

# Cheshire Neighbourhood Watch Association

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## Cheshire News & Appeals



### Latest Cheshire News

#### **New scheme launched in Cheshire's custody suites to prevent domestic abuse re-offending**

A new perpetrator programme has been launched in Cheshire's custody suites to support those committing domestic abuse-related offences to change their behaviour and prevent reoffending.

Following funding secured by Police and Crime Commissioner for Cheshire, John Dwyer, Cheshire Police is one of the first forces in the country to offer the perpetrator custody programme in each of its three custody suites, based in Chester, Middlewich and Runcorn.

The project launches in early November 2022 following a successful pilot in Middlewich custody suite and is being delivered in partnership with My CWA (formerly known as Cheshire Without Abuse) - the Cheshire-based charity supporting families affected by domestic abuse.

My CWA has recruited a team of experts who are now based in the custody suites and are on hand to support those perpetrators taken into custody, offering them access to support services and a behavioural change programme on their release.

Perpetrators can choose whether to access the services, but all individuals are spoken to and the benefits explained. The key message given is that there is support available to them to change their behaviour as soon as possible.

<https://youtu.be/5QbM8xnDjk0>

The immediate help offered to perpetrators enables them to reflect on their actions and be equipped with a series of strategies that they can use instantly to help deal with anger.

Once the perpetrator leaves custody, they are referred to a community-based programme which runs for 32 weeks. The programme involves a series of online, one-to-one and group sessions.

The programme looks to break the cycle of offending and abuse by working with the whole family that is affected. Working with the whole family brings better understanding of the reasons for the perpetrator's behaviour and enables a commitment to improve the situation for everyone.

Superintendent Claire Jesson said: *"Domestic abuse can affect anyone and it remains a force priority. Our focus is on problem solving and preventing reoccurrence, so we're working with perpetrators to address their offending and the reasons behind their behaviour."*

*"At the same time as supporting offenders, we have specialist domestic abuse officers who support the victims which allows for a joined-up approach for the family."*

*"Cheshire Police has a really close working relationship with My CWA who provide a fantastic service. This is reinforced with the wonderful support that we receive from the IDVAs [Independent Domestic Violence Advisers] in the county's domestic abuse hubs."*

*"As a force, we have a zero-tolerance approach to domestic violence and this programme supports that, it's not a replacement for punishment."*

Police and Crime Commissioner John Dwyer said: *“Domestic abuse has a devastating impact on the whole family and it’s important we look to stop this cycle of abuse.*

*“I worked with the Home Office to secure investment for this valuable programme and, following the success of the pilot, we are already seeing the positive impact it has had on perpetrators and the reassurance given to victims as a result.*

*“Working with My CWA enables us to bring in the very best support when offenders leave custody and gives us confidence that they have access to all the tools possible to stop this harmful behaviour.*

*“Protecting vulnerable and at-risk people is a key priority in my Police and Crime Plan, as is delivering justice for victims. This programme allows us to do both by giving us the opportunity to change behaviour for the better and break the cycle of domestic abuse.”*

Beverley Wrighton, Deputy Chief Executive at My CWA added: *“My CWA has been supporting families affected by domestic abuse across Cheshire for over 45 years and our relationship with Cheshire Police has always been a valued and effective partnership. Together, we share insights and innovate to create new initiatives such as the recent custody suite programme.*

*“We believe that only by working hand-in-hand with police and wider Cheshire public services can our approach to tackling the issue of domestic abuse across Cheshire be consistent and impactful, and can we realise our vision of a community free from the fear of domestic abuse.”*

The community-based support programme does not replace the criminal process and outcomes, but it does provide those who have offended with the opportunity to change and avoid future harmful actions, resulting in a break in the cycle of abuse.

Abuse can happen to anyone, regardless of gender or age and tailored support services are available to both male and female offenders and young people who offend.

## **County lines drug dealer jailed following raid**

A county lines drug dealer who was involved in the supply of drugs from Manchester into Ellesmere Port has been jailed following a successful warrant at his address.

Abdulatif Abdulkadir was initially arrested by officers on 6 February 2021 when he was driving in Ellesmere Port after he was found in possession of around £1,231 in cash and two mobile phones – one of which was used as a ‘burner’ phone to sell drugs.

He was subsequently charged with being concerned in the supply of heroin and crack cocaine and possession of criminal property and was bailed by the courts – but this didn’t stop him dealing for the Manchester based County Lines Team.

Ellesmere Port Proactive Team continued to gather evidence and launched a further investigation into Abdulkadir, with a focus on the ‘burner’ phone which proved that drugs were being sold in the town.

Abdulkadir was again later arrested on Friday 6 May after detectives conducted a warrant at his home address on Demesne Road, Manchester.

During the raid, officers seized three further ‘burner’ phones, two sim cards, a quantity of cash and three snap bags of cannabis.

Evidence gathered from the recovered mobile phones showed Abdulkadir to be active in the sale and distribution of class A drugs.

The 32-year-old was remanded in custody after he was charged with being concerned in the supply of crack cocaine and heroin and being in possession of class B drugs (cannabis) and criminal property.

He appeared at Chester Crown Court on Monday 24 October where he was subsequently jailed for five years and three months after pleading guilty to all charges.

Following the sentencing, Detective Constable Phillip Hunt of the Western Proactive Team said: *"This is a great result which demonstrates our efforts to ensure those who deal illegal drugs in our communities are caught and brought to justice.*

*"Through our extensive enquiries, it became clear that Abdulkadir was a key player in the supply of illegal drugs in the Ellesmere Port and Manchester areas.*

*"Illegal drugs have a hugely detrimental impact, and we are committed to doing all we can to remove those involved in the supply of such drugs from our communities.*

*"Thankfully, as a result of all of the evidence we gathered during our investigation, Abdulkadir is now behind bars.*

*"Warrants can be hugely successful but information from the public is vital for this fight, and I urge anyone with any information about suspected drug related activity in their community to get in touch. "You will be listened to, and we will investigate the matter."*

You can report suspected drug dealing to Cheshire Constabulary by visiting the [website](#) or by calling 101. Information can also be reported anonymously, via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.



### **Appeal following reports of pedestrians on the M53**

Police are appealing for witnesses and video footage following reports of pedestrians on the M53 at Ellesmere Port.

At around 4.50pm on Thursday 27 October, officers received multiple calls from motorists reporting up to four pedestrians on the southbound carriageway between junctions 9, the Boat Museum, and junction 10, Cheshire Oaks.

The callers reported seeing two stationary vehicles on the hard shoulder, with two men and a woman stood next to them.

The also reported seeing a third man, with curly brown hair, who ran across the motorway.

Some of the callers also stated that they believed one of the men may have been armed.

Officers attended the scene but on arrival found no trace of the people and both vehicles had left the scene.

Enquiries in relation to the incident have been ongoing and officers are keen to hear from anyone who witnessed the incident or anyone with any dashcam footage.

Detective Constable Shannon Reid said:

*“Enquiries in relation to these reports are ongoing and we are committed to doing all we can to establish what took place.*

*“This M53 is a busy motorway and at the time the incident is reported to have taken place there are likely to have been hundreds of motorists passing through who may have witnessed what happened.*

*“I would urge anyone who thinks they may have seen the incident to come forward. The same goes for anyone with any dashcam footage which may aid our investigation.”*

Anyone with information is urged to call Cheshire Police on 101 quoting IML1398521 or report it online via <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us> . Information can also be passed on to Crimestoppers anonymously by calling 0800 555 111 or online via <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously> .

## **Officers appealing for information following burglary in Poynton have released CCTV footage**

Officers investigating a burglary in Poynton have released CCTV footage of a man they want to speak to in connection with the incident.

At around 4.45am on Sunday 21 August, a man approached a house on Chester Road and is believed to have taken a mobility scooter that was inside a front porch.

Officers are now asking members of the public for help in identifying the man pictured in the CCTV footage as they believe he could assist with their enquiries.

<https://youtu.be/p5jbLiHrEoA>

PC Alice Mayo, from Macclesfield Local Policing Unit, said: *“This is a particularly callous offence which has left an elderly woman shaken and without necessary means of transport.*

*“As part of the investigation, I am appealing to anyone who may have information about this incident to come forward.*

*“Perhaps you recognise the man pictured in the CCTV or may have seen someone acting suspiciously in the area at the time of the incident. If so, please do get in touch to let us know.*

*“I also want to ask residents in the area to check their CCTV or dash cam footage to see if it may provide information that could assist the investigation.”*

If you have information, please contact Cheshire Constabulary through the [website](#) quoting IML 1347671. Information can also be provided anonymously by calling Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

## Cheshire Constabulary tops the national exam chart for wannabe Inspectors

Cheshire Constabulary's officers have proven themselves to be pass masters, by taking the force to the top of the Inspectors NPPF Step Two Legal Examination chart.

The Constabulary achieved an impressive 82.9 per cent pass rate in the 2022 exam for officers endeavouring to progress to the rank of Inspector via the four-step National Police Promotion Framework (NPPF).

That is nearly 30 per cent higher than the average pass rate of 54 per cent.

Officers from all 43 police forces in England and Wales took the exam, as did British Transport Police (BTP) officers.

Twenty-nine out of 35 entrants from Cheshire passed the exam – with three of them achieving an exceptional pass mark – and will now be assessed against rank specific competencies and matched to Inspector vacancies.

The top five performing forces were:

Organisation	Number of candidates	Number of successful candidates	Success rate
Cheshire	35	29	82.9 per cent
Gwent	XX	XX	82.6 per cent
Norfolk	XX	XX	78.9 per cent
Lancashire	43	33	76.7 per cent
Lincolnshire	XX	XX	73.7 per cent

Please note that where candidate numbers are low, these have been removed to ensure that no candidates can be identified from the data.

Cheshire Constabulary's Deputy Chief Constable Chris Armitt said: *"It is fantastic to see the force at the top of the charts and for our officers' hard work and determination to be rewarded in this way.*

*"The Inspectors NPPF Step Two Legal Examination tests officers' knowledge and understanding of a wide range of laws and procedures.*

*“The fact that so many of our officers took and passed the exam is indicative of the high level of ambition and talent within the force.*

*“My congratulations go to all those who passed. You have done yourselves and the Constabulary proud.”*

The exam consists of 150 multiple choice questions answered over a three-hour period.

The questions are written by trained writers who have extensive policing experience and knowledge of the relevant legislation.

All the questions are extensively quality-assured by a team of internal and independent experts.

The four NPPF steps that officers need to complete to become an Inspector are:

- Step One: Competence in current rank
- Step Two: Legal knowledge examination
- Step Three: Assessment against rank specific competencies and matching to vacancies
- Step Four: Temporary promotion and work-based assessment

### **Police undertake partnership operation to tackle criminal exploitation and modern slavery**

Officers from Cheshire Police and the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority (GLAA) have today (Wednesday 26 October) undertaken a partnership operation in Winsford as part of ongoing efforts to tackle criminal exploitation and modern slavery.

Earlier this year, intelligence was received in relation to a man suspected of trafficking workers into the UK and exploiting them.

After receiving the intelligence, officers have been working closely with the GLAA to gather further evidence, which has resulted in the operation in Winsford today.

The operation began shortly after 9am when officers executed a warrant at an address on Wharton Bridge where a 34-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of modern slavery and gangmastering offences.

The man is currently in police custody where he is assisting officers with their enquiries.

Officers also visited a further seven addresses across the town to speak to seven people who have been identified as possible victims of modern slavery.

They have all been taken to a reception centre which has been set up in Winsford to provide specialist advice and support from a number of agencies.

Detective Sergeant Martin Caldwell, lead for Hidden Harm in the Western Area, said:

*“We treat all reports of illegal immigration and criminal exploitation extremely seriously and are committed to working closely with our partners to tackle the issue.*

*“Many of these people are extremely vulnerable and they came to the UK for the hope of a better life - instead they are being criminally exploited.*

*“Following today’s operation, we will work closely with our partners to ensure that all of those who are identified as victims are provided with the help and support that they require.”*

GLAA Senior Investigating Officer Martin Plimmer said:

*“Our priority at the GLAA is to work with our partners to protect vulnerable workers from exploitation and that’s exactly what we have achieved through today’s joint operation.*

*“Modern slavery and labour abuse sadly exists in communities not just in Cheshire but throughout the UK and we need your help to safeguard those at highest risk of being exploited for their labour.*

*“By spotting the signs of labour abuse and reporting your concerns, you can make a real difference to some of the most vulnerable and hidden members of society.”*

Detective Sergeant Martin Caldwell added:

*“Information from the public is vital and I’d urge anyone with any information in relation to illegal immigration, or any concerns around people who may be victims of modern slavery, to get in touch.*

*“You can report concerns online at [www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us), or by calling 101. Information can also be reported anonymously, via Crimestoppers, on 0800 555 111.”*

Advice and support for victims of exploitation is available via the GLAA free, confidential helpline on 0800 432 0804 or by emailing [intelligence@gla.gov.uk](mailto:intelligence@gla.gov.uk).

Alternatively, call the Modern Slavery and Exploitation Helpline on 08000 121 700.

## **Most Wanted fugitive arrested in Marbella**

An alleged drugs and firearms supplier and one of the UK’s most wanted men has been arrested in Marbella.

Dean Garforth, 29, was riding an e-bike on a street in Nueva Andalucia, Marbella, when he was arrested on Monday afternoon in a pre-planned law enforcement operation.

When he realised plain-clothed officers were closing in, Garforth, who was wearing sports clothes, sunglasses and a cap, rode the bike into an officer and resisted arrest.

He was located and arrested after an operation by the National Crime Agency, Spanish National Police and Cheshire Police.

A public appeal to help trace Garforth was made in January this year when the NCA and Crimestoppers launched a new Most Wanted campaign featuring 12 fugitives who were believed to be hiding in Spain.

He is wanted by Cheshire Police for alleged involvement in a well-established organised Crime Group (OCG), supplying significant quantities of cocaine and cannabis, and being involved in trading firearms and ammunition between March 2020 and July 2020.

It is alleged he used the now defunct encrypted comms platform EncroChat to facilitate these offences in and around the North West of England and that his OCG also adulterated the drugs before moving them on.

Garforth, whose last known address was South Hill Road, Dingle, Liverpool, is the sixth fugitive from the list to be arrested since the Most Wanted campaign was launched in January.

He is in custody awaiting the beginning of extradition proceedings.

Steve Reynolds, NCA regional manager in Spain, said: *“Dean Garforth’s arrest was made possible after some great work by the Spanish National Police, supported by the NCA’s international liaison officers and Cheshire Police.*



*“Garforth is the sixth fugitive to be arrested from the Most Wanted list. We won’t stop until the remainder are caught.”*

Detective Chief Inspector Ian Murray from Cheshire Constabulary’s Major Crime Directorate said: *“This latest arrest shows how by working together, there are no borders and no safe places to hide. We will continue to work together to keep bringing those suspected of committing serious and organised crime before the courts.”*

Lord Ashcroft, Founder and Chair of the charity Crimestoppers, said: *“Most Wanted has proven to be incredibly successful as it publicises those individuals who are on the run and encourages the public to contact us anonymously if they know of their whereabouts.”*

*“I’m delighted that another fugitive has been caught and I appeal to anyone else who has information about an individual who remains on our list to tell our charity what they know completely anonymously. Call 0800 555 111 or fill in our anonymous online form at [Crimestoppers-uk.org](https://www.crimestoppers-uk.org). You’ll be doing the right thing and will be helping to keep communities safe.”*



## **Two men jailed following burglary in Chester**

Two men who were interrupted by the homeowner while burgling a home in Chester have been jailed for more than five years.

Matthew Green and Andrew Cusato appeared at Chester Crown Court on Friday 21 October where they both pleaded guilty to burglary dwelling with violence. Cusato also admitted breaching a Criminal behaviour order.

Green, aged 33, of Brook Street, was sentenced to two years and five months in prison. 38-year-old Cusato, of Station View, Blacon, was jailed for two years and eight months.

During the hearing the court was told that at around 4.30pm on Monday 22 August, a man and his young son returned to their home on Hermitage Road, Saughall, to find that their front door had been forced open.

Upon entering the address to find out what had happened, they discovered Green and Cusato were still inside ransacking their home.

After being disturbed the pair fled the scene, taking with them a number of items, including high value watches, electrical items and games consoles, many of which have still not been recovered.



As the pair left the address Cousto also ran into the boy and pushed him over, causing him to fall to the floor.

Despite their attempts to flee the scene and evade justice, the pair were arrested within days after they were identified by officers from CCTV footage.

Following the sentencing Detective Constable Karina Monks, of Chester Proactive Team, said: "Green and Cusato are both prolific offenders and I welcome the sentences that have been handed to the pair.

"Burglary is an horrific offence and I have no doubt that this was a terrifying ordeal for the victims, to be confronted by intruders in their home, the one place we should all be able to feel safe.

"Thankfully, we were quickly able to identify Green and Cusato as the offenders, thanks to the evidence provided by the victims and the information gathered by the team here at Chester Proactive Team.

"I hope the fact that Green and Cusato have now been convicted and are now behind bars facing the consequences of their actions gives some closure to his victims, and the local community.

"I also hope that this case acts as a warning to others who are looking to come to Cheshire to commit crime."



Green

Cusato

### **Officers and colleagues celebrated at force's annual awards**

The outstanding work of officers and colleagues was celebrated at Cheshire Constabulary's annual ACE (Achieving Cheshire Excellence) Awards on Friday 21 October.

An ACE Award is the highest accolade that can be awarded to an individual or team that has gone that extra mile or demonstrated exceptional commitment to policing in Cheshire.

This year's ceremony was the eighth annual event and took place at Rookery Hall Hotel and Spa in Nantwich.

The event was presented by ITV weather presenter Emma Jesson.

A total of eleven awards were issued for a range of fantastic work which took place across the force during the period June 2021 to May 2022.



All ACE awards winners

Chief Constable Mark Roberts said: *"The ACE Awards give us the chance to highlight and celebrate the outstanding work of individuals and teams across the Constabulary, and we have once again seen the exceptional hard work and dedication of our officers and colleagues in this year's nominations."*

*"We have made huge progress as a force during the past 12-months as we strive to achieve our mission of delivering even safer communities for the whole of Cheshire whilst making the county a hostile place for criminals."*

*"I would like to congratulate the winners of each of the 11 award categories and thank all those who nominated an individual or a team this year."*

*"The ACE Awards highlight the fact that we have some truly outstanding people at Cheshire Constabulary. The award winners and shortlisted finalists thoroughly deserve recognition for their dedicated service to both the Force and the communities we serve."*

Police and Crime Commissioner John Dwyer added: *"I am so proud of every nominee and winner at this year's ACE Awards. There are so many talented officers, staff and volunteers throughout the Constabulary and great examples of them going above and beyond, that it is only right that we celebrate their efforts and achievements."*

*"Their commitment to making Cheshire an even safer place to live, work and visit is inspirational. The categories just show the wide range of fantastic work being done across the force and I would like to thank the nominees, winners and every member of the police family for their dedication to keeping Cheshire's residents safe."*

You can [view more images from the evening on our Flickr page](#).

## Latest Cheshire Appeals

### Appeal for information following fatal collision in Malpas

Officers are appealing for witnesses and video footage following a fatal collision involving a van in Malpas.

At 9.50pm on Friday 28 October a report was received of a one-vehicle collision involving a white Vauxhall Vivaro van and a tree on Wet lane, in the Barton area of Malpas.

Sadly, the driver, a 23-year-old local man, passed away at the scene. His next of kin are being supported by specialist officers.

An investigation is currently underway and as part of their enquiries officers are appealing for information in relation to the collision.

Anyone with information is urged to contact Cheshire Police via the Cheshire Police website or quoting IML 1399527 or call 101. Information can also be passed on to Crimestoppers anonymously the Crimestoppers website or call 0800 555 111.

### **Police are appealing for information following a burglary in Ellesmere Port**

Officers investigating a burglary in Ellesmere Port are appealing for information from members of the public.

At around 7.34pm on Tuesday 25 October, two unknown offenders are believed to have gained entry to a property on Westminster Road whilst the occupants were out.

When the residents returned, the pair quickly left the address through the downstairs window.

The offenders fled the scene in the direction of Grace Road and were seen getting into a Ford Kuga.

It is believed the pair were of a slim build, wearing dark coloured clothing and were approximately 6ft tall.

Officers are now appealing to anyone with information to come forward.

PC Jayne Sprawson said: "I would like to reassure residents that we are doing all we can to establish the identities of these criminals and bring them to justice.

"Our investigation is ongoing, and we have been following numerous lines of enquiry.

"As part of our enquiries we are appealing to anyone who may have CCTV or dashcam footage from the Westminster Road and Grace Road area to contact us.

"The same goes to anyone who may have witnessed anything or may have information that they believe could assist in our investigation."

Anyone with information is urged to contact Cheshire Police by reporting it through the website or call 101 quoting IML 1397205.

Information can also be provided anonymously by calling Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

### **Officers appealing for information following burglary in Poynton have released CCTV footage**

Officers investigating a burglary in Poynton have released CCTV footage of a man they want to speak to in connection with the incident.

At around 4.45am on Sunday 21 August, a man approached a house on Chester Road and is believed to have taken a mobility scooter that was inside a front porch.

Officers are now asking members of the public for help in identifying the man pictured in the CCTV footage as they believe he could assist with their enquiries.

PC Alice Mayo, from Macclesfield Local Policing Unit, said: *“This is a particularly callous offence which has left an elderly woman shaken and without necessary means of transport.*

*“As part of the investigation, I am appealing to anyone who may have information about this incident to come forward.*

*“Perhaps you recognise the man pictured in the CCTV or may have seen someone acting suspiciously in the area at the time of the incident. If so, please do get in touch to let us know.*

*“I also want to ask residents in the area to check their CCTV or dash cam footage to see if it may provide information that could assist the investigation.”*

If you have information, please contact Cheshire Constabulary through the [website](#) quoting IML 1347671. Information can also be provided anonymously by calling Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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### **CCTV Image released following armed robbery in Winsford**

Detectives have released a CCTV image of a man they want to speak to in connection to a knifepoint robbery at a convenience store in Winsford.

At around 6pm on Saturday 22 October, a man armed with a knife entered ‘Your Local Convenience’ on High Street.

After entering the store, the man threatened a store worker and demanded cash and alcohol from behind the counter.

He then fled on foot in an unknown direction.

Enquiries in relation to the incident are ongoing and as part of the investigation detectives have now released a CCTV image of a man they are looking to speak to.

The man in the CCTV image is around 5’ 11” tall. He was wearing a black Puma hoodie, with a large white logo across the chest, he also had black trousers, black trainers with white soles and a light brown/ orange Burberry scarf covering his face.

Detective Constable Bethany Green, of Northwich CID, said: *“This incident has understandably left the store worker extremely shaken up and we are committed to doing all we can to identify the person responsible. “As part of our ongoing enquiries, we have released CCTV images of a man we believe may have vital information to help our investigation.*

*“If you think you recognise the man in the CCTV images or know who or where he is please call us on 101, quoting IML 1394811 or visit [www.Cheshire.police.uk/tell-us](http://www.Cheshire.police.uk/tell-us) . Alternatively, you can contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.*

*“I would also like to hear from anyone who was in the High Street at the time of the incident and may have seen the offender fleeing the scene.*

*“The same goes for any motorists with any dashcam footage which may aid our investigation.”*



### **Officers appeal for help in finding wanted man from Widnes**

Police are appealing for help in locating wanted man from Widnes. Stephen Rimmer, of no fixed abode, is wanted for a breach of a court order.

The 39-year-old is described as white, 6'2" tall with a medium build and shaved ginger hair.

Rimmer has links to the Warrington and Widnes area.

Anyone who sees him, or has information regarding his whereabouts, is asked to contact Cheshire Police through the [website](#) or via 101 quoting 1388677.

Alternatively, information can be given anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.



## **Officers appeal for information following fail to stop collision in Knutsford**

Officers are appealing for witnesses and video footage following a fail to stop collision in Knutsford. At 3.50pm on Tuesday 25 October, a man wearing an illumines yellow top, was cycling along Ladies Mile when he was clipped from behind by an unknown vehicle.

As a result of the collision the cyclist, a 50-year-old man, fell to the floor sustained a serious injury to his wrist. His bike was also severely damaged.

The driver of the vehicle failed to stop at the scene.

Officers are now appealing to the public to come forward with any information they feel may assist with the investigation.

Police Constable Rachel Parr said: *"Ladies Mile is a busy road which is often used as a cut through by motorists travelling through the Knutsford.*

*"At the time of the collision both the cyclist and the car were travelling southbound, towards Northwich Road.*

*"As part of our investigation, we are keen to hear from anyone who was in the area at the time and may have witnessed the incident or anyone with dashcam footage of the collision or of the vehicle involved.*

*"The same goes to anyone with any CCTV footage which may aid to the investigation.*

*"I would also like to appeal directly to the driver of the car involved and urge them to come forward so we can establish exactly what took place."*

Anyone with information is urged to call Cheshire Police on 101 quoting IML 1397659 or report it online via <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us> .

Information can also be passed on to Crimestoppers anonymously by calling 0800 555 111 or online via <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously> .

## **Appeal for information following road rage incident near Tarvin**

Police are appealing for witnesses and video footage following a road rage incident on the A51 near Tarvin. At around 5.40pm on Tuesday 25 October a motorcyclist was riding towards Chester on the A51, Tarvin Road, when he was approached from behind by a white Volkswagen Passat.

The car was being driven at speed and attempted to overtake the black motorbike a number of times.

Due to concerns for his safety, the motorcyclist decided to pull over into a layby near to the Esso petrol station at Barrow.

As he pulled over the driver of the Passat appeared to deliberately ram the motorbike from behind, causing the rider to fall to the floor.

The Passat then made off at speed, travelling towards Chester.

Detective Sergeant Paul Davis, of Chester CID, said: *"Thankfully the rider of the bike managed to escape with only minor injuries, however, the outcome could have been far worse.*

*"From the accounts that we have received so far this appears to have been a deliberate road rage incident and we are committed to doing all we can to trace the person responsible.*

*"As part of our investigation I'm keen to hear from anyone who was in the area at the time and believes they may have witnessed the incident.*



*“The same goes for anyone with any dashcam footage of incident, or footage of the white Passat travelling towards Chester.*

*“I would also like to hear from anyone who believes they know the whereabouts of the Passat, which is likely to have damage to the front offside bumper.”*

Anyone with any information or video footage is asked to visit [www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us), or call 101 quoting IML 1397116. Information can also be reported anonymously, via Crimestoppers, on 0800 555 111.

### **Police appeal for witnesses and video footage following a serious assault in Runcorn**

Police are appealing for witnesses and video footage following a serious assault in Runcorn.

At around 9.50am on Thursday 20 October police were called to reports of an incident on Halton Road, Runcorn.

Officers attended the scene and found that a 42-year-old local man had been seriously assaulted.

The man was taken to Whiston hospital where it was found he had sustained a slash wound to his arm: he has since been discharged.

A 36-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of section 18 assault in connection with the incident, he has since been released on conditional bail.

Detective Constable Matt Furlong, of Runcorn local policing unit, said: *“I would like to reassure residents that this was an isolated incident, and we are doing all we can to establish exactly what took place.*

*“One man was arrested following the incident and he has since been released on conditional bail, while we progress our investigation.*

*“As part of our ongoing enquiries we are keen to hear from anyone who was in the area at the time of the incident and may have witnessed the disturbance.*

*“The same goes for anyone with any video footage of the incident.*

*“I’d urge anyone with any information in relation to the incident is asked to contact Cheshire police at [www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us), or on 101, quoting IML 1392889.”*

Information can also be reported anonymously, via Crimestoppers, on 0800 555 111.

### **Police appeal for information following burglary in Alsager**

Detectives investigating a burglary in Alsager are appealing for information and video footage from members of the public.

At around 8.15pm on Friday 21 October, police were called to reports that a house on Reginald Settle Road was broken into while no-one was at home.

Enquiries in relation to the incident are ongoing and detectives are urging anyone who was in the area and saw anything that may be relevant to their investigation to come forward.

Detectives also want to speak to anyone who believes they may have information relating to two other incidents that are potentially linked which occurred earlier this month.

On Friday 7 October, a property on Frank Wilkinson Way, Alsager, was burgled between the hours of 4.30pm and 10pm. Jewellery, a quantity of cash and some documents were stolen as a result.

Similarly, between 4.30pm and 10pm on Saturday 8 October, a quantity of cash and two sets of car keys were stolen from a property in Woodside Avenue, Alsager, whilst the occupants were out.



Detectives are now appealing to anyone with information on who is responsible, or has CCTV or dashcam footage of them, as well as to anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of the stolen items to get in touch.

Detective Sergeant Williams said: *“Burglary is a serious offence in which victims are targeted in their own home, the place they should be able to feel most safe.*

*“In this case no-one was home at the time of the offence, but the owners have been left feeling devastated and vulnerable because of whoever broke into their house.*

*“We also believe this burglary is connected to the burglaries on the 7 October and 8 October and urge anyone with information relating to these incidents to get in touch.*

*“We are committed to doing all we can to trace the person responsible, so that they can face the consequences of their actions.*

*“Enquiries are ongoing, and I appeal to anyone who was in the area and witnessed or has CCTV or dashcam footage of anything that may help our investigation to get in touch.*

*“The same goes for anyone who believes they may have seen or been offered the chance to buy jewellery since the incident occurred.”*

Anyone with information or CCTV footage that may aid detectives with their investigation should call Cheshire Constabulary on 101, quoting IML 1394090, give the details via the [website](#) or contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. Dashcam footage can be submitted online [here](#).

### **Police are appealing for information to trace wanted man from Liverpool**

Officers are appealing for information to locate a man from Liverpool.

Jack Lydiate is wanted for failing to appear in court.

The 19-year-old is described as white, 6’0” tall of a slim build and has short brown hair.

He is known to frequent Chester and Liverpool.

Anyone who sees Lydiate or has information regarding his whereabouts is asked to report it through the website, quoting 22000769811 or call Cheshire Constabulary on 101.

Alternatively, information can be reported anonymously, via Crimestoppers, on 0800 555 111 or visit their website.



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