



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH HELPS TO REDUCE THE OPPORTUNITY OF CRIME!

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MAN ARRESTED & CHARGED FOR A SERIOUS ASSAULT

BRAINTREE Market Place

Saturday 28th February Early hours

Detectives have secured charges against a man following a serious assault outside a bar in **Braintree.** Braintree CID has continued an investigation after a man was struck with a bladed article He was taken on to hospital for treatment for a serious injury.

As a result of continued enquiries, a **20-year-old man, of Wren Gardens, Felsted,** has been charged with wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm and possession of an offensive weapon in public.

He appeared at Chelmsford Magistrates' Court on **Monday 9 March.**

The man was remanded in custody until a further hearing at Chelmsford Crown Court on **Monday 6 April.**

Essex Police asks **"Do you have any information?"**

Anyone with information should contact us as soon as possible. You can let us know by **submitting a report online** or by using our Live Chat service. Our Live Chat service is available on our website 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can send and receive real-time messages with an online operator.

Or call Crimestoppers with any information....

To use the service, select the 'Live Chat' icon on Essex Police website. Or you can call us on **101.**



MAN ARRESTED

STURMER March 12th

A driver has been arrested on suspicion of drug driving and drug possession, after officers stopped a car for having a broken headlight ..

Working headlights help you see clearly and be seen by others, keeping everyone safer, and the law requires them to be working when driving.

Having stopped the car, the officers carried out a search and found what they suspected to be Class A and Class B drugs.. A roadside drug test indicated a positive result for cannabis and the driver – **a 28-year-old man from Haverhill** was arrested. He has been released under investigation while our enquiries continue.

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>**

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TERLING

CM32 Terling Road, Hatfield Road

Wednesday 11th March

between 17:00hrs and 18:00hrs

Suspect unknown stole items from a person...

BRAINTREE

CM71 Masefield Road, Tennyson Close,

Byron Close, Shelley Walk, Driberg Way,

Tortoiseshell Way

Thursday 12th March 19:05hrs

Suspect unknown attempted to steal items from a person..



MAN ARRESTED IN POSSESSION OF DRUGS

BRAINTREE Convent Lane

Monday 16th March

Proactive Policing in as Officers from the Braintree Neighbourhood Policing Team have been carrying out proactive patrols in an area the community highlighted as a concern.

During these patrols, officers were out on foot when they approached a parked car..

Following a search of the vehicle, a **27-year-old man was arrested and charged** with possession of Class A and Class B drugs. He has been remanded in custody and will appear at Chelmsford Crown Court next month.

If you see suspicious activity where you live, you can report it directly to us — or anonymously via Crimestoppers.

DWELLING HOUSE BURGLARIES

AND AN ATTEMPTED

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GESTINGTHORPE North End Road

Wednesday 11th March 20:00hrs

The alarm system activated and residents upon their return to their home at 21:00 hours discovered that the perpetrators had gained access by smashing an upstairs window.

It has been reported to Essex Police..

BURES

CO85...Bridge Street, Church Square,

Colchester Road

Friday 13th March 19:28hrs

Suspects unknown entered a dwelling house..

HALSTEAD/CASTLE HEDINGHAM

CO93 Sheepcot Road, Great Maplestead Road

Sudbury Road, Delvyns Lane

Wednesday 11th March 21:11hrs

Suspects unknown entered a dwelling house..

WITHAM

CM82 Maldon Road, Saturn Way,

Newland Street, Pippin Croft

Tuesday 10th March

between 11:00hrs & 14:54hrs

Suspects unknown entered a dwelling house..

CM81 Newland Street, Purcell Road,

Bridge Street

Friday 13th March

between 04:46hrs & 04:47hrs

Suspects unknown attempted to enter a dwelling house..

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HALSTEAD

**CO91 Blamsters Crescent, Mount Hill,
The Lindens, Monklands Court, Willow Way,
White Horse Avenue**

Monday 9th 20:30hrs

Suspects unknown removed a motor vehicle...

EARLS COLNE CO61 Earls Colne Road

Monday 9th 20:30hrs

**Suspects unknown in an aggravated manner
removed a motor vehicle...**

WITHAM CM81 Newland Street , Purcell Road

**Between Wednesday 11th March 22:00hrs
and Thursday 12th March 08:00hrs**

**Suspects unknown removed items from a motor
vehicle...**

CRIMINAL DAMAGE INCIDENTS

CASTLE HEDINGHAM/GREAT MAPLESTEAD

CO93 Sheepcot Road, Great Maplestead Road

Between Monday 9th March 14:00hrs

and Tuesday 10th March 16:00hrs

WITHAM

**CM83: Freebournes Road, Eastways
Donaldson Way**

Tuesday 10th March 08:52hrs

HALSTEAD

CO94 (two occasions)

The Bungalows, Ridgewell Road

Thursday 12th March 13:51hrs

AND

Sunday 15th March 16:15hrs

THIS IS A NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER AS WE ALL KNOW.

However you may like to know that I have access to crime report information from Essex Police covering Caravan Watch, Dog watch and Rural Crime, So in future , as a number of NW members may own a caravan and/or walk with their dog(s) this newsletter shall include any information received from Essex Police on these Watches too. I have already mentioned Rural crime in a previous newsletter..

WHEELIE BIN STICKERS



These are free from this newsletter.

They indicate that there is Neighbourhood Watch in your area . You may have as many as you need just send to this newsletter your full name and postal address and they will be delivered to your home.

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 !!!

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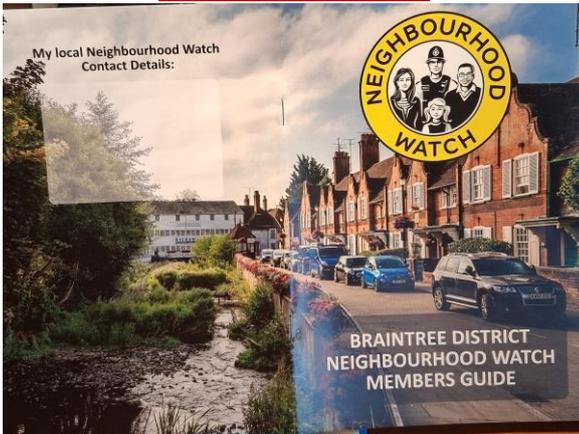
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BRAINTREE DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH MEMBERS GUIDE



The Braintree District Neighbourhood Watch Members Guide advises you what Neighbourhood Watch is all about and the responsibilities of the very important Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators...

There are pages from our "partners" who work with us to help to reduce the opportunity of crime together including Essex Police, The Police Fire & Crime Commissioner's Office, Essex Fire & Rescue Service, Crimestoppers, Braintree District's Community Safety Partnership, and Essex Police "Friends against Scams".

Neighbourhood Watch Network is also in the Members Guides as they are responsible for Neighbourhood Watch throughout England and Wales.

So if you would like a copy by post please write to this newsletter with your full name and address.

BRAINTREE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN'S NOTES PLEASE NOTE THAT

This newsletter information from Essex Police HQ covers 9th March to 15th March inclusive..

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, Middleton, Ovington, Panfield, Pattiswick, Pebmarsh, Pentlow, Radwinter, Rayne, Rivenhall, Shalford, Sible Hedingham, Silver End, Stambourne, Stisted, Stoke by Clare, Sturmer, Sudbury, Tilbury Juxta Clare, Toppesfield, Twinstead, Wethersfield, and Witham.



**Clive Stewart, Chairman, Braintree District NW
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