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ALCESTER SOUTH COVERING

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Alcester Police SNTs. Latest Weekly Report. Sunday 22nd June 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 HEATH

- ASB. Fields in the area. Report of three males on a quad bike riding over farmed fields causing damage and a general nuisance. The quad had yellow parts to the front. 12.15pm Saturday 21st June. 0197 21/06/2025

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BIDFORD

- Assault and Criminal Damage. High Street. Group of young males and females have caused a disturbance on a bus resulting in the bus driver being hit and damage caused to the bus. The group walked off towards the Honeybourne Road. Group described as two black males and three white females, although others may have been involved. 4.15pm Thursday 19th June. 0301 19/06/2025

WELFORD

- Burglary. Binton Road. Secure outside store entered, and various items stolen including 2 adult trek bikes, 2 adult e-bikes, carbon road bike and various tools and garden equipment. Between 15th & 21st June. 0424 21/06/2025

BEARLEY

- Vehicle Crime. Church Lane. Bearley. Number plate stolen from car. Overnight 20th & 21st June. 0085 21/06/2025

EARLSWOOD

- Suspicious Circumstances. Springbrook Lane. Three males wearing balaclavas and riding two mopeds seen in the area. Caller concerned that were scoping out the area. 5pm Saturday 21/06/2025
- Vehicle Crime. Shutt Lane. White Ford Transit stolen without key. Overnight 16th & 17th June. 0040 17/06/2025

TANWORTH

- Suspicious Circumstances. Vicarage Hill. Two white males wearing balaclavas seen getting out of a silver Vauxhall astra with side panel damage. The driver of this astra was a black male. Vehicle and the occupants seen in the Vicarage Hill area. Full details passed to police. 3.05pm Saturday 21st June. 0277 21/06/2025.
- Burglary. Vicarage Hill. As a result of the above call police did an area search of the roads and the premises they were seen near to, and it was discovered that one house had been entered and a white Toyota Aygo vehicle stolen. 0277 21/06/2025

CLAVERDON

- Suspicious Circumstances. Langley Road. Black BMW possibly a 1 series seen acting suspiciously in the area. The passenger was wearing a balaclava, and the driver had gloves on. The windscreen had a blue tint. 10.25pm 18/06/2025

Reporting incidents to the police

Social media and messaging apps have become a useful tool in letting people know of crime, suspicious behaviour and anti-social behaviour etc to neighbours, friends and local community groups **BUT** we definitely would like to know first.

Time and information can be crucial in determining the correct response to an incident. There is also the possibility that offenders and evidence could be lost.

Our advice is – Contact us first, then consider your social media response.



Say hello to your local policing team

We're shining a light on neighbourhood policing in Warwickshire this summer and hoping to get to know more people across our communities. We want to show you where we are, how to contact us, and what we're doing to help. Our Safer Neighbourhood Teams are based across the county, dedicated to serving our communities. We are working with you, with local authorities, and with community leaders to solve problems and understand what's important to you.

Why does this matter? - We know that collaboration between police and communities is one of the best ways to cut crime and keep people safe. Effective local policing is about more than just fighting crime, it's about building relationships, understanding local concerns and being where it matters most. Your input helps shape what we do to tackle crime and bring offenders to justice so we're listening and want you to tell us what's important to you.

How do you get in touch? - Pop your postcode into our website at Home | Warwickshire Police to see who's who in your local policing team, get in touch and find out what they're doing in your area. <https://www.warwickshire.police.uk/>

Tell us what matters to you via our quick local priority survey to help make your neighbourhood better.

<https://survey.warwickshireconnected.com/Survey/REGISTRATION/C19B3C5A762AFA232A8D82EFDEEE5A4F>

Follow us on social media to see the latest stories, news, alerts and opportunities to get involved. Last but by no means least, say hello when you see us out and about! We're always ready for a chat. Help us help you

Fill in our quick survey to tell us how you feel about local policing near you so that we know what support and information we can give you this summer: <https://forms.office.com/e/skzV86eytt>

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How To Secure Your Garden Shed

Garden sheds have long been easy low-risk, high-reward targets for opportunistic thieves. The simple shed structure offers valuable tools and equipment little protection from burglars with its weak doors and easily accessible windows, and as sheds are usually situated away from the main house, it's unlikely you will hear anyone breaking in. Thefts from storage garden sheds are particularly common during the summer months. To help you protect your shed and its contents from criminals, there are several ways you can boost your shed security measures.

Reinforce The Door - Reinforced doors will be framed, ledged, braced and then mortised and tenoned together to offer more protection through their strength and rigidity meaning they can withstand greater forces should someone try to break through the door. However, in many cases, intruders will gain access through the door by simply removing the hinges. It is advisable to secure your door hinges with heavy-duty tamper-proof screws like clutch-heads or coach bolts.

Strengthen The Windows - Windows are the main entry point for burglars. The glass can easily be smashed, or the frame removed leaving a large hole they can use to gain access and take out any larger tools and pieces of equipment. If you're only planning to use your shed for storage, it's worth considering one without windows at all. If a window in your shed is a must, double glazing with toughened & laminated glass will offer better protection than a single glass windowpane. It's also recommended to add metal bars, if possible, which will be even more crucial if you already have single glazed windows to help to physically prevent break-ins through the windows.

Install Robust Locks - shed burglars can cut through cheap, small locks like butter! A padlock is still the best option, but they are not all made equally. A good sturdy lock will be made from alloy steel or brass and have a reinforced design. The shackle ideally needs to be shielded or hidden as this prevents the criminal from using cutters. Along with the tamper-proof screws used to secure the hinges, staple, and hasp, they will all work together to offer your valuables the best protection. Another important thing to remember is to lock your shed after every use, even for brief periods. Burglars are very opportunistic and can spend time scoping out locations.

Location Is Key - Ideally your shed should be in a position where you can see it from your house, and so it cannot be seen from the street or any public paths near your property. This reduces the chance of it being discovered by burglars in the first place as well as acting as a deterrent, as they are more likely to be caught breaking in if you have a view of it from your house. Make sure any surrounding vegetation is kept trimmed so as not to obscure your view or create hiding spots for intruders.

Consider Motion-Activated Security Lighting - Now that you can see your shed from your house, it needs to have good lighting, particularly around entry points like doors and windows. Burglars will feel more comfortable operating in darkness and using low-light torches to avoid being detected. Consider motion-activated security lights that could potentially startle intruders and alert you to their presence. Solar lights can be useful in these circumstances.

Obscure The Windows - A clear window will allow burglars to see what valuables you have stored in your shed before breaking into it. Consider using opaque window coverings or security film to obscure visibility into the shed, reducing the temptation for potential intruders. Alternatively, if you work in your shed and need natural light, curtains or blinds should be installed and closed when the shed is not in use.

Secure Your Valuables - Once you've secured the outside of your shed, it's time to turn your attention to the inside. Small tools can be kept inside a locked cabinet, larger items can be secured using a heavy-duty chain through bike frames (wheels can be easily removed) or around tool handles, linking them together. This stops thieves from being able to pick up individual valuable items.

Install An Alarm System - Even with increasing the security of your shed's structure, if the prize is big enough, intruders will be persistent in their attempts to take it from you. Further protect your valuables by installing a burglar alarm system. You could have an alarm linked to your home security system or you can buy battery-powered kits online. This will startle the intruder and notify you that your shed has been broken into, leaving them very little time to remove your valuables.

Anchor The Shed - Anchoring is when you secure your shed to the base either with ground anchors or L-brackets. This will only be beneficial if your shed doesn't have a floor and is erected directly onto a concrete base for instance. It is possible for burglars to simply lift small sheds or tip them to one side to gain access to your belongings.

Make Sure You're Insured - Have assurance that should you be unfortunate enough to have your shed broken into with valuables stolen this will be covered by your home insurance. Check the small print to see what exactly is covered. Damage to the shed itself would be under your building insurance and the contents would be covered by the content's insurance.

Keep An Updated Inventory - Maintain an updated inventory of valuable items stored in the shed, including descriptions, serial numbers, estimated values, and photographs. This will be useful should you need to claim on your insurance or send it to the police to help them identify your stolen belongings.

Use A UV Marking Solution or other marking options - It is advised that all your valuable tools and equipment are marked with your postcode and house number either using a forensic marking solution that can be seen under Ultraviolet (UV) light, engraving or permanent paint. This will help the police to identify stolen goods and make it more difficult for them to be sold on.

Keep Your Community Aware - If you have a local Neighbourhood Watch it may be time to get involved. The scheme fosters a sense of community vigilance and increases awareness of suspicious activity. With Smart video doorbells and CCTV now a common feature in many people's homes, being able to access video footage in your neighbourhood could help you see your belongings again and the offenders being brought to justice.



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