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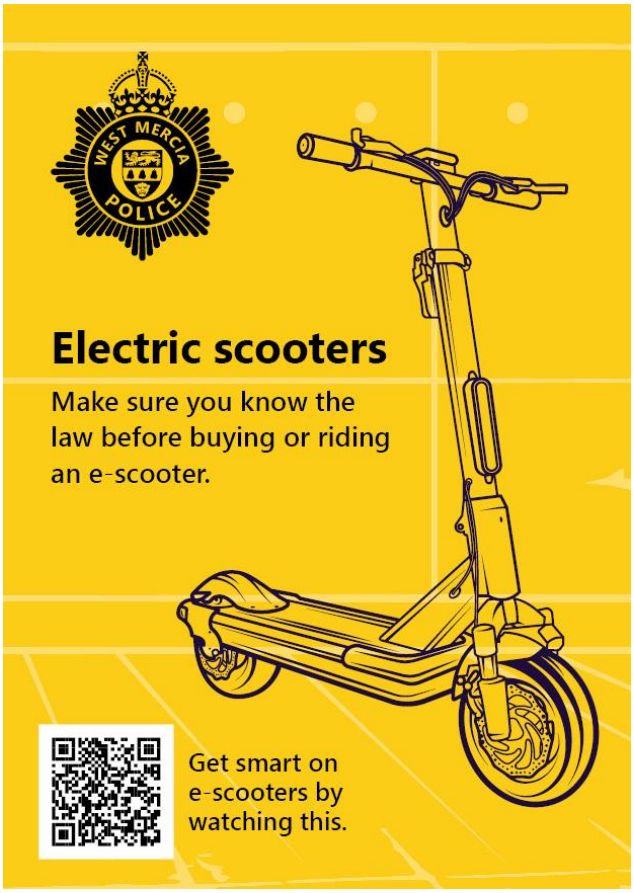
Shropshire Rural West

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Shrewsbury Rural West are based at Pontesbury Pavilion on Hall Bank, Pontesbury, SY5 0RF.

We work in the Parishes and areas of Bicton, Copthorne, Great Hanwood, Longden, Pontesbury, Minsterley, Westbury, Ford, Alberbury & Cardeston, Montford, Great Ness, & Pim Hill, Bomere Heath.

- **Team details**
- Safer Neighbourhood Sergeant: Sgt 1134 Neil WARD
- Safer Neighbourhood Police Constable: PC 21125 Rich Walters
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The Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) are having reports of E-Scooters and electric Bikes being ridden on roads and pavements in an dangerous manner on pavements. Officers have the powers and authority to seize the items.

Please consider the below before purchasing E scooters and Electric powered bikes.

- **Although e-scooters are available to buy, they are currently illegal to use on public roads, pavements, cycle lanes and pedestrian-only areas unless part of a legal e-scooter loan scheme.**
- **As there are no legal schemes in place in Herefordshire, Shropshire or Worcestershire, e-scooters can only be ridden on private land with the permission of the landowner.**
- **E-scooters are currently classed as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEVs) by the Government and fall under the same laws and regulations that apply to all motor vehicles in terms of requiring insurance, tax, MOT, licence and registration.**
- **There is no mechanism in place at the moment to obtain any of these for e-scooters so as this requirement can't be met, their use in public areas is illegal, anyone found using them in public areas risks having the e-scooter seized by the police.**

- **https://www.gov.uk/electric-bike-rules**



Current statistics on calls to police and crime recording for your neighbourhood can be found at **Home | Police.uk** .

If you wish to discuss further, please contact a member of your safer neighbourhood team.

USEFUL INFORMATION

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- Report crimes, issues and incidents Here
- Contact the Firearms and Explosives Licensing Unit Here
- Make a complaint or pass a compliment Here
- Report lost or found property Here
- Update us on an existing report or case Here
- Find out about working for West Mercia Here
- Request information Here
- Access advice and information Here

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