yourself or someone else

In keeping with previous campaigns, Sussex Police will be publishing the names of some of those convicted to raise awareness and to act as a deterrent to others from committing the same offence.



You can read more about this here - Rise in drink and drug drivers arrested in Christmas campaign | Sussex Police

Neighbourhood Watch

The January issue of the Neighbourhood Watch News is out! Follow this link to read - <u>Our News January 2025 issue.pdf</u>





You can also find information about how to find your local scheme below!

Using their map tool, you can check out where your nearest local scheme is before registering as a member to make a difference in your community!

You can find the scheme map to join a Neighbourhood Watch scheme near you here: https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/get-involved/find-my-local-scheme

Home Security



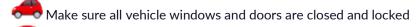
By now we will all more than likely back into our normal daily routines.

Having your vehicle stolen has a big impact on your daily life, disrupting work, seeing friends and family, school runs and more.

Some helpful tips:



Keep car keys out of sight from opportunist burglars



For keyless vehicles, check if you can turn the signal off and consider buying a signal-blocking pouch or using a steering wheel lock

Find out how to protect your vehicle and keys here



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In an emergency, call 999.

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 don't require an urgent response. In an emergency when life is threatened or there is immediate danger always call 999.

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

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.



Follow your local Police team on social media, find us on

