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# Bolsover Community Safety Partnership Newsletter

Summer 2018

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## About the Bolsover Community Safety Partnership

The Bolsover Community Safety Partnership (CSP) is a multi-agency partnership working together to tackle crime and disorder in the Bolsover district. The Partnership is made up of the following organisations:

- ◆ Bolsover District Council
- ◆ Derbyshire Police
- ◆ Derbyshire County Council
- ◆ Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service
- ◆ National Probation Service
- ◆ Community Rehabilitation Company
- ◆ Hardwick Clinical Commissioning Group
- ◆ North Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group

In addition to these, the Partnership works with a variety of agencies, community and voluntary organisations.

## Community Safety Partnership Plan for 2017-2020

The CSP works to a Community Safety Partnership Plan which is reviewed by the end of March on an annual basis. The CSP's identified priorities in alphabetical order for 2018/19 were agreed in March 2018 as follows:

- ◆ Acquisitive Crime
- ◆ Anti-Social Behaviour
- ◆ Child Abuse and Child Sexual Exploitation
- ◆ Cyber Crime
- ◆ Domestic Abuse
- ◆ Domestic Extremism
- ◆ Fraud
- ◆ Modern Slavery and Organised Immigration Crime, Human Trafficking and Exploitation
- ◆ Organised Crime
- ◆ Sexual Violence
- ◆ Substance Misuse

For a copy of our Partnership Plan and for further information about our achievements, proposed interventions on how our priorities will be addressed by the Partnership please visit [Bolsover District Council - Community Safety & Emergencies](#).



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## Keeping your property secure during the summer months

Bolsover District is a safe place to live and the Community Safety Partnership is committed to making it even safer.

Most burglars are opportunists. Take a look at your home through the eyes of a burglar and see if you could make it safer. Are there places they could break in unseen? Do you have strong locks on your doors and windows? Do you use them? Some simple steps can help to keep your home secure during the summer months -

### Homes

Burglaries have been known to take place when the homeowners are in. Make sure that you always keep the windows and doors fully locked particularly in an unoccupied room, especially when out in the garden.

Another simple way of burglary prevention is to keep desirable items out of view and out of reach to passers-by. Valuables should not be visible from windows and doors in your home.

Never leave the windows and doors unlocked when you are out. Switch on the lights before you go out at night as this makes the burglars think that the homeowners are in. Time switches can be fitted to operate radios and lights. Windows should be left on the catch if they have to be kept open during the night. Otherwise, it is best to keep them locked securely.



### Sheds

Breaking into a shed is often less risky than burgling a house. Have you got valuable items in yours? Mark your garden tools and equipment with your postcode using a permanent marker or property marking pen so they are easier to trace. Also lock away tools and ladders that thieves could use to get into your house.

Fit a closed shackle padlock to the door – fittings should be bolted through the door and any screws concealed. Fit grilles or mesh to the windows. Invest in a shed alarm to deter thieves. Keep your shed in good condition to make it more secure. Chain large items like bikes together – it makes it much more difficult for a thief to carry away. Lock ladders to a secure fixture in the shed or garage so they cannot be used to reach top floor windows of your house.



Use strong gates, fences or walls to block access to the side or back of your house. Choose high garden fences – or add trellis on top – to make them difficult to climb. Position side gates as close to the front of the house as possible – Putting thieves in full view of your neighbours. Always lock gates. Grow prickly plants close to vulnerable areas such as windows, fences, boundary walls and drainpipes, e.g. berberis or holly. Use gravel on walkways so you can hear people approaching.

## Cars and Vans

Motorists are advised to be on their guard against car thieves, particularly during the hot weather when people are tempted to leave the windows of their vehicles open or even leave their vehicle running unattended whilst they cool them down with the air conditioning.



Despite advances in technology, car crime is still a problem. Most vehicle crime is opportunistic. There are a few simple steps to protect your vehicle and belongings from thieves:



- ♦ Remove all items from your vehicle – some thieves will break in for items you may not consider valuable – even a jacket can seem like an appealing target for a thief.
- ♦ Remove sat navs from display and wipe the mark from the window where it has been secured.
- ♦ Remove the stereo if you can.
- ♦ Also, tuck in wing mirrors and put the aerial down to discourage vandals.
- ♦ Lock the doors and close the windows when you leave the car – for any length of time.
- ♦ Park with care – park in busy well-lit areas, near CCTV cameras or in a secure car park.
- ♦ Never store your car's documents in the car.
- ♦ Fit an immobiliser or steering lock to help secure older vehicles or even consider fitting a tracking device.
- ♦ Think about having the windows etched with the car's vehicle registration number (VRN), and make a note of its chassis number.
- ♦ Keep your car keys in a safe place, even in your house, so that in the unlikely event someone breaks in, they cannot steal your car too.
- ♦ Don't leave your engine running while it's unlocked or unattended - it takes just a couple of seconds for someone to jump in and make off with your vehicle.
- ♦ Remove any tools from vans parked in the open overnight.

## Get Safe Online

The Get Safe Online website provides practical advice on how to protect yourself, your computers and mobiles device and your business against fraud, identity theft, viruses and many other problems encountered online.

It contains guidance on many other related subjects too – including performing backups and how to avoid theft or loss of your computer, smartphone or tablet.

Every conceivable topic is included on the site – including safe online shopping, gaming and dating ... so now you really can stay safe with everything you do online.

The site also keeps you up to date with news, tips and stories from around the world.

Further information can be found at <https://www.getsafeonline.org/>.

## Friends Against Scams

Scams affect the lives of millions of people across the UK. People who are scammed often experience shame and social isolation as a result.

**Friends Against Scams** is a National Trading Standards (NTS) Scams Team initiative, which aims to protect and prevent people from becoming victims of scams by empowering communities to "Take a Stand Against Scams".

**Friends Against Scams** has been created to tackle the lack of scams awareness by providing information about scams and those who fall victim to them. This information enables communities and organisations to understand scams, talk about scams and cascade messages throughout communities about scams prevention and protection.

**Friends Against Scams** encourages communities and organisations to take the knowledge learnt and turn it into action.

Anybody can join **Friends Against Scams** and make a difference in their own way.

Further information can be found at <https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk>.

## Keep your children safe during the summer

Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service has launched two videos aimed at warning school children of the dangers of derelict buildings and open water ahead of the schools summer break.

### DERELICT

This film aims to underline the dangers of entering derelict and disused buildings, raising awareness to young children who may see the buildings as a place to explore, and not a place of danger. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-i7guPZdVSsw>

### SHOCK

Derbyshire is home to many open water courses, such as lakes, reservoirs, rivers and disused quarries.

Tombstoning is a craze that has swept the UK, with many young people heading to some of Derbyshire's disused quarries to take part in the latest adrenaline fueled activity; filming the activity and posting it to social media.

Shock has been produced to underline the dangers of 'Cold Water Shock', something that occurs in the body when entering cold water. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=27Kexl-BSzM>

Contact the Community Safety Partnership if you are concerned about the security of a derelict building. If, however, there is an ongoing situation that is an emergency then you should contact the police on 999.



## Useful telephone numbers

### Domestic Violence

- ♦ Bolsover District Council DV Worker - 01246 593063
- ♦ Derbyshire Domestic Abuse helpline – 0800 0198 668  
Website: [www.ddvsas.org.uk](http://www.ddvsas.org.uk)  
Safer Derbyshire website: [www.saferderbyshire.gov.uk](http://www.saferderbyshire.gov.uk)

### Anti Social Behaviour

- ♦ Bolsover District Council - 01246 242424  
(Out of Hours – 01246 242295)  
Website: [www.bolsover.gov.uk](http://www.bolsover.gov.uk)

### Crimestoppers

- ♦ 0800 555 111  
Website: [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

### Derbyshire Police

- ♦ Non emergency number – 101  
Website: [www.derbyshire.police.uk](http://www.derbyshire.police.uk)

### Neighbourhood Watch

- ♦ Tel: 0300 1228526  
Email: [chesterfelddistrictnhw@hotmail.com](mailto:chesterfelddistrictnhw@hotmail.com)

### Derbyshire Alcohol Advice Service

- ♦ 0845 308 4010 or 01246 206514  
Website: [www.daas.uk.com](http://www.daas.uk.com)

### Remedi

- ♦ **Derbyshire Victim Services** - 0800 612 6505  
Website: [www.derbyshirevictimservices.co.uk](http://www.derbyshirevictimservices.co.uk)
- ♦ **Restorative Justice Services** - 0114 253 6669  
Website: [www.remediuk.org](http://www.remediuk.org)

**In case of an emergency always contact the Police on 999**

More information about the work of the Bolsover Community Safety Partnership and general crime prevention and other community safety advice can be found at [Bolsover District Council - Community Safety & Emergencies](#).



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