

# Cheshire Neighbourhood Watch Association

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## Cheshire News & Appeals



### Latest Cheshire News

#### **Three people arrested and drugs seized following partnership warrant in Macclesfield**

Police have arrested three people and seized a quantity of illegal drugs following a partnership drugs warrant

At around 3pm today, Friday 3 March, officers from Cheshire Police and British Transport Police conducted a warrant at an address on Moss Lane, Macclesfield.

While searching the properties officers discovered a quantity of Class A and B drugs and a large amount of cash.

Two men, aged 41 and 39, and a woman were arrested at the address on suspicion of being concerned in the supply of Class A and B drugs.

Sergeant Matt Bassirat, of Macclesfield Local Policing Unit, said:

“This operation is the result of a joint investigation by Cheshire Police and British Transport Police into county lines drug dealing in the Macclesfield area.

“As a results of our partnership work we’ve been able to removed a large amount of cannabis and cocaine from the street of Macclesfield.

“Action such as this shows how we are continuing in the fight against illegal drugs in our community and will continue to do all we can to disrupt these criminals.”

Anyone with information about illegal drug activity taking place in their community is urged to report it via <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/soh/seen-or-heard/> or call 101.

#### **Man jailed following fatal hit and run in Crewe**

A man who left a mother of three to die following a collision in Crewe has been jailed.

Nathan Schultz appeared at Chester Crown Court today where he was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

The 23-year-old of Ellgreave Street, Burslem, was earlier found guilty of causing the death of Agnieszka Poczowska's by dangerous driving following a four-day trial at Chester Crown Court.

Schultz had previously pleaded guilty to dangerous driving, failing to provide a specimen, driving without insurance, driving without a licence, two counts of failing to stop following a collision and two counts of failing to report a collision.

He also admitted causing Agnieszka's death whilst unlicensed and uninsured.



Following the sentencing Agnieszka's husband said:

"Agnieszka was a loving wife, my best friend of 21 years and a devoted mother to our three children.

"She was a beautiful and caring woman with a big heart, who was an amazing friend and was loved by everyone who ever met her.

"Our lives were torn apart by Agnieszka's death and nothing can ever repair that hole that has now been left.

"The sentence given today does not reflect the pain and heartbreak my family has endured since my loving wife's death.

"That being said I would like to thank the jury for reaching a guilty verdict and for allowing us to achieve some form of justice for the man who killed my wife, my love and my best friend.

"My thanks go to Cheshire Police for all their hard work gathering all the evidence to achieve the guilty verdict - the right result."

During the earlier trial the court heard how on Monday 14 September 2020, Schultz was driving a silver Ford Focus which was involved in two collisions with cyclists in Crewe.

The first incident occurred at 6.55am when he collided with Agnieszka Poczowska's bicycle on Hungerford Road.

Schultz failed to stop and drove off towards the M6.

Just minutes later, he was involved in a second collision, knocking a cyclist off his bike on Crewe Road, Haslington. Once again, he failed to stop at the scene.

Thankfully, the rider from the second collision, a 53-year-old local man, escaped with just minor injuries.

However, 41-year-old Agnieszka, sustained fatal injuries and was pronounced dead a short time after the collision.

A manhunt was launched to trace the people responsible and following enquiries officers located the vehicle involved abandoned on a road in Trent Vale.

The car had extensive damage to the front windscreen along with three defective tyres.

Schultz was quickly identified as a suspect and arrested later that day. He was subsequently charged in connection with the incident.

Following Schultz's conviction, PC Robin Fisher, of the Serious and Complex Collision investigation unit, said:

"Agnieszka was a loving wife and a devoted mum to her three children.

"She left home that morning and was cycling to work, but as a result of the actions taken by Schultz and Wrench she never arrived.

"The pair are both responsible for her death, Schultz was driving the car that hit her and Wrench was sat in the passenger seat.

"They were both aware that they had hit Agnieszka, but rather than stop at the scene to help her, they purposefully chose to drive off and left her to die at the side of the road.

“Even after the second collision, they continued and thought that they could evade justice.

“But thankfully, after a complex and detailed investigation, we were able to locate and bring both men to justice for their actions that day.”

In addition to his prison sentence, Schultz was also banned from driving for ten years. He will also be required to take an extended retest.

Inspector Helen Cooper added:

“It has taken more than two-years to get to this point, but I hope that the conclusion of this case will provide Agnieszka’s family with some form of closure.

“The pain and suffering that they have endured is unimaginable and our thoughts are with them at this time.

“This has been one of the most difficult cases that I have ever dealt with in my whole career at Cheshire Constabulary and I would like to thank all of the officers who have been involved in this case and who have all played a role in helping to finally achieve justice for Agnieszka’s family.”



## **Drugs and weapons seized following police raid in Crewe**

A man has been arrested by officers and a quantity of illegal drugs have been seized following a warrant in Crewe.

At around 12am on Thursday 2 March, officers conducted a drugs warrant at an address Billington Road, Warrington.

A man was found at an address, during a search of the property, officers discovered a large quantity of cannabis and drug paraphernalia as well as a number of weapons.

Following the warrant, the occupant, a 29-year-old man, was arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the supply of class B drugs (Cannabis).

He has since been released on bail, due to return to Middlewich Custody on Wednesday 3 May.

Sergeant Steve Tandy of Crewe Local Policing Unit, said:

“This operation has led to the removal of a sizeable quantity of illegal drugs and weapons from the streets of Crewe.

“Actions such as these shows how we are continuing to take the fight to drug dealers within our local community and across wider Cheshire – doing all we can to disrupt criminals.

“I would urge anyone who spots the signs of this criminal activity to contact us on 101 or via our website. No report is too small or too trivial – each one provides us with vital intelligence that assists us in the fight against this crime type.”

Anyone with information about illegal drug activity taking place in their community is urged to report it via <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/soh/seen-or-heard/> or call 101.

## **Northwich man charged with drug and weapons offences**

A man from Northwich has been charged with drugs offences following a raid in the town.

At around 9.25am on Wednesday 1 March, officers executed a warrant at an address on Thornly Green.

A 31-year-old man was arrested at the address on suspicion of drugs offences.

Samuel Watts, of Thornly Green, Northwich, was subsequently charged with being concerned in supply of class A (cocaine), being concerned in the supply of Class B drugs (cannabis) and possession of offensive weapon.

Watts appeared at Chester Magistrates Court on Thursday 3 March where he was released on conditional bail.

He is next set to appear at Chester Crown Court on Thursday 30 March.

### **Man charged in connection to Northwich cannabis farm**

Officers investigating a cannabis farm in Northwich have charged a man in connection to the discovery.

Eduard Miceli was arrested at around 12.45pm on Thursday 2 March following after officers found a cannabis farm at an address on Walker Road, Winnington.

The 20-year-old, of Walker Road, Winnington, has since been charged with production of class B drugs (Cannabis).

Miceli appeared at Warrington Magistrates' Court on Saturday 4 March where he was remanded in custody.

He is next set to appear at Chester Crown Court on Monday 3 April.

### **Man banned from Chester city centre for five years following Criminal Behaviour Order**



A man has been banned from Chester city centre for the next five years after being ordered to adhere to a Criminal Behaviour Order.

David Hill, of no fixed address but of Ellesmere Port, was handed the order at Chester Magistrates' Court on Tuesday 28 February.

His offences include drunk and disorderly, driving offences and theft of a motor vehicle.

The 55-year-old is now forbidden from entering Chester city centre.

The CBO, which was applied for by Chester City Beat Team, prohibits Hill from entering the city centre, bound by the attached map, except for attending any pre-arranged medical appointments on a specific route, and from having any open container of alcohol in a public place.



If Hill fails to follow the order, he is committing a criminal offence and could result in a recall to prison or a fine.

Inspector James Wilson said: "Hill is a prolific offender who has brought misery to Chester city centre so I thank the courts for granting us this order against him.

"A Criminal Behaviour Order is just one of the tools that we can use to further protect communities from harm, and we will continue to use everything we can to protect those who live, work and visit the city.

"Hill will be under the CBO until 28 February 2028 and if he fails to comply with any of the conditions, he could face up to five years behind bars."

Anyone who encounters Hill breaching any of the above restrictions is urged to contact Cheshire Police via [the website](#) or call 101, to report it.

## **Convicted murderer sentenced after absconding from prison**

A convicted murderer who absconded from a prison in Lancashire has been jailed after he was captured in Scotland by officers from Cheshire Police.

Paul Gerrard sentenced to life in prison in 2009 after he was convicted of the murder of David Argent, in Runcorn.

The court heard how the 40-year-old absconded from HMP Kirkham, Lancashire, in December 2022.

Following, initial enquiries Lancashire police the case was passed over to Cheshire police.

An investigation was launched by detectives from the Serious and Organised Crime Unit, and after following extensive enquiries officers discovered intelligence suggesting that Gerrard had travelled to Scotland.

Officers from the unit were immediately deployed to the area and on Tuesday 17 January they located Gerrard hiding in a bed and breakfast in Irvine, Scotland.

He was immediately arrested and taken back to Lancashire where he was subsequently charged with escaping from lawful custody.

Gerrard appeared at Carlisle Crown Court on Thursday 16 February where he was sentenced to an additional 14 months in prison.

Detective Inspector Nick Henderson, of Cheshire Constabulary's Serious and Organised Crime Unit, said: "I welcome this sentence handed to Gerrard who is back behind bars where he belongs.

"This case demonstrates our determination to ensure that offenders are held accountable for their actions, with officers going well beyond the boundaries of Cheshire to keep our communities safe."





## Officers out in force this weekend ahead of Chester FC fixture with Banbury United



Officers will be out in force this weekend ahead of Chester Football Club's clash against Banbury United.

For the upcoming Chester FC fixture on Saturday 4 March against Banbury United, fans will see a considerable policing presence to ensure that those attending the game can do so safely.

A dispersal order will be in place banning anyone from the city for up to 48 hours to tackle any disorder that may arise.

The dispersal order has been imposed under Section 35 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, dispersal orders make it an offence for anyone to return to a specific area for up to 48 hours.

The area covered by the order is indicated by the highlighted mapped area which will be provided to anyone issued with a direction to leave.

Officers on the ground will also have extra stop and search powers, granted temporarily under Section 60 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act (1994).

The order means that officers can stop and search any person or vehicle they believe may be carrying weapons or causing serious violence in a particular area, whether or not they have any grounds of suspicion.

There will also be a Section 60 AA order in place which gives officers the power to request the removal and/or seize facial coverings or masks that are being used to conceal an identity and failure to do this could result in arrest.

These additional powers will be in place from 11am on Saturday 4 March and will expire at 6pm the same day.

Superintendent Andy Blizzard, who is leading the operation this weekend, said: “These measures have been put in place to better protect fans from any disorder that may arise surrounding the fixture.

“It goes without saying but I want to remind fans to attend and watch the game peaceably and with consideration for those around them.

“We will not stand for any disorder and our officers will be on the look out for anyone intent on causing harm and ensure that they are dealt with appropriately.

“Those in and around the area will see an increase of officers and I would urge anyone with any concerns to please speak with them and they will do all they can to assist.”

Anyone with any concerns can report it to Cheshire Police via [the Cheshire Police website](#) or call 101.

## **Drugs and weapons seized following police raid in Crewe**

Two men and a boy have been arrested by officers and a quantity of illegal drugs have been seized following a warrant in Crewe.

At around 9am on Wednesday 1 March, officers conducted a drugs warrant at an address on Darlington Avenue, Crewe.

Two men and a boy were found at the address and during a search of the property officers discovered a large quantity of cannabis, psychoactive substances along with other drug paraphernalia and a number of weapons – including a “zombie” style knife.

Following the warrant, a 17-year-old boy was arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the supply class A and B drugs, while a 22-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the supply of class B drugs (cannabis). Both were later released on bail.

A 26-year-old-man was also arrested being concerned in the supply of class B drugs, he was later released under investigation.

Sergeant Steve Tandy of Crewe Local Policing Unit, said:

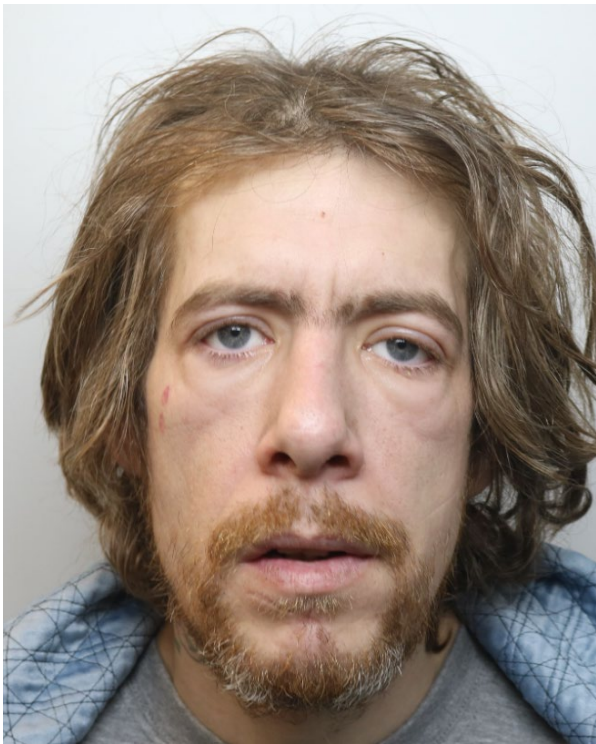
“This operation has led to successfully removing a quantity of illegal drugs and weapons from the streets of Crewe.

“Actions such as this shows how we are continuing the fight against illegal drugs within our local community and across wider Cheshire – doing all we can to disrupt these criminals.

“I would urge anyone who spots the signs of this criminal activity to contact us on 101 or via our website. No report is too small or too trivial – each one provides us with vital intelligence that assists us in the fight against this crime type.”

Anyone with information about illegal drug activity taking place in their community is urged to report it via <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/soh/seen-or-heard/> or call 101.

### **Prolific offender from Macclesfield handed two-year Criminal Behaviour Order**

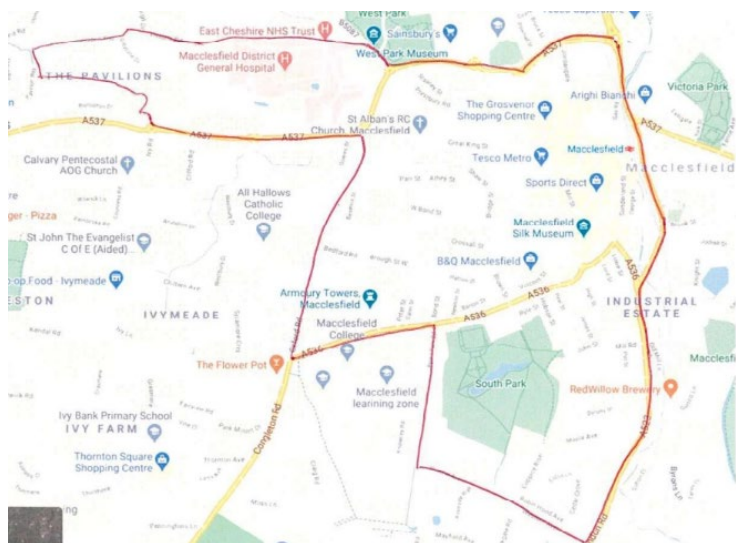


A prolific offender from Macclesfield has been ordered to adhere to a strict Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO) following his release from prison.

Tom Cole, of no fixed address but of Macclesfield, was sentenced to eight weeks for theft from motor vehicle at Chester Magistrates’ Court on 30 January 2023 after pleading guilty to the offence.

Following his release from prison, he must adhere to a two-year CBO which expires on 28 February 2025.

Under the terms of the order, which was successfully applied for by Macclesfield South Beat Team, the 36-year-old is prohibited from entering the town centre of Macclesfield as defined by the map unless on a train which is passing through the area.



Sergeant Matt Bassirat said: “Cole is a prolific offender who has brought misery to Macclesfield over recent years.

“This is a fantastic result which shows the lengths we will go to stop offenders such as Cole in their tracks to bring harmony back to the town.

“Orders such as CBOs are just another tool that allows officers to further protect communities from harm caused by offenders.

“If Cole fails to comply with any of the conditions of the order, he could receive a final penalty of five years imprisonment.”

Anyone who encounters Cole breaching any of the above restrictions is urged to contact Cheshire Police via [the website](#) or call 101, to report it.

### **Closure order secured against troubled Warrington address**

Beat Management Officers have successfully secured a closure order following reports of drug dealing and animal breeding at a property in Warrington.

The property that has caused year-long anguish for a community in Great Sankey, Warrington, has been shut down by officers following the securing of a closure order.

The closure order for the address on Mildenhall Close was granted at Crewe Magistrates Court on Monday 27 February.

Officers received numerous reports from concerned residents regarding drug-related activity and animal mistreatment at the property.

These reports included frequent vehicle and foot traffic gathering at the property, thought to be related to drug dealing, as well several Rottweilers owned by the occupant being frequently left loose on the estate – causing fear and panic amongst some residents.

Following the concern officers encouraged residents to get in touch regarding issues at the address so they could apply for a closure order.

Thanks to the fantastic support from the community, officers from the Warrington West Beat Team, were able to gather an overwhelming amount of evidence that lead to them securing a three-month closure order against their disruptive neighbour.

The occupant of the address has been ordered to leave the property and find alternative accommodation.

However, thanks to the great community policing by the Warrington West Beat Team, an overwhelming amount of evidence was gathered that lead to the residents securing a three-month closure order against their disruptive neighbour.

The occupant of the address, a 28-year-old woman, has been ordered to leave the property and find alternative accommodation.

All windows and doors will now be boarded up for a period of three months. Anyone who enters the address during that time is committing an offence and can be arrested.

Sergeant Neil Bradley of Warrington West Beat Team, said:

“Officers at Warrington West Beat Team made a promise to keep this neighbourhood and its residents safe, and by removing this resident that has caused them nothing but anguish for the past 12 months, we have kept that promise.

James Cotterill of Warrington LPU said:

“The residents have been incredibly supportive and are extremely grateful for the closure.

“Without communication with our residents we would not have secured this result that we have today.

“I want to urge anyone with concerns about ASB or other criminality in their community to please contact local officers and we will do everything we can to address issues and achieve justice.”

Anyone with concerns about anti-social or suspicious behaviour in their area is asked to report it to Cheshire Police via the Cheshire Police website or call 101.

### **Three men charged following theft in Stretton**

Three men have been charged in connection with the theft of cooking oil from a public house in Warrington.

At 5am on Wednesday 1 March officers spotted a transit van on the A49 in Stretton.

Officers stopped and searched the vehicle and the three occupants were arrested on suspicion of theft.

Mitko Asenov, 27, Asen Asenov, 32, of Turnpike Lane, London, and Bozhidar Andreev, 35, of Lordship Lane, London, were all subsequently charged with theft.

The trio are all set to appear at Warrington Magistrates Court on Wednesday 19 April for sentencing.

### **New beat manager for Hoole and Newton donates bicycles to local charity**

PC Will Morgan-Griffiths got off to a flying start as beat manager for Hoole and Newton by donating more than 20 bicycles to a local charity.

On Monday 27 February PC Morgan-Griffiths delivered the bikes, which had been stored by Chester Local Policing Unit's property office, to the Bren Project.

The Bren Project is a small independent charity offering people with learning disabilities and autism the opportunity to experience supported, bespoke work placements in Chester and the surrounding area. The aim being to create a more inclusive workplace.



The bikes were either lost property or recovered stolen bikes which had never been claimed and some were damaged, giving the team at the Bren Project the perfect opportunity to get stuck in to renovating the cycles, learning new skills, and importantly the confidence in themselves and their abilities.

PC Morgan-Griffiths said:

“As the new beat manager for Hoole and Newton I am responsible for reducing crime and anti-social behaviour in the local area as well as increasing public confidence in the police service. In the coming weeks, months, and years I will work with local stakeholders and members of the public to prioritise and address issues that affect our community.

“In my effort to introduce myself to the local communities, I made a beeline for the Bren Project which is committed to supporting people with disabilities and creating a diverse work place. It was great to see the work they do and see people learning new skills and creating opportunities.

“I will be of course holding surgeries in the community so that anyone with any policing concerns can have their voice and feel supported by their local officers. You can also follow us Facebook to to keep up to date with your local policing.”

To keep up to date with local policing in Hoole and Newton follow @HoolePol or visit <https://www.facebook.com/HoolePol> or @PoliceNewton or visit <https://www.facebook.com/PoliceNewton>

## **Man jailed for stalking and assaulting former partner**



A man from Ellesmere Port has been jailed after he admitted assaulting and harassing his former partner.

Michael Duncan appeared at Chester Magistrates Court on Monday 27 February where he pleaded guilty to section 39 assault and stalking.

The 38-year-old, Jacks Wood Avenue, Ellesmere Port, was sentenced to 24 weeks in prison and handed a five-year restraining order against his former partner.

During the hearing the court was told how Duncan has a number of previous convictions relating to domestic incidents.

In this case, he had known his victim for several years, although the woman was not aware of his previous convictions.

The pair became involved in a relationship in 2022 and initially everything was good.

However, as their relationship developed Duncan became jealous and controlling.

He repeatedly accused his partner of being unfaithful and would monitor her social media accounts, even forcing her to delete other men from her friends lists.

Duncan's behaviour was not just limited to social media, he would also phone and text his partners friends and family in order to isolate the woman.

His behaviour escalated after he discovered that his victim had been in contact with a former partner, after which he started to call the woman abusive names – including a 'tramp' and a 'slag'.

During one incident, Duncan followed the woman when she was out with friends. When she asked him to stop, he spat in her face.

After sustaining months of abuse, his victim ended the relationship after 11 months, after which Duncan's behaviour escalated further.

He would park his van outside the woman's home and bombarded her with hundreds of abusive messages, videos, and phone calls.

On Christmas Eve 2022, Duncan phoned the woman over 100 times, then on Christmas Day he sent her a message telling her to kill herself.

Thankfully, his victim eventually sought the courage to report Duncan to Police in January 2023 and he was swiftly arrested and charged.



Following his sentencing Detective Constable Luke Bailey said:

“This was an extremely traumatising experience for the victim in this case and I hope that Duncan’s sentencing, along with his five-year restraining order, will provide her with some reassurance.

“Domestic abuse is not acceptable and will not be tolerated, and we want to send out a clear message that nobody should have to suffer in silence.

“If you are a victim of domestic abuse, or if you know someone who is a victim, please get in touch.

“We treat all reports of domestic abuse extremely seriously and will use all the powers available to us to ensure that those responsible are held accountable. This is demonstrated by the fact that the charge rate for domestic abuse offences in Cheshire has increased by 30 per cent in the past 12 months.”

To report any incidents of domestic abuse contact Cheshire police on 101, or [report online](#) , in an emergency call 999.

Further help and support is also available online at [www.openthedoorcheshire.org.uk](http://www.openthedoorcheshire.org.uk) .

DC Bailey added:

“Help is also available through the National Domestic Violence Helpline, on 0808 2000 247.

“In addition, if you have concerns about your current or ex-partner, because you're worried they may have a history of abuse and are a risk to you, then you can submit a Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme (DVDS) application.

“The scheme, also known as Clare’s law, enables the police to release information about any previous history of violence or abuse that a person might have.”

To find out more about Clare’s law, or to submit a DVDS application, visit the [Cheshire police website](#) .

## **Officers issue dispersal order following anti-social behaviour in Chester City Centre**

Officers in Chester have issued a dispersal order following reports of a group causing anti-social behaviour in the city centre.

Police will be using dispersal orders banning anyone from the city for up to 48 hours to prevent disorder.

The dispersal order has been imposed under Section 34 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, dispersal orders make it an offence for anyone to return to a specific area for up to 48 hours.

The highlighted mapped area will be provided to anyone issued with a direction to leave. If you are ordered to leave the dispersal order area and come back, you are likely to be arrested.

The powers are in place now and will run until 2pm on Thursday 2 March.

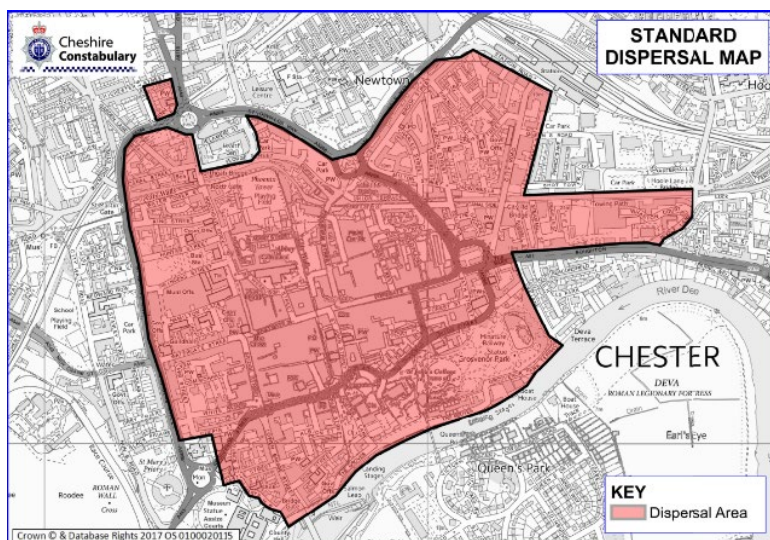
Inspector James Wilson said: “Due to ongoing anti-social behaviour here in Chester by a small minority of people, we have had to impose a dispersal order in the city centre.

“This type of behaviour will not be tolerated here in Chester.

“Anti-social behaviour can have a devastating impact on our communities and residents have every right to feel safe in their neighbourhoods.

“I would urge anyone who witnesses or who has been a victim of anti-social behaviour to report this to us by calling 101 or reporting it via our website so that we can investigate further.”

Anyone with information on ASB in their area can report it to Cheshire Police [via the website](#).



### **Officers charge woman in connection with theft offences in Macclesfield**

Officers from Macclesfield South Beat Team have charged a woman in connection with theft offences.

Lauren Wilson, 26, of no fixed address but of Macclesfield, was arrested and charged with two counts of theft from a shop, one count of theft in a dwelling, public order and two counts of fraud by false representation.

She has been remanded into custody to appear at Chester Magistrates' Court on Wednesday 1 March.

The charge follows an arrest by Macclesfield response officers in the early hours of Tuesday 28 February on Hope Street.

### **Woman charged in relation to burglary in Warrington**

Officers investigating a burglary in Warrington have charged a woman in connection to the incident.

Ornela Borisova, of Clough Lane, Huddersfield, was arrested on Friday 24 February in relation to the burglary of an address on Loushers Lane, Warrington.

The 22-year-old appeared at Crewe Magistrates Court on Saturday 25 February where she pleaded guilty to burglary and theft and theft from a person.

Borisova will be remanded in custody until she is set to appear at Chester Crown Court for sentencing on Monday March 20.

### **Detectives charge man with drug offences following warrant in Blacon**

Detectives from Chester Proactive Team have charged a man with drug offences following a warrant in Blacon.

Alessandro Esposito, 27, of Graham Road, Blacon, was arrested and subsequently charged with two counts of possession with intent to supply Class A (cocaine and MDMA) and B drugs (Cannabis).

He was remanded to appear at Crewe Magistrates' Court on 25 February where he was further remanded to appear at Chester Crown Court on 27 March.

The charges follow a warrant at an address in Blacon on Friday 24 February.

### **Officers enforce dispersal order in Winsford to crackdown on increased reports of ASB**

As part of continued efforts to tackle anti-social behaviour in the Winsford area officers have authorised a dispersal order covering the town centre area.

The order came into force at 3.30pm today, Saturday 25 February, and will remain in place for the next 48-hours.

Dispersal orders are implemented under the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003, they provide police with the extra powers to break up groups of two or more people, where they believe their behaviour is causing a nuisance, harassment or distress.

Officers can move individuals out of the specified area and stop them from returning for up to 24 hours.

If you are ordered to leave the Dispersal Order area and come back into the areas marked on the map, you are likely to be arrested.

Inspector Scott Fletcher said:

“Due to ongoing anti-social behaviour by a small minority of young people in the Winsford area, we have taken the decision to put these extra measures in place to deter this behaviour and reassure people that we are taking this seriously.

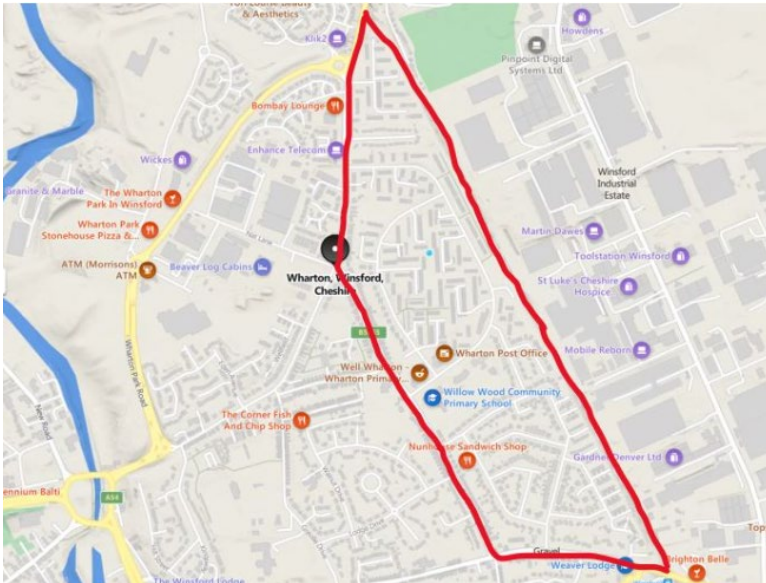
“This type of behaviour will not be tolerated; our communities should not be disrupted by anti-social behaviour. Every resident has the right to feel safe in their neighbourhoods yet a small minority are disrupting this.

“I would urge anyone who witnesses or feels that they have been subjected to anti-social behaviour to report this to us by calling 101 or reporting it via our [website](#).”



## Police impose Dispersal Order on Wharton to tackle anti-social behaviour

Police tackling anti-social behaviour in Wharton are imposing a Dispersal Order on the area (Dispersal Zone marked in red).



The Order has been implemented under the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003. An Order is currently in place until 6am Saturday morning and another Order will then be in place from 4pm that afternoon. This will run for 48 hours.

The Order provides the police with the extra powers to break up groups of two or more people, where they believe their behaviour is causing a nuisance, harassment or distress.

The police can move individuals out of the specified area and stop them from returning for up to 24 hours.

If you are aged under 16 and in the dispersal area without the supervision of an adult, the police may take you home if it is appropriate to do so.

If you are ordered to leave the Dispersal Order area and come back into the areas marked on the map, you are likely to be arrested.

Sgt Paul Cundy said:

“Last night a number of wheelie bins were set on fire and this follows on from other recent anti-social behaviour which we will not tolerate. We will continue to use these powers to deter anti-social behaviour along with longer term solutions which we are working on with our partners at Cheshire West and Chester Council and the local schools.”

## **Sexual predator jailed for 10 years for attacking a woman in Warrington**

A man who sexually assaulted a woman as she was walking home in Warrington has been jailed.

Gyulhan Hyusein pleaded guilty to two counts of sexual assault by digital penetration.

The 25-year-old was sentenced at Liverpool Crown Court on Thursday 23 February. He was jailed for 10 years.

The court heard that the victim, a woman in her late teens, was walking to her partner's home at around 3am on Sunday 16 October 2022 following a night out with friends.

As the woman walked along Orford Lane, she was approached by Hyusein, who put his arm around her and his hand down her back.

The victim pushed him away and told him 'no'.

However, Hyusein continued his attack, putting his hand down her trousers and touching her inappropriately.

Once again, the woman pushed him away and told him 'no'. She then attempted to walk away from him.

Hyusein followed the woman, and as she entered Orford Avenue he again put his hands down her trousers and touched her inappropriately.

As the woman screamed for help, he dragged her into an alleyway and pushed her against a wall, where he continued to touch the woman inappropriately with his fingers.

The victim continued to push Hyusein away and attempted to call for help, but he grabbed her phone and threw it away.

Hyusein eventually retreated, and the victim sought refuge at a nearby house while police were called to the scene.

Hyusein was arrested just hours after the attack – officers reviewing CCTV footage in a control room spotted him on live CCTV cameras in Warrington town centre.

Following sentencing, Detective Constable Laura Sandbach, who led the investigation at Warrington CID, said:

“Gyulhan Hyusein is a sexual predator. He attacked an innocent woman who was simply walking home, despite repeatedly being told to stop.

“This was an absolutely terrifying experience for the victim, and I would like to praise her for the courage and bravery that she has shown.

“While she will never be able to forget what Hyusein did to her that night, I hope the fact that he is now behind bars where he belongs will provide her with some closure.

“I would also like to thank the eagle-eyed officer who spotted Hyusein walking in Warrington town centre on live CCTV cameras as they were reviewing the footage from the attack.

“Thanks to their diligence, we were able to remove Hyusein from the streets of Warrington, and he is now facing the consequences of his actions in the form of a 10-year prison sentence.”

In addition to his custodial sentence, Hyusein, of Longford Street, Warrington, has also been ordered to sign the sex offenders’ register for life and handed a lifetime restraining order preventing him from contacting the victim.

Detective Sergeant Joe Davies added:

“I would like to commend DC Sandbach for her dedication and commitment throughout this investigation.

“No-one should have to experience what Gyulhan Hyusein’s victim has gone through, and I hope this case and the sentence that he has received encourages other victims of sexual offences to come forward and report what has happened to them.

“We treat all reports of sexual offences extremely seriously, and any allegation will be thoroughly investigated, with the wishes and needs of the victim as our main priority.”

To report any sexual offence, call Cheshire Constabulary on 101 or [report online](#).

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



## **Winsford officers working to tackle anti-social behaviour**

Officers are working to tackle anti-social behaviour in Winsford following a spate of incidents in the town.

On Monday 20 February, police received four reports of anti-social behaviour in Winsford involving groups of youths.

On each occasion officers attended quickly, and had cause to stop and search some who were reported to be in possession of weapons.

No weapons were found during any of these searches, and nobody that subsequently spoke to police actually confirmed seeing any weapons.

It is believed that these reports followed an under-18 disco that was held at a venue in the town on the same evening.

Sergeant Paul Cundy said:

“We’re aware of rumours circulating in the community about a number of youths carrying knives and we have received a number of calls relating to the matter.

“However, I want to make it clear that on each report we received that evening, officers responded quickly and no weapons were located.



“In Cheshire, we have one of the lowest knife crime rates in the country and we have a strong approach in tackling those who are carrying knives in our communities.

“We frequently visit schools and community groups to educate teens on the dangers of carrying knives and the horrific consequences – not only for themselves but those around them.

“That being said, I want to reassure the community that anyone who is found to be intent on causing harm or found to be causing anti-social behaviour will be robustly dealt with.”

Sgt Cundy continued:

“We are also working with the owners of the venue and the local authority to address the reports we have received in order to see what can be done to prevent this behaviour from occurring in the future.

“I would also urge anyone who has children in the town to educate them on the dangers of carrying knives and committing anti-social behaviour – the consequences of this behaviour won’t just affect them but also their families.

“I am also grateful to the public for raising their concerns and would urge you to continue to report any information that they have to us so that we can act and also build a picture of the activity that is going on in our neighbourhoods.

“This allows us to take appropriate action to address these issues swiftly and effectively if and when they arise.”

Anyone with information about anti-social behaviour in their area is urged to contact Cheshire Police via [the website](#) or call 101.

## **Police partner up with local bus company to tackle antisocial behaviour in Runcorn**

Police in Runcorn are working alongside local bus company Arriva to crackdown on anti-social behaviour (ASB) on bus routes in the town.

The initiative, led by Cheshire Police, aims to deter anti-social behaviour and criminal damage being committed while also providing reassurance to local residents.

The action comes in response to reports of 17 incidents on the transport network this year so far.

Some of the incidents have included windows being smashed, seats being burnt, and even an assault on a passenger.

The incidents have resulted in key bus services being curtailed and more than £4000 worth of damage.

In a bid to tackle the issues, plain clothed officers will be patrolling key routes that have been identified as ASB hotspots to keep passengers and drivers safe as well as taking necessary action against those causing the disruption.

Three people have already been arrested on suspicion of various offences as part of the ongoing crackdown.

Officers will also be applying Selecta DNA to items such as glass hammers and emergency stop buttons on routes which have previously been targeted by offenders.

Selecta DNA is a unique DNA Identifier that will enable officers to identify those who attempt to cause criminal damage on the buses swiftly and effectively.

Inspector Daniel Haddock, of Runcorn Local Policing Unit (LPU), said: "Our aim is to reassure the public that officers are out and about regularly patrolling the bus routes in Runcorn, with a particular focus on services within the Murdishaw area.

"Our officers will be hidden in plain sight and will be ready to act if anyone intent on causing harm to the public and ensure that they are removed and robustly dealt with.

"Although you may not be aware of their presence, they will be ready to disrupt any issues that arise on the routes that have been impacted by incidents of anti-social or nuisance behaviour in the past."

Inspector Haddock added: "I know there are members of the community who rely on buses as an essential form of transport, and they deserve to feel safe on their journey.

"While we are committed to doing all we can to tackle these incidents, it's essential that the community play their part, as they are the ones who will suffer the most if the bus routes are cancelled.

"I would urge parents in the local area to check where your children are and ensure that they understand how greatly this behaviour could impact those who rely on bus services most and the wider impact on not only themselves but their families if they were to be causing the trouble.

"I would also like to ask anyone who has witnessed any of the behaviour, or anyone who knows the people responsible, to contact us on 101 or report it via our website so that we can ensure they are held accountable for their actions."

Peter Sass, Head of Operations at Arriva Buses said: “In recent weeks, we have experienced a number of antisocial incidents across our Runcorn service routes and these have led to difficult but necessary decisions being made on some services being temporarily removed from the area.

“Furthermore, our on-board CCTV has been downloaded to aid the Police in their investigations and subsequent prosecutions of antisocial behaviour perpetrators.

“We’re proudly working in partnership with Cheshire Police, to seek a resolution to issues as quickly as possible, for the benefit of our staff, our customers and our communities.”

Mike Amesbury, MP for Weaver Vale, whose constituency includes East Runcorn, said: “I’m deeply concerned to hear about anti-social and criminal behaviour on and around buses in the Murdishaw area of Runcorn.

“This is completely unacceptable and, in some cases, highly dangerous and illegal. Drivers and passengers should not have to tolerate such conduct, which also puts the future of our vital bus services in jeopardy.

“This issue involves a small minority. I would like to make a plea to families and the community to help keep our young people on the right track. That is a collective responsibility we all share.”

Anyone with information on ASB in their area can report it to Cheshire Police [via the website](#).

## **Ellesmere Port officers enforce dispersal order to crackdown on increased reports of ASB**

Officers in Ellesmere Port have introduced a dispersal order following an increase in reports of anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the town.

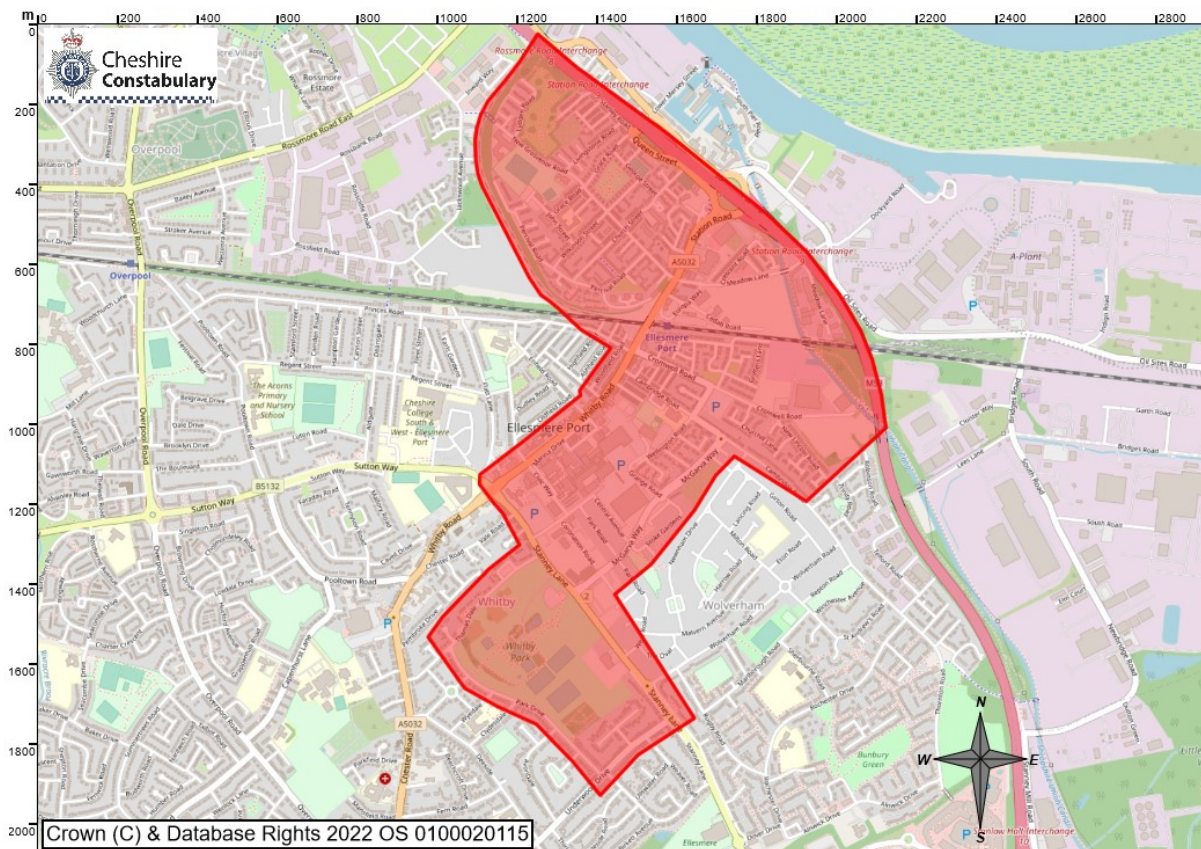
Over the past week officers have received reports of a large group of youths who have been committing ASB in the town centre and Whitby Park areas.

The group are also believed to be involved in two assaults which both occurred on Tuesday 21 February.

The first incident occurred in Ellesmere Port town centre at around 6.30pm where a 13-year-old boy was assaulted. A short time later, at 7.23pm another 13-year-old boy was assaulted at Whitby Park. Both boys sustained minor injuries.

The order, which came into force at 5.30pm on Wednesday 22 February and ends at 00.01 on Friday 24 February, covers Ellesmere Port Town centre, Whitby Park and the Westminster area.

The dispersal order has been imposed under



Section 34 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, allows officers to order people to leave a specific area and make it an offence for anyone to return to a specific area for up to 48 hours.

Chief Inspector Paul Fegan, head of Ellesmere Port Local Policing Unit, said:

“Due to ongoing anti-social behaviour here in Ellesmere Port by a small minority of young people, we have had we have put in these extra measures in place to deter this behaviour and reassure people that we are taking this seriously.

“This type of behaviour will not be tolerated; our communities should not be disrupted by anti-social behaviour. Every resident has the right to feel safe in their neighbourhoods yet a small minority are disrupting this.

“I would urge anyone who witnesses or feels that they have been subjected to anti-social behaviour to report this to us by calling 101 or reporting it via our website so that we can investigate further.”

Enquiries in relation to the two assaults are ongoing and anyone with any information is asked to contact Cheshire Police on 101, or at [www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us) , quoting IML 1484726.

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

## **Two men arrested following pursuit on M56**

Two men who led officers on a pursuit down the M56 have been arrested.

At 10:50pm on Tuesday 21 February, officers were alerted to reports of a HGV at Poplar 2000 services, Lymm, which was displaying cloned numberplates.

Officers were quickly deployed to the scene and engaged in a pursuit of the cloned IVECO box van as it travelled down the M56 and on to the M62 Eastbound toward Greater Manchester.

The quick-thinking officers were able to bring the vehicle to a standstill through the implementation of a tactical stop just after junction 11 near Birchwood.

The two occupants, two men 27 and 29, were successfully removed from the vehicle and subsequently arrested on suspicion of driving while disqualified, theft of a motor vehicle and driving under false plates.

Following the arrest, Josh Rimmer of the Area Investigation Team North, said:

“Thanks to the work of our quick-thinking officers, two disqualified drivers have been taken off the road and will be held accountable for their actions.

“I also hope that this acts as a clear indication toward any criminals who intend target Lymm as well as wider Cheshire.

“It is a warning, a promise, that our officers will be watching the roads for you and that we will catch you.”

## **Man charged following serious assault in Sandbach.**

Detectives investigating the serious assault of a man in Sandbach have charged a man in relation to the incident.

Thomas Dunn was arrested on Monday 20 February following an incident at an address in the Cecil Rugby Close area of Sandbach.

The 84-year-old of Oakdene Court, Cecil Rugby Close, Sandbach, has since been charged with section 18 assault, wounding with intent.

Dunn appeared at Chester Magistrates' Court on Wednesday 22 February where he was remanded in custody, he is next set to appear at Chester Crown Court on Wednesday 22 March.

The victim in the case, a 60-year-old local man, was taken to the Royal Stoke Hospital, where his condition is described as critical.

## **Cheshire Constabulary urge night time economy workers to complete bystander intervention training to help keep people safe**

Cheshire Constabulary is urging those who work in the night time economy to complete a free bystander intervention training session to help keep people safe across the county.

The course, which is being delivered by sexual harassment specialists – Purple Leaf – aims to empower those who work in the night time economy to better identify sexual harassment and learn how to intervene safely and effectively.

The training, which is free of charge to complete, is being offered to those who work in a bar, pub or club in Cheshire – including security who work the doors. Anyone who drives a taxi around the night time economy can also book themselves onto the informative and inspiring sessions.

Operational Lead for the Constabulary's Safer Streets initiative, Inspector Cliff Goodwin, said: "We are setting the standard that we do not accept sexual harassment, abuse and violence in Cheshire and neither should anyone else.

"We all must play our part in ending violence against women and girls and we are upskilling those who work in the night time economy to help them identify sexual harassment and empower them to intervene safely and effectively. The sessions are virtual and will only take up two hours of your time - but the benefits are unparalleled - and I strongly encourage night time economy workers to take up our bystander intervention training offering.

"Violence against women and girls is an issue that police and partners take very seriously, and we will continue working hard to make Cheshire even safer for everyone."

Kerry Best, from West Mercia Rape and Sexual Abuse Support Centre, said: "Sexual Violence impacts one in four women, one in 20 men and one in six children and we are pleased to be supporting Cheshire Constabulary with this vital piece of work. All of us can play our part in safely challenging inappropriate behaviour when we witness it.

“The Bystander training provides delegates with a framework for ensuring that the actions they choose to take are led by the wishes of the victim, keep everyone safe, and most importantly, do not collude with or minimise harmful sexual behaviours.”

Police and Crime Commissioner for Cheshire, John Dwyer said: “Everyone in society needs to stand up and work together to tackle violence against women and girls. By empowering people with knowledge about what sort of incidents they could encounter and how to step in, we can take a step towards making the change.

“I would encourage those in the night time economy to take up this offer of free training and help make Cheshire even safer.”

Virtual sessions are available throughout February and March:

- Thursday 23 February 2023, 4.00-6.00pm
- Thursday 2 March 2023, 4.00-6.00pm
- Monday 13 March 2023, 3.00-5.00pm
- Thursday 16 March 2023, 2.00-4.00pm
- Tuesday 21 March 2023, 3.00-5.00pm

To book a place on one of the courses email [Safer.Streets@cheshire.police.uk](mailto:Safer.Streets@cheshire.police.uk)

To find out more about Cheshire Constabulary’s Safer Streets initiative visit [the Cheshire Police website](#).

## **Two teenagers charged with drug offences in Macclesfield**

Two teenagers have been charged with drug offences in Macclesfield.

The two 17-year-old boys, one from Salford and another from Eccles, were both arrested and subsequently charged with conspiracy to supply class A drugs (crack cocaine and heroin).

They were remanded into custody to appear at Chester Magistrates’ Court on 15 February where they were bailed to appear at Crewe Magistrates’ Court on Wednesday 22 February.

The charges relate to an investigation into drug supply in the Macclesfield area.

## **Man pleads guilty to sexually abusing young girl**

A 49-year-old man from Runcorn has pleaded guilty to a string of child sex offences.

Kevin Jones, of Norman Road, appeared at Chester Crown Court on Friday 27 January where he pleaded guilty to six sexual offences including three counts of rape of a girl under 16.

All of the abuse occurred when the victim was aged between 13 and 16 years old.

Jones, who worked as a firefighter, pleaded guilty to all of the offences, which were committed up until Monday 19 September 2022.



Kevin Jones

Detective Constable Michaela Flynn, who led the investigation, said: "The incident has had a major impact on the victim, and I would like to thank her for the courage and resilience she has shown that has enabled us to secure this guilty plea.

"Kevin Jones is a very dangerous individual and the extent of the abuse he subjected the victim to is nothing short of horrific.

"I welcome his conviction and I hope that the victim and her family gain some closure.

"We are committed to tackling sexual violence and our officers support victims of this type of crime. I hope that the conviction provides some solace and closure to the victim and also gives others who may have suffered in silence the courage to come forward."

Jones has been remanded in custody and will be sentenced on Thursday 6 April.

Anyone who has been a victim of sexual assault is urged to contact Cheshire Police [via the website](#).



## **Man charged in connection with damage at Sandbach War Memorial**

Officers investigating damage caused to a number of wreaths and wooden crosses at the Cenotaph in Sandbach have charged a man in relation to the incident.

Pawel Jarecki was arrested on Sunday 19 February, the 30-year-old, of no fixed abode, has since been charged with criminal damage and theft.

Jarecki has been released on bail and is set to appear at Crewe Magistrates' Court on Friday 5 May.

## **Latest Cheshire Appeals**

### **Appeal to trace wanted man from Warrington**

Police are appealing for information from the public to help locate a wanted man.

Jafar Mohammed is wanted in connection with a breach of Crown Court bail. The 33-year-old man is from Warrington but was last seen in the Crewe area on 27 February. It's possible he may now be elsewhere in the country.

He is described as being around 5ft 9ins, of medium build, with brown hair and a distinctive tattoo of Arabic writing above his left eye.

Anyone who sees Mohammed should call Cheshire Police on 999, quoting IML 1490704.



## **Warrington man charged with multiple offences**

A man from Warrington has been charged with multiple offences.

Ryan Jarvis, of Smith Drive, Orford, was arrested on Friday 3 March.

The 37-year-old has since been charged with assault, criminal damage, and harassment.

Jarvis has been remanded in custody and is set to appear at Warrington Magistrates' Court on Saturday 25 March.

## **Man charged following aggravated burglary in Crewe**

Detectives have charged a man in connection to an aggravated burglary at a convenience store in Crewe.

Didar Tarfor Mahmood was arrested on Thursday 2 March, after police were called to reports of an incident at the Crewe Supermarket on Nantwich Road.

The 19-year-old of Sheil Road, Liverpool, has since been charged with Robbery. He has been remanded in custody and is set to appear at Chester Magistrates' Court later today, Friday 3 March.

Enquiries to trace a number of outstanding suspects in relation to the incident remain ongoing and officers are urging anyone with any information which may aid the investigation to get in touch.

Officers are also keen to hear from two customers who were in the store when the incident occurred. The customers were a woman who was believed to be wearing a red coat and a man who was wearing a coat with a furry hood.

Anyone with any information which may aid the investigation is asked to contact Cheshire Police on 101, or at [www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us) , quoting IML 1491033.

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

## **Officers continue to appeal for witnesses following serious collision in Boughton**

Officers are continuing to appealing for witnesses to come forward following a serious collision in Boughton.

At 4.09pm on 16 January officers were called to the A55 near to Sainsbury's at Great Boughton following reports that a white Porsche Cayenne had collided with a bridge.

The driver of the car, a 50-year-old local man, sustained serious injuries.

Police have been conducting extensive enquiries since the collision and officers are now appealing specifically for the driver of a white Volkswagen Transporter van that was seen in the area entering the A55 slip road just before the collision to come forward.

Police Constable Alistair Corr said: "The A55 would have had been quite busy at this time and there would have been several drivers who may have seen something that could assist us in establishing the exact circumstances of the incident.

"As such, I would also appeal to anyone who was in the area and may have information that could assist us, to please get in touch. The same goes to anyone who has dashcam footage from the area in the moments before the collision

"We're particularly keen to speak to the driver of the white VW transporter that had just been passed by the Porsche at the entrance to the A55 slip road, as we believe that they may have vital information that could assist us as a witness with our investigation."

Anyone with information is urged to contact Cheshire Police via [the Cheshire Police](#) quoting IML 1457704 or call 101.

Information can also be provided to Crimestoppers anonymously via [the Crimestoppers website](#) or call 0800 555 111.

## **Detectives appeal for information following suspicious incident in Tytherington**

Detectives are appealing for information following a suspicious incident in Tytherington.

At around 4pm on Monday 27 February, a 16-year-old girl was walking along Manchester Road, near the junction of Marlborough Drive, when a man got out of a white van, which was parked down the dirt track off Oldhams Rise, and walked towards her.

He spoke to her and asked her to get into his van. The girl refused and ran off.

At no point did the man make any physical contact with the girl.

The man is described as Asian, aged in his late 40s, of large build with a big grey beard and a Manchester accent.

At the time he was wearing a grey beanie hat, a black jumper, black joggers and black work boots.

Officers are now appealing for anyone with information to come forward to assist police with their enquiries.

Detective Sergeant Claire Miles said: "I know that this incident will cause great concern in the local community but please let me assure you that we are doing everything possible to identify the man.

"We will also be deploying additional officers around the area and I would urge anyone with concerns to please approach them.

"At the time that this occurred there would have been a lot of people in and around the area and I would urge anyone who saw something that didn't look quite right to get in touch.

"The same goes to anyone who may have dashcam footage from the area or may have CCTV and has not yet spoken to an officer.

"Any information, no matter how small you feel it may be, could assist us in identifying the man."

Anyone with information is urged to contact Cheshire Police via [the Cheshire Police website](#) quoting IML 1489129 or call 101.

Information can also be provided to Crimestoppers anonymously via [the Crimestoppers website](#) or call 0800 555 111.

### **CCTV image released following burglary in Widnes**



Officers investigating a burglary in Widnes have released CCTV footage of a man they are looking to identify and are appealing for information from the public.

At 6.16pm on Monday 20 February, officers received reports of a burglary at an address on Springfield Road, Widnes.

Officers attended the scene and found that a substantial amount of cash, along with watches and jewellery had been stolen.

Police have since released CCTV footage of a man believed to be involved in the incident and are appealing to anyone who recognises the man to get in touch.

Officers are also keen to hear from anyone who may have been in the area at the time and has any other information, CCTV or dash cam footage that may aid them in their investigation to come forward.

Detective Constable Deborah Carter, said:

“While I understand that, for the local community, this may be a cause of concern, I would like to assure residents that we are doing all we can to identify the person responsible.

“As our investigation into this incident remains on-going, I am appealing to anyone with any information that may aid our investigation to come forward.

“I’m particularly keen to hear from anyone who believes they know the identity of the man in the CCTV image.

“In addition, if you were in the local area or have any CCTV or dash cam footage, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We are also aware of the increasing number of residents using ring doorbells so please, if you have one, review it to see if anything has been captured.”

Anyone with any information or CCTV footage should contact Cheshire Police on 101 or enquire via our website, quoting IML 1483978.

## **Appeal for information following road traffic incident in Chester**

Officers are appealing for information from the public following a collision involving a mobility scooter in Chester.

At around 8:30pm on Tuesday 7 February, police received reports that a man had been injured following a road traffic incident in Hoole.

Officers attended and found a 56-year-old man had fallen from his Vespa scooter on the corner of Pipers Lane and Hoole Road.

He is believed to have swerved and fallen off of the scotter to avoid a collision with a black BMW.

The man suffered a broken collarbone. He has since received treatment at the Countess of Chester Hospital.

An investigation into the incident has been launched and officers are appealing to anyone who may have any information or CCTV or dash cam footage that could aid in the investigation.

Police Constable Roe of Chester LPU said:

“Our enquiries in relation to this incident are currently ongoing and we are doing all we can to establish exactly what took place.

“As part of our enquiries were urging anyone who was in the area at the time, or anyone who can provide any CCTV or dash cam footage, to get in touch.

“We’re also keen to identify the driver of a black BMW, who is believed to have been involved in a collision with the man on the mobility scooter.”

Anyone with any information which may aid the investigation is asked to contact Cheshire Police on 101, or at [www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us) , quoting IML 1476148.

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

## **Appeal for information after cyclist sustains serious injuries**



Police are appealing for information from the public after a cyclist presented themselves at the Countess of Chester Hospital with serious head injuries.

The 64-year-old local woman arrived at the hospital at around 5am on Thursday 23 February and is currently in a serious but stable condition.

An investigation into how the woman sustained the injuries has been launched and officers are keen to hear from anyone with any information or video footage.

Detective Sergeant James Elliot said:

“Enquiries in relation to this incident are ongoing, and we are doing all we can to piece together the woman’s movements and establish exactly how she sustained the injuries.

“We know that the woman travelled along Ermine Road, across Brook Lane, down into Dicksons Drive and onto Stanton Drive.

“From here, we believe that the woman will have travelled along Egerton Drive and Mill Lane, she then turned into Upton Drive. She will have then turned left into Bache Avenue, before crossing Liverpool Road and arriving at the hospital.

“Therefore, as part of our investigation we’re keen to hear from anyone who believes that they may have seen the woman as she was cycling to the hospital.

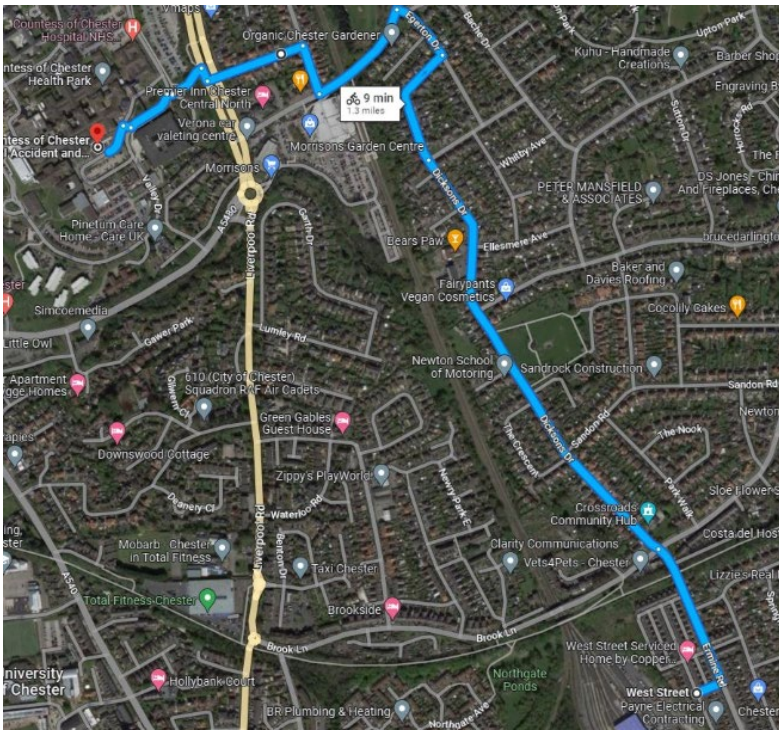
“We’re particularly keen to hear from anyone with any dashcam or CCTV footage of the woman.

“We’re also aware that a number of residents now have ring doorbells, so please, if you have one and live on the route taken by the woman, review it to see if anything has been captured.

“The woman was riding a distinctive looking pink ‘TREK’ bike and we hope the image of this bike will assist with reviewing any footage.”

Anyone with any information which may aid the investigation is asked to contact Cheshire Police on 101, or at [www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us) , quoting IML 1485728.

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



## Appeal for information following burglary in Frodsham

At 9:05am on Tuesday 21 February officers were called to reports of a burglary that had occurred at an address in Frodsham.

Officers attended the scene on Francis Road and discovered that a burglary had taken place between the late evening of the Monday 20 February and the early hours of Tuesday 21 February.

Further examining the scene officers concluded that an unknown number of suspects had forced entry into the address via a rear window and conducted an untidy search of the property.

Enquiries into the incident are ongoing and as part of the investigation, officers are appealing to anyone with information, CCTV or dashcam footage to get in touch.

Simon Hodson of Chester LPU said:

“I understand that this incident may be a cause of concern to some members of the local community, and I would like to reassure residents that we are doing all we can to identify the person responsible.

“Our enquiries remain ongoing and as part of our investigation we’re keen to hear from anyone with any information.



“If you were in the local area or have any CCTV or dash cam footage, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We are also aware of the increasing number of residents using ring doorbells so please, if you have one, review it to see if anything has been captured.”

Anyone with any information or CCTV footage should contact Cheshire Police on 101 or enquire via our [website](#), quoting IML 1484307.

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

## **Appeal for information following a theft in Rode Heath**

Officers are appealing for information from the public following the theft of high value plant machinery in Rode Heath.

At 9:14am on Monday 20 February, officers responded to reports that a tractor had been stolen from an address in Rode Heath between the evening of Friday 17 February and the early hours of Monday 20 February.

Officers attended the scene at a maintenance site on Knutsford Road and conducted a search of the area and found that an orange Kubota low loader, worth £12,000, had been stolen.

It is believed that unknown persons had forcibly gained access to the site, removing the tractor by cutting off the padlocks securing it inside a shipping container.

Nearby CCTV footage revealed that a person, dressed in a hoodie and jogging bottoms carrying a large carrier bag, was seen acting suspiciously outside the address at 3:55am on Monday 20 February. A vehicle, which was possibly seen carrying a low loader trailer, was also later spotted passing the site on Knutsford Road at 5:05am.

Officers are appealing to anyone with any information, dash cam or CCTV footage to get in touch.

Anyone with information should contact Cheshire police on 101 or enquiring via the [website](#) quoting IML 1483574.

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

## **Appeal for information following burglary in Chester**

Officers investigating a burglary at an address in Chester are appealing for information from the public.

At 9:32pm on Monday 20 February, officers were called to reports of four men forcing entry to an address in Chester.

Officers attended the scene on Fairford Road and conducted a search of the area but there was no trace of the men.

However, they discovered that there had been a burglary at the address and the caller, along with another occupant, had been assaulted; both sustaining minor injuries.

Enquiries into the incident are ongoing and as part of the investigation officers are appealing to anyone with information, CCTV or dashcam footage to get in touch.

Emma Donaldson of CID Reactive West, said:

“I understand that this incident may cause concern within the local community and I would like to reassure residents that it is believed to be isolated.

“Our enquiries are currently ongoing and we’re keen to hear from anyone with any information which may aid our investigation.

“If you were in the area at the time or have any CCTV or dash cam footage, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We are also aware that a lot of residents in that area have ring doorbells so please review to see if anything is captured.”

Anyone with information or CCTV footage should contact Cheshire police on 101 or via the website quoting IML 1484114.

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

## **Man charged in connection to serious assault in Congleton**

A man who was arrested in connection to a serious assault in Congleton, has now been charged.

Robert Higgins was arrested on Tuesday 21 February following an assault on Bromley Road which occurred at 7.23pm on Monday 20 February.

The 26-year-old, of no fixed abode, has been charged with section 18 assault, possession of a knife, possession of criminal property and theft from a shop.

Higgins appeared at Chester Magistrates’ Court today, Wednesday 22 February, where he was remanded in custody; he is next set to appear at Chester Crown Court on Wednesday 22 March.

The victim in the case, a 30-year-old local man, was taken to hospital; his injuries are not believed to be life threatening.

Anyone with information should contact Cheshire Police on 101, or at [www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us), quoting IML 1484025. Alternatively, information can be given anonymously by contacting Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

## **Appeal for information after objects thrown from bridges in Runcorn**

Police are appealing for information after three incidents where objects were thrown off bridges in Runcorn overnight.

The first incident occurred at 3.20pm on Monday 20 February, when an unknown object is reported to have struck the roof of a car on Runcorn Spur Road, near to Halton Brook.

At 3.44am on Tuesday 21 February, a woman was driving along Bridgewater Expressway, near to A533, when an object was thrown at her vehicle, causing the windscreen to shatter.

Glass from the windscreen caused injuries to the woman's eye and hands.

Shortly before this incident, an ambulance was also struck with an object which had been thrown from a footbridge over the A533.

A number of enquiries are underway to locate those responsible and officers are now urging anyone with information to get in touch.

Inspector Daniel Haddock said: "Throwing items bridges put people at risk and is a mindless act.

"This is a serious offence which could have potentially fatal consequences and we are doing all we can to locate those responsible.

"It is also important to realise the repercussions that this incident could bring, not only to the offenders, to those around them if they are found to be involved in this.

"As a result, we will be upping the number of officers in the area, and anyone found to be causing harm in our communities will be dealt with robustly.

"I would urge anyone who has information or knows who is responsible to please get in touch with us and we will do the rest."

Anyone with information is urged to contact Cheshire Police via [the Cheshire Police](http://www.cheshire.police.uk) or call 101.

## Police make new appeal for information regarding fatal collision in Warrington



Police are making a fresh appeal for information regarding a collision that left one dead, and another seriously injured.

Officers were called to a report of a collision off Holcroft Lane, Clucheth, at around 9:30pm on July 18, 2022.

Sadly, the rider of the bike, 17-year-old Ben Smith died at the scene

A 13-year-old passenger was taken to hospital with serious injuries; they have since been discharged.

Enquiries in relation to the appeal remain ongoing and officers are appealing to anyone who may have been on Holcroft Lane between 9pm and 9:30pm on that evening.

In particular, officers are keen to hear from the owner of a red motorcycle, who was seen just prior to collision, and may be key to understanding the exact circumstances of the incident.

Sue, Ben's mum, said:

"I am struggling to come to terms with the loss of my Son at such a young age, I know that this will not bring Ben back but any help from the rider or other witnesses will help me and the Police investigation into the collision".

Anyone with information is urged to report it via our [website](#) quoting IML 1320718 or call 101.

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

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