

SHIFNAL CRIME

Rural Watch – East Shropshire

Information as it becomes available in regards thefts and warnings in your area.

Rural News from around the Patch

GOOD EVENING FOLK'S

THE THEFTS OF Catalitic CONVERTERS SEEMS TO BE ON THE GO ONCE AGAIN

SOME MORE GOOD WORK BY THE STAFFS POLICE

South Staffs raid discovers multiple firearms and drugs



An intelligence-led raid in Wombourne, as part of the Firearms Surrender, has uncovered a cache of firearms, bladed weapons and drugs.

Officers from the South Staffs Neighbourhood Policing Team entered an address on The Longlands at around 6:45am this morning (3 August). Inside the property officers found a range of genuine and imitation firearms, a number of knives and bladed items, a large quantity of what is believed to be Class A and B drugs, and cash and phones.

A 25-year-old man from Wolverhampton was arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply and remains in custody for questioning.

Sergeant John Wincott, who led the operation, said: "Excellent work by my officers has shown how seriously we take the issues of illegal firearms and drugs. Staffordshire Police is currently running a firearms surrender and I would encourage anyone with information or concerns about weapons to get in touch."

You can follow updates on the surrender by searching for the hashtag #gunsurrender or more information is available at <https://www.staffordshire.police.uk/article/11558/National-Firearms-Surrender-Campaign-Runs-Again-This-Summer>.

PLEASE REPORT ALL SUSPICIOUS INCIDENTS AT ONCE

DON'T LET YOUR AREA BECOME A CRIME **HOT-SPOT**

LETS TURN THE TABLES AND MAKE IT A **HOT-SPOT** FOR THE CRIMINALS

ANY SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE, GET THE Reg. and

REPORT IT IN TO THE POLICE and to

shifnalcrime@outlook.com

Warning issued after medication stolen during burglary - Llanymynech

Police are issuing a warning to members of the public and urging them to be vigilant.



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It follows a burglary in Llanymynech at around 5am this morning (Saturday) where a quantity of medication was stolen from a premises.

Among the items taken were vials of Ketamine (brand name of Ketamador), diazepam, morphine, Somulose, Atropine and adrenaline (pictured).

Inspector Nigel Morgan said: "We are urging members of the public to be vigilant following the burglary this morning.

"The items that were taken are intended for livestock only and could potentially be fatal if consumed by humans.

"Our local Safer Neighbourhood Team will be patrolling in the area but we would advise anyone who comes across the vials or any boxes of medication to hand them in to their local police station immediately where they can safely be destroyed.

Anyone with information or who locates any of the medication is asked to call 101 quoting incident 158S of 3 August.

Operation 'Stop that Sheep'

Operation 'Stop That Sheep' July 2019

We have run operation 'stop that sheep' this week and it was another successful morning. The operation is a multi agency approach to target some of the rural crimes which are reported to us. Working alongside animal welfare officers, civil enforcement officers, HMRC and of course police, we pull over livestock vehicles, vehicles carrying large quantities of waste (including scrap vehicles) and any vehicle that we can see is defective.

By working together we can monitor transport of livestock, ensuring passports and documentation for travelling is up to date. We are obviously looking for those people who are stealing livestock and trying to get rid of them through the livestock markets as well as people stealing from outbuildings and farms etc.

Rural Crime Matters.

Leominster safer neighbourhood team.

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National Firearms Surrender

West Mercia Police is supporting a national firearms surrender campaign that aims to make our communities safer.



The surrender is running for two weeks from Saturday (20 July) until Sunday 4 August - giving members of the public the opportunity to safely dispose of a firearm by handing it in at a local police station. The national initiative is being co-ordinated by the National Ballistics Intelligence Service (NABIS) with all forces in England and Wales taking part.

The aim is to reduce the number of illegal or unlicensed firearms in circulation and in turn, to decrease the opportunities for firearms to be used in a criminal offence.

People surrendering firearms will not be required to leave any information, but if police suspect a weapon may have been involved in a crime, they will examine it for evidence. All surrendered weapons will be destroyed and in exceptional circumstances, if the weapon has historical value, it may be donated to a museum.

Illegal possession of a firearm can mean five years behind bars and if you are found guilty of possession with intent to supply, it can lead to a life sentence.

Guns and ammunition, including replica firearms, BB guns and antique weapons, can be surrendered at designated police stations during the surrender.

Anyone handing an item in is advised to call 101 and notify police of the time and station they will be attending.

During the surrender, firearms can be deposited at the following police stations within West Mercia (all open Monday-Saturday 8am-6.30pm, Sunday and Bank Holidays 10am-4pm):

- Worcester
- Kidderminster
- Redditch
- Hereford
- Shrewsbury
- Malinsgate

To report any concerns about the possession of firearms, please call 101 or 999 in an emergency.