





Horsham Weekly Bulletin

Wednesday 26th June 2019

Crime Summary

Burglary other than Dwelling Reference: 1594 24th June Location: Kingsgate Horsham

Date and time: Between the 16th and 17th June Details: A bicycle was stolen from a garage

Other

To ensure the Neighbourhood Alert gets to as many people as possible would NHW Street Co-ordinators please forward any relevant messages to their members – Thankyou.

News & Appeals

Woman attacked in Horsham street - witnesses sought

Police in Horsham are seeking a man who attacked a woman in the street.

At about 8.15am on Saturday (25 May) the 26-year-old woman was walking west along Harwood Road, Horsham, when she became aware of a man following her as she crossed the roundabout junction with Comptons Lane.

As she continued along Harwood Road the man grabbed her and pushed her up against a fence and attempted to sexually assault her. However she kneed him and hit him in the face and was able to run off. The man did not follow her and ran off in the direction from which he had come.

He was described as white, about 20, quite skinny and tall, wearing a tracksuit, and dark grey or black trainers.

PC Neil Twelves said; "The victim was very shaken by the incident but was not physically hurt.

"This is a very unusual incident for the area, there is no pattern of any similar recent incidents.

"If anyone was either in the area that morning saw anything of what happened, or has any other information, please contact us online or by calling 101, quoting serial 339 of 25/05.".

https://news.sussex.police.uk/news/woman-attacked-in-horsham-street-witnesses-sought-373583

Police set to launch summer crackdown on drink and drug-drivers You might feel fine to drive, but if you're over the limit you're at serious risk of killing or seriously injuring someone – or yourself.

This is the message being issued as Sussex Police and Surrey Police prepare to launch their annual summer crackdown on drink and drug-drivers.

The campaign aims to keep road users as safe as possible, by educating motorists of the dangers of drink and drug-driving, and by targeting offenders.

The forces dedicate resources to the campaign twice a year – during summer and at Christmas, when social occasions are at their peak – however, this is in addition to responding to reports of drink and drug-drivers 365 days a year.

Anyone caught and convicted as part of the summer 2019 crackdown, which runs from 24 June to 7 July inclusive, will be identified on the Sussex Police news website and social media pages.

Chief Inspector Michael Hodder, of the Sussex Police and Surrey Police Roads Policing Unit, said: "Ultimately, our main aim is to keep people as safe as possible on our roads by providing education, and by enforcing the law where we need to.

"It goes without saying that drink and drug-driving destroys lives, and it's something that can so easily be avoided.

"People have a clear decision to make. By choosing to drive under the influence of drink or drugs, you are choosing to take a huge risk. Alcohol and substances significantly impair your ability to carry out even the simplest of tasks, and you should never get behind the wheel of a car in these circumstances.

"Similarly, you should never get into a vehicle with someone you know who has consumed drink or drugs. Don't put yourself in danger.

"You can also be over the limit the morning after. A common misconception is that a few hours' sleep, a coffee and some breakfast will do the trick, but it can take several hours for alcohol to leave your system and even longer for drugs. "Of course we want people to have fun and enjoy themselves this summer, but don't do anything you might regret. We're not out there to ruin your fun; in fact

don't do anything you might regret. We're not out there to ruin your fun; in fact, we'd rather not make any arrests at all. But if you're prepared to break the law then prepare to face the consequences."

Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner Katy Bourne said: "I am always dismayed by the number of people who choose to get behind the wheel of their vehicle when they are under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. This is not just inconsiderate, it's totally irresponsible. Those who kill or seriously injure others when over the limit should be in no doubt that they will face the legal and social consequences of their actions.

"The message is clear, drink or drive; don't take the risk and do both, even if you

have had 'only one drink'."

The consequences of drink or drug-driving could include the following: A minimum 12 month ban:

An unlimited fine;

A possible prison sentence;

A criminal record, which could affect your current and future employment;

An increase in your car insurance;

Trouble travelling to countries such as the USA;

You could also kill or seriously injure yourself or someone else.

People in Sussex can text officers on 65999 with the details of people they suspect of drink or drug-driving, or visit the Operation Crackdown website.

You can also contact the independent charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or report it online.

If you know someone is driving while over the limit or after taking drugs, call 999. https://news.sussex.police.uk/news/police-set-to-launch-summer-crackdown-on-drink-and-drug-drivers-373591

Alerts/Press Releases sent out this week click the link to see full details.

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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

<u>Visit our Website</u> to contact your local team, view local news and follow our social media accounts. Simply type your post code in the 'Find a Local Area' box located in the top right of the web page.

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