

# Walmer newsletter



# Kent Police

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## Contacting Kent Police

Please remember in an emergency **always dial 999**

For any non-emergency enquiries please visit the Kent Police website where you can:

- Submit an online report of a crime or other incident
- Use our “Live Chat” function and speak with a call taker, not a bot
- Contact Crime Stoppers
- Follow links to our Social Media platforms including X and Facebook
- Call 101



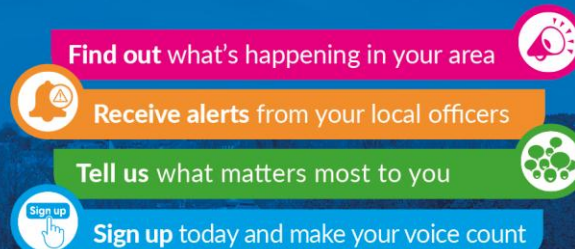
## Community engagement

- Wednesday 6 May 1300 – 1430 hours at Deal Pier with DDC’s Community Roots Van
- Tuesday 12 May 1000 – 1130 hours Community Engagement at East Langdon Village Hall
- Wednesday 13 May 1000 - 1130 hours Royal Marines Association, Walmer for Veteran’s Mess Tins and Banter
- Wednesday 20 May 1200 – 1400 hours at The Bay Bistro in St. Margaret’s
- Thursday 21 May 1000 – 1300 hours at the Dementia Roadshow, The Guildhall in Sandwich
- Tuesday 26 May 1000 – 1130 hours Community Engagement at East Langdon Village Hall
- Wednesday 27 May 1800 – 2000 hours Community Engagement at Guston Village Hal
- Thursday 28 May 1000 – 1130 Community Engagement at Wellingtons Café, Deal

Your local Neighbourhood Police Officer  
**PC 12757 Sophie Bramble**



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## What is StreetSafe?

As part of the government's agenda to tackle violence against women and girls, we are using an online tool called StreetSafe to enable people, particularly women and girls, to report locations where they feel or have felt unsafe and to identify the features on why that location made them feel unsafe. The focus of this is to identify particular areas and factors that lead to people feeling unsafe and might help offenders either commit or conceal a crime – such as street lighting, abandoned buildings or poorly designed spaces, vandalism, as well as behaviours of individuals or groups of people. StreetSafe is anonymous <https://www.kent.police.uk/notices/street-safe/street-safe/>



## What is what3words?

This free app has divided the world into 3 metre squares and given each square a unique combination of three words. It's an easy way to find and share exact locations.

Kent Police are one of many emergency services around the world that now accept 3-word addresses from callers. For further information, please see the following link [About us | what3words](#)

## Road Safety Operation

As part of our ongoing commitment to road safety in the Walmer area, officers recently carried out a Road Check operation near the seafront. During the operation, more than 20 vehicles were stopped, with a range of issues identified and dealt with, including defective tyres, seatbelt offences and number plate matters.

A speed detection device was also used to monitor vehicle speeds in the area, helping to address concerns around speeding and to promote safer driving for all road users.

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## Police Cycle Patrol

This month I've continued my police cycle patrols, getting out and about to provide a visible presence and stay connected with our community. Cycling allows me to be more accessible and to stop easily for a chat, so please don't hesitate to say hello if you see me out on patrol.

Whether you have something you'd like to raise, a concern to share, or just want a friendly greeting, I'm always happy to stop and speak with you.

## Motorcycle Thefts

Kent Police are continuing to see reports of motorcycle, moped and scooter thefts, and I'd like to remind owners how they can help protect their vehicles.

Thieves can steal a bike in seconds, particularly where security is poor, so using layers of security is key. This includes fitting good-quality disc or D-locks, using a sturdy chain secured to an immovable object, keeping bikes covered when left unattended, and always removing the keys and using the steering lock.

Alarm systems, trackers and property marking can also act as strong deterrents and help with recovery if a theft does occur.

If you witness any suspicious behaviour or have information about motorcycle thefts, please report it to Kent Police online [Report | Kent Police](#) or via 101 (999 in an emergency).

Prompt reporting really does make a difference and helps us target patrols and investigations effectively.



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Doorstep criminals continue to be active in the area.

Please be alert and warn your vulnerable friends and family to never respond to cold callers as you will pay a high cost for unnecessary and poor-quality work.

If you need work done on your home or garden use a safe, local trader from [Trading Standards Checked](#)

Report cold callers anonymously to the charity CrimeStoppers on 0800 555 111 or online here [Independent UK charity taking crime information anonymously | Crimestoppers](#).

For further advice call Citizens Advice consumer helpline on 0808 223 1133.

[Door-to-door and courier fraud | Kent Police](#)

## Fraud Talks

In response to such distressing crime, I have been organising fraud talks for local groups and other vulnerable members of our community. Your KCC Community Warden, Martin Dadd, Kent Police Fraud Prevention Co-ordinator, Emma, and I have been raising awareness and increasing confidence in how to deal with scammers.

### Are you involved with a group that would benefit from a fraud talk?

Please get in contact [Contact an officer or member of police staff | Kent Police](#) or use any of the non-urgent methods listed at the beginning of this newsletter.

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## Electric Scooters – know the law

Although e-scooters can be great fun, it is **against the law** to ride one on a public road, cycle lane or pavement. Please share this information with friends and family.

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, such as driving licence, insurance, number plates, lighting, road tax, crash helmets etc. **Without these, e-scooters cannot be used legally on the road.**

The Government is currently trialling the use of approved rental e-scooters as environmentally friendly modes of transport in specific locations in the UK.

For the rest of the country, under current law, e-scooters can only be used on private land with the landowner's permission.

It is our priority to keep you and other road users safe.

We are obliged to take action against anyone who is caught repeatedly using an e-scooter illegally or in a way that causes a nuisance to others. In these circumstances we have the power to seize the e-scooter under Section 59 of the Police Reform Act/165 of the Road Traffic Act – and we'd really prefer not to.

For more information about powered transporters and the law, visit [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)