

# North Works West & South Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter



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## Another Thank You to Our Special Constables

Two Off-Road motorbikes were seized by Special Constables in Nether Whitacre following a call from a member of the public



A call was made by a member of the public stating that these bikes were being ridden on a road and there were concerns for the riders as they were not wearing helmets.

After a very quick game of hide and seek the bikes, along with the riders, were located.

The riders admitted to riding the motorbikes on a road without the correct driving licences and without the relevant insurance. The bikes were seized and the riders have been reported to court for various traffic offences.

Thank you to the vigilant member of the public who called the incident in. Another example of the community and police working well together.

Special Constables are unpaid volunteers who have the same powers as their regular counterparts, including the power of arrest.

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## Dangerous and Illegal Parking

We keep banging on about it but obviously some people don't listen....or choose not to listen

One of teams priorities, given to us by the residents, is that of parking within the town of Coleshill. The Safer Neighbourhood team are constantly warning drivers about their parking and the fact that they will be prosecuted if they park illegally. Unfortunately the problem persists.



Some drivers are unaware of the fact that parking on the white zigzag lines, within the limits of a pedestrian crossing is an offence that will not only cost you £100 but will add 3 points onto your driving licence!

The zigzag lines are there for a reason. They are there to discourage lazy, inconsiderate and illegal parking like this. Parking like this obstructs the view for pedestrians using the crossing and for other road users. It doesn't matter if you were "only parked for a minute" or you "only popped in to pick something up", if you are seen then expect a ticket in the post.

**Please be considerate when parking and think about other road users. We don't want to give out tickets so park properly and we won't have to.**

## Operation to Tackle Illegal Off-Road Motorcyclists

As part of the ongoing work to combat illegal off-road motorcyclists Coleshill SNT have been working alongside Special Constables and the Rural Crime Team.



June saw the team take part in Operation Array targeting areas affected by off-road bikers.

Our message is simple...if you choose to trespass onto farmers' fields you may be committing Criminal Damage which may lead to arrests, in addition to having bikes or vehicles seized. Driving through crops can scrap the whole yield through damage and contamination costing thousands of pounds.

Operation Array will continue and we will also use this opportunity to engage and reassure our farmers and deals robustly with any offenders.

If you are experiencing any similar issues then report this via 101 or contact your local Safer Neighbourhood Team

[Nww.snt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Nww.snt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk)

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## Neighbourhood Alert - Community Messaging System

We are encouraging local residents to sign up to the below scheme which will provide information on incidents in your local area.



The Neighbourhood Alert system is an online, secure community messaging system that allows authorised administrators to log in and send messages to registered people in the community who have chosen to receive them.

Your details will be confidential and it is a two-way messaging between officers and the public.

Messages can be location based, sent to a group or individual and can contain pictures.

A mobile app provides registered users with quick and easy access to the latest alerts, as well as the ability to configure their account settings on the go. It allows you to receive messages based on your location in real time, via push notifications.

The system also contains a survey tool that helps the police to gain a real-time understanding of opinions from any community group you choose.

<https://www.neighbourhoodalert.co.uk/>

### Just to remind you....

Our Neighbourhood Watch Teams offer a great service to residents within our policing area and also have great crime prevention advice to pass on.

If you are interested in joining a neighbourhood watch team in your area, would like to join an existing team or are just after some crime prevention advice then take a look at their website at [www.nwnhw.co.uk](http://www.nwnhw.co.uk).



North Warwickshire  
Neighbourhood Watch Association



## Fly tipper Caught in the Act After Great Work by the Public

Thanks to some eagle-eyed members of the public this male was caught red-handed fly tipping in the Nether Whitacre area.



Patrol Officers working from Coleshill Police office dealt with accordingly for the fly tipping offence and he was then encouraged to put all of the rubbish back into his van.

Whilst the male picked up all of the rubbish the officers had chance to have a look over his van and he was also dealt with for a number of traffic offences.

Fly tipping is an offence and offenders will be prosecuted. All of the details of the male will be passed to our colleagues at North Warwickshire Borough Council and they will be the lead agency in any prosecutions

## Police Week at Hurley Primary School

The lifting of some of the Government's restrictions has allowed your Safer Neighbourhood Team to get back out and about engaging with the community and visiting schools.



PCSO Peter Beale was delighted to be able to return to Hurley Primary School to take the pupils through his Police Week. Pete has been doing this for a number of years and the school sadly missed out last year. Pete spends time with the pupils and arranges a number of activities throughout the week to give an input on various aspects of policing. Loads of fun was had by all and PCSO Beale is a big kid at heart himself....and probably has more fun than the children!!



## Prolific Burglar Jailed

A prolific burglar was sentenced at Warwick Crown Court for nine offences committed in North Warwickshire between March 2019 and February this year.



48-year-old Lea Jon Hiatt, of no fixed abode, appeared at Warwick Crown Court on 16 June.

The Court heard that on 6 February 2021 officers patrolling the A5 identified a suspected stolen vehicle and attempted to bring it to a stop. Hiatt was the driver and tried to evade capture, driving at speeds of up to 95 miles per hour, turning off headlights and using the wrong side of the road before crashing into a tree.

Hiatt pleaded guilty to five burglary related offences. He also pleaded guilty to dangerous driving, driving without a licence, driving without insurance and receiving stolen goods. He was sentenced to a total of 66 months in prison for the nine offences.

PC Daniel Stanton said "In his attempts to escape justice Hiatt has acted recklessly with little thought for himself and total disregard to the danger he posed to members of the public.

Hiatt will now have time to contemplate the damaging impact he has had on the victims of burglary and we hope he will be deterred from continuing this totally unacceptable behaviour in the future.

We are pleased that justice has been done and this prolific offender will be off the streets of Warwickshire where he cannot cause harm to others"

## It's the End of an Era!!

June saw our 'Queen of Coleshill' hang up her policing boots and retire to spend more time on herself and with her family.



PCSO 6117 Jane Owen called it a day and will no longer be a regular within our Coleshill Office and she will be missed by all.

Jane has worked as a police officer and then returned as a PCSO in the local area. She worked very hard within the area, serving the community and looking after those most vulnerable. Whenever she went out she was always stopped by someone for a chat and seemed to know everyone!!

**We wish Jane all the best for the future, thank you for your service and congratulations on your retirement....we are all very jealous!!**



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