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**THE WEEKLY NHW NEWSLETTER MONDAY 10th MARCH 2025**

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### **THEFTS FROM PERSONS**

#### **COGGESHALL Market Hill**

March 8<sup>th</sup> between 17:31hrs and 18:13hrs

Suspect unknown removed an Apple Airpod Pro-headphones from victim's bag hung in the female toilets of the chapel....

Any information contact Essex Police Tel 101

Or Do it Online quoting reference 42/31596/25

#### **WITHAM Greenfield**

March 9<sup>th</sup> between 14:45hrs and 15:17hrs

Suspect unidentified picked up and kept victim's wallet containing bank/credit card and cash .

Description of suspect :

White female , slim , 30's , in a grey vehicle

Any information contact Essex Police Tel 101

Or Do it Online quoting reference 42/32095/25

### **THEFTS FROM A GARAGE**

#### **THREE FIELDS Bell Lane**

Between March 1<sup>st</sup> 22:00hrs and March 3<sup>rd</sup> 11:34hrs

Suspects unknown broke the lock to a garage and removed tools. Suspects then attempted to enter a property by damaging the lock with a screwdriver

### **MAKE A DATE IN YOUR DIARY**

**WEDNESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**At The Maurice Rowan Hall, Gosfield**

**( where parking is sooo easy)**

**Doors open 13:45 hrs for 14:00hrs**

**Special guest speaker from Essex Police**



### **THEFTS AND ATTEMPTED THEFTS OF MOTOR VEHICLES**

#### **WITHAM**

##### **Rickstones Road**

Between March 7<sup>th</sup> 18:00hrs and March 9<sup>th</sup> 10:12hrs

Suspect unknown removed a black Vauxhall Insignia Tech Line part registration EY14...

##### **Maldon Road**

March 6<sup>th</sup> between 03:30hrs and 10:20hrs

Suspect unknown walked around a blue Ford Fiesta and tried the passenger door handle. Suspect was startled by a "Ring " door bell and made off

Description of suspect :

White male 5ft 11 inches , medium build, wearing grey tracksuit, black gloves and had a black men's bag and had a torch

Any information contact Essex Police Tel 101

Or Do it Online quoting reference 42/30275/25

#### **STOUR VALLEY SOUTH The Street**

March 3<sup>rd</sup> between 20:00hrs and 20:20hrs

Suspects unidentified removed a black Can-Am tractor farm vehicle loading it on to a trailer.

The vehicle was tracked and three suspects were found with the vehicle in a field nearby and the vehicle was recovered.

##### **CRESSING Coggeshall Road**

Between March 4<sup>th</sup> 11:00hrs and March 6<sup>th</sup> 08:05hrs

Suspects unknown removed a white Mitsubishi Outlander Auto part registraion RF68....

##### **HALSTEAD Abels Road**

March 9<sup>th</sup> between 10:15hrs and 11:17hrs

Suspects unidentified attempted to remove a white Lexmoto motorcycle by breaking the lock and forcing the ignition

##### **BOCKING Wentworth Crescent**

March 9<sup>th</sup> 11:22hrs

Male suspect tried a car door handle and members of the public restrained him before Police arrived...

##### **RIVENHALL Shelley Gardens**

March 6<sup>th</sup> between 02:30hrs and 17:11hrs

Suspects unidentified entered motor vehicle parked outside a property and conducted a search...

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### **CRIMINAL DAMAGE INCIDENTS**

#### **CRESSING Fir Drive**

**March 3<sup>rd</sup> Between 15:10hrs & 20:52hrs**

Suspects unknown damaged the security camera to the rear of a property . Description of suspects : **White males... aged 10 years old..**

#### **GREAT NOTLEY Queenborough Lane**

**Between March 1<sup>st</sup> and March 6<sup>th</sup> 12:57hrs**

Suspect unknown damaged a property fence and sat on a seat in the rear garden ...

**Any information contact Essex Police Tel 101**

**Or Do it Online quoting reference 42/30347/25**

#### **THREE COLNES York Road**

**Between March 8<sup>th</sup> 21:30hrs and March 9<sup>th</sup> 07:56hrs**

Suspects unidentified threw eggs and astone at a property . Description of suspects

**Four 15/16 years old white males slim 5ft 6 and 5ft 7  
Wearing jeans or tracksuit bottoms**

**Any information contact Essex Police Tel 101**

**Or Do it Online quoting reference 42/31830/25**

### **NEWSLETTER NOTES**

This newsletter covers: Acton, Alphamstone, Ashen, Belchamp St. Paul, Belchamp Otten, Belchamp Walter, Bocking, Borley, Bradwell , Braintree Town areas, Bulmer, Bures, Burtons Green, Castle Hedingham, Coggeshall, Colne Engaine, Cornish Hall End, Cressing, Earls Colne, Fairstead , Feering, Finchingfield, Foxearth, Gestingthorpe, Gosfield, Great Henny, Great Maplestead, Great Notley, Great Yeldham, Great Waldingfield, Greenstead Green, Halstead, Hatfield Peveral , Hundon, Kelvedon, Lamarsh, Liston, Little Henny, Little Yeldham, Little Maplestead, Long Melford, Middleton, Ovington, Panfield, Pattiswick, Pebmarsh, Pentlow, Radwinter, Rayne, Rivenhall, Shalford, Sible Hedingham, Silver End, Stambourne, Stisted, Stoke by Clare, Sturmer, Sudbury, Terling, Tilbury Juxta Clare, Toppesfield, Twinstead, Wethersfield, and Witham.

**Clive Stewart Braintree District NW Chairman**

**Telephone 0750 8057636**



### **ESSEX POLICE CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE:**

#### **Seven facts about residential burglary**

Burglars are often opportunistic thieves who prey on houses and flats. They seek out any opening that they can take advantage of, specifically doors and windows that are left open or unlocked or are easy to force. Anything of value that they might spot through a window will only spur them on.

**But it really doesn't take much to deter these thieves – just smart thinking.**

**Burglars target homes that they think will contain valuables.**

**A sure giveaway is leaving packaging from expensive items outside your front door..**

Burglars often look for homes with windows or doors left open or with vulnerable features that they can exploit.

Burglars are aware of the times when someone is expected to be away from their house such as during the school run or holidays.

**Burglars typically do not want to be seen or heard and if they feel that they would be noticed by a neighbour or passerby then they are more likely to feel exposed and may move on to find somewhere else to burgle..**

Burglars often choose a home because they've spotted a specific vehicle, motorcycle or bicycle they want to steal – and the keys are more than likely to be inside the residence.

**Sheds and garages are often vulnerable as they are not that secure and contain tools which the burglar can use to assist them to gain entry to a home..**

**It's a fact that many burglars return to homes that they've previously burgled because the homeowner failed to upgrade security following the first burglary.**

**They sometimes return to an area to try to burgle a nearby home that they spotted while committing a previous break in. Even more reason for you to ensure you keep your home as safe as houses...It might feel like your house is more secure behind a high wall or fence but the fact it can't be seen from the street could make it a more tempting target.**

**Make sure your property can be easily seen by your neighbours and the public by ensuring hedges, fences and walls at the front are no higher than one metre.**

**That way, you're not giving an intruder anywhere to hide.**

**Clever use of lighting can also help to keep burglars at bay. We recommend dusk-till-dawn white lighting to the front of the property. Lights should be a minimum of three metres above ground with vandal-resistant casings.**

**Terry Fowles, Essex Watch Liaison Officer,  
Local Policing Support Unit**

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