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MAN ARRESTED ON SUSPICION OF SUPPLYING DRUGS

WITHAM Maldon Road

Tuesday 27th January

Braintree Neighbourhood Policing Team executed a warrant and the 19-year-old man was arrested at a house in **Maldon Road....** During a search of the house, officers recovered several bricks of suspected cocaine and large bags of cannabis, with an estimated street value of £250,000. The man is currently in custody and our inquiries continue. Inspector Phil Jackson says: "Drugs cause misery and harm to people and attract violence to our communities. My officers work tirelessly to take drugs off our streets and arrest, charge and prosecute those responsible for bringing them here. But we do need the help of our communities to do this so please, if you have information about drug supply or drug dealing in your neighbourhood, please let us know.

You can do this online via our website or by ringing 101. If you wish to provide information anonymously, you can do this by contacting the independent charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."



ASSAULT BRAINTREE Charter Way

Friday 30th January 16:45hrs

We are appealing for information following an assault. It was reported a man was assaulted by another man. The victim was left with an injury to his arm.

If you have any information, CCTV, dash cam or other footage in relation to this incident, then please get in contact with us. Please quote the crime reference number 42/15510/26. You can let us know by submitting a report on our website or by using our online Live Chat service which is available 24 hours-a-day, seven days-a-week. Visit <https://esxpol.uk/YOqUB> to find out more about our online reporting services. If you would like to make an anonymous report you can contact independent charity Crimestoppers, by visiting their website or by calling 0800 555 111.



BRAINTREE Kings Park Thurs 22nd January early hours

Essex Police are appealing for information following reports of a group of men acting suspiciously around parked vehicles in the **Kings Park area**. "We are aware that CCTV images have been shared on local Facebook groups, and we would like to view these as part of our investigation. Do you have CCTV or dashcam footage from the area around this time, or any other information that may help? Please email: 42008143@essex.police.uk quoting reference 42/11133/26" Did you know? There is a CCTV Register where residents and businesses can register their cameras. This helps police quickly identify available footage and can make a real difference in catching those responsible. Look at Essex Police website "CCTV register" .Thank you for your continued support in helping keep our community safe.

THEFT FROM A PERSON

BRAINTREE CM71:

**Tortoiseshell Way, Milton Avenue, Driberg Way,
George Yard Centre**

Friday 27th January 16:29hrs

Suspect unknown stole items from a person...

ROBBERY OF A BUSINESS PREMISES

BRAINTREE CM71:

**Tortoiseshell Way, Milton Avenue, Driberg Way,
George Yard Centre**

Saturday 28th January 12:43hrs

Suspect unknown robbed a business premises.

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THEFT OF MACHINERY AND A BREAK IN KEDINGTON AND GREAT YELDHAM



This distinctive style and colour Land Rover was stolen from Barrow in the autumn and has now featured in a recent overnight theft of machinery in Kedington and a break-in in Great Yeldham. The registration plates have been changed and may be changed again, but the blue colour and pickup body shape make it very distinctive and unusual. If you know where this vehicle is being kept, please call 101 and quote crime number 37/2108/26. If you see this vehicle shape and colour on the road anywhere, call 999 so the police have the chance to intercept it. Quote 37/2108/26 or just say 'Suffolk crime number 2108 of this year'. The police have other details of the vehicle that will enable a definite identification when it is intercepted.



TWO ARRESTED AFTER POLICE PURSUIT

WITHAM and MALDON AREAS

Monday 26th January 20:20hrs

Two people have been arrested after a driver failed to stop for police in a car we believe was stolen.

Essex Police detected a Ford Mondeo believed to be using cloned registration plates.

After signalling the car to stop it attempted to evade police and a pursuit was authorised, heading into Blunts Hall Lane.

The driver lost control of the car and the two suspects decamped from the vehicle before the driver was arrested at the scene.

A 17 year old was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of drugs, dangerous driving, failing to stop when directed, possession of a Class B or C drug, and theft of a motor vehicle.

Essex Police traced the second man, a 33 year old from Heybridge to a nearby address in Witham and arrested him on suspicion of theft of a motor vehicle. There was also a court warrant for his arrest for a charge of harassment.

Essex Police said "Inside the car we recovered further sets of number plates and a crowbar from the car, and we established the vehicle had been stolen in the Dagenham area in December.

Head of Roads Policing Adam Pipe said "This is a perfect example of the importance of roads policing - one offence leads to the discovery of several more

DWELLING HOUSE BURGLARIES

BRAINTREE

CM778:

Hadfield Drive, Coggeshall Road, Kings Lane

Saturday 31st January 20:04hrs

Suspect unknown entered a dwelling house..

CM74: Bovingdon Road, Braintree Road

Saturday 31st January

between 12:00hrs & 19:30hrs

Suspect unknown entered a dwelling house...

CM73: Jacquard Way, Plaiters Way, Lie Field Close,

Parnall Place, Fairfield Road

Sunday 1st February 20:00hrs

Suspect unknown entered a dwelling house...

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HARE COURSING

**TOPPESFIELD End of Harrow Hill Road
and east side of Robin Hood End**

Tuesday 27th January 22:00hrs

There has been hare coursing on farm land.

Severe damage to wheat crop by 4x4 vehicle .

It has been reported to the Police. There are vehicle tracks in fields between Birdbrook and Toppesfield and Finchfield of a vehicle driving in, circling and driving out in several fields in the area. Do you have information for us?

If you see hare coursing taking place, ring 999 immediately and provide as much information as you can – for example, a What3Words location, a description of the people involved, vehicle registration numbers, vehicle descriptions and the location and direction of travel.

When the police give you a reference number, please put this and the day's date into any WhatsApp groups you are a part of so that anyone in the area with information can ring us and we can link it to the same incident, if relevant.

However, it is very important that you don't put yourself at risk. If you see anything which you feel needs police attention, or you have information about a crime or criminal activity, always ring 999 if it is an emergency or a crime in progress.

Otherwise, you can report it online, where you can also speak to an online Live Chat operator. Alternatively, you can ring 101.

You can also contact Crimestoppers, anonymously, online or by calling 0800 555 111.

THEFTS AND ATTEMPTED THEFTS FROM AND OF MOTOR VEHICLES



BRAINTREE

CM778: (Two Occasions)

Hadfield Drive, Coggeshall Road, Kings Lane
Between Wednesday 28th January 16:00hrs
& Thursday 29th January 07:30hrs
And Wednesday 28th January
Between 07:30hrs & 15:00hrs

Suspect unknown stole items from motor vehicles.

CM72:

**Weavers Close, Mace Avenue, Rana Court,
Old Michaels Drive**

Thursday 29th January 20:00hrs
Suspect unknown removed a motor vehicle

WITHAM

CM82: (Two occasions)

Maldon Road, Newland Street, Saturn Way

Wednesday 28th January
between 10:30hrs & 19:00hrs

Suspect unknown removed a motor vehicle
Between Friday 30th January 17:30hrs
And Saturday 31st January 12:00hrs

Suspect unknown attempted to remove a motor vehicle..

CM83: Eastways, Donaldson Way, Newton Close

Saturday 31st January 22:04hrs

Suspect unknown removed items from a motor vehicle

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ESSEX POLICE CRIME REPORTS

PLEASE NOTE

Essex Police advise in their crime reports when the crime has occurred. The day and time or between days and times ..But where the crime has been committed is advised now only by part postal code.

So this newsletter will give an indication of the areas by looking up the part postal code as described by the Post Office and this issue will also show the part postal codes advised by Essex Police too....

DATE IN YOUR DIARY

BRAINTREE DISTRICT NW ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY 2026
AT MAURICE ROWSON HALL
GOSFIELD
Where parking is brilliant !!!
DOORS OPEN : 14:00HRS

CRIMESTOPPERS IN ESSEX

Crimestoppers is an independent charity which takes information about crime anonymously, online or by phone. We don't take names or any identification, just listen to what you know and pass it on securely, 100% anonymously. There's no police contact, no witness statements, no courts. Information is taken in more than 150 languages.

Online forms at www.crimestoppers-uk.org and calls on 0800 555 111 are untraceable. Calls won't show on phone bills. We're open 24/7, 365 days a year. Crimestoppers passed over 7,500 crime reports to Essex police last year. See how it works at <https://youtu.be/TV5k3QFBi3U>

CRIMINAL DAMAGE INCIDENTS

HALSTEAD CO94: The Bungalows , Ridgewell Road

Tuesday 27th January

Between 22:00hrs & 23:00hrs

BRAINTREE: (Two occasions)

CM73: Jacquard Way,Plaiters Way, Lie Field Close, Parnall Place, Fairfield Road

Between Wednesday 28th January 18:00hrs & Thursday January 09:00hrs

BRAINTREE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN'S 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 Peverel, 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.



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