



## **NUNEATON TOWN & CENTRAL**

**JULY 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.

### **Hi from Nuneaton and Bedworth Safer Neighbourhood Team!**

Dear residents,

As one of your Police Sergeants within Nuneaton and Bedworth Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT), I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and acknowledge how much we appreciate your continued support and cooperation. National decisions to reduce and lift restrictions have allowed our communities to be able to engage with each other more often and more easily. On this point, there will be a number of people who will feel understandably anxious and worried as a result of so much information and guidance about the Coronavirus Pandemic. If people choose to observe social distancing and wearing of masks, then please have the courtesy to respect their wishes.

As well as positive effects on mental health and being able to connect with nature more easily, we will be seeing more people across our residential and rural areas. Across Nuneaton and Bedworth there are numerous areas of open water, including canals, reservoirs, lakes and pools. When warm weather and breaks from school or work allows more time to visit our open water areas, it can also bring more anti-social behaviour. This includes consuming alcohol and/or even smoking or taking illegal drugs.

There are further issues of littering and inappropriate use of vehicles causing nuisance or damage to our environments. In particular, we do not want to see anyone become seriously injured or worse by carrying out activities which may bring risks. We urge our residents not to go swimming in open water locations, especially when there is a national concern for the volume of deaths in our inland waters – any fatality is one too many. Open water areas have risk factors including unknown depths, hidden currents, hidden obstacles, difficult exit on to uneven banks, and even on a warm day, water temperatures can be very cold, causing Cold Water Shock. This means that people can lose feelings in their limbs, and can struggle to breath – even strong swimmers. And, if you add alcohol into the equation, peoples' judgements become dangerously hindered. Open water areas are not always able to be accessed quickly by emergency services for many reasons, which may turn a rescue into a recovery of a body. Areas of current concern include Ensors Pool. Please do not risk it. Many of us will remember accidental drownings happening locally, which has drastic outcomes for families and friends.

As a community I ask you to look out for each other, Stay safe and want to thank you and my team for their continued efforts.

Regards PS 1614 BUTLER

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

Nuneaton Town &  
Central Safer  
Neighbourhood Team

How to keep up with Nuneaton Town & Central Safer  
Neighbourhood Team

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

## Nuneaton Town & Central Activity



- On 14<sup>th</sup> July central team had a stall in the town centre, alongside Neighbourhood watch and Compass. It was a great day and we spoke to a lot of people.
- On 25<sup>th</sup> July central team completed a bike coding event in town centre. Approx. 15 bikes were secured.
- Several section 59 have been issued to E Scooters within town and central beat. 1 has been seized.
- A bid was placed for saplings with the Woodlands trust by the central team and we are very pleased that we have been successful, community events will be planned in the future so watch this space



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# Update On Our Priorities



- ASB in Pool Bank Street Park - Patrols have continued in this area and we have been talking to council about providing a bin in the area.
- Drinking alcohol within town centre causing anti-social behaviour – community protection warnings have been issued to numerous people that were drinking in the town centre

Warwickshire Police are now offering a service called Warwickshire connect. Are you interested in receiving community alerts from your local police.

Messages will be sent to you from your local safer neighbourhood team or corporate communications team and will relate to crime alerts, crime information, good news stories etc.



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PC MORRISSEY LEAVES CENTRAL  
BEAT AREA AND IS NOW COVERING  
SOUTH.



**Warwickshire Police  
Update**

## Details about your Safer Neighbourhood Team

The Nuneaton Central SNT Area covers  
**Abbey, Town & Wembrook**

How to contact Nuneaton Town &  
Central SNT

By email:

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By telephone:

**02476 483 242**

Sergeant Andy Scruton

### Nuneaton Town & Central SNT

PC 45 Morrissey  
PC 1569 Cooper  
PC 1634 Roberts  
PCSO 6209 Owens

# TOWN & CENTRAL

## Monthly Message from your Beat Managers...

This past month we have seen the covid restrictions lifted on what was entitled 'Freedom Day'. This in itself proved a challenging time for local policing coupled with the track and trace notifications sent to officers along with some very hot days which in turn led to an increase alcohol consumption (please drink responsibly). We can confirm that to date none of the Town or Central officers have had to self-isolate.

The team have lost a team member in the form of PC Andy Morrissey who has moved to a different area, this now leaves PC's Steve Roberts and Matt Cooper along with PCSO Kerry Owen to cover the area. We thank Andy for the work he has completed on the area and wish him well on the new area of Nuneaton he is covering.

In July several warnings were issued in relation to the use of E-scooters, please remember these continue to be illegal. We are liaising with the local council to try and address anti-social behaviour issues in the Pool Bank Street area car-park and are awaiting to hear back from them. We had a successful bike coding event and continue to try and get as many members of the public as possible to sign up for Community Alert as possible (details of which are contained within this newsletter).

There has been a vast reduction in regards to the amount of people begging within the town, we would still encourage people to report any incidents if they are approached. We have also been taking action against a regular group causing anti-social behaviour whilst intoxicated within the town centre itself. We are now in to the holiday season with schools having broken up as well.

If you are fortunate enough to be able to go away on holiday then have a good time. Those remaining in the area, if you see us out and about be sure to come and say hello.

Stay safe





## 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.

Instead of giving money directly to beggars, you could donate to charities that help get homeless people back on track and give them a future advice, accommodation options, support and life skills development.

In Nuneaton Town Centre, we're lucky enough to have 3 charities that specialise in assisting those who are struggling. Below are some links to where you can donate...

**P3** - <https://www.p3charity.org/support-us/donate>

**Doorway** - <https://www.doorway.org.uk/donate/donate/5/credit-card>

**Change, Grow, Live** - <https://www.changegrowlive.org/get-in-touch/donate?gclid=EAlaIQobChMI6NSMosaic8AIVyYXVCh0JOQzGEAAYASAAEglbPFD BwE>

## Keeping yourself safe

You can help remove the opportunity of becoming a victim of crime by taking a few sensible precautions.

Many are common sense and may be things that you already do. Making yourself safer doesn't mean changing your entire lifestyle, personality or wardrobe and it doesn't mean never going out at all.

### Some general points

Know where you are going and the best way to get there. Let people know where you are going, your expected arrival, duration and departure times

Stick to busy, well-lit streets whenever possible. Take the safest route, not necessarily the shortest

Try to look and act confident – look like you know where you are going, be aware of your surroundings and who is around you!

This will make you appear in control and less vulnerable.

When meeting someone alone, place yourself between the other person and the door to give yourself an exit route if needed

Be alert and listen to your instincts

Be extra careful when using cash machines - make sure no one is loitering too close, do not let anyone distract you as you remove your card and cash from the machine and do not count your money in the middle of the street

You might like to spread your valuables around your body. For example, keep your phone in your bag, your house keys in your trouser pocket and your money in your jacket

If you feel threatened, head for a safe place where there are lots of people, such as a pub, shop, garage etc. Do not become involved in confrontational situations. If, for example, your 'gut' feeling is telling you not to enter a property listen to yourself and act with your safety in mind

If someone grabs your belongings, let them go. Your safety is more important than your possessions.

If you use a wheelchair, keep your things beside you rather than at the back of the chair.

Try not to be conspicuous about the valuables you are carrying. Talking on your mobile phone, carrying a laptop, or showing your friend your new gold ring all show thieves that you are worth robbing.

When out walking or jogging, you should not listen to a personal stereo through headphones, so you can stay more alert to your surroundings.