

Parish Council monthly update

Sandwich APRIL 2021

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Welcome to the next update for SANDWICH

I hope that you are all well and now adjusting to the new rules which will see many of us being able to get out and about more and meet up with friends and family, this will certainly boost moral and help with our mental health.



CRIMES OF NOTE -

For the month of MARCH 2021 there were 162 calls made to Kent Police, of those calls

26 = traffic offences / incidents These have stayed the same from last month

2 = Covid incidents , these have gone down by over half which is good

17 = concern calls / 999 Unfortunately a slight increase here

13 = info calls / and the same also a slight increase , but with people now out and about more this may happen, but you can never tell what people will call in about.



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THURSDAY SURGERY DAYS

Thursdays are now proving to be a succesful busy day with Peter and Elliot and myself attending when our shifts allow.

We are finding that the general public are approaching us to tell us information or just generally for a chat which is making it easier for reporting issues as I feel face to face is sometimes preferred rather than on the telephone, being in that regular spot also reassures Sandwich they know where to find us as I feel continuity is key .



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Standing where we are also helps with the traffic issue that has been building up again in front of Carpenters , moving the vehicles on sometimes proves a massive issue and if we don't happen to see where the driver has gone ,then the buses come along and the road is blocked, causing a long que back down New Street.

Last week I have spoken to parking and requested a increase in having Traffic Wardens attend to educate and move vehicle that are regularly flouting the yellow lines in this area,education I believe is paramount in continuing to combat this issue .

If any councillors would like to join us one week for part of the duration we are there just contact me with a date and it would be a good opportunity to show Sandwich how we all work together.

DOG THEFTS ALERT

Spaniel puppies stolen from property near Canterbury

Information is being sought following a burglary near Canterbury in which five puppies were stolen.

The cocker spaniel puppies are believed to have been taken from their kennel at a property in Denton between 9am and 4pm on Tuesday 13 April 2021.

The puppies are described as being five weeks old, two are black and three are chocolate brown coloured.

Detectives from the Chief Constable's Crime Squad are investigating the burglary and ask that anyone with information regarding the missing puppies calls Kent Police on 01843 222289 quoting 46/61204/21.

You can also contact Kent Crime stoppers anonymously on 0800 555111, or by completing an online form on their website.



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Road safety support for those on two wheels

Officers at Kent Police have been out in force supporting a nationwide road safety campaign focusing on two wheels.

The two-week campaign from the National Police Chiefs' Council started on Monday 12 April. It will see officers from the Roads Policing Unit and Special Constabulary at Kent Police speaking with cyclists and motorcyclists about the dangers of not having the correct skills, knowledge and protective equipment to ride safely.

Officers will also be looking to improve rider behaviour and educate those who ride e-scooters of the law surrounding these vehicles.

E-scooters are classed as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEVs), which means they are treated as motor vehicles and subject to the same legal requirements.

Chief Inspector Elena Hall, Head of Kent Police's Roads Policing Unit, said: 'Enforcing the law is business as usual for us but we welcome opportunities like this to help further promote road safety messages.

'We work regularly with partner agencies including Kent and Medway councils, Kent Fire and Rescue Service and Highways England to keep the county's roads safe. Our officers will be looking out for anyone on two wheels who is riding in a careless or dangerous manner over the next two weeks.

'It's our priority to keep riders and other road users safe and officers will also be looking to raise awareness among motorists about how to improve road safety.'

Sandwich has been visited by the team and were patrolling the area, I was contacted by one of the team who advised me they were in the area and would be staying local for the day.

Thankyou for your continued support and I'm sure to see you all at some point whilst patrolling.

Regards
PCSO Debbie BISHOP



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