



# NUNEATON town/central

January 2021

## All the latest from your Safer Neighbourhood Team

All the latest about what we are doing and what is going on in and around your home and area.

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### From the Sergeant – Andy Scruton

Hello from the Safer Neighbourhood Team.

I would like to start again by thanking the local community for their support and continued commitment to helping prevent the spread of coronavirus and following government Covid-19 guidelines. As the country has had to be in lockdown, and juggle home schooling with work commitments we look forward to better times ahead.

It is really important to abide by the rules set in place to ensure we all have a safe and enjoyable upcoming year. If anyone is in any doubt, please refer to the government websites for guidance. My teams in Nuneaton and Bedworth have worked extremely hard since the turn of the year, dealing with all sorts of incidents including the numerous road related incidents due to the recent snowy weather.

January was a very busy month on more typical issues, including dealing with COVID related incidents and ensuring the community and the vulnerable are taken care of. Some officers were deployed down to Kent to assist Kent Police with the Brexit and COVID related issues since the UK left the European Union.

Also worthy of note is the amount of patrols the team have been doing on foot patrols. They often publicise the miles they walk through your neighbourhoods. Some of the PCSO's have walked on average 10 miles every day, even in the snowy weather. If you see them out and about in your area, please stop for a chat.

We continue with the Facebook live event. This was really well received and had some great reviews, if you were involved, thanks for your participation, if not, please try and join us next time.

Your Beat Managers are PC Farmer, PC Cooper, PC Morrissey, PC Roberts who are responsible to me for ensuring the Policing Priorities are delivered and that the Safer Neighbourhood Team is fully engaged with the community it polices. Please drop us a line by email or call us by telephone and leave a message and the team will get back to you concerning any issues you may have. See page 3 for all the details on how you can contact your SNT.



**Nuneaton  
town/central Safer  
Neighbourhood Team**

**How to keep up with Nuneaton central Safer Neighbourhood**

We are on Twitter: [@NuneatonCops](#) 

We are on Facebook: [Nuneaton and Bedworth Police](#)

## **Out and about with Nuneaton TOWN/CENTRAL**

### Town/Central

- There has been Section 59's issued in town centre for electric scooter. Further Information on e-scooter is provided in the section below.
- There has been parking tickets issued to individuals driving unauthorised vehicles within town centre.
- Covid-19 (Coronavirus) Vaccination centre is now in Abbey gate shopping centre – local SNT have been making visits to the centre on a regular basis.
- We have arranged a Facebook forum to live chat with members through our 'Neighbourhood watch' Facebook page , this event will take place on Friday 5 February 2021.



## Don't forget.....

Look out for another live forum in the coming weeks in the neighbourhood watch Facebook page.

What is an e-scooter?

They're two-wheeled scooters with small, electric motors.

Their popularity has grown, and scooter-sharing schemes now operate in more than 100 cities around the world - including San Francisco, Paris and Copenhagen.

People can hire e-scooters, often using smartphone apps, in a way similar to city centre bicycle hire schemes.

Electric scooters are freely available to buy in the UK online and in stores, and they cost anywhere from just over £100 to more than £1000.

Are e-scooters legal in the UK?

Currently, you can buy one, but you can't ride it on a UK public road, cycle lane or pavement. Anyone who does is committing an offence. The only place an e-scooter can be used is on private land, with the permission of the landowner. At the moment, they are classified as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEVs), so they're treated as motor vehicles and are subject to all the same legal requirements - MOT, tax, licensing and specific construction.

So, because they don't always have visible rear red lights, number plates or signalling ability, they can't be used legally on the roads.

The law covering e-bikes - which are battery-assisted pedal cycles - doesn't currently cover e-scooters, but the government wants to regulate them in a similar way in future.

Normal scooters, those without motors, are not allowed on pavements or cycle paths - but they can be used on roads.

Stay safe, look out for each other and help protect lives



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**Update on our priorities**

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# Details about your Safer Neighbourhood Team

The Nuneaton Central SNT Area covers

## TOWN / CENTRAL

How to contact Nuneaton West SNT

By email;

**nc.snt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk**

By telephone: **024 76 483242**

Sergeant Andy Scruton

### Nuneaton TOWN/CENTRAL SNT

Beat Manager PC Matt Cooper  
Beat Mangager PC Steven Roberts  
Beat Manager  
PCSO Kerry Owens  
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PCSO Saracevic-hujic

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### Monthly Message ...

This has been another challenging month not only for Policing but for the community as a whole with the ongoing Lockdown situation. Your local officers have been out and about on patrol throughout this period looking to address community issues. Unfortunately, the pandemic has meant that a lot of the reported local issues have related to possible breaches of the Covid legislation for which enforcement action has been taken on occasions. On the whole though the vast majority of the local public are adhering to what is being asked of them for which again, as local officers, we would like to thank those who are playing their part in helping to reduce the spread. We have also seen the introduction of the vaccination centre within the Town Centre for which, from a policing perspective, have had no issues with, and it has been good to witness the efforts of the other agencies in ensuring that runs as smoothly as possible We also have both Covid testing centres (symptomatic and non-symptomatic) within the town centres and again have had no reported issues with those and thank the staff at those locations for their service also. Away from the pandemic we have seen an increase in e-scooter usage within the area, mainly as a result of people receiving them for Christmas. If you do have one, please familiarise yourself with and do not fall foul of the legislation and end up having it seized. There has also been issues within the pedestrian zone in terms of vehicles for which PCSO Owens is trying to address.

As ever, if there is anything you wish to raise with us then please do not hesitate to contact us and stay safe out there.



## Nuneaton central Community

### RECENT EVENTS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE....

If you think you may have seen or heard anything suspicious or have any information about this incident then please call Warwickshire Police on 101 or alternatively you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111

## This month's CRIME PREVENTION advice...

### SAFETY TIPS ON WITHDRAWING FROM ATM

It's a good idea to scan the area around ATMs before you use them. Be aware of anyone standing close by and always check the machine to see if it's been tampered with before you use it.

Things to look out for are devices attached to the machine – some are more obvious than others. If you do see something suspicious contact the police and the bank.

Remember, if it doesn't look or feel right then steer clear and, if possible, go inside the bank where it will be safer. And always keep a regular check on your transactions.

### **Be alert**

We know it's not always easy, but try to be aware of anyone near you when you're at an ATM. Being aware of your surroundings and not being distracted makes it harder for people to take advantage and less likely that they'll try to.

Thieves will watch as you key in your PIN or distract you while you're withdrawing cash. Be vigilant. Cover your PIN and keep an eye on your card at all times. If someone taps you on the shoulder or tries to speak to you, just ignore them.

**When you've left the ATM, put your card away immediately.**