

# West Mercia Police

## BISHOP'S CASTLE & RURAL Safer Neighbourhood Team

**Date: November 2024 – Newsletter**

**BISHOP'S CASTLE & RURAL SNT** are based at Bishops Castle Police Station, Union St, Bishop's Castle, SY9 5AJ.

We work in the Parishes and area's of Bishop's Castle, Mainstone, Colebatch, Clun, Llanfair Waterdine, Newcastle on Clun, Bettws-Y-Crwyn, Stowe, Bucknell, Bedstone, Hopton Castle, Clungunford, Aston on Clun, Hopesay, Clunbury, Edgton, Wistanstow, Lydbury North, Lydham, More, Norbury, Wentnor, Ratlinghope, Stiperstones, Worthen and Chirbury.

### Team details

**Safer Neighbourhood Sergeant:** Sgt 0640 Jenni Price

**Safer Neighbourhood Police Constable:** PC 3331 Stuart Coote – 07814 051729

**Police Community Support Officer:** PCSO 6160 Shaun Culliss - 07811 752207

**Police Community Support Officer:** PCSO 40516 Calvin Brown – 07970 543854

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### West Mercia Police contact numbers

**Emergency:** 999 **Non Emergency:** 101

**Bishops Castle Police Station (not for reporting):** 101, Extension 770-4901

**Report online:** [www.westmercia.police.uk/ro/report/](http://www.westmercia.police.uk/ro/report/)

**Crime stoppers:** 0800 555 111

**Website:** [www.westmercia.police.uk](http://www.westmercia.police.uk)

**Twitter:** @SouthShropCops

**Facebook:** Bishop's Castle Policing Team - Rural Watch



# CRIME STATS

Please note not all crimes or investigations are recorded below due to them being non-crime investigations, protection investigations, of a sensitive nature or ongoing investigations.

## CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED IN CLUN, CLUN VALLEY, LLANFAIRWATERDINE, HOPTON CASTLE & BUCKNELL

16<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024

| CRIME REPORTED             | DETAILS   | LOCATION             | NOTES  |
|----------------------------|---|----------------------|--|
| Wounding with intent       |   | Clun                 |  |
| Assault                    |   | Anchor               |  |
| Offering to supply Class A | Two person's arrested   | Kinsley Rd, Knighton |  |
| Theft                      | Two Spaniels stolen from kennel, damage caused to padlock.          | Stowe                | Occurred overnight 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct. Dogs returned to the property around 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct. |
| Theft                      | 16 sheep stolen from field  | Purslow              | Occurred between 12 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct.  |
| Harassment                 |   | Kinsley Rd, Knighton |  |
| Burglary                   | Lock broken and frame damaged on a barn, nothing stolen from within | Stowe                | Occurred between 15 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct. Suspect identified   |
| Burglary                   | Food stolen from freezer in an outbuilding                          | Kinsley Rd, Knighton | Occurred 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct. Suspect identified  |
| Assault                    |   | Clunton              |  |

## CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED MORE, NORBURY, RATLINGHOPE & WENTNOR

16<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024

| CRIME REPORTED | DETAILS | LOCATION    | NOTES |
|----------------|---------|-------------|-------|
| Assault        |         | Ratlinghope |       |

## CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED LYDBURY NORTH, EDGTON, HOPESAY & WISTANSTOW

16<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024

| CRIME REPORTED | DETAILS | LOCATION      | NOTES |
|----------------|---------|---------------|-------|
| Stalking       |         | Lydbury North |       |
| Harassment     |         | Lydbury North |       |

**CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED  
CHIRBURY, WORTHEN, HOPE, SHELVE & STIPERSTONE**

**16<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

| <b>CRIME REPORTED</b>    | <b>DETAILS</b>  | <b>LOCATION</b>     | <b>NOTES</b>   |
|--------------------------|---|---------------------|--|
| Criminal damage          | Criminal damage caused to a vehicle left on side of the carriageway following a collision   | A488 near Nind turn | Suspect vehicle details obtained   |
| Stalking                 |   | Worthen             |  |
| Stalking                 |   | Snailbeach          |  |
| Burglary                 | 3 x keylite roof windows, 1 x whacker plate, 1 x JCB hydraulic breaker, 1 x hydraulic breaker, generator and Copper piping stolen from building site. | Leigh               | Occurred 11 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> October   |
| Suspicious circumstances | Unknown vehicle has driven over fields, tyre track discovered on two consecutive mornings.  | Priest Weston       | Occurred 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov. Likely caused by persons poaching or Hare Coursing during hours of darkness. Similar reports of vehicle tracks on land in the Bishop's Castle area during this time period |

**CRIME/INCIDENTS TO NOTE REPORTED  
BISHOP'S CASTLE, LYDHAM & MAINSTONE**

**16<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

| <b>CRIME REPORTED</b>    | <b>DETAILS</b>  | <b>LOCATION</b> | <b>NOTES</b> |
|--------------------------|---|-----------------|--------------|
| Harassment               | X3  | B/Castle        |              |
| Assault                  | X2  | B/Castle        |              |
| Criminal damage          | Damage caused to fencing allowing livestock to move between fields. | B/Castle        |              |
| Malicious communications |   | B/Castle        |              |
| Public Order Offence     |   | B/Castle        |              |

Anyone with any information as to whom carried out these crimes please contact West Mercia Police on **101**, Online [www.westmercia.police.uk](http://www.westmercia.police.uk) or Crimestoppers **0800 555111**

## **Winter Fuel Scam Texts**

Please be aware of the rise in fraudulent text messages targeting the elderly and vulnerable, falsely claiming to be from the UK Government offering Winter Fuel Payments.

The scam texts are made to appear official and titled similar to - '**Winter Heating Allowance**' and '**Cost of Living Support**'. They are designed to deceive individuals into providing personal and banking details by clicking a link that takes you to a fake website that mimics the official GOV.UK website.

Scammers often try to create a sense of urgency to panic victims into action without the time to think through the implications or details that may look out of place. This scam is no different, with the text telling victims that this is the 'last notice' before the deadline.

If you've already responded to such a scam, end all further communication immediately.

Call your bank directly and cancel any recurring payments.

Report the scam to through Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or on the Action Fraud website

If you want more help, contact Citizens Advice Scams Action via the Citizens Advice via their website, or call its Scams Action helpline on 0808 250 5050.