

UTTLESFORD POLICE CONTACT INFORMATION

In emergency dial 999 - To report a crime / incident, use the Essex Police non-emergency number, 101
To contact your local Officer on other matters, use the relevant duty mobile phone number.

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Includes Felsted - Lt Dunmow - Stebbing-Lindsell - Barnston - H.Easter

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Sheds and garages - An open invitation to thieves

With general crime offences going down, thefts from sheds and garages are bucking the trend and increasing - Crime Prevention Advisor, Pete Caulfield explains what can you do to reduce the risk.

In common with many areas, the Uttlesford district is seeing a substantial increase in "Burglary Other," although other crimes seem to be on the wane. This is largely due to major County initiatives such as Operation Nemesis, which is actively targeting burglars.



This is a fairly typical example of poor shed security!

Burglary Other refers to anything that is not a house burglary and the biggest issue is currently thefts from sheds and garages.

Treasure Trove of goods

The problem is that whilst most of us take good care of our home security, our outbuildings tend to be forgotten, and yet they are often a veritable treasure-trove of goodies; power tools, cycles, mowers, chainsaws, golf clubs, sit-on mowers, motorcycles - all very stealable, to say nothing of your hand tools and gardening equipment, such as spades, hammers, screwdrivers and chisels, that could be used to force an entry into your home!

Needless risks

Too many of us are taking needless risks with our security and safety.

If you want to shift the risk back onto the criminal, why not follow our four-point plan:

Obscure: Hang net curtains or paint the windows with white paint. Burglars seldom steal what they can't see.

Lock: For sheds, fit a good quality padlock and hasp. Choose a close-shackled padlock and ensure that you bolt the fixings in place.

For garages with up-and-over doors, (with the door shut), drill through the runners just above the wheels and snap in a padlock to stop the wheels

passing. Ensure that other doors are secured with a 5-lever lock certified to BS3621. **Mark:** Visibly mark all tools and possessions with your postcode and house number or name. Visible marking is a great deterrent. you can use a hobby engraver or a product such as CreMark which is a paint pen and special tamper resistant lacquer. (about £12) **Alarm:** Buy a good quality shed alarm from the NhW security shop on their website, for £15, or just £19.99 with the additional external siren.



Brenda says, "Hello!"

By the time you read this, Essex Watch Liaison Officer, **Brenda Cross** will have added Uttlesford to her area of responsibility, and will have contacted most, if not all, of our coordinators. Welcome to the patch, Brenda.

Your local NhW coordinator is:

The Chairman Writes

Alan Johnson.

I hope that 2013 has started well for you. There has been some good news for Uttlesford residents; firstly, there is the news that Uttlesford is one of the best places to live in the UK. We all know that, but research by the Halifax Bank places us 6th in the whole country. It is based on a number of factors one being the low level of crime in the district. So, whilst we get used to the policing arrangements across Essex - with a new Police and Crime Commissioner, a Chief Constable leaving his post, and the continuing cost cutting in Essex Police and other partners, let's hope that this safety record does not slip.

Coordinator of the Year

Secondly is that we also have the best Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator in the County. At an annual award event, Valerie Trundle from Stansted, was judged to be Coordinator of The Year. Many congratulations to her, but also a big thank you to all the dedicated Co-ordinators in Uttlesford. Without them we would be unable to keep our neighbours informed of recent crimes and how to prevent them happening to you.

Shared resources

The continuing pressure of reducing costs is having a marked impact on the resources and support we receive from the Police. Although numbers in the newly named "Neighbourhood Crime Teams" will not be changing, we now have to share some services with Braintree. This includes the vital posts of Crime Prevention and Essex Watch Liaison, and the names you are

familiar with - Peter Caulfield our Crime Prevention Adviser now covers a much bigger area, and Mandy Crawley has been replaced by Brenda Cross who is based in Chelmsford.

Self sufficient

We'll have to see how this affects us, but it is clear that Neighbourhood Watch will be expected to be more self-sufficient in future. In particular, the main communication services we have - the website, the Observer and the weekly Bulletin - may need to be produced by volunteers with the appropriate skills. So, if you have these skills and can give a little of your time, please contact me on nhw@acjohnson4.plus.com to discuss what is involved.

Mandy on the Move

By the time you read this, Mandy Crawley, our Essex Watch Liaison Officer, will have left us. Many of you will know her from the regular Email bulletins she sends out. Sadly, the budget cuts mean that we have to lose some of our EWLOs and as a result, the districts of Uttlesford, Braintree, Chelmsford and Maldon have been amalgamated and it now falls to Braintree's Brenda Cross to look after you.

Bulletins

The weekly bulletins will, for the time being, be taken over by Peter, the Crime Prevention Adviser, but he warns that they are unlikely to be as comprehensive. "Due to the changes, my area is expanding to include the entire Braintree district too. Nevertheless I will endeavour to continue the good work that Mandy started."

Sorely missed

The Steering Group Chairman, Alan Johnson said that Mandy would be sorely missed, "Although she hasn't been with us very long, Mandy quickly made improvements to the service being offered, and became an integral part of the team. We are going to miss her."

Three men arrested for computer scam

In the last issue, we reported on a hoax police message that was popping up on people's computers. We understand that three men have now been arrested for conspiracy to defraud, as well as other associated offences. Good news!

Suspected dog thieves arrested

Further good news has reached us regarding a white van that had been circulated by Essex Horsearch as possibly being involved with the theft of dogs in the district and other parts of Essex and Suffolk. One witness provided an index number and within a couple of weeks, the van had been seen and chased by police. During the pursuit the occupants threw a dog out of the vehicle, which was relatively unharmed and found to have been stolen from Suffolk. An 18 year old man and a 16 year old youth were arrested. Well done to all involved.

DO YOU FANCY YOURSELF AS AN EDITOR?

Would like to edit The Observer newsletter for NhW? If so, please contact Peter on 101 ext 395387 for more details.

Role Expansion Means Changes

Essex Police have brought in substantial changes to the role of its Crime Reduction Officers, in a move to raise the profile crime prevention across the county. A title change to Crime Prevention Tactical Advisor, is the first clue as to the changes.

Amalgamation

Peter Caulfield, who has been the district's Crime Prevention specialist for the past seventeen years, is one of those affected by the changes, which have seen the size of his territory double overnight with the amalgamation of the Uttlesford and Braintree districts.

Priorities

"Although I will still be available to give security advice to homes and businesses, priority

will now be given to repeat and vulnerable victims," said Peter. "A lot of my role now revolves around domestic abuse issues, assisting architects and planners to design-out crime, and providing tactical options to tackle crime trends."

Concerns

With an area of 500 square miles and a population of a quarter of a million people, Peter is being kept very busy, and there are concerns that Neighbourhood Watch is already seeing a reduction in the service it is used to getting.

Personal Priority

"Neighbourhood Watch will always be one of my personal priorities," he said, "but it is inevitable that, whilst I am being spread so thinly across two large districts, my liaison with schemes will be less." Peter hopes that things will improve as the role settles-in.

Available from our Security Shop:

	PIR Shed Alarm £14.99
	Door Handle Alarm £6.00
	Padlock Alarm £12.99
	Purse-dipping Bells 50p

For more details, visit www.uttlesfordnhw.org.uk and click on the Security Shop panel.

Free Window Notice

Do you suffer from the nuisance of unwanted callers and junk mail? If so, then with our compliments, here is a notice that you can cut out of your Observer and stick into your front window.

No Stamp

You'll see that it warns that unwanted leaflets etc, will be returned at the sender's expense. We checked with Royal Mail and they do not have any issues with you posting letters without stamp on them, as they collect the charge from the recipient. Furthermore they actually suggest that people write "Gone Away" or "Not known at this address" on junk mail and pop it back in the box, so don't worry, you're not committing any offences by doing this.

Mail Preference Service

For junk mail delivered in your normal post, you should sign-up for the Mail Preference Service, that will ensure your name is removed from most mailing lists. Please note that for some reason, Royal Mail itself seems to be exempt from this, as they earn a lot of money by delivering flyers and leaflets with your mail. You can contact your local sorting office and request that they don't deliver these to your address, but in our experience, that doesn't always work. Hopefully the wording of this notice will deter that practice too.

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