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Welcome

This monthly bulletin is designed to share up-to-date crime prevention information and advice with our Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators.

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Banking Protocol sees two jailed

The <u>Banking Protocol</u> goes from strength to strength – to date the banks and Hampshire Police have helped prevent £2.2 million that would have been lost to fraudsters, whilst nationally the figure is approaching £56m.

We don't always hear about the stories behind the bank's telephone call to police though, but it's worth noting the difference it can make to a victim as well preventing the money from being lost. <u>Read here</u> to see how Barclays Bank in Southampton helped catch two men who were intent on taking everything they could from a vulnerable lady.

Action Fraud Update

Paws for thought - Action Fraud is warning the public that fraudsters are posting adverts for nonexistent animals online. <u>Click here to read more</u>

24/7 live cyber reporting for businesses - Action Fraud specialist advisors are available 24/7 to support businesses and charities. For more information please <u>click here.</u> Members of the public are advised to report attacks online <u>here.</u>

Equine Safety & Security Event

Thursday 4 April 2019 18:30 – 21:30. Linden Hall, Lyndhurst Community Centre SO43 7NY Hampshire Constabulary's Country Watch Team have partnered up with the British Horse Society (BHS) to host a free Equine Crime Prevention & Awareness evening. For more information <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

Metal Detecting Wands

The Licensing & Alcohol Harm Reduction Team recently purchased metal detecting wands. The wands can be used as a condition of entry at key Night Time Economy venues across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight. This policing response is one of education, engagement and prevention to ensure that both the public and staff are able to enjoy an evening out without the fear or threat of violence.

Safer Together event, 18 May 2019

On 18 May, Police and Crime Commissioner Michael Lane is holding his <u>Safer Together Event</u> at Cascades Shopping Centre in Portsmouth.



This event showcases the partnership projects funded by the PCC that support the vulnerable, help victims of crime on their recovery journey, work with those at risk of offending, and enable the constabulary to focus on policing.

Crime Prevention Through The Ages

To catch a medieval criminal

You may have heard of the term 'hue and cry' – this is what was used if someone witnessed a crime. Anyone wronged could call upon everyone else in a community to chase a criminal simply by calling on them to do so.

Everyone was expected to give chase to apprehend the villain, and anyone failing to do so could expect punishment themselves. Once the villain was caught, the townsfolk awaited the sheriff who would then deal.

There was a strong sense of community which enabled this to work well, and until larger towns developed this was the main way to prevent crime and manage disorder. <u>Click here</u> if you want to know more about the Hue and Cry



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