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## Alcester Police SNTs. Latest Weekly Report. Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2025

Based at Alcester Police Station, The Safer Neighbourhood team's primary roles are around crime prevention, problem solving both long standing or emerging issues of community concern and community engagement. We are supported at Alcester by colleagues from Patrol teams whose role is to respond to incidents and investigate crimes that occur in the area 24/7. The SNT is supervised by Inspector Hembry who leads on Neighbourhood Policing for Stratford District and Sgt Ebbs who also oversees neighbourhood Policing in the Shipston on Stour area. The Alcester SNT currently consists of 2 Police officers and 5 Police Community Support Officers, and our contact details are shown above.

Hello all.

This is our latest combined weekly report and prompt to see if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns for the Alcester Police Safer Neighbourhood Teams. Thank you to those that have contacted the Teams this week. If you would like to be removed from this local email circulation list, please let me know asap. This report will also be sent out on the Warwickshire Connected alert system.

For operational and privacy reasons not all the incidents that occur on the Alcester area are listed in this report, although they are recorded on police systems. Please remember to report any anti-social behaviour, suspicious activity or crimes to us as soon as possible - this can be done via the 101 and 999 telephone numbers or if not an emergency via our online reporting forms that can be found on our website. If you have any information or cctv footage that may relate to the incidents listed, please contact us.

Incidents of a public interest from the last week: -

### ALCESTER

- Public Disorder and Theft. Three males with face coverings / balaclavas have tried to steal items from several shops and have then become abusive to staff when confronted. Described as two white males and one black male. The shop has had to secure the doors to stop them coming back in. They were last seen walking towards Gunnings Road. 3.15pm Sunday 26th January.  
0166 26/01/2025

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## BIDFORD

- Suspicious Circumstances. The Leys. Blue Toyota Yaris seen park up in the road. Two males then got out and changed the number plates on it before driving it off. Details passed to police. 2.20pm Friday 31st January. 0180 31/01/2025. This was a stolen vehicle from a neighbouring force area.
- Damage. Damson Way. Window of house smashed. The offender arrived and left in a car. 12.45am Friday 31st January. 0010 31/01/2025

## DUNNINGTON

- Suspicious Circumstances. Dunnington. Male with head torch seen looking around car, possibly also taking a photo of the rear of it before making off. A vehicle also left the area at speed at the same time. 10.40pm Wednesday 29th January. 0392 29/01/2025

## STUDLEY

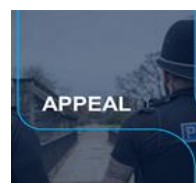
- ASB. Eldorado Close. Group of about nine youths on private sports ground causing a nuisance and potential damage to sports pitch. They became verbally abusive when asked to leave. 3pm Saturday 1st February. 0213 01/02/2025
- Vehicle Crime. The Grove. White Ford Transit Camper stolen from driveway without key. Stolen overnight 30th & 31st January. 0040 31/01/2025
- Suspicious Circumstances. Foster Avenue / Crooks Lane. Drone described as "high powered" seen over the area. Caller concerned regards the motive of the user. 10.50pm Thursday 30th January. 0374 30/01/2025
- Suspicious Circumstances. Westmead Avenue. Black BMW with tinted windows seen parked in the avenue. Caller concerned for their reasons for being there as it didn't seem to be visiting anyone. 10.30pm Monday 27th January. 0365 27/01/2025
- Attempt Vehicle Crime. Badbury Close. Males from a black BMW 3 series seen on driveway around Ford Ranger vehicle. One of the males had a front pack with possibly a relay system to locate key signal. The signal was not intercepted, and the males left. Around 1.15am Monday 27th January. 0049 27/01/2025
- Suspicious Circumstances. Badbury Close. Two males from a BMW seen taking photos of vehicle on drive. Please see the crime above. 1.15am Monday 27th January. 0011 27/01/2025

## HENLEY

- Vehicle Crime. High Street. Grey BMW X3 Estate stolen from driveway without key. Overnight 26th & 27th January. 0040 27/01/2025

## HOCKLEY HEATH

- Road Incident. Pound House Lane. Two scooters being ridden dangerously. Rider did not have helmets and no plates were seen. 2pm Thursday 30th January. 0180 30/01/2025





### What is Keyless Car Theft?

Keyless car theft (aka Relay Theft/Relay Crime) is where the signal from a key for a so-called “Keyless entry” car is captured by somebody standing outside the victim’s house using a device.

#### Keyless Car Theft – How It Works

Step 1 – The device transmits the signal to somebody else standing by the victim’s car.

Step 2– This then fools the car into thinking the key is near it, and so it allows the doors to be opened and ignition to be started.

How far do thieves need to be away from my car keys? - Keyless Car Theft happens when thieves are only within a few metres from your car keys to capture the signal.

How Long Does Keyless Car Theft Take to Happen? - Keyless car theft can take only 20-30 seconds.

What device is used in Keyless Car Theft? - Relay crime is when a certain type of specialist electronic equipment captures the signal from the Key and transmits it to a receiver that somebody standing next to the car has.

Prevent Keyless Car Theft (Quick Tips) - To protect your keyless entry car from being a victim of relay theft, here are some quick tips:

Use a Signal blocking pouch (Faraday Bag) – Keep your car keys safe. Car key burglaries are on the increase, why not keep your car keys in a safe! If you have a ‘keyless entry’ car, then make sure your keys are kept well away from doors and windows. Keep your car key in a screened box/tin/bag so that the signal can’t be ‘grabbed’ from the outside and used to open your car – and don’t forget to do the same with any spare set! Signal Blocking pouches can stop access to your vehicle by blocking your car key fob from transmitting its code to the vehicle, as the pouches are lined with layers of metallic material. The pouch which has a metallic lining, which prevents signals from the remote key fob being intercepted by unwanted individuals. Putting your keys in a signal blocking pouch will stop any thieves from being able to amplify the signal used in relay theft.

Turn off Keyless Fob’s Wireless Signal - Do you have a keyless fob? Wireless signals on some keyless fobs can be switched off. To turn off your wireless signal, you should look in your car’s manual to see if you can do this. If you can’t find anything in your manual about turning off your fob, you should contact the vehicle’s manufacturer.

Use a Steering Wheel Lock or Car Alarm to stop Keyless Car Theft - Another method to prevent keyless car theft is by fitting a steering wheel lock or car alarm. Most modern car thieves are equipped with laptops rather than hand tools, so mechanical devices – such as steering wheel

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locks – can be a real deterrent. When purchasing a security device, look out for 3rd party approval such as Sold Secure, whereby the product is tested against tools used by criminals such as Crowbars and Angle Grinders. An alarm can reduce your car insurance. If you haven't got a factory-fitted alarm, you may be able to reduce the cost of your car insurance by fitting a car alarm. Check with your insurer that the alarm is approved, as the quality can differ with car alarms. And the single most cost-effective way to reduce your insurance premium is to fit an immobiliser, just make sure it's professionally fitted.

Park in a Garage at Night to Prevent Keyless Car Theft - Park your car in a garage overnight is ideal to stop keyless car theft, this increases the distance between your car and potential thieves trying intercept and amplify the signal from your car key fob. Don't have a garage or park on your driveway? – If you're parking on your driveway, park defensively, i.e. as close to your property as you can. Extra Security to Prevent Keyless Car Theft - Consider upgrading our home security, by fitting outdoor motion detector lighting and CCTV cameras. If you park on the street, ensure it's in an area that is well lit. A local MLA master locksmith can undertake a home security check and advise on how to best to upgrade your outdoor security.

Get your windows etched (Vin Etching) - Etching the last seven digits of your Vehicle Identity Number (or registration) onto the windows, headlights and mirrors means anybody tries to steal your vehicle by keyless car theft will have a tough job when trying to alter your vehicle's identity.

Keep your vehicle tidy can prevent Car Keyless Car Theft - We've all heard it, but how many still don't follow the advice. Make sure to keep the inside of your vehicle clear of clutter, try and hide any electrical items such as Sat Navs & Mobile phones. Try to keep your glove box empty, and why not leave your glove box open to show you've got nothing to hide. Don't forget to hide any signs of high-cost equipment as well, such as the marks that Sat-Nav suction cups leave on your windscreen.

Prevent lost car keys being stolen - Should you have lost your car keys then we recommend contacting a local MLA auto locksmith, who are experts with vehicle locks and keys. They will make sure that only the keys you have cannot be used by the thief, removing all others your vehicles database, this will stop any stolen keys being used.

Re-programme your keys - If you buy a second-hand vehicle, there is a risk that you may not be given all the sets of car keys. Reprogramming your car keys can stop thieves using stolen keys. If you're unsure, get car keys reprogrammed so previous owners can't access the vehicle.

