



Horsham Weekly Bulletin

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News and appeals

Police using all available resources to progress drone investigation

Sussex Police is using all available resources to identify and bring to justice those involved in the illegal drone activity at Gatwick, Chief Constable Giles York has said today.

He has emphasised the need for more information from communities in the search for the criminal whose activities led to widespread disruption, with a £50,000 reward being offered through Crimestoppers for information. It is established that the incident, which led to widespread travel disruption, was caused by numerous instances of illegal drone activity at the site between 19 and 21 December. This was not a police drone. Police, supported by a range of partner agencies and working closely with Gatwick Airport, are currently examining relevant sightings by 115 witnesses – 93 from credible witnesses, people used to working in the busy airport environment, including a pilot, airport staff and police officers.

This includes further information generated as a result of a public appeal for information and more than 1,000 house to house enquiries.

Two damaged drones recovered from an intensive search of the area have now been ruled out of the enquiry.

Mr York said: “Public safety remains a priority and what we are dealing with is both unprecedented and challenging.

“There will be information relevant to this enquiry within the community and,

with a £50,000 reward on offer for information from Gatwick Airport Limited, it is vital that people come forward so we can bring to justice the person responsible for this criminal act.”

If you have any information, please contact Crimestoppers, anonymously if you want, on 0800 555 111 or through the non-traceable anonymous online form at www.crimestoppers-uk.org.

The reward will only qualify if information is passed to Crimestoppers’ 0800 555 111 number or via the non-traceable anonymous online form at www.crimestoppers-uk.org.

<https://news.sussex.police.uk/news/police-using-all-available-resource-to-progress-drone-investigation-344543>

Crime summary

Burglary

There were no burglaries to dwelling properties.

Other than Dwelling

Reference: 1022 23rd December 2018

Location: Little Jordans, Colgate

Date and time: Between 19th and 22nd December 2018

Details: Tools stolen from shed.

Reference: 0041 23rd December

Location: The Spinney, Shipley

Date and time: Between 22nd and 23rd December

Details: Padlock cut from workshop and tools stolen

Reference: 0637 23rd December 2018

Location: Bridge Road West, West Chiltington

Date and time: Between 22nd and 23rd December

Details: Lock broken on container and tools stolen.

Reference: 0871 28th December 2018

Location: Holders Close, Billingshurst

Date and time: Between 27th and 28th December

Details: A garage was entered and a motorbike battery was stolen.

Reference: 0311 30th December 2018
Location: Brighton Road, Woodmancote
Date and time: Between 21st and 28th December
Details: Door on shed was forced and a lawn mower stolen.

Other

Fraud Newsletter

Decembers **Keep your Money Safe** newsletter looks at the potential pitfalls of selling your car privately and what steps to take to make sure you only deal with legitimate buyers.

The second story involves a fraudster targeting a local business, requesting 'overdue' advertising invoices out of the blue to be paid to a new bank account, which seemed to be quite plausible in the heat of the moment, but without double checking the owner was defrauded in minutes by almost £8,000.

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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 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

Your local teams

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