



Warwick Rural West Update

May 2021

**All the latest from your Safer
Neighbourhood Team**



All the latest about what we are doing and what is going on in and around your home and area.

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From the Sergeant – Danielle Bristow

Drugs – In Our Midst

Weed, Skunk, Pot, Marijuana, Herb.... Cannabis. However, it's illegal. It's a Class B drug which means it is illegal to have yourself, sell or even give away. If you get caught in possession of cannabis you can get up to five years in prison. Supplying cannabis can end up in up to 14 years in prison, an unlimited fine or both. Like drink driving if you are caught driving under the influence of cannabis you may receive a driving ban, or even a prison sentence. Cannabis has changed a lot over the years, historically Cannabis had much higher levels of CBD (cannabidiol) and lower levels of THC (Tetrahydrocannabinol). THC is the primary psychoactive compound in cannabis plants. The plants that are around these days typically have much higher levels of THC and lower levels of CBD. THC affects your mental health including difficulty concentrating or problem-solving, impaired memory and feelings of anxiety or paranoia. Cannabis factories are not only illegal but also have many risks associated with them

Main electrical supplies are often bypassed which creates a huge risk to the building itself, the occupants, and surrounding businesses/residential properties. The smell is particularly strong and is unpleasant for those residing nearby. The properties will be damaged to accommodate the growing facilities and the property owners are left with a large bill to rectify the damage. Not to mention the modern slavery and human trafficking that goes hand in hand. 'Farmers' are recruited to harvest the crop and live in bad conditions for a minimal wage. I'd impress upon everyone that there are a lot more risks and consequences associated with this than simply getting a few plants off the street!

If you have any suspicions around a cannabis factory near you then they can be reported by calling 101, online by visiting www.warwickshire.police.uk or alternatively you can report anonymously to <https://crimestoppers-uk.org>



Sgt Danielle Bristow

Your Beat Manager is **PC Jo Whittaker** who is responsible to me for ensuring the Policing Priorities are delivered and that the Safer Neighbourhood Team is fully engaged with the community it polices. Please drop us a line by email or call us by telephone and leave a message and the team will get back to you concerning any issues you may have. See page 3 for all the details on how you can contact your SNT.

Warwick Rural West Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Update

How to keep up with Warwick Central Safer Neighbourhood Team

We are on Twitter: [@WarwickCops](https://twitter.com/WarwickCops)

We are on Facebook: [Warwick Police](https://www.facebook.com/WarwickPolice)

Out and about with Warwick Rural West SNT

From 26 April to 2 May, Warwick Rural West Safer Neighbourhood Team joined the 25 initiatives in the county focusing on key themes including knife crime prevention and education as well as targeted operations alongside partner agencies.

Examples included knife sweeps in greenspaces, we did sweeps of Bishops Tachbrook Park and Hampton Magna park, we did not come across any knives, but we did however come across some drug paraphernalia. We conducted targeted leaflet drop and engaged with local retailers.

A major focus was to raise awareness of impacts and consequences associated with carrying a knife and to provide a safe and anonymous disposal mechanism. 'No questions asked' surrender bins were located at Nuneaton, Rugby, and Leamington Spa police stations and SNTs were working in the community with 'pop up' surrender bins at various strategic locations. There were 90 knives were surrendered across the force during the week, broken down as follows:

- Nuneaton and Bedworth / North Warwickshire - 10 knives
- Warwick / Stratford - 50 knives
- Rugby - 30 knives

Nationally a total of 7,500 knives were surrendered, seized, or recovered from weapon sweeps.



Update on our priorities

1 Deal with cross border and suspicious activity – We have been patrolling and trying to intercept and deter criminals from other areas coming across working alongside the traffic unit and setting up taskings for units.

2 Community Engagement – we have been on foot patrols and talking to public. Walking around parks and open spaces within villages. Hopefully we will have more consistent weather in the coming weeks so coffee morning can be scheduled these can be held in outdoors place. Engaging with schools and businesses again.

3 Speed checks at problem locations. – We have been targeting problem locations following reports coming in and we have built up a nice list for speed checks to be conducted. Hopefully some of you have seen me out and about at numerous locations. The speed guns have now been calibrated so you will see us out and about again in the problem areas that have been highlighted.



Warwickshire Police Update

Details about your Safer Neighbourhood Team

The Warwick Central SNT Area covers
**Barford, Beausale, Baddesley Clinton, Bishops
Tachbrook, Budbrooke, Chadwick End,
Hampton on the Hill, Hampton Magna, Haseley,
Hatton, Hatton Park, Haseley Knob, Hill
Wootton, Honiley, Norton Lindsey, Lapworth,
Leek Wootton, Little Shrewley, Lowsonford,
Pinley Green, Sherbourne, Shrewley Common,
Shrewley, Rowington, Wasperton & Wroxall**

How to contact Warwick Rural West SNT
By email;
www.snt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk

By telephone: **01926 684397**

Sign up for Community Messages at:

www.warwickshire.police.uk

Sergeant Danielle Bristow

Warwick Rural West SNT

PC Jo Whittaker
PCSO Paul Coleman
PCSO Marie Gisbourne-Hanks

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Monthly Message from Beat Manager PC Jo Whittaker

Hello and welcome to this month's newsletter!

We have again been busy this month due to an increase in demand, as the lighter nights are keeping people out and about resulting in more Anti-social behaviour. We have been joining up working with the Warwick Central team to conduct a warrant on a storage unit.

We have been involved in gathering information on youths that are being targeted/ recruited into county line drug activity. Working closely with our multi agencies to offer support and interventions to break the cycle in our county. We have started to engage with the local Primary Schools to discuss giving talks and presentations on specialised subjects such as Discrimination, Violence, road safety and knife crime aimed at the older years before they move into high school.

Good news

- We assisted Warwick Central with a "drugs" warrant which was successful and over a 1000 cannabis plants were seized equating to 100's of 1000's pounds worth of drugs off the streets and compost was donated to local schools.
- This had led to a big dip in burglaries and suspicious activity, but please call in all suspicious incidents.
- We have been talking to local businesses now that restrictions are lifting. We have spoken to local residents to identify the people of interest in Anti-social behaviour incidents which are currently just a nuisance.

We have been working with other partnerships and the Community Safety Officer at Warwick District Council to conduct searches in the local parks where public space protection orders (PSPOs) have been put in place. The school holidays are drawing closer so we expect ASB and substance misuse to increase in open space. We now have tickets to deter and disrupt this activity, provided by the council

Best wishes – PC Jo Whittaker

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Current Covid restrictions (This could be subject to change)


HM Government



COVID-19:
Restrictions in England
From 17 May

STEP 3

MEETING OTHERS  <p>You can meet outdoors in groups of up to 30 people. You can meet indoors in groups of up to six people or two households.</p> <p>You don't have to stay 2m apart from friends and family, but consider the risks to you and those you are with.</p>	OVERNIGHT STAYS  <p>Domestic overnight stays are allowed, in groups of up to six people or 2 households.</p>	EDUCATION  <p>Schools, colleges and universities fully open.</p> <p>Regular testing provided.</p>	WORK AND BUSINESS  <p>You should continue to work from home if you can.</p>
RETAIL AND PERSONAL CARE  <p>Open.</p>	BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS  <p>Open.</p> <p>Groups of up to six people or two households allowed indoors.</p> <p>Groups of up to 30 allowed outdoors.</p>	ACCOMMODATION  <p>All holiday accommodation open, including hotels, hostels and B&Bs.</p>	LEISURE AND SPORTS FACILITIES  <p>Open indoors and outdoors, including gyms, indoor sports facilities, swimming pools, saunas and steam rooms.</p> <p>Organised sport and group exercises allowed.</p>
ENTERTAINMENT  <p>Open indoors and outdoors, including cinemas, bowling alleys, zoos and theme parks.</p>	LARGE EVENTS  <p>Events, including live performances, business events and sporting events can proceed with capacity limits, indoors and outdoors.</p>	DOMESTIC TRAVEL  <p>Travel safely. Plan ahead and avoid the busiest times and routes if you can.</p>	OVERSEAS TRAVEL  <p>Check whether your destination is on the red, amber or green list. You should not travel to red and amber countries. If you are travelling to a green country, check the rules in your destination as testing or quarantine requirements may be in place.</p>
PLACES OF WORSHIP  <p>Open. You can attend in groups of 6 people or 2 households.</p>	WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS  <p>Weddings, receptions, life events and wakes can take place with up to 30 attendees, indoors in a COVID-Secure venue, or outdoors.</p> <p>No limit on funeral attendees, subject to how many the venue can safely accommodate with social distancing.</p>	RESIDENTIAL CARE  <p>People who live in a care home can have 'low risk' visits out of the home without the need to isolate when they get back. Residents can also name up to five visitors.</p>	SHIELDING  <p>If you are clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV) you do not need to shield, but should continue to take extra precautions such as shopping at quieter times of the day. You can follow the same advice on meeting friends and family as everyone else.</p>

For more information and detailed guidance visit:
gov.uk/coronavirus

COVID-19

Let's take this next step, safely.





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