

# Risley Neighbourhood Watch

# **News Update**

# May 2024



### CRIME REPORT

4 incidents reported in the past 2 months.

- 1st April vehicle exceeding the speed limit on No Man's Lane
- 18<sup>th</sup> April 2 males were "stop searched" on Derby Road and found to be in possession of Class B drugs.
- 25<sup>th</sup> April theft/burglary on Breaston Lane.
- 7<sup>th</sup> May dangerous "pot hole" reported at the junction of Derby Road/Bostocks Lane. A potential RTA hazard to motorists & cyclists

# Local "Hot Spots" are patrolled weekly by the Police

- Please remember to let us know if you report a 101/999 incident
- You can also use this link: Contact us | Derbyshire Constabulary



#### **POT HOLES**

They are currently the "curse" of the highways. They can damage your vehicle or cause a serious RTA (Road Traffic Accident).

Please report as many as you can via the link below.

https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/transport-roads/roads-traffic/road-maintenance/potholes/potholes.aspx



### **ROGUE TRADERS**

Please be aware of a rogue trader claiming to do work on people's roofs.
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Remember to only use trusted traders especially after the unfortunate damage that has been caused by the weather in recent months.



## PROTECT YOUR HOME AND YOUR CAR

There have been a number of burglaries in the area recently. Have you considered installing CCTV and/or a video doorbell. They aren't expensive and they are a very real deterrent. Have you got exterior security lighting installed? This is also a real deterrent.

Check your window locks & door locks are secure. Have you got a safety chain or a "spy hole" fitted to your front door? Make sure any side gates are bolted and padlocked.

Don't forget to padlock secure your garden shed and garage as well. Burglars use tools from sheds to break into your homes.

It is very common for car thieves to break into your house looking for your car keys. Where do you keep yours? Keep them hidden in a safe place, out of view.



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# HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM SCAM EMAILS AND TEXTS

- 1: Forward suspicious emails to report@phishing.gov.uk . Send suspicious emails, or take a screen shot, to this address even if you're not certain they're a scam - it will be checked.
- 2: Forward suspicious text messages to 7726 (it's free of charge). Your provider can find out where the text came from and block or ban the sender.
- 3 If you've lost money or provided personal information as a result of a phishing scam, notify your bank immediately and report it to Action Fraud at www.actionfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040.

Please remain vigilant at all times and report anything suspicious



## **CCTV REGISTER**

- Do you have CCTV or a Video Camera Doorbell? We're compiling a register of properties that have these systems operative, to help the Police when investigating incidents in the village. Please contact us if you would like to be included on the register.
- Thank you to everyone who has registered so far

All information will be held confidentially in accordance with GDPR

### **BURNING TOXIC WASTE**

Several instances reported recently of foul-smelling smoke detected in the evenings, across the village. Please report any situations to Erewash Council Environmental Health at environmentalhealth@erewash.gov.uk



### SCHEME MEMBERSHIP

- Enjoy all the benefits that the Scheme can offer you for FREE. It is easy to register. Just give us a call or send an email and we'll make all the arrangements for you. Free Window & Dustbin Stickers available on request
- I would like to see more residents using the dustbin stickers. It really does act as a visual crime deterrent at the roadside every week.
- Follow us on our Facebook Page, "username" RisleyNeighbourhoodWatch our bi-monthly Newsletter and our monthly articles in Inside 72 which highlight local, regional and national news items.
- Visit National Website <u>www.ourwatch.org.uk</u> for more details.
- Visit our website <a href="https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/knowledge-hub">https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/knowledge-hub</a> for information, guidance and advice about crime prevention. You should find it to be very informative.

## **Our Mission Statement**

"Our aim is to bring neighbours together to create a strong, friendly and active community where crime and anti-social behaviour are less likely to occur"

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