

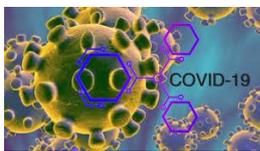
BRAMSHAW TELEGRAPH



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NEWS

CORONAVIRUS HAMPSHIRE HELPLINE



are at risk of loneliness.

The Coronavirus Hampshire Helpline **Hantshelp4vulnerable** can be contacted on **0333 370 4000**. The helpline is available seven days a week, from 9am-5pm, and is for vulnerable people who do not have support from families, friends or their local community, and who need urgent assistance with essential food or household supplies, collection of medication, or who

APPEAL FOR INFORMATION – 67 PIGLETS STOLEN



We are appealing for information after 67 pink piglets were stolen from a farm in Damerham, Fordingbridge.

The six-week-old piglets were stolen from the farm between May 20 and May 28, and have the reference HB0789 tattooed on them.

Officers from our Countrywatch team are investigating the theft and are keen to hear from anyone with information.

The piglets were being kept in their family groups, which is important for pigs as they are social animals. Moving them to a different location could expose them to dangerous bugs and cause unnecessary stress which may lead to premature death.

Have you noticed any new piglets at a smallholding or similar location recently?

The farmer who owns the piglets is understandably extremely concerned for their welfare and we want to hear from anyone who can assist with our enquiries.

Anyone with information can call **101**, quoting **44200190321**.

Alternatively, you can call **Crimestoppers** anonymously on **0800 555 111**, or email countrywatch@hampshire.pnn.police.uk.

Message Sent By

David Bodymore (Police, Communications Officer, Hampshire)



SAFE AT HOME - BEAT SURGERIES

As the lockdown continues we have again cancelled all of our regular monthly face to face Beat Surgeries. But we will be arranging some more of our SAFE AT HOME events in June. These have been very successful and are specifically held at places where we are already gathering, like supermarkets, but where we can still maintain our social distancing. We have seen a rise in domestic abuse during the lockdown and these SAFE AT HOME events are designed to support victims who feel unsafe in their own home. There will also be some really useful information on keeping your children safe on line and how best to avoid any SCAMS, which sadly even at this time are on the increase. So please join us on our Facebook page at NEW FOREST HEART COPS and we will let you know when and where we will be during June. The next scheduled one will be opposite the Co Op in Lyndhurst on Friday 19th June between 3 and 5pm.

Remember even though the lockdown is still in place we are all on duty and you can contact us via email, telephone or through our Facebook page at any time. But of course in an emergency always use 999. You can also report crimes and incidents on line via the Hampshire Police website.

Neighbourhood Policing Team



HEARTBEAT REPORT

Sadly there are people still committing crimes in the New Forest Heart area and these include three sheds and garages that have been broken into this month in Bramshaw, Brockenhurst and Lyndhurst, with two electric bicycles, one pedal bicycle and a garden strimmer taken. Several sheds on the allotments at Lyndhurst were targeted on the same night and lawn mowers, strimmers and other tools taken. Also stolen this month were a blue and white tiled garden patio set from Minstead, a control box from a slurry tank in Ower and garden waste sacks from outside a house in Copythorne. Lead has been taken from the roof of a building in Lyndhurst, a chainsaw from a truck in Brockenhurst, some plants, pots and antibacterial wipes from a pop up stall in Woodlands and a bird catcher from Lyndhurst.

Vehicles parked at the side of the road in Cadnam and Beaulieu have had their catalytic converters stolen overnight while handbags have been taken from cars parked in the Fritham and Janesmoor Pond car park. Now that the car parks are open again we expect to see an increase in thefts from vehicles so please if you are still planning to come to the New Forest even during the COVID 19 outbreak make sure you take everything valuable from inside your car or it could get stolen. And don't hide your valuables in the boot or under coats or seats because you never know who is watching you.

More criminal damage has been caused in East Boldre where someone has written graffiti on the walls of a house and some garden lamps on the driveway of another house have been smashed. Damage was also caused to fences around properties in Bramshaw and Lyndhurst.

Finally a World War 2 hand grenade was found in the Beaulieu Road station area of the Forest but was blown up in situ by the experts. Those of you who know the Forest well will know that this is quite a regular occurrence.

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CAR PARKING CHARGES



New Forest District Council will reintroduce car parking charges from Monday 1 June in their town and village car parks.

On-duty NHS and social care staff will be able to continue to park for free with a pass from their employer as part of a national scheme*.

Car parking charges in town and village car parks were suspended in late March as part of the Council's response to the Coronavirus.

Cllr Edward Heron, Portfolio Holder for Planning and Infrastructure said, "We felt it important to offer free parking during the stay home lockdown to support essential journeys from carers and NHS staff, but the time is now right to reintroduce parking fees. In line with the government's gradual lessening of restrictions it is appropriate for us to reinstate parking charges. And, like many organisations, we have been affected financially by the Coronavirus. We are looking carefully at how the money we receive from central government, Council Tax, and from fees we charge, will enable us to continue to provide essential services for our community. The decision to suspend fees was only ever a temporary move and income from parking fees is an important revenue stream for us.

At £1.00 for the first hour and £25 per annum for people with a short stay 3 hour ('shoppers') parking clock the charges in our car parks remain among the best value in the south, in a deliberate move to balance the need to charge for parking with the desire to also support our high streets.

We of course continue to support the NHS free parking scheme in all our car parks."

Income from car parking fees goes towards the upkeep of the car parks as well as supporting the council's general fund. To put this in context, without car parking income the average Council Tax bill would have to rise by £49.00 to continue with the current level of council services.

People parking in NFDC car parks are reminded to continue to follow the 2 metre social distancing rules.

Customers without parking clocks can use the Ringo payment system from their phones, or cash payment in the ticket machines. Where there is a sufficient mobile telephone signal, contactless payments at ticket machines is also an option.

Ticket machines will be displaying notices this week to advise people that charges will be in place from 1 June.

Customers with first quarter long stay parking clocks (January - March) can use them throughout June. Those purchasing new second quarter long stay clocks for the remaining 30 days of the quarter (April – June) can be purchased for £12 online <http://newforest.gov.uk/parkingclocks>

*NHS free parking scheme: <https://www.nhs-freeparking.co.uk/>

Any extension of the 12-month parking clock expiry dates (January to December) will be considered before the end of the year.



PUBLIC TOILETS

Many public toilets remain closed and visitors should make other arrangements to follow good hygiene practices. The decision to reopen toilets will be made when Covid-secure guidance can be met and when it is safe to do so.



NEW FOREST AMBER FIRE WARNING

The Forest is also on an amber fire warning due to the recent dry weather so no barbecues are allowed and we ask that, as always, people respect the vulnerable areas that are closed to protect ground nesting birds, stick to the designated routes when cycling, keep their distance from New Forest animals and follow the countryside code *Chairman Oliver Crosthwaite-Eyre*



BURGLARY PREVENTION ADVICE

Now that we're beginning to get accustomed to the warmer weather, and as many of us are spending more and more time outdoors, Hampshire Constabulary want to gently remind residents not to leave windows open or doors unlocked during this time.

Leaving the kitchen or living room window open, or even the back door, to allow for some fresh air into the house while you pop out for a short period of time might for seem tempting, but this could provide an opportunity for someone to take advantage of the situation and commit a crime.

We want to offer up some friendly reminders around personal and household security at this time.

Most burglaries are committed by opportunists. A criminal may pick a house that looks unoccupied, has left a window or back-gate open or has little or no obvious security. These are often spur-of-the-moment decisions, made when they see valuables left on view or lapses in security. Car keys, left somewhere obvious can also be an attractive target.

By looking at your current level of security you can identify areas for improvement and reduce the risk of becoming the victim of burglary. Walk around your property – if you were locked out, where would you try to get in? Chances are that would also be where a burglar would try.

You may also find that opportunistic burglars will knock at your door to see if you are at home. If they see you are in the back garden and have not heard the door they will try the front door. Many people are still lifting the door handle but not locking it while they are at home - this is not enough to secure the door and burglars often enter properties this way.

When you shut the door and lift the handle the hook bolts are thrown into the locking mechanism in the door frame. By turning the key the you are locking these hook bolts into place. If you don't key lock the bolts in place they can be disengaged by simply pushing down the inside or outside handle. It's vital that you remember to remove the key and to keep it away from the door out of sight. Remember to LIFT, LOCK and REMOVE.

Please do just take that little bit of extra care as we begin to spend more time outside the home.

As ever, we would ask the public to remain vigilant, and to report any crimes which are in progress or where there is a threat to life by calling 999.

Message Sent By

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS: JUNE

	19 JUNE 3-5pm	SAFE AT HOME - BEAT SURGERY Opposite the Co Op in Lyndhurst These events will be held at places where we are already gathering, like supermarkets, but where we can still maintain our social distancing. Experts will also be on hand to give you the very best advice. <i>Neighbourhood Policing Team</i>
	23 JUNE 7:30pm	BRAMSHAW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING By Video Conference. The Agenda will be published on the Parish Council's website

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