Mole Valley NHW News

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Dorking Town - PCs Michelino Vaccaro & Michael Mann and PCSOs Bob Allen & Lindy Hotze





We are still receiving quite a few reports relating to illegal **fly-tipping** across Mole Valley but, in particular, we are noticing this happening in the more remote and rural areas of the borough. If you see any evidence of fly-tipping, please do report this to Mole Valley District Council. In addition, if you see any vehicles apparently dumping rubbish or waste in locations where it would appear to be suspicious, please call us on 0845 125 2222 as soon as possible. We do not want anyone to challenge individuals but if, by chance, you get a vehicle registration and description of the vehicle involved, this makes it far easier for us to make follow up enquiries.

An ongoing concern also relates to theft of metal and other items, including garden machinery or tools, from sheds, lock ups and barns. These locations are not always kept securely locked, sometime guite remote and not overlooked. We would like to emphasise the need to make it difficult for property to be stolen by fitting sturdy bolts, locks and/or padlocks to deter would be thieves. Similarly, some reported crimes relate to theft of heating oil or fuel, stored in tanks near to remote locations. If you would like free advice on how to make your premises and property more secure, please contact us on the number above and ask to speak with Mike Bessent, Mole Valley's Crime Reduction Advisor. You can also email Mike or any member of your local policing team on molevally@surrey.pnn.police.uk

The issue of **thefts from motor vehicles** parked at beauty spot car parks across Mole Valley is a concern that it always seems to be with us. Your local policing team and police units within Surrey have been focusing attention on patrols at all these car parks and have been able to meet and speak with hundreds of visitors, advising them of the importance not to leave any valuables in their vehicles when they are unattended.

Even more important, is to ensure that nothing of

value is left on view in vehicles. This appears to have had a positive impact but the work continues as, on each day over the Easter weekend, officers identified up to forty unattended vehicles with items clearly on view as a tempting target to would be thieves. For some reason, people still leave handbags in foot wells or under seats in cars, where they are still partially visible. Recent examples of items taken include I phones (not locked or password protected), purses with debit, credit and store cards, laptops and passports!! Please don't contribute to your becoming a victim of crime by helping thieves to target your cars.

A date for your diaries. Surrey Police will be holding a Community Safety Day between 10.00am and 2.00pm on Saturday, 16th July on Meadowbank in Dorking. This will involve a large number of local and organisations and partner agencies across Mole Valley, working together to help keep our communities safe and secure. Please make every effort to come along.

Your local officers, PCs Michelino Vaccaro, Mike Mann and PCSOs Lindy Hotze and Bob Allen are maintaining their focus on the issues that have been reported to them as being the main priorities for Dorking town.

These include increased patrols at Meadowbank Park, to respond to reports of littering around the skateboard area in the park. Officers have been speaking with young people who use the facility and made them aware of local concerns. In addition, police have been working in partnership with Mole Valley District Council to find longer-term solutions to deal with public concerns.

Dorking remains an area in which no open vessels of alcohol are permitted in public areas. This enables officers to deal robustly with any offences and alcohol can be seized and poured away. This is all part of efforts to reduce incidents of anti-social behaviour in and around the town.

Only call 999 in a genuine emergency requiring police attendance.