

# West Mercia Police

## BISHOP CASTLE & RURAL

### Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

Date: June 2017 – Newsletter

## Where we work

**BISHOPS CASTLE & RURAL** SNT is based at Bishops Castle Police Station, Union St, Bishops Castle, SY9 5AJ. We work around the Parishes and area's of Bishops Castle, Mainstone, Colebatch, Clun, Llanfairwaterdine, Newcastle, Stowe, Bucknell, Bedstone, Hopton Castle, Clungunford, Aston on Clun, Hopesay, Clunbury, Edgton, Wistanstow, Lydbury North, Lydham, More, Norbury, Wentnor, Ratlinghope, Stiperstones, Worthen & Chirbury.

Your Safer Neighbourhood Team are:

PC 3233 Anne Gutteridge  
PCSO 6160 Shaun Culliss  
PCSO 40274 Harry Horlock

### Police contact numbers

Emergency: **999**

Non Emergency: **101**

Local Police Team: **01743 264777**  
(Not to be used for reporting crime, incidents or emergencies)

Crime stoppers: **0800 555 111**

Web site: [www.westmercia.police.uk](http://www.westmercia.police.uk)

Twitter: [@SouthShropCops](https://twitter.com/SouthShropCops) Facebook: **Bishops Castle SNT Rural Watch**

Contact Email address:  
[bccar.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk](mailto:bccar.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk)

# CRIME STATS

Please note not all crimes or incidents are recorded below due to the nature or on going investigations.  
There were **114** incidents recorded for the area between **15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – 18<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

<b>CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED CHIRBURY, WORTHEN, HOPE, SHELVE &amp; STIPERSTONES 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017</b>			
<b>CRIME REPORTED</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Burglary	Cash and alcohol stolen	Abel's Harp, Bromlow	03:00 – 06:00 18 <sup>th</sup> June
Harassment		Chirbury	
Possess controlled drug	Following vehicle stop	A488 Hope	
Harassment		Bentlawnt	
Criminal damage	Vehicle damaged	Bentlawnt	Offender arrested
Breach of non molestation		Priest Weston	
Harassment		Rorrington	
Assault		Bentlawnt	
Possess a firearm without a licence		Priest Weston	

<b>CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED IN CLUN, CLUN VALLEY, LLANFAIRWATERDINE, HOPTON CASTLE &amp; BUCKNELL 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017</b>			
<b>CRIME REPORTED</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Theft	Set of aluminium ladders	Lee, Knighton	Stolen from outbuilding of property 4 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> June
Harassment		Clun	

<b>CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED BISHOPS CASTLE, LYDHAM &amp; MAINSTONE 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017</b>			
<b>CRIME REPORTED</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Assault	X2	Bishops Castle	
Criminal damage	Window broken on blue Citroen Saxo	Grange Rd, B/C	Between 16:00 16 <sup>th</sup> June – 11:30 17 <sup>th</sup> June
Criminal damage	Graffiti on trees and benches	Wintles, B/C	Suspect identified
False imprisonment		Bishops Castle	
Harassment		Bishops Castle	
Theft by employee	X2	Bishops Castle	Suspect identified

<b>CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED MORE, NORBURY, RATLINGHOPE &amp; WENTNOR 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017</b>			
<b>CRIME REPORTED</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
No reported crimes			

**CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED  
LYDBURY NORTH, EDGTON, HOPESAY & WISTANSTOW  
15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

<b>CRIME REPORTED</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Assaults	X2	Affcot	
Send threatening message		Aston on Clun	
Theft	Ifor Williams horse trailer	Leamoor Common	01:00 23 <sup>rd</sup> May. Believed offending vehicle is a light blue L/Rover Discovery
Burglary in dwelling	House entered and cash stolen	Broome	21:15 20 <sup>th</sup> May – 01:00 21 <sup>st</sup> May. Enquiries ongoing

Anyone with any information as to whom carried out these crimes please contact Crimestoppers (**0800 555111**) or West Mercia Police on **101**

**CRIME STATS**

Crimes, ASB and other incidents recorded in your area are now available on the website - [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk)

**CURRENT PACT PRIORITIES**

**TACKLING ACQUISITIVE RURAL CRIME**

Last spring and summer saw an increase in daytime thefts from farm yards and dwellings with large outbuildings that were situated down long private drives. Likely offenders being travelling opportunists that chance their luck that power tools and light farming machinery is left insecure and nobody is at the property. If the offenders were challenged at a property they asked for scrap batteries. Items stolen last year were left out in farm yards or from insecure buildings, no damage was caused to steal any property.

Local officers to target known local individuals in order to disrupt offending. Regular liaison with Newtown and Knighton officers in order to share intelligence with reference to cross border offenders.

Local officers will attempt to visit every outbuilding burglary to conduct enquiries, offer crime prevention advice and sign up potentially vulnerable premises to the 'Stop Thief' initiative.

**RISE IN ASB OVER THE SUMMER PERIOD**

Potential rise in anti social behaviour at local recreational areas, parks, school grounds and village halls. Annually there is a rise in reports of noise, litter, underage drinking, criminal damage and assaults at Bishops Castle Park, Worthen Village Hall, Chirbury School and Aston on Clun Village Hall. Regular patrols will be conducted in these areas.

## **BISHOPS CASTLE SNT ON FACEBOOK**

For regular updates of local crimes, scams, incidents and suspicious vehicles you can follow or 'like' our facebook page - **Bishops Castle SNT Rural Watch**.