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We have discussed the issues of identity theft and credit card

fraud in previous beat reports but a recent incident locally makes it necessary for us to repeat the message and we make no apologies for doing so.

At the end of June a "device" designed to read the account details from bank cards was discovered in a cash machine in Station Road, New Milton. Prior to its discovery a second part of the device designed to record your PIN had been removed.

The information obtainable by this type of device makes it easy for the offenders to clone your bank card and re-use it in cash machines elsewhere to withdraw cash or use to purchase goods on the internet.

Our advice to you if using cash machines is as follows;

1. Always physically check the machine before placing your card into it. Look for loose or unusual shaped fittings around the card "slot" and above the keypad.
2. Always cover the keypad with your hand or other object so that your PIN can not be seen.
3. If you notice anything suspicious about the cash machine notify the bank immediately and do not continue with the transaction.
4. If another customer waiting to use the machine in standing uncomfortably close to you, stand aside and let them use the machine first. Do not allow people to look over your shoulder.

Summer Security

Summer has now arrived!!! This hopefully, will bring the more pleasant weather we are all hoping to experience.

This means that many people will have windows open at night to let in some fresh air and balcony doors that may usually have been locked, may have been open during the day and evening.

Please bear in mind the opportunities that this presents to burglars. This is particularly a problem if you sleep on the ground floor, or if your window can easily be reached. Make sure that doors you have opened are both closed and locked and that small windows left open do not give access to unlocked larger windows that a burglar could climb through.

As we approach the holiday season, many people will be busy planning trips away, packing cases, checking tickets and passports, taking dogs and cats to the kennels. But please just before you go give some consideration to the security of your home. Where possible arrange for people to pop in and check on your home whilst you are away. If this is not possible it is worth investing in electrical timers to switch a light, a radio or television to make your home appear occupied.

Do not forget to cancel any milk or newspaper deliveries or leave your curtains closed during the daytime.

If your neighbour has a second car get them to park it on your drive, again it will give the appearance you are at home. Leave a key with a trusted neighbour or friend just in case someone needs to get in.

Anti-social behaviour

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 defines anti-social behaviour as: 'Behaviour which caused or is likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress to one or more persons not of the same household' Anti-social behaviour may include

*Harassment *Joyriding
*Verbal abuse
*Damage/Vandalism *Noise Nuisance *Throwing Missiles
*Graffiti *Assault *Smoking or Drinking while under age
*Intimidating Behaviour
*Engaging in threatening behaviour in large groups

Throughout the year local officers target anti social behaviour in the area, resulting in arrests and large quantities of alcohol being seized, which in turn assist in the reduction of underage drinking and related nuisance. This is an on-going initiative and has been more successful in some areas than others. Much of our time at present is directed towards the Ashley area.

Unfortunately anti-social behaviour is an on-going community problem which cannot be resolved overnight.

To this end we are monitoring the level of anti-social behaviour being reported. From the information residents pass to us we can act, however, if you do not report it we can do nothing about it. If you are experiencing anti-social behaviour in your neighbourhood it is essential that incidents are evidenced, recorded and reported.

Logging of anti-social behaviour witnessed by residents is imperative (For example, day, date, time of incident, who, and where.) Please do not necessarily expect to see a police officer every time you call but be assured that all calls/information will be assessed by your Safer Neighbourhoods officers and acted on accordingly.

HELP US TO HELP YOU - REPORT IT AND REDUCE IT OR LEAVE IT AND LIVE WITH IT !



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Anti Social Use of Motor Vehicles / Cycles

In recent weeks there have been a few complaints filtering through of motor cycles being ridden around on footpaths and of motor vehicles being driven in an anti-social manner in and around the New Milton area. The Law basically states that if a motor vehicle/cycle is being used in a careless or inconsiderate manner, on or off Road i.e., on our local recreation grounds and footpaths in an anti-social manner i.e., causing, or is likely to cause, alarm, distress or annoyance to members of the public then a warning under Sec 59 Police Reform Act 2002 can be issued.

The warning can be issued on the rider, the owner, or to the motor vehicle/cycle itself. Should the rider, the owner or the motor vehicle/cycle receive a second warning the motor vehicle/cycle can be seized and can only be recovered by payment of £105.

The police do not need to witness the incident to issue a warning but do require the assistance of the public to deal with this problem. If a member of the public is prepared to make a short statement either identifying the rider or the registration number of the motor cycle, then the appropriate warnings can be issued. We often receive complaints of motor cycles riding around our recreation grounds and footpaths but on our arrival they have already left the area.

If you are a dog walker, local resident or just visiting the recreation ground and witness a motor cycle riding around please give us a call as we do require the evidence to justify our action/prove the offence. If you make a statement your name etc. will not be disclosed to the rider/owner receiving the warning as this is not a court procedure.

Station Enquiry Office – SEO Freddie Johannessen

The front desk at New Milton police station, known as the Enquiry Office is staffed by SEO Freddie Johannessen and is open to the general public Monday to Friday (opening hours are under review at the moment and a change is expected in the near future.) One of the most important pieces of advice I can offer the general public is to always report any kind of incident immediately. Valuable investigation time can be lost by leaving it for a day, or a week or more. If you are unsure whether it should be reported or perhaps it is not a police matter call on 0845 045 45 45 or pop into the station and see me.

SCAMS

Recently 'winning international lottery scams' have surfaced again.

Please remember if you have not bought a ticket, you have not won a lottery.

These scams can be extremely convincing. They may arrive on your doorstep in letter form, by an e-mail into your on-line account, or even over the phone.

The people running these scams will encourage you to 'keep it secret'. They will want personal information from you, and money in some form or other to release the fairytale amount you have won. There maybe a deadline, so before you are drawn into sending any money, please visit me.

This week two locals have lost in excess of £23,000 believing they were going to receive millions.

Have you advertised an item for sale? If the person buying your goods sends you a cheque for an amount in excess of what the item is selling for,

BEWARE SCAM, they will suggest you bank their cheque and return the difference to them. You may end up retaining your goods, but your bank account could be lighter by £3000 to £5000.

If you think - *this deal is just too good to be true! Beware! It probably is!*

If you are in doubt, don't be tempted, first ask for our advice. It could save you a lot of heartache.



PCSOs Nicola Marks, Alan McCaffrey and James Mitchener

PCSOs Alan McCaffrey and James Mitchener have been involved in a number of local events this month, including the continued Action for Youth Project in the Ashley area. The project involves the local community, churches and representatives from the local police and Town Council getting together to discuss ways in which the community can assist the young people of Ashley.

Following a well attended meeting at The Rugby Club with the young people, additional litter bins have been placed in Ashley recreation ground in an attempt to reduce the amount of litter found frequently in this area. The young people themselves identified where the bins should be placed.

We have attended the second meeting with the local shopkeepers and are



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progressing our aim of re-introducing the Shopwatch scheme in the town. Those present were very keen to start the initiative which is a deterrent to many would-be shoplifters in our town.

We have attended a few summer fetes in recent weeks. On June, 14 we attended the Ashley fun day at the Rugby Ground. The day was thankfully blessed with excellent weather. The event spoke volumes for Community spirit. We were impressed that people still take pride in their community by the large amount of people who attended. Some alcohol was taken from youths, however this did not affect the outstanding hard work and effort by the organisers to achieve an excellent day of entertainment.

We also visited Ashley Junior School Fete on June, 21 and New Milton Junior School Fete on June, 27 where many children enjoyed sitting inside a police car or van. Perhaps they were impressed and will become a police officer of the future!

On the June, 22 we attended the Royal British Legion Parade Woman's Section dedication of a new Standard (Flag) at Milford on Sea. We assisted with any traffic control. Thankfully the weather was once again glorious and contributed to the success of the day.

There has been no relevant increase in the amount of alcohol seized from underage drinkers last month, however we would like to make it clear that those in possession of alcohol and those found supplying it to underage people will be dealt with accordingly by way of fixed penalty notice and/or letters sent home to their parents to inform them of the outcome.

Finally we receive many complaints regarding cycling on a public footpath which is an offence and can be dealt with by way of a £30 fixed penalty notice. The most effective way to deal with this issue is to be riding our own police issue bike. Recently it appears the verbal discretionary warnings given are not working. Several fixed penalty notices have been issued, as some members of public are still insistent on riding on the pavement during the busy hours in the town area.

Anyone with information for the PCSOs can contact us by phoning us on 0845 045 45 45 or emailing new.milton.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

Town Centre – PC Nick Rogers

A quiet month in terms of reported anti-social behaviour and overall reported crimes. On June, 5 two pushbikes were stolen from outside local premises. Neither of the bikes had been locked. Please endeavour to lock and secure a bike to a static object. It is also advisable to individually mark your bike so it stands out if found as obviously all bikes are mass produced. Some people prefer to make it blatant by stickers or adjustments. Other things can be done such as hiding something in the handlebars, marking it with UV marker pen etc.

A local well known shoplifter has been charged with six shoplifting offences. Five of these were committed throughout June.

Burglary

To my knowledge there have not been any house burglaries this month in or around the town area.

In the early hours of June, 5 a High Street bank was entered and the offenders attacked an

ATM machine. The offenders were disturbed and fled. While an Officer was on scene guard outside the bank the offenders returned. They damaged the police vehicle. When another Police unit arrived they also started to attack the second police vehicle with metal bars. If anyone knows anything about this offence please report it. Information can be reported anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. Enquiries are still ongoing for this offence which is fortunately rare.

Assaults

In the early hours on June, 1 a man was arrested for a public order offence for being abusive towards officers. The man was repeatedly warned but persisted to swear. This man was given a fixed penalty notice.

On June, 26 a man was arrested for a domestic related assault. He was cautioned for this offence.

Damage

Reports of criminal damage have significantly decreased this month. Last month I mentioned that there had been several unconnected mindless damages in May. Such incidents can be very upsetting, frustrating and costly to the owners. Such pointless damages are usually committed by people in drink on their way home. Such people however rarely commit damage to their own property, as they have the sense to treat their own property with respect. It is very annoying that these people don't show this same respect to others belongings and property.

Milford and Barton – PC Del Jones

Burglary

Just one dwelling burglary to report during the month of June. Overnight on June, 7 a man stole a builder's ladder from Albert Road and used it to commit a burglary in a first floor



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flat in Lymington Road, New Milton. The offender stole jewellery and a number of other small items from the flat. A man has been arrested in connection with these incidents.

On two occasions during June the same beach hut was broken into on Hordle Cliff and damage caused.

Assaults

There were only three reported assaults on my beat during June, two of these incidents related to a domestic dispute where the offender has been arrested and charged. The final assault was as a result of a neighbour dispute. The offender has since been arrested and is currently on police bail while further enquiries are conducted.

Theft

There have been a number of thefts from shops in Christchurch Road, Barton and High Street, Milford during June. A man has been arrested in connection with these offences and has been charged with six theft offences four of these relate to offences committed in Milford and Barton.

There have also been a number of cycles stolen from Milford village centre. On one occasion an older bike was left in place of one stolen.

Damage

On June, 23 damage was caused to a vehicle in Bramshaw Way, Barton following a domestic dispute. The offender has since been arrested and charged with the offence.

Beat Surgery

The locations, as always, are Milford village hall from 10am to 12pm and Barton on Sea Methodist Church from 2 to 4pm on the first Monday of each month. Although these "surgeries" allow me to be

available to answer your queries at a location near to you, their effectiveness is constantly under review and will only remain on a "use it or lose it" basis. The Milford surgery is well attended but Barton struggles for numbers.

New Milton West – PCs Chrissie Benfield and Damien Guest

On June, 19 I was in attendance at the North Milton Residents Group meetings held at The Nedderman Centre, Marryat Road. The meeting was very well attended and the following agenda was agreed to discuss at each meeting – anti-social behaviour, estate management /maintenance, parking and litter problems. One issue raised was the problem of "boy racers" driving at excess speed on the estate. There was a request for "sleeping policemen" to be installed, this is something I have noted and will raise with the Roads Policing unit. I did however have to decline personally, informing those present that the police current protective gear would not withstand the weight of a vehicle - and the fact that I would much prefer my bed than Marryat Road! I would like to ask though that residents reported those driving in an inappropriate manner. We do have powers enabling us to deal with this mentioned earlier in this newsletter, but if it is not reported we can not deal with it. On the subject of reporting, it was apparent at the meeting that the 101 number used for reporting was not common knowledge. For those that don't know 101 is a 24 hour telephone number you can use to report less urgent matters such as, anti-social behaviour, vandalism and graffiti, noisy neighbours and loud parties, abandoned vehicles and fly-tipping. Do not hesitate though to dial 999 if there is immediate

danger or you witness a crime taking place.

The next North Milton Residents Group meeting will be on Thursday August, 21 at 6pm at The Nedderman Centre, Marryat Road.

Anti-social behaviour

There were six reports of rowdy/anti-social behaviour in June. The majority of the reports related to groups of youths hanging around, being noisy and causing a nuisance. This type of behaviour is disturbing and upsetting to local residents and officers at New Milton deal robustly with any offences that are committed. Now that the warmer weather and lighter evenings are here, we expect the number of reported incidents to increase. Please keep reporting these incidents so that we can build up a picture of the youths that repeatedly cause problems enabling us to deal with them more effectively and to target our patrols where the main problems occur.

Assault

There were eight reported assaults in June. In all of the reports the suspects were known to the aggrieved parties. On June, 1 a neighbour dispute over noise lead to a physical assault on two people. A person has been arrested and is currently on police bail. On June, 7 a man was arrested following a domestic assault he is also on police bail while further enquiries are conducted. On June, 11 a neighbour dispute on the Chatsworth Estate escalated and became a brawl in the street, following police attendance a number of people were arrested and charged with assault. On June, 22 a man was arrested and charged following a domestic assault. Domestic violence is taken very seriously by the police and we will take positive action when called to intervene in this type of incident.



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Theft

There were a total of 14 theft offences reported in June, three of which were thefts from a motor vehicle. Please do not leave any valuables in your vehicle. Any item left in view is a target. Don't believe that it happens to everyone else! It could happen to you.

Burglary

I am pleased to say that there were no reported burglaries in June. However on June, 4 someone has tried to break into the Nedderman Centre as damage was found on one of the doors.

Criminal Damage

There were only six reports of damage in the month of June. Overnight on June, 5/6 a car parked in Worthy Road had its windscreen smashed. During the daytime of June, 27 damage was caused to a window in a house in Churchill Court, Gore Road. Also at about the same time the fence between a house and a public footpath in Brownsea Close was damaged. It has been estimated that repairs will cost over £300. Most damage is caused either as a result of drunken boisterousness or as a result of lack of consideration. Little thought is given to the consequences of the offenders actions.

New Milton East – PC Olivia Lucas

Throughout June local officers have targeted anti-social behaviour in the Ashley area which, on some occasions, resulted in arrests and alcohol being seized. At this time we are working in partnership with other agencies to tackle this type of behaviour. At present a great deal of intervention work is in progress with many individuals who have been involved in unruly behaviour over recent months. Patrols will continue in the Ashley area during the summer holiday

and anti-social behaviour will be dealt with in robust manner.

Theft

In June we had only five reported theft incidents in the Ashley area relating to locals stores. A number of DVDs were stolen from Tesco Supermarket. The incident was captured on the store CCTV system and officers are in the process of identifying the offenders.

Assault

There were only four reported assaults in June. On June, 6 a man was arrested and charged after assaulting his partner following a domestic incident in Andrew Lane. Another man was arrested for assaulting his girlfriend outside Ashley Hotel on June, 14.

Burglary

In the month of June we had a very low number of reported dwelling and non dwelling burglaries in the Ashley area. On June, 4, two men were arrested after they were seen by patrolling officers during the early hours of the morning carrying a large TV and other items they had just stolen from 2 properties in Inglewood Drive. Upon seeing the officers one of the males ran away, and tried to hide by climbing on the top of nearby garages. Two men have subsequently been arrested and charged with dwelling burglary.

At the beginning of the month some power tools were stolen from a garage in Manor Road.

Criminal Damage

There were 10 reported criminal damages in June. This is an increased number from previous months. The majority of these reports are as result of anti-social behaviour of young people.

Throughout June damage was caused to fences, roofs, windows/windscreens and flower pots around Ashley

recreation ground/Ashley Junior school, Ashley Common Road. On June, 14 two men were arrested and charged after they were witnessed causing damage to a parked police vehicle in Molyneux Road by removing the number plates

To join or start a
**Neighbourhood Watch
Scheme**



contact your nearest police station on **0845 045 45 45**

To report non-emergency incidents, please use the multi-agency Single Non-Emergency Number 101



If you would like to make any comment regarding the content of this Bulletin, or if you have any information that would enable us to target our patrols to address your local problems or concerns, your input would be welcomed.

Please e-mail us on: new.milton.snt@hampshire.pnn.police.uk or phone New Milton police station on **0845 045 45 45** and leave a message.

To report a crime anonymously phone:





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Hordle and Everton, incorporating Bashley and Wooton

Unfortunately there has been a recent increase in the number of anti-social behaviour calls relating to the Hordle area. We are receiving calls relating to underage drinking and anti-social use of vehicles at Hordle recreation ground. This type of behaviour is unacceptable and we will challenge it whenever possible. Please continue to report such behaviour so we can target problem areas.

Assault

There were no recorded assaults in the Hordle area last month.

Burglary

Overnight on June, 7 a property in Silver Street was entered. Those responsible slept in the premises overnight and helped themselves to food and drink before leaving the scene. A separate unoccupied premises also in Silver Street has been broken into twice during the same month. A man has since been arrested on suspicion of committing all three burglaries and is currently on police bail pending further enquiries.

On June, 10 the front door of a property in Ashley Lane, Hordle was left open by the occupant, an offender entered the house through the open door and stole a handbag from the kitchen. Remember, an open door or window is an open invitation for a burglar.

Damage

There have been a number of damage reports in the Everton Road area of Hordle during June, most of these offences have taken place overnight and are consistent with the closing times at local public houses. We have taken steps to increase the number of patrols in that area at night particularly on weekend evenings.

Theft

In a similar trend to the damage reports above, a number of house signs along Everton Road, have been stolen overnight. A number have been located in neighbour's gardens but some have yet to be recovered. This would indicate that these incidents were drunken pranks other than serious attempts to steal the items.

Sway – PCSO James Mitchener

I'm happy to say the rain held off for a very successful Carnival. It was good to see so many from the village turnout and show such a good community spirit with all ages enjoying themselves and involved in a colourful parade. The event was well organised and was completed without incident.

The no waiting cones in Station Road and Church Lane have now been removed as the building site is near completion. Finally, there is still a wheelchair at New Milton police station, which was taken from a group of youths on Sway train station. I have mentioned this issue to the Parish Council also. Please contact New Milton police station if you have any information, as we are anxious to return it to its rightful owner.

Assault

On June, 2 a man was arrested on the Set-Thorns Estate following a domestic incident.

Burglary

There are no reports of dwelling burglaries this month. A cycle was taken from a communal Bike Shed in the village and is yet to be recovered.

Damage

On June, 7 a vehicle which was parked in a public car park had the front window smashed and

the front driver's side tyre deflated.

On June, 28 the outer skin of a double glazed window unit at the sports pavilion has been smashed by unknown means. Nothing was seen or heard.

Theft

A 15ft trailer was taken from the yard of a local motor services company in the village on June, 30 and a car was broken into on June, 10 at the Waverley Car Park, a bag and contents were taken.

Anti-social behaviour

The recent unpredictable weather has decreased the number of reports of anti-social behaviour. During the month a large group of drunk youths were reported at Sway railway station. As mentioned previously anti-social behaviour at train stations may have very serious consequences.