

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

Multi-agency response to flooding across Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Shropshire

Chief Superintendent Tom Harding from West Mercia Police, on behalf of the multi-agency flood response, said: “We continue to experience flooding as a result of storm Dennis across Worcestershire, Herefordshire and Shropshire - with major incidents being declared in all three counties today (Sunday 16 February 2020).

“We would like to reassure everyone affected that all partners are working together to keep people safe and plans have been put in place for the coming days.

“There are currently severe flood warnings, meaning danger to life, for the Tenbury Wells area and Ludlow. We are also advised that there is potential risk of further and significant flooding over the next few days in Greyfriars and Hampton Bishop in Herefordshire, Worcester and Upton in Worcestershire and Shrewsbury in Shropshire.

“We are continuing to work hard to identify and evacuate residents where necessary and teams on the ground are there to support communities, particularly the vulnerable. Rest centres are in place for anyone asked to leave their homes.

“We are experiencing unprecedented river levels, particularly in Tenbury and Ludlow, so please do not travel unless absolutely necessary. Many roads are closed and impassable so please respect any road closures and diversions as they are in place to keep you safe. Please do not venture close to swollen rivers or floodwater and follow flood advice.

“I want to thank the public for your help and support of all the agencies, emergency services and local authorities involved in the flood response.

“Information regarding the flooding including road closures, will continue to be given on social media by the Environment Agency, local authorities and the emergency services, and via local news or radio channels.”

There are four severe flood warnings in place – Danger to life. See below links for further information from the Environmental Agency

<https://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/target-area/031FWFTE30>

River Teme at Ludlow

This Severe Warning has been issued because river levels have risen at the Ludlow (Teme) river gauge as a result of

heavy rainfall. Consequently, flooding of property, roads and farmland continues today, Sunday 16/02/20. Flooding is affecting properties and roads in Ludlow. Please activate any property flood protection products you may have, such as flood barriers and air brick covers and have a bag ready with vital items like medicines and insurance documents. River levels at Ludlow are predicted to peak between 5.2 and 5.4m this evening, Sunday 16/02/20. Further rainfall is expected over the next 12 hours as a result of Storm Dennis. We expect river levels to remain high over the next couple of days. We are closely monitoring the situation. Our incident response staff are liaising with emergency services. This message will be updated by 5am on Monday 17/02/20, or as the situation changes.

River Teme at Tenbury Wells and Burford

<https://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/target-area/031FWFTE50>

River Teme at Eardiston

<https://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/target-area/031FWFTE60>

River Teme at Little Hereford and Ashford Carbonel

<https://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/target-area/031FWFTE40>