



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH HELPS TO REDUCE THE OPPORTUNITY OF CRIME!

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THE WEEKLY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER

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WOMAN HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH SHOP LIFTING

BRAINTREE

Officers from the Braintree Neighbourhood Policing Team have charged a 30-year-old woman in connection with 46 theft offences from a store in Braintree.

The incidents involved smaller items such as drinks and snacks, but as this case shows, persistent low-value thefts quickly add up and have a real impact on local businesses. These offences were only recently reported to us, which allowed officers to carry out an investigation leading to this week's charges. The woman is due to appear at Colchester Magistrates' Court next month.

Essex Police say "Please remember: reporting crime matters. Every report—no matter how small it may seem—helps us build an accurate picture of what is happening in our communities. This allows us to identify patterns, target our patrols, support victims, and take action where it's needed most.

If you see something, or if your business has been affected, please report it to us online or via 101.

In an emergency, always call 999. link in the comments"

DATE IN YOUR DIARY

BRAINTREE DISTRICT NW

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY 2026

DOORS OPEN : 14:00HRS

AT MAURICE ROWSON HALL, GOSFIELD

Where parking is brilliant !!!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO WORK WITH ESSEX POLICE AS AN ACTIVE CITIZEN TO HELP REDUCE CRIME IN BRAINTREE DISTRICT ? ESSEX POLICE ARE RECRUITING NOW PLEASE SEND YOUR FULL NAME, POSTAL ADDRESS TELEPHONE NUMBER & EMAIL ADDRESS TO active.citizen@essex.police.uk
Or contact PC James Draper Braintree Community Safety & Engagement Officer Mobile 079809 17130

THEFT FROM A PERSON

WITHAM CM82

Maldon Road, Saturn Way ,Pippin Croft

Wednesday 11th February

between 12:30hrs and 12:47hrs

Suspect unknown stole items from a person...

DWELLING HOUSE BURGLARIES

HALSTEAD CO92:

Cherry Tree Close, High Street, The Centre

Monday 9th February

Between 13:15hrs & 13:52hrs

Suspect unknown entered a dwelling house..

BURES CO85: Church Sqaure, Colchester Road, Bridge Street , Old Barn Road

Wednesday 11th February

between 21:40 hrs and 21:50hrs

Suspect unknown entered a dwelling house..

WITHAM CM83: Eastways, Donaldson Way , Newton Close, Barns Road

Friday 13th February

between 18:43 hrs and 19:20hrs

Suspect unknown entered a dwelling house..

THEFTS OF AND FROM MOTOR VEHICLES



WITHAM

CM81: Newland Street. Purcell Road,Bridge Street, Purcell Road

Tuesday 3rd February 10:00hrs

Suspect unknown stole items from a motor vehicle

CM82: Maldon Road, Saturn Way, Pippin Croft

Tuesday 10th February

between 11:50hrs and 12:04hrs

Suspect unknown removed a motor vehicle



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BURGLARY OF A BUSINESS PREMISES

BRAINTREE CM75

Thistledown, Ketleys View, Meadow Close

Tuesday 10th February 02:44hrs

Suspect unknown removed items from a business premises.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE INCIDENTS

BRAINTREE/WETHERSFIELD CM74

Rotten End, Braintree Road, Bovingdon Road, Gosfield Road

Wednesday 11th February 13:30hrs

BRAINTREE

CM71

Driberg Way, Tortoiseshell Way, Masefield Road

Friday 13th February 09:00hrs

CM73

Jaqard Way, Plaisters Way, Lie Field Close

Saturday 14th February 16:00hrs

HALSTEAD CO93

Sudbury Road, Rushley Green,

CASTLE HEDINGHAM Sheepcot Road

Friuday 13th February

Between 22:15hrs and 22:45hrs

ESSEX POLICE CRIME REPORTS

For over sixteen years the information for this newsletter has always been from the Essex Police crime reports. We are advised when the crime has occurred ie the day and time or between days and times ..

But where the crime has been committed is now only advised by a part postal code.

This newsletter therefore , by looking up the part postal code on the Post Office website, gives an indication of where the crime was committed .

It will also show the part postal codes as advised by Essex Police too....

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>

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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