

Shepherdswell, Eythorne, Elvington & Aylesham



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Introduction

Over the past month I have had the pleasure of attending several School Summer Fetes and Village events. It has been nice to meet so many of you and the response has been very positive.


Due to the nature of this job, I have also been deployed to other events such as Deal Carnival and Deal Regatta, but have spent as much time within the district as possible.

Can I encourage all residents and businesses with CCTV at their properties to proactively sign up to the Kent Police CCTV Registry. This can be actioned at [Home - Connect Kent and Essex \(cctvregistrykentandessex.co.uk\)](http://Home - Connect Kent and Essex (cctvregistrykentandessex.co.uk)) This is a fantastic database managed by Kent Police allowing officers to make requests for CCTV footage when crimes take place within the area.



Email – 11454@kent.police.uk

Your local beat officer:
PC 11454 Bowler



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Incidents of Note

2nd July 2024 – Theft Shoplifting from Co-Op Shepherdswell. Matter reported to police and investigation still ongoing.

3rd July 2024 – Nuisance Motor Vehicle – Illegal small black motorcycle refused to stop for Police on Attlee Avenue, Aylesham. Young male rider. Any information as to the ID of the rider, please contact me by email.

4th July 2024 – Reports of an Accosting by an elderly male with grey hair on Spinney Lane, Aylesham. Ongoing investigation with reference – 46/111177/24.

5th July 2023 – Theft of Cement Mixer and Stand from Dorman Avenue North, Aylesham. This was taken from behind Heras fencing. Investigation report 46/111563/24

25th July 2024 – Several local incidents between local residents in Elvington around the Milner Road location. Investigating officer is PC Coulson who can be contacted with any information at 30475@kent.police.uk

28th July 2024 – Reports of persons causing disturbance within Elvington including reports of one being armed with a weapon. Extensive police deployment and this matter is still under investigation. Should anyone have any information, please contact police on 101 or via the Kent Police Website quoting reference KP-20240728-1396.

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Rogue Traders: It is worth noting we are seeing an increase in Rogue Traders across the district. Please consider the following if you are looking to get any maintenance work completed on your property:

- Research different companies and compare quotes so you know how much you would be expected to pay for a job. Rogue traders will often charge extortionate prices for simple jobs.
- Be wary of leaflets that are posted through your door offering services. Rogue traders will often have incorrect business addresses, and be only contactable by mobile numbers. Ask for identification and take vehicle registrations down and do not be afraid to ask for references.
- Make sure a quote is obtained in writing for the exact work to be completed. Do not give traders an opportunity to subtly damage your property to charge extra (take pictures before and after a quotation if physical inspection is required). Rogue traders like to bill you for items you have not requested. Avoid paying money up front and insist in a bank transfer from your bank to theirs using a sort code and account number; do not give them your card details. Avoid paying in cash.
- If you feel something is wrong, do not continue with the work. Trust your instincts. Ask a friend or relative for advice and take your time to make a decision. Rogue traders will try and pressure you into a sale.



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