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**News and appeals**

**Jewellery stolen from Horsham property**

Police are appealing for witnesses after jewellery worth thousands of pounds was stolen from a house in Horsham.

The property in Pollards Drive was burgled between the 22 and the 28 July.

Detective police constable, Dave Wadley, said: "The residents arrived back at the property to discover a large amount of jewellery had been stolen.

"Included in the list were pieces that held a significant amount of sentimental value, including rings, necklaces and earrings, so we are keen for anyone with information to report it immediately."

If you have any information please report [online](#) quoting reference 1145 of 28/07

<https://sussex.police.uk/news/jewellery-stolen-from-horsham-property/>

**Police appeal for information following rape of woman in Horsham**

Police are appealing for information after a woman was raped in a car park in Horsham.

The incident occurred in the stairwell of the multi-storey car park in Piries Place at about 2am on Sunday (6 August).

The victim, a 23-year-old local woman, had been drinking with friends at a bar in the town prior to the incident taking place.

The suspect is described as a white man in his 20s or 30s, approximately 5'8", of medium build, wearing a balaclava, a long sleeved top, dark jeans and white Lacoste trainers. He also wore black fabric gloves which had a thick wristband, and smelt strongly of 80s aftershave.

Anyone with any information is asked to [report it online](#) or call 101 quoting serial 196 of 08/06.

Alternatively, you can visit the [Crimestoppers](#) website or contact the independent charity anonymously on 0800 555 111.

<https://sussex.police.uk/news/police-appeal-for-information-following-rape-of-woman-in-horsham/>

## **Driver who saw couple in car parked off the A24 is sought as a witness**

Detectives in West Sussex would like to talk to a driver who saw a couple apparently having an altercation in a parked car just off the A24 between Dial Post and Horsham.

Sometime between 2pm and 3pm on Friday 21 July, the driver, described as white man in his 50's or 60's, driving a black car, stopped and asked the couple if everything was ok. He then drove on.

Detective Constable Katy Lewis of the West Sussex Safeguarding Investigations Unit said: "The couple, a man and woman in their early twenties, were parked in a red Honda Civic, in a lay-by on a country road, a turning left off the northbound A24, somewhere between Dial Past and Horsham.

"We believe the driver who saw them may have valuable information to assist a current investigation. If you are that person or if you know who he is, please get in touch with us [online](#) or call 101, quoting serial 856 of 21/07."

Steven Barnfield, 25, a tyre fitter, of Mill Pond Way, East Preston, appeared at Crawley Magistrates Court on Saturday

(22 July) and was remanded in custody for trial, with an initial appearance at Lewes Crown Court on 21 August. He is charged with kidnap, harassment and causing actual bodily harm to a 20-year-old woman.

<https://sussex.police.uk/news/driver-who-saw-couple-in-car-parked-off-the-a24-is-sought-as-a-witness/>

## **Three sentenced after night-time Monks Gate burglary and police pursuit**

Three men have been sentenced to a total of almost 12 years imprisonment for their roles in a night-time burglary and subsequent high-speed police pursuit in West Sussex.

Kieron Everitt, 31, unemployed, of Ferry Lane, Guildford; Daniel Rogers, 25, a cleaner, of Findon Way, Broadbridge Heath; and Timothy Wirtz, 28, unemployed, of Elm Grove, Horsham (see left to right in attached pictures) were sentenced at Hove Crown Court on Thursday (3 August).

At 2am on 30 March, a house in Brighton Road, Monks Gate, near Horsham, was broken into while the owners were asleep in bed. Rogers and Everitt entered and stole several items including a TV, a coffee machine and champagne. They also stole the car keys for a VW Polo and a Range Rover parked outside.

Rogers drove the Polo into Horsham town centre where he picked up Wirtz. Both cars then drove off until in Stane Street, Pulborough, the VW Polo collided with another vehicle. Stolen property from the abandoned Polo was transferred in the Land Rover driven by Everitt, with Rogers and Wirtz as passengers.

There then ensued an hour-long cat-and-mouse chase with police vehicles in the area.

Eventually the car was spotted by road policing officers in Guildford Road, Horsham, and a pursuit ensued with the Range

Rover reaching speeds of up to 80mph in 30mph zones.

Everitt made two failed attempts to reverse into the police car but as the pursuit continued into Robin Hood Lane, Warnham, he again reversed, forcing the police car off the road. Thankfully the officers were not hurt.

He then made off again but a short time later abandoned it in Findon Way, Broadbridge Heath. A dog unit arrived and police dog Vinnie was able to sniff out the three offenders who were found hiding in a shed and garden bushes in Findon Way. Strewn across the garden floor and inside the shed were the stolen items from the burgled house.

Everitt was given a total of five-and-a-half years - 54 months for burglary and theft, 12 months for dangerous driving, plus 12 months for aggravated vehicle taking, driving whilst disqualified and driving with no insurance, to run concurrently.

Wirtz was given a total of two-and-a-half-years - two years for handling stolen goods, and six months for being carried in a stolen motor vehicle. He will also be disqualified from driving for 12 months upon release from prison.

Rogers was given a total of three years and eight months - 40 months for burglary and theft, six months for aggravated vehicle taking. He will also be disqualified from driving for 12 months on his release from prison.

Rogers had entered a guilty plea at the first opportunity, and Everitt and Wirtz offered guilty pleas on 2 August.

Everitt was also sentenced to 48 months for burglary and theft and 12 months for aggravated vehicle taking, both to run concurrently with his five-and-a-half years, having admitted another burglary in Elm Grove, Horsham, on 27 March.

Detective Constable Emma Dumbrell of the West Sussex Priority Crime Team said; "This was a determined attempt to escape arrest after a night-time burglary. Fortunately nobody was hurt but the actions of the defendants, Everitt in particular, were also irresponsible and dangerous, and that is reflected in the sentences they have now been given."

<https://sussex.police.uk/news/three-sentenced-after-night-time-monks-gate-burglary-and-police-pursuit/>

## **Crime summary**

### **Burglary**

Reference: 0307 of 09/08/2017

Location: Hewells Court Horsham

Date and time: On the 8th August

Details: Entry gained to a property via an insecure door a passport and a debit card were stolen

Reference: 1279 of 09/08/2017

Location: Corsletts Avenue Broadbridge Heath

Date and time: Between the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of August

Details: A front door was forced to gain entry to a property.

Jewellery stolen

Reference: 1213 of 10/08/2017

Location: Barleycroft Horsham

Date and time: Between 12:00-16:00 on the 10th August

Details: Entry was gained to a conservatory through an insecure door nothing was stolen

### **Other than Dwelling**

Reference: 1187 of 06/08/2017

Location: East Street Rusper

Date and time: Between 04<sup>th</sup> August and 6<sup>th</sup> August

Details: A shed was broken into by cutting the padlock off.

Small tools stolen.

## Help us keep Sussex safe

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

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