



A24 Oil Spillage Update

A criminal investigation has been launched after a diesel spill which closed part of the A24 in Leatherhead earlier this week.

A man in his 60s was interviewed by police on suspicion of a number of offences, including criminal damage reckless to endanger life, failing to stop at the scene of a collision, dangerous driving and careless driving. Chief Inspector Chris Tinney, from Surrey Police and Sussex Police's Roads Policing Unit said, "It is clear the damage caused to the A24, M25 and Cobham services has had a serious impact on our community. The effect on residents' and commuters' everyday lives whether it be school runs, caring responsibilities or trying to get to work cannot be understated. Our specialist Commercial Vehicle Unit is leading on this investigation and colleagues are working hard to understand the cause of incident.

"If you were involved in a road traffic collision on Tuesday (9 July) morning and believe this was as a result of this fuel spill, or have any information in relation to this incident, please get in contact with us quoting PR/45240078112. We are particularly interested in any dashcam footage from the A24 that morning.

"Finally, I would like to make a plea for drivers to abide by the current road closures. We are aware of multiple deliberate breaches of the closures which could, not only delay the resurfacing works but also put those working tirelessly to the road reopened, at risk."



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Feedback

Your feedback on the Newsletter is important to us.

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On Wednesday 10th July, partners across Redhill came together for a training session to discuss how we can jointly tackle anti-social behaviour in the town. Jo Grimshaw, Head of Anti-Social Behaviour at Surrey Police, led the session with Trevor Ford, Community Safety Officer at [Love Reigate and Banstead](#). Jo said: "It was great to see police, various departments from the borough council and volunteers from the amazing Street Pastor team, coming together to learn about tackling ASB in Redhill. Most importantly, we discussed the harm ASB can cause to victims and what we can do to support them to feel safer and ultimately ensure the anti-social behaviour stops."

Find out more about our work in Redhill here: <http://spkl.io/618447hs6> [#SaferRedhill](#)



Last Friday 12th July, officers from our Roads Policing Unit stopped a vehicle on Mill Road in Tadworth under Op Tutelage, a national initiative designed to reduce uninsured driving on our roads.

While stopped at the roadside, officers soon suspected that the driver was under the influence of drink and drugs. He blew 48 on the roadside breath test (the legal limit is 35), tested positive for cannabis and cocaine on a drugs wipe test, and confessed that he was disqualified from driving until June 2026...

With this hat trick under his belt, he was arrested on suspicion of drink driving and drug driving, and for driving whilst disqualified.

Although the driver has been released under investigation pending the results of his blood tests, he will be awaiting these tests in prison. He was charged and remanded for driving whilst disqualified and driving without insurance and given a 17-week custodial sentence. The court stated, "he had a flagrant disregard for the law": something he can think about while serving out those 17 weeks behind bars....

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You can sign up to [In the Know](#) to find out what is happening in your area: witness appeals, crime updates, crime prevention advice and news. This also includes the weekly Crime Update from Reigate and Banstead, Safer Neighbourhood Team

'In the Know' in May

Apart from our Weekly Police Update and Monthly Newsletter, these are the Surrey Police reports posted on 'In the Know' during June. If you missed any of the reports, shown below, then please go to the the Surrey Police Website. See page 4 for contact details.

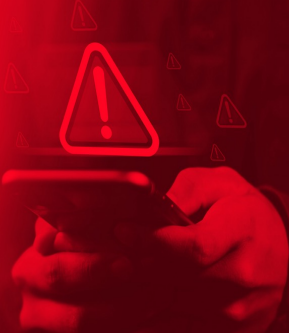
- 04/06/2024 Road Safety – Take time to take one extra look, road users asked in summer campaign
- 20/06/2024 Know someone who could be an Emergency Call Taker?
- 28/06/2024 Fraud Newsletter – June Edition.
- 28/06/2024 32 Million suspicious emails reported by the public.



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Report phishing

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The reports have led to more than 329,000 websites addresses being removed by the National Cyber Security Centre.

Action Fraud, the national fraud and cybercrime reporting service, launched a national phishing awareness campaign on 24 June 2024, as reporting reached its highest level since SERS launched. New data shows a rise of 44% year-on-year, with almost 11,611,400 reports made to SERS in 2023, up from 8,074,200 reports in 2022.

Alongside emails, there has also been a huge number of text messages reported to 7726. In March 2024, more than 60,000 malicious websites were removed as a result of being reported using 7726. This is a free service, offered by mobile network providers, allowing customers to forward suspicious text messages and help the removal of malicious URLs from messages.

Claire Webb, Deputy Head of Action Fraud, said:

“When fraudsters go phishing for valuable information, anyone could be a target. They will hook an unknowing victim with a genuine-looking email, in a bid to get them to share personal information, or bank details.

“Year on year, the amount of people reporting phishing emails and texts is growing. Action Fraud is urging everyone to be extra vigilant of suspicious-looking emails landing in their inbox, which could contain malicious links leading to unknown websites.

“Remember, if you think you have received a phishing email or text message, make sure you report it. You can forward emails to report@phishing.gov.uk, or forward spam text messages to 7726.”

SERS was launched by the [National Cyber Security Centre](https://www.ncsc.gov.uk) (NCSC) and the City of London Police in April 2020, to enable the public to forward suspicious emails and report any malicious website links. Since its launch, more than 30 million reports have been made to the service.

What is phishing?

'Phishing', 'quishing' or 'smishing' is when criminals use scam emails, text messages, QR codes, or phone calls to trick victims.

Whether it's an email asking you to “verify” your bank account details, or a text message claiming you've missed a delivery and are required to pay a redelivery fee, the goal is usually the same - to trick you into revealing personal and financial information.

Here's some practical advice you can follow when it comes to dealing with phishing:

1. If you have any doubts about a message, contact the organisation directly using the contact details on their official website.
 - Do not use the number or web address in the message. Your bank, or any other official source, will not ask you to provide sensitive information by email.
2. Received an email that doesn't feel right? STOP! Report suspicious emails by forwarding them to: **report@phishing.gov.uk**. Send emails to this address that feel suspicious, even if you're not certain they're a scam – they will be checked.
3. Always report suspicious text messages or scam call numbers, free of charge, to 7726. Your provider can find out where the text came from and block or ban the sender.
 - **To report a scam text, forward it to 7726 and then send the sender's number when prompted.**
 - **To report a scam call, simply text 7726 with the word 'Call' followed by the scam caller's number.**
4. If you've lost money or provided financial information as a result of a phishing scam, notify your bank immediately and report it to Action Fraud at actionfraud.police.uk or by calling **0300 123 2040**. In Scotland, call Police Scotland on 101.



Information Corner



Spotlight

AS A SAAVS VOLUNTEER,
YOU CAN MAKE A
REAL DIFFERENCE

Ever fancied playing a part in the running of our custody suites?

Surrey Appropriate Adult Volunteer Service (SAAVS) provide help to young and vulnerable people in police custody. They offer impartial support to anyone who may be frightened, bewildered or confused and in an unfamiliar situation. Covering the three Surrey police custody centres: Guildford, Salfords and Staines-upon-Thames, they attend around 1200 calls per year, offering help 24/7, 365 days a year.

If this sounds like something you could do, apply now for this valuable and rewarding role. To get involved or find out more, please see <https://saavs.org/>

DON'T BE FOOLED

Victims of cryptocurrency fraud report being lured in by glossy websites, social media posts and online ads.

#CryptocurrencyFraud **ActionFraud**
www.actionfraud.police.uk



Criminals will try to lure you in with adverts or via social media offering easy money quickly. Stop and think. It could protect you and your money.

Read more <http://actionfraud.police.uk/investmentfraud>

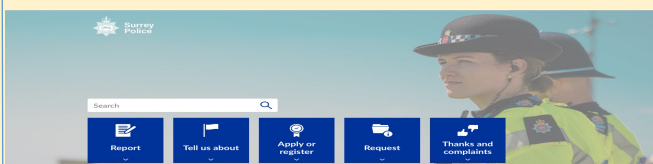
Crime statistics –

March 2024 to May 2024

Offence	April-24	May-24	June-24
Residential Burglaries	24 (13)	10 (6)	21(8)
Keyless Car Theft	9	12	5

(-) Actual residential burglaries only, not including - Attempted, Garage and Outbuilding Burglaries

The crime statistics for the last 3 months show a varied number, per month, of reported overall residential burglaries. The number of reported Keyless car thefts fell in June. Although not shown, there were no catalytic converter thefts in the three months to June.



The Surrey Police Website has lots of information and advice. It is there to support you.

<https://www.surrey.police.uk>

How to report a crime or incident:

Emergency: call 999

Non Emergency: call 101 or report online or via live chat at: www.surrey.police.uk

To contact your local team (not for reporting purposes) email: ReigateandBanstead@surrey.police.uk

You can pass information to us directly via 101, online via <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/> or anonymously via Crimestoppers 0800555111, <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

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