

Winchester District Councillor Report – July 2019

Defibrillator Rookesbury Hall

I am still waiting for an update, but I have found out using the contact that Rob Scott gave me that if you dial 999 there is no pass coded attached to this defibrillator at Rookesbury Hall so we need to know the pass code. Therefore, this needs to be confirmed as at the moment we cannot access it. It might be wise to make sure Soberton Hall's one is operational.

Update on Beretta – Hollywell House

WCC environment officers are of the view that the event had unacceptable noise impacts to residents in the immediate vicinity of the Mislingford area. It was pretty loud both subjectively and quantitatively. The recorded and calculated shooting noise level (SNL) on the Friday afternoon was 72.8. The method used to quantify noise impacts was in accordance with the CIEH guide on Clay target shooting. This gets quite technical but a SNL over the mid to high 60's (highest rating) is classified as "significant annoyance is engendered in a majority of sites". Therefore the recorded SNL of 72.8 is significantly above this higher limit.

The opinion of officers is that the odd one day event might be a good way forward but 3 days in a row including the whole of a summer weekend is a step too far.

Discussions to find a way forward to formalise this position.

Long Road

No new updates but have asked for one as the 28 days re the camping is up at the end of this week.

Free support service launched for Winchester small businesses

A free support service aimed at small businesses across the Winchester district launches on 1st July.

The service, funded by Winchester City Council, will be delivered by IncuHive and aims to help kick-start local businesses into profitability with a range of services from one-to-one mentoring through to complete investment acceleration programmes. IncuHive, based in Westgate Chambers in Staple Gardens, Winchester is the brain child of local entrepreneur Steve Northam. Businesses interested in taking advantage of the business support service should contact IncuHive via their website incuhive.co.uk by e-mail hello@incuhive.co.uk or phone 0800 689 3564.

Sport & Leisure Park reaches first milestone

Construction of Winchester's sport & leisure park is well underway with the site having reached its first key milestone – the piling and the 50-metre pool tank excavation is now complete. Building partner, Willmott Dixon, is currently undertaking pipe work and concrete works, and the pad foundations of the building are also underway.

Winchester City Council declares climate change emergency

Winchester City Council has joined more than 70 authorities across the country in declaring a climate emergency. The council will be aiming to make itself carbon neutral by 2024 and achieve the same with the wider district by 2030. An action plan, setting out how this will be achieved, will follow the declaration, which was declared by the city council's Cabinet. A focus on the environment has been named as the top priority for Winchester City Council's new Liberal Democrat administration. The new administration said its focus would fall on three key areas - reducing the carbon footprint of the council and wider district, balancing the budget, and building homes for all sectors of the community.

Council working with Biffa to address issues with bin collections

Winchester City Council is working closely with its waste contractor Biffa UK to address problems with bin collections across the district. If your bin has not been emptied on the scheduled day please leave it out and report a missed bin collection by visiting <https://www.winchester.gov.uk/report>

Promotional Signage

Anyone placing a sign on highway without the consent of the Highway Authority (in this case HCC) is in contravention of Section 132 of the Highways Act 1980 and can be fined for doing so. The only signs that can be authorised are those prescribed by The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 or those given special dispensation by the Department for Transport (such as specific safety campaigns). In addition Part VIIA of the Highways Act (sections 115A to K) allows signs such as "A boards" to be placed in pedestrianised areas although HCC does not currently licence these therefore they are not authorised either.

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Neighbourhood Watch Police Report

Dear All

Firstly, please note the very worthwhile initiative carried out on 12th July.

Vehicle Stops in Bishop's Waltham

Officers from Hampshire Constabulary joined forces with other partners in carrying out vehicle stops in Bishop's Waltham. Neighbourhood Policing Team from the Meon Valley along with other agencies (HMRC, Environment agency, Winchester City Council, Commercial Vehicle Unit and also NAVCIS), were all involved.

The operation took place by the Old Station Road roundabout on Friday 12 July and its aim was to detect a range of offences, including rural burglaries and thefts.

One officer stated " Vehicle stops in operations like this one play a key part in our efforts to disrupt a range of offences in rural areas, including thefts and burglaries.

We will continue to work with other agencies to detect and disrupt those who seek to offend in our rural areas."

Appeal for information after attempted burglary in Durley

We are appealing for information following an attempted burglary at The

Farmers Home pub in Durley.

At about 11.45pm on Monday July 8, attempts were made to break in to the pub.

A group of males wearing hooded tops tried to prise open a door, after smashing a pane of glass, in order to gain access to the property.

They left the scene when a light in the pub was turned on. Nothing was stolen.

We're looking for anyone with information about this incident to come forward and help us with our enquiries.

We have released CCTV images of people we would like to speak to as part of our investigation.

Were you in the area at the time of the burglary? Do you recognise the individuals in the CCTV images?

If you have any information, please call 101, quoting 44190238087, or contact the charity Crime stoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

SCAMS:

Her Majesty's Revenue scam calls

An increase in malicious calls and voicemails are being reported about Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC) or from the Government stating that as a result of non-payment prosecution etc. will follow which can be avoided by using bank transfer or paying by iTunes vouchers! There often follows threats of immediate arrest, sending bailiffs or even deportation with dates being quoted as too long ago for paperwork to have been retained. There may also be warnings that you must not contact the Police or a solicitor.

A genuine case would be notified by HMRC by post with a reference number to quote and the advice is: Always question unsolicited requests and contact the company or in this case HMRC or Government separately by phone using a trusted number, after you make sure that you have disconnected the call. No legitimate company would ask for payment using iTunes vouchers. Do not be rushed or pressured into making a decision. No genuine bank or organisation such as HMRC would force you to make an 'on the spot' financial transaction. Do not be worried about contacting the Police if you are unsure. Report 'phishing' attempts to Action Fraud 0300 123 2040. The police are aware that there has been an increase in reports showing that we need to share this information as widely as possible please.....family, friends, neighbours etc. who may be vulnerable to this type of crime

JUST HANG UP! Credit card scam

This report (below) from one of our coordinators mentions the scam "Your credit card has been used overseas transfer ... etc."

Just for info, I have had 4 of these calls in recent weeks. The message starts with " This call is from Visa/MasterCard ..". Bit of a giveaway, actually as they are two separate companies! In any event. I hung up on the automated caller straight away.

Message from one of our coordinators

I received the 7th July bulletin from John Romero and identified with the £600 Offshore Scam. I too received this call which was a fake recorded message from Barclays saying £600 had been sent from my account to an offshore account etc. The number the call came from was 02083048806. I don't usually answer 020 calls but I mistook it as

being from 02380. Again, the message is PUT THE PHONE DOWN AND MAKE SURE THE CALL HAS BEEN DISCONNECTED.

[Reminder that the “Get Safe Online campaign” goes live 1st August!
Do you overshare information that would be better kept private or more discreet? ? #safesocial www.getsafeonline.org/safesocial
Once it’s online, it’s online, so it could be shared even after you’ve deleted it.
Think before you post comments or photos that you might regret later. And remember that employers look at social media too #safesocial
www.getsafeonline.org/safesocial

Check your social media privacy settings to make sure only those you want to can see your profile and posts #safesocial www.getsafeonline.org/safesocial

Not everybody who wants to connect with you on social media is who they say they are. Do some research, and accept requests with care #safesocial
www.getsafeonline.org/safesocial

Splashing pics of your hotel pool on holiday usually means your home is empty, and insurers may not pay out for resulting burglaries. Think before you post #safesocial #getsafeonlineonholiday www.getsafeonline.org/safesocial

Protecting your kids from problems on social media is a number one priority. Read our simple tips #safesocial www.getsafeonline.org/safesocial

Fake news, offers, freebies, goods, holidays and profiles are commonplace on social media. Make sure you can tell the difference between fake and real #safesocial www.getsafeonline.org/safesocial

If you think you’ve been a victim of fraud, report it to @actionfrauduk at www.actionfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040. If you’re in Scotland, call Police Scotland on 101 #safesocial #whyreport
www.getsafeonline.org/safesocial

We have included above, a wide range of suggested tweets and posts on different aspects of this month’s awareness campaign. Please feel free to change the tone of voice or other specifics in order to suit your own style, messaging preferences and/or communications guidelines. Alternatively, please write your own content, provided it is on-message and preferably includes our hashtag and link to the Get Safe Online landing page.

Please note that we have not timetabled the following suggested tweets and posts, as they are not day or time-sensitive. We would simply ask that you use them at random in order to ensure the most effective mix for your target audiences on social media. Please include the images supplied where at all possible.

Tweets (please use #safesocial)

Do please pass on this information to everyone and hopefully this will help us
all stay safer.
Thank you for all that you do to help prevent crimes happening in your area.
Kind regards

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