

## Horsham Weekly Bulletin

**Tuesday 5th November 2019**

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### **Crime Summary**

#### **Burglary**

Reference: 0333 30th October

Location: Rectory Close, Pulborough

Date and time: Between 0500hrs and 0730hrs 30th October

Details: A property was entered via an insecure door. Items stolen include a laptop, jewellery and cigarettes.

#### **Burglary other than Dwelling**

Reference: 0807 30th October

Location: Coldwaltham

Date and time: Between 2330hrs 27th October and 0830hrs 28th October

Details: An electric bike was stolen from a secure shed after unscrewing the hinges off the door.

#### **Other**

A digger from Manning's Heath was stolen between 1939hrs and 2036hrs on the 3rd November, if you have seen any suspicious activity in the area please call us on 101 and quote reference number 0331 4th November.

#### **Fraud Newsletter**

The November fraud newsletter can be found on our website. <https://www.sussex.police.uk/SysSiteAssets/media/downloads/sussex/advices/operations-initiatives-and-watch-schemes/operation-signature/latest-fraud-newsletter.pdf>

## News and appeals

### Man stabbed in Horsham town centre - witnesses sought



Police are seeking witnesses to a fight in Horsham town centre in which a man was stabbed.

At about 9pm on Friday (1 November) a fight took place involving several men in Bishopric, Horsham, outside the Lynd Cross pub.

A 20-year-old man from Crawley sustained a stab wound to his body and was taken to hospital where his condition is described as serious but not life threatening.

A 55-year-old Crawley man was arrested on suspicion of affray and is in custody for interview and further enquiries.

Detective Inspector Cheryl Lewendon said; "The investigation is at an early stage and enquiries are currently being made to trace other people suspected of being involved in the fight.

"If you were in Horsham town centre on Friday evening and saw anything of what happened, or have any further information, please contact us either online or by calling 101, quoting Operation Evesham."

"You can also contact the independent charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

"At this stage the Lynd Cross pub does not appear to have been directly involved in the incident, but it was a prominent and identifiable location directly outside which it took place."

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/news/sussex/news/witness-appeals/man-stabbed-in-horsham-town-centre---witnesses-sought/>

## Burglary



Prevention is the best defence against burglary  
Keep valuables out of sight and reach  
Don't advertise you're away or not at home on social media  
Keep doors and windows locked. Find our more advice.  
<https://bit.ly/34id0qr>

## Riding school receives police cash boost



The Cranleigh Riding for the Disabled Association has received a £500 cash boost from Sussex Police.

PCSO Tracy Bicknell, of the Horsham Prevention Team, said she was delighted to present a cheque to the riding school.

The donation comes from the Police Property Act Fund (PPAF), made up of monies received by the police from the sale of unclaimed lost property and property confiscated by order of the courts and then sold.

The riding school in Cranleigh, Surrey, is for people with special needs to benefit their health and wellbeing and is used by pupils at Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee School in Horsham.

To find out more about PPAF grants, please look [here](#).



## PCSO model will look to increase local engagement across Sussex



Monday 4th November saw the launch of a named PCSO for every community in Sussex Police.

The enhanced way of working will give every PCSO responsibility for a defined geographic area and every community in Sussex will have at least one named PCSO.

The new posts are being recruited throughout the financial year. There have already been intakes of 18 PCSOs in July 2019 and 36 in September 2019. Another 72 PCSOs will be trained over two intakes in January and March 2020 under the PCSO apprenticeship scheme.

This investment has been possible due to the precept increase proposed by Police and Crime Commissioner Katy Bourne, to include an extra 100 PCSOs by March 2020.

This investment has given Sussex Police a genuine opportunity to rethink its plans to enhance local policing. The precept uplift signals an exciting step change and means that communities will start to see and feel a difference as these roles are deployed to strengthen local policing.

Assistant Chief Constable Julia Chapman said: "The bolstering of PCSO numbers will help police working with local communities and will help bring a greater understanding of local issues, an increase in intelligence and an early resolution of Anti-social behaviour and local disputes before they can escalate into more serious crime. This investment will also assist in identifying and keeping safe the most vulnerable people in our communities.

"Along with the traditional foot patrol in areas where the community needs our support, our PCSOs are equipped to help solve neighbourhood issues, take statements, work with police officers and our partners to problem solve in the community."

With natural attrition, Sussex Police should achieve the target of 296 PCSOs by March 2020, though the last cohort will be in training and not deployable until the end of next summer.

There will also be six new rural PCSOs who will provide specialist support to rural communities. The rural PCSOs will have specialist training and this will enable them to recognise the specific crime types which can affect rural communities and the unique vulnerabilities of those who live and work in rural areas, both out in the community and through digital channels.

All PCSOs will work closely with our partners and voluntary organisations to solve specific local issues.

Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner Katy Bourne said: “My focus groups and conversations with local people clearly showed the public wanted PCSOs back in their communities, forming that essential and reassuring link with police.

“Neighbourhood policing needed modernising five years ago and that included giving PCSOs the necessary skills to help support police officers and investigations.

“Since then, Sussex Police have transformed the role with more knowledge, skills and powers, but at the same time keeping the best of the old model where PCSOs were known by their local communities.

“A huge welcome to our 100 extra PCSOs, as they start to enter Sussex communities on November 4. I look forward to visiting them in their designated areas and seeing the positive impact that they make to residents and local businesses.”

The 100 new posts will be allocated according to the demand and severity data

By inputting your postcode in [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk) you will be able to find out who your named PCSO is for the area where you live. Some areas may have more than one PCSO.

You can read more about how PCSOs will work and be deployed [here](https://www.sussex.police.uk/news/sussex/news/force-news/pcso-model-will-look-to-increase-local-engagement-across-sussex/).  
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### **Help us keep Sussex safe**

If you saw or heard anything, or have any information about any incident in this message please [contact us online](#), email us at [101@sussex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:101@sussex.pnn.police.uk) or call **101**, quoting the reference number provided.

Alternatively you can contact the independent charity **Crimestoppers**, anonymously, on **0800 555 111**, or online at [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

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**Links and attachments:** Sussex Police will only ever link you to secure Websites we trust. We will only send you attachments where we believe it is absolutely necessary.

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